

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.

March 2, 2025
Transfiguration of the Lord

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Worship Leaders Today

Preaching: John C. Deal Liturgist: Dr. Rev. Benjamin McEntire Worship Director: Dr. Garth Hangartner Pianist: Carolyn Olsen

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A Service of Worship

March 2, 2025

Prelude

Call to Worship

Let Us Sing

#744

"Arise, Your Light Is Come!"

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Welcoming One Another

Let Us Sing

"Blessed Be Your Name"
"Your Grace is Enough"

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Special Music

"Farther On"

Scriptures

Exodus 34:29-35, Luke 9:28-36

Sermon

"F.U.D."

Call for Offering

Offering Doxology Prayer

Communion

Let Us Sing

#543

"God, Be the Love to Search & Keep Me"

Benediction & The Charge

Postlude

Congregational Meeting after 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:

Congregational Meeting Fellowship

1:30-2:30pm Corporate Prayer

Coming Up:

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

Ash Wednesday Service at United Protestant Church Palmer at 7pm.

POSTSCRIPTS

Stewardship: February 23, 2025

Attendance 67 in person; 4 online Offering: \$973 + \$1,097 [E-giving] = \$2.070.00

2025 General Offering: \$20,724.82 2024 General Offering: \$25,729.09

"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." II Corinthians 9:7

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.

Faith Note:

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not arrogant or rude." I Corinthians 13:4a

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.

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study is on Tuesdays from 10:30 to noon in the Upper Room and on Zoom. They are beginning the Presbytery Outlook Digital Bible Study entitled "Grieving Change and Loss: The unpredictable, non-linear, faith-filled journey toward resurrection." There are extra copies of the study on the back table of the sanctuary if anyone would like to do the study. The Zoom meeting ID is: 513 208 5590, passcode is: 9ypyDq.

Officer coming back into service

Dana Frey was installed as a Deacon.

A Minute for Ministry

This is our week to 'host' Family Promise. We no longer house the clients in the church, but FPCW does support this ministry of homeless children with attached adults with a monthly donation of \$300 a month. Family Promise helps families get back into sustainable housing. Many families are just one emergency away from going under financially, be it an extended illness, lost job, car trouble, or medical bills. In honor of FPCW support, the Family Promise home in Wasilla is called the Kari House, after a former member who spearheaded our church joining this ministry, and the Henry House in Palmer was named after our former Pastor Henry.

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.

Youth & Family Gathering

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

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.

Family Promise Week Starts!

We host Family Promise with meals this week. We will be looking for volunteers to prepare dinners to be delivered to the Kari House at 561 W Nelson Ave. Dinners can be homemade or restaurant meals. There are 8 folks this time: 4 adults, 2 small girls and 2 teenage girls. No known allergies. Also, in need of snack foods, juice/milk, sandwich makings, and breakfast goods. I am trying to get a list of special requests. A sign-up board is in the foyer. Please call Lori 907-841-9542 with questions. Thank you for your generous support, meals, and money in the past.

Meeting Announcement

Presbytery has called a congregational meeting for today directly after worship to inform the congregation of an upcoming public ecclesiastical trial which involves an elder from FPCW. Session has called a Congregational Meeting to be held at the same time to present Tom Class, Lois Tidwell, Linda Carpenter, and Winston Tallman to serve on the 2025 Nominating Committee.

Please Note: Kids of the Kingdom

Our children's activities for kids K-5 during church include crafts, lessons, and snacks. If there are children in attendance, they may go to the sanctuary doors during "Welcoming One Another" to be escorted down to the Fellowship Hall.

Birthdays

Mar 4	Diane Payton
Mar 5	Sam Phillips
Mar 6	Meg Broste

Anniversaries

Mar 8 Dave & Ann Class

Mar 8 Ted & Caroline Leonard

FREE! FREE! FREE!

A new batch of used books are free for the taking downstairs in the fellowship hall.

Bulletin Blooper:

"The pastor will preach his farewell message, after which the choir will sing 'Break Forth Into Joy'."

Food Bank Donations

Donations to date: **235 pounds**First Presbyterian Church of Wasilla donates generously to the Food Pantry. It is only open from 10:00am-1:00pm Mon-Fri. They are always in need of volunteers, and you can check out their Facebook page or call them at 907-357-3769.