

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.

April 28, 2024 5 th Sunday of Easter

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A Service of Worship **April 28, 2024**

Prelude

Call to Worship

Prayer of the Day

#233 Let Us Sing "The Day of Resurrection!"

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

Welcoming One Another

Let Us Sing "Everywhere I Go" "Trust in God"

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Scriptures Psalm 22: 25-31. Acts 8: 26-40 John 15-1-8

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith Offering *Meditation* Doxology

Let Us Sing "Give Thanks to God Who Hears Our Cries"

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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.

Today Fellowship Family Promise hosting starts.

Coming Up: April 29, Corporate Prayer May 1, LOGOS

POSTSCRIPTS

Stewardship: April 21, 2024

Attendance 56 in person; 10 online Offering: \$2,595 Designated Offering: Deacons: \$100 2024 General Offering: \$47,548.09 2023 General Offering: \$57,791.46

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, "says the Lord Almighty," and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it. Malachi 3: 10

Offering

To donate or tithe, please put your offering 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:

"Though the mountains be shaken, and the hill be removed, yet My unfailing love" for you will not be shaken..." Isaiah 54-10

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**

Diaper drive - Thank you!

The PW would like to thank those who generously donated to Heart Reach for the Spring Baby Shower. They were so grateful for the donations.

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 **801** pounds!! If we give 100 pounds each month, we can more than 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!!

Family Promise

Our week to host Family Promise starts TODAY, April 28 and ends May 4. As we have in the recent past, we will need to deliver dinners dinner meals on location at the Kari House 561 W Nelson Ave (across from Wonderland Park here in Wasilla). Dinners need to arrive between 5:30 and 6PM. The meals can be homemade. restaurant meals or meal kits. Also, breakfast items, lunch items, snacks, juice, and milk are very welcome and appreciated. There is one family in the program, a husband, wife, and a 2-yearold. No food allergies. If you have any questions or want to volunteer call Lori Benner at 907-841-9542 THANK YOU!

Congregational Care Team

The Congregational Care Team is available to help with meals, rides, visits, etc. Please call Gretta Trotter at 907-232-8997 or Cindy Ryberg at 907-216-9222

LADIES,

Dust off your fascinators, get out your hats! We are having a tea party, Saturday, May 18th from 1030AM to noon. Please bring a dish to share and we hope to see all the ladies of the church at the tea party. For questions, please call Cindy Ryberg at 971-216-9222.

<u> Birthdays</u>

Apr 28Bonnie DinkelApr. 30Janis Elliott

<u>Anniversaries</u>

None this week

Bulletin Blooper

"At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice."