

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 9, 2025
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

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Worship Leaders Today

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Benjamin McEntire Liturgist: Deacon Janis Elliott Worship Director: Dr. Garth Hangartner Pianist: Carolyn Olsen

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A Service of Worship

February 9, 2025

Prelude

Call to Worship

Prayer of the Day

Let Us Sing

"10,000 Reasons"

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Welcoming One Another

Let Us Sing

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Scriptures

2 Kings 6: 1-20, Psalm 91, Acts 19: 11-20, Matthew 4: 1-11

Sermon

"You Still Haven't Found What You're Looking For? Where Are You Looking?"

Call for Offering

Offering Doxology Unison Offering Prayer

Let Us Sing

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"The Summons"

Benediction

The Charge

Postlude

If you are a visitor, please look for a <u>vellow 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:

Fellowship

Coming Up:

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

POSTSCRIPTS

Stewardship: February 2, 2025

Attendance 54 in person; 1 online

Offering: \$4,261.82

2025 General Offering: \$12,727.82 2024 General Offering: \$18,620.09

"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.

Thank You!

FPCW appreciates all the folks who brought all the great food to the Annual Potluck/Business Meeting. Another thank you to all the members who attended and made a quorum so all necessary business could be conducted.

Faith Note:

"Prayer is the most important conversation of your day. Take it to God before you take it to anyone else."

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

These are the officers that have been installed from the latest slate: 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 **140** 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 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.

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.

KICK UP YOUR BOOTS!

The Children's Place has a great Western Themed Charity Gala Fundraiser planned for Saturday, April 12, 2025, at the Alaska State Fair's Raven Hall from 5-10:30pm. This event includes BBQ, live and silent auctions, live entertainment, line dancing, and even a mechanical bull!

The Mission of The Children's Place is to offer hope and healing to children and families impacted by child abuse and neglect through a coordinated community response.

There are several ways to contribute: you may donate an item/items for the auction or get your office or staff to contribute to one; attend the event and tickets are \$100/person; or join the event as a Sponsor. More information on the flyer in the office window and a QR code or visit //thechildrensplace.ejoinme.org/gala.

Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women will be meeting Saturday, February 15 at 10:30am for their monthly potluck brunch and meeting. Please plan to join us for a great time of food and fellowship.

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.

Eirthdays

Jacob Johnson
Tom Class
Liz Leonard
Rick Bushey

Anniversaries

None this week.

Bulletin Blooper:

"The third verse of Blessed Assurance will be sung without musical accomplishment."