



**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.**

*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:**

**April 27, 2025
Second Sunday of Easter
Holy Humor Sunday**

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Worship Leaders Today

**Preaching: Elder Lois Tidwell
Holy Humorist: Deacon Janis Elliott
Liturgist: Elder Shirley Novak
Worship Director: Dr. Garth Hangartner
Pianist: Carolyn Olsen**

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A Service of Worship

April 27, 2025

Prelude

Deacons

Call to Worship

Hymn “The Day of Resurrection!” #233

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Time for Children

Welcoming One Another

Let Us Sing

“Joyful (The One Who Saves)”

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Let Us Sing

“The Wonderful Cross”

Scriptures

Psalm 126, Prov. 17:22, Ecclesiastes 8:15,
I Peter 1:8-9, John 15:9-13

Sermon

“Choices”

Piano Meditation

Call for Offering

Doxology

Prayer

Hymn

#238

“Thine Is the Glory”

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: QUILT Raffle Drawing!
Fellowship & Coffee (downstairs)

Coming Up:

Monday 6-7pm Corporate Prayer
Tue. 10:30am Women Bible Study
Wed. 5pm Youth Group & Family Gathering

POSTSCRIPTS

Stewardship: April 20, 2025

Attendance 86 in person; 7 online

Offering: \$893.00

2025 General Offering: \$38,627.82

2024 General Offering: \$47,548.09

“We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”

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:

You are chosen, holy and dearly loved.
Colossians 3:12

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

Sunday morning adult Bible Study meets at 9Am. We normally meet in the Fellowship Hall, and we are studying Exodus.

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

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study is on Tuesdays from 10:30 to noon in the Upper Room, or by Zoom at: meeting ID is: 513 208 5590, passcode is: 9ypyDq.

A Minute for Ministry

The Deacons of FPCW serve a special mission in the Valley. Our Furniture Barn began back during the Miller's Reach fire. Today it provides folk with furniture free of charge. We accept donations of any gently used household furniture, but not electronics or appliances. Turn-A-Leaf thrift store gives us their overflow items that won't fit in their store. In addition to furniture, the Deacons serve as a help for the odd prescription, for tire repair, help with utility bills, or gas to get to an appointment or job. They prepare communion, do a fund-raiser for Holiday help to several charities/folks, and help out with the Thanksgiving Blessing for Wasilla each November.

Prayer Meeting Schedule

Corporate Prayer is in the All Saints Prayer Room on the first and third Sundays at 1:30-2:30pm. It's on the second and fourth Mondays, from 6:00-7:00pm. Please contact Tom Class at **907-354-8961** if you have any questions.

Quilt Raffle – April 27th!

Ruth Johnson donated a beautiful quilt to the church, and we are going to do a Quilt Raffle. Ticket sales are under way and sell for \$10 each or six for \$50. Please see Shirley Novak to get your tickets!

Congregational Care Team

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

Elders of our church

Todd Broste, Meg Broste, Bob Christensen, Tom Class, Shirley Novak, Kerry Potter, Lois Tidwell, Gretta Trotter.

Deacons of our church

Joy Cypra, Lori Benner, Janis Elliott, Kelley Engel, Linda Frey, Dana Frey, Brenda Muller, Bruce Muller, Cindy Peterson-Ryberg, Steve Ryberg, Jeff Trotter, Ralph Wesser

Family Promise Update:

We will be providing meals for Family Promise this week - April 27 to May 3. Providing meals or meal kits for 2 families consisting of 3 adults and 4 children (ages 5,6,12, and 13 yrs.) One family does like to cook and there are no known allergies. Please provide breakfast and lunch items (cereal, milk, eggs, lunch meat, chips, cut veggies) and then either a homemade dinner dropped off or a restaurant meal delivered between 5:30-6pm to the Kari House at 561 W. Nelson Avenue. Thanks to all who keep this vital ministry to homeless families going. Sign-up board is in the foyer. Call Lori 907-841-9542 with questions.

Looking into Summer

Our church has great financial needs and save the date and saleable items for an August 2 church-wide yard sale.

Food Bank Donations: 764 lbs!

Thank You so very much!

Did You Know?

When Kerry began the job of Treasurer, the MEA bill was around \$1,100 a month. After changing out incandescent bulbs for LEDs, timers on some lights, and a big effort from church goers and church users, the last bill was under \$500! Way to Go! Every dollar matters right now. Thank you for turning off the lights.

Colors of the Cross

Liturgical colors mark the seasons and festivals of the Christian year. Note the current banner color is WHITE. White is used for significant days (Epiphany, Baptism, Transfiguration, and Ascension) or seasons (Christmas and Easter) in the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, and for the other theological commemorations (Trinity, All Saint's Day, and Christ the King).

Birthdays

April 27	King Elliott
April 28	Bonnie Dinkel
April 30	Queen Elliott
May 2	Shelly Sears
May 3	Helen Hall
May 3	Abigail Jensen

Bulletin Bloopers:

"Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community."

If you enjoyed the GoD and DoG book Janis Elliott read a couple of weeks ago, you can google Wendy Francesca and see the video and the words put to music. It is quite sweet.