



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 here in Wasilla for over 77 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 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 31, 2024
Easter Sunday**

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Worship Leaders Today
Preaching: Reverend Andrew Lemlyn
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A Service of Worship
March 31, 2024

Prelude

Call to Worship

Prayer of the Day

Hymn #228

“Were You There”

Children’s Time

Let Us Sing

“Come to the Altar”

“Battle Belongs”

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Special Music - Congregational Sing

“My Lighthouse”

Scriptures

Isaiah 25: 1-10, Psalm 118: 14-24,

John 20: 1-18

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith

Offering

Communion

Meditation

Doxology

Hymn #232

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

Benediction

The Charge

Postlude

Friendship Pads: On each pew is a black folder containing a form for you to leave your name, phone number and/or address. Check the box to indicate if you would like a phone call from the church. Newcomers, please leave your name and phone number, or even just your address so we can send you a card. We are happy you joined us this morning. Please come back!

Prayer Chain - If you have prayer joys or concerns contact 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.

Coming Up:

April 1, Corporate Prayer

April 3, LOGOS

April 13, Men’s Breakfast 8AM

April 14, Session 1130AM

April 21 Deacons 1115AM

POSTSCRIPTS

Stewardship: March 24, 2024

Attendance 80 in person; 5 online

Offering: \$4,430

Designated Offering: Deacons: \$100

OGHS: \$125

2024 General Offering: \$38,351.09

2023 General Offering: \$39,186.96

“Your stewardship has the potential to influence lives, provide hope to others, and make an eternal difference.”

Offering

To donate or tithe, please put your tithe in the plate on the back table, or you may mail a check to the church or use E-Giving 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 so much for your continued support of our church.

Faith Note:

It is by Christ that we have redemption.

Women’s Bible Study

We are in the new Horizons Bible Study. The women meet Tuesdays from 10:30 to noon in the Upper Room and on Zoom. The Zoom meeting ID is: 513 208 5590, passcode is: 9ypyDq.

Where two or more are gathered...

On Monday evenings from 6:00-7:00pm, Elder Tom Class invites **everyone** to the Prayer Room for corporate prayer. (You are not required to pray aloud)

Contact Tom Class at **907-354-8961**

The diaper drive ends 4/14

The Presbyterian Women are collecting new baby shower items for Heart Reach. The items most needed are diapers size 4 & 5, baby wipes, small toys, books, and receiving blankets. Handmade quilts and baby blankets are also welcome. Please put your donation items in the cradle at the top of the steps to the sanctuary.

We Appreciate All Y’all!

We are so grateful to have Reverend Andy. He is as eager to get to know us as we are to get to know him. Settling in takes some time. A **BIG Thank You** for giving Andy a warm Alaska welcome!

2024 Food Bank Donation Goal!

In 2022 it was 1,000+ pounds of food, in 2023 it was 778 pounds to the Wasilla Food Pantry. Let us see if we can make 2024 the best year yet. Grocery prices remain at record highs. Donations to date are **625** pounds! Many of this month’s donations came from David Kelly’s kitchen. If we give 100 pounds each month, we can meet our goal. Check your cupboard/pantry for items, scan store sales, or the discount produce. Please remember that perishable items must be delivered between 10am-1pm M-F to the Food Bank. Please continue to bring unperishable items to the barrel in the foyer closet, and the Deacons will see that they are delivered. Your generosity makes a difference. FPCW – We are totally rockin’ this challenge!!

We are the most perfect congregation!

While certainly surprising news, the evidence could not be clearer: not a single request has come to our Congregational Care Team for anything. Zip. Nada. Doh! We just realized the other possibility: that folks are reluctant or uncomfortable asking for help. The disciples protested when Jesus washed their feet. They tried to talk Him out of one of the most caring, loving gifts that He had for them. The world tells us, "I can do it myself!" But Jesus sent His disciples out among the people to minister to them. It isn't a matter of "those are needy folks. Somebody needs to help them." This team is striving to create the unity and closeness Christ taught by coming along side, sharing a burden, sharing a meal. The team is caring and confidential, and eager to reach out to any member or friend of FPC by providing a meal, a visit, running an errand, etc. Please contact Gretta Trotter (907-232-8997) or Cindy Ryberg (971-216-9222) for more information, to volunteer, or to make a request.

Bulletin Blooper

"Vistors are asked to sing their names at the church entrance."

Birthdays

Mar 31	Joann Eakin
Apr 4	Taylor Bushey
Apr 5	Michael Foster
Apr 6	Robert Doyle

Anniversaries

None this week.