



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 9, 2025
First Sunday in Lent**

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Worship Leaders Today

Preaching: Elder Todd Broste
Liturgist: Deacon Janis Elliott
Worship Director: Dr. Garth Hangartner
Pianist: Carolyn Olsen

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A Service of Worship

March 9, 2025

Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymn #802

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Welcoming One Another

Let Us Sing

*“Leaning”
“My Shepherd”*

Presbytery Report

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Let Us Sing

“Unstoppable God”

Scriptures

*Exodus 24:12-18, 34:1-2, 27-28
Luke 4:1-13*

Sermon

“Prepare Yourself”

Call for Offering

*Offering
Doxology
Prayer*

Hymn #438

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

Benediction & The Charge

Postlude

If you are a visitor, please look for a **yellow card** 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!

Prayer Chain – Prayer requests can be **written down-** Look for a **blue card** 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.

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

Today:
Fellowship

Coming Up:
Mon 6-7pm Corporate Prayer
Tue. 10:30am Women Bible Study
Wed. 5pm Youth Group & Family Gathering
Saturday 10:30-12 Presbyterian Women

POSTSCRIPTS

Stewardship: March 2, 2025

Attendance 66 in person; 2 online

Offering: \$3,420.00

2025 General Offering: \$24,144.82

2024 General Offering: \$31,050.09

“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:

PEACE is warmth and harmony combined.

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 working through 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.

A Minute for Ministry

Valley Charities is a major resource for many folks in the Valley. It works with Alaska Housing, Mat-Su Health Foundation, Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority, the US Department of Housing and Urban development to “connect those who need help with the help they need.” Valley Charities operates Turn-A-Leaf Thrift Store (with a new location in Meadow Lakes!), Durable Medical Equipment Lending, and offers employment opportunities. They work to prevent homelessness, have re-entry programs, and offer training and fund-raising events. You can help support Valley Charities by shopping at the thrift stores, donating items to the thrift stores, volunteering to sort items, or make direct financial donations. Valley Charities has deep pockets that our Deacon ministry does not, and we are grateful to have this useful resource in the Valley.

Prayer Meeting Schedule

Corporate Prayer is held in the All Saints Prayer Room, located through the door behind the FISH musical equipment and down the stairs. 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 an old-fashioned sit-down dinner and then break into groups for devotionals 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.

2025 Nominating Committee

Tom Class, Lois Tidwell, Linda Carpenter, and Winston Tallman were elected for the 2025 Nominating Committee.

Thank You!

Family Promise is grateful for the continued support they receive each time our turn comes to prepare dinner, provide food, snacks, and breakfast & lunch items for our week in the rotation. Give yourself a pat on the back for a job well done!

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 will meet up at the sanctuary doors to go with their leader down to the Fellowship Hall.

Food Bank Donations

Donations to date: **267 pounds! Thank You!** 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.

Presbyterian Women!

PW will be having their monthly meeting and potluck Saturday, March 15 from 10:30-noon. All women are invited to join us for fun, food, and fellowship!

Birthdays

Mar 10	Lori Benner
Mar 13	Linda Carpenter
Mar 13	Roy Foster
Mar 14	Del Hangartner
Mar 15	Liz Potter

Anniversaries

Mar 15	Henry & Beverly Woodall
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FREE! FREE! FREE!

A new batch of used books are free for the taking downstairs in the fellowship hall on the back table under the cross.

Bulletin Bloopers:

“Due to the Rector's illness, Wednesday's healing services will be discontinued until further notice.”