

Welcome to our church this morning! We are so glad you are here. Thank you for coming today and may our worship together be a blessing not only for this time but for the week ahead.

Here are some opportunities to learn more about FPC and the people who attend here: We are live streaming our service each Sunday on Facebook as well as offering previous services. Please visit our website for more services and information.

Our congregation has meetings for adult fellowship, service, music, children's classes including games, activities, and missions. This bulletin contains additional information on these events.

First Presbyterian Church of Wasilla is part of Presbyterian Church of the United States of America. We have been in Wasilla for over 78 years and are excited about present and future ministries which lead us Upward, Inward, and Outward. We wish to recruit, renew, and grow disciples for Jesus the Christ. We hope everyone will grow:

To know God the Father through the Love of His Son in the power of the Holy Spirit and to make Him known by our words and deeds.

Upward/Communion –
a life set apart,
Inward/Community –
a life shared,
Outward/Commissioned –
a life given.

February 2, 2025
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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Worship Leaders Today

Preaching: Rev. Elizabeth Shultz Liturgist: Elder Shirley Novak Worship Director: Dr. Garth Hangartner Pianist: Carolyn Olsen

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A Service of Worship

February 2, 2025

Prelude

Call to Worship

Prayer of the Day

Let Us Sing

#159

"O Sing a Song of Bethlehem" (1,3,4)

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Welcoming One Another

Let Us Sing

"Because He Lives"
"Grace Like Rain"

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Special Music

"Holy Forever"

Scriptures

Psalm 71:1-6, Luke 4:21-30, I Corinthians 13:1-13

Sermon

"The Body of Christ in Uncertain Times"

Call for Offering

Offering
Doxology
Unison Offering Prayer

Communion

Installation of Officers

Let Us Sing

#804

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!" (1,3,5)

Benediction

The Charge

Postlude

If you are a visitor, please look for a <u>yellow card</u> in your pew to let us know of your visit. Fill it out and drop it in the offering plate. Also, please look for our "Guest/Visitor/Newcomer" book on the landing outside the sanctuary for you to let us know of your attending our Worship. Please provide contact information if you have any questions or want to be contacted. We are happy you joined us this morning; PLEASE come back!

<u>Prayer Chain</u> – Prayer requests can be written down- Look for a <u>blue card</u> in your pew to request a prayer be put on the Prayer Chain and then drop it in the offering plate. Also, you may submit prayer joys or concerns by contacting Gretta Trotter (907-232-8997) or email (trotter@mtaonline.net).

Would you like someone to pray with you? Are any of you sick (body, mind, or spirit)? "You should call on the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord." James 5:14 A prayer team is in the front of the sanctuary, on the left side, second pew, to pray for you confidentially about any concern.

<u>www.FirstPresWasilla.org</u> – You can view worship service videos and read bulletins going back a year.

Today:

Potluck & Annual Meeting 1:30-2:30pm Corporate Prayer

Coming Up:

Tue. 10:30am Women Bible Study Wed. 5pm Youth Group & Family Gathering

Feb. 8th Men's Breakfast 8am

POSTSCRIPTS

Stewardship: January 26, 2025

Attendance 40 in person; 5 online

Offering: \$775.00

2025 General Offering: \$6,061.00 2024 General Offering: \$10,275.00

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." I Peter 4:10

Offering Online

E-Giving is possible by going to "firstpreswasilla.org" and look for the "Give Today" at the upper right or scroll down to the "Give Now" button. Thank you for your support of our church.

Corporation/Congregational Meeting

The 2025 Annual Congregational and Corporation Meeting is **today** following the service. Everyone is invited downstairs for a potluck lunch, and everyone is welcome to stay for our business meetings. Only members of FPCW may vote, however.

Faith Note: "Prayer costs nothing, is available always, and reminds us to be humble – for that is where God is."

Edward Weiss

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

Sunday morning adult Bible Study meets at 9Am. We normally meet in the Fellowship Hall, but the location may be changed to the Upper Room. Check when you arrive.

Youth & Family Gathering

The Youth Group and families meet on Wednesdays at 5PM for dinner and much more. Everyone is welcome!

Officers coming back into service

We will be installing these officers during worship today: Elders – class of 2027 Todd Broste, Meg Broste, Kerry Potter; Deacons – class of 2025 Jeff Trotter, class of 2027 Lori Benner, Janis Elliott, Brenda Muller, and Bruce Muller.

Food Bank Donations

Donations to date this year are 98 pounds. How fast can we donate 1,000 pounds? With so many families in need and no relief in sight, we can "feed His sheep." The Food Bank is now accepting cleaning supplies, toiletries, personal items, diapers etc. Please remember that perishable items must be delivered between 10am-1pm M-F to the Food Bank. Continue to bring unperishable items and/or personal items to the barrel in the foyer closet, and the Deacons will deliver them. Your generosity makes a difference. And with God, FPC is doing the impossible!

New Prayer Meeting Schedule

Corporate Prayer is held in the All Saints Prayer Room. On the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, it will be at 1:30-2:30pm. On the 2nd and 4th weeks it will be on Monday from 6:00-7:00pm. Please contact Tom Class at **907-354-8961** if you have any questions.

Women's Bible Study

The Horizons Bible Study "Let Justice Roll Down" is the focus on Tuesdays from 10:30 to noon in the Upper Room and on Zoom. The Zoom meeting ID is: 513 208 5590, passcode is: 9ypyDq.

Congregational Care Team

Are you needing help with a meal, ride, or visit? Do you know a church member who does? Please contact: Gretta Trotter at 907-232-8997 or Cindy Ryberg at 971-216-9222.

Support for Kambe & Chad

The Women's Bible Study group is taking gift cards or money donations to help Kambe and Chad with living, food, and other expenses while Chad is in Texas for his radiation treatments. If you would like to donate, you can do so with a check to the church noting "Padgetts" on the memo line or by giving the check to Shirley Novak. Any questions? Call or Text Shirley at 907-355-2686.

Birthdays

Feb 3 Jim Novak

Anniversaries

None this week.

Bulletin Blooper:

"Low Self-Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 to 8:30pm. Please use the back door."