



**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.**

**May 25, 2025
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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:

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Worship Leaders Today

**Preaching: John Deal & Benjamin
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Worship Director: Dr. Garth Hangartner
Pianist: Carolyn Olsen**

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A Service of Worship

May 25, 2025

Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymn #29

"O God, You Search Me"

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Time for Children

Welcoming One Another

Let Us Sing

"The Gift of Love"

"The Servant Way of Jesus"

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Let Us Sing

"God of Our Fathers"

Scriptures

Psalm 139, Matthew 11:20-30,

Hebrews 13:1-3, John 15:9-13

Sermon

*"Let Us Sing Together,
The Last Full Measure"*

Meditation

Call for Offering

Doxology

Prayer

Hymn #649

"Amazing Grace"

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:

Beginning of Summer Picnic!

Corporate prayer meeting after the picnic today

Coming Up:

Tue. 10:30am Women Bible Study

POSTSCRIPTS

Stewardship: May 18, 2025

Attendance 47 in person; 4 online

Offering: \$6,807

Fact: The weekly amount our church needs to meet expenses is \$5,000 dollars, or \$20,000 dollars per month.

“Tithing is not giving; it is bringing.”

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:

“There is always, always, always something to be grateful for.”

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

Sunday morning adult Bible Study meets at 9Am. We normally meet in the Fellowship Hall (where the hot coffee is), and we are studying Exodus.

Stay Tuned for More this summer:

The Family Gathering and Youth Group may meet a couple of times over the summer. An event is in the planning for June 11th. More details to come.

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. **They are now following the Bible Recap study by Tara-Leigh Cobble.**

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.

***The Prayer Meeting will convene after today’s Beginning of Summer Picnic.**

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.

Save the Date and Saleable Goods!

Our church has great financial needs and asks that you save the date and saleable items for Saturday, August 2 church-wide yard sale.

Did You Know?

Our FPCW Deacons are busy folks. They take calls for help with prescriptions, gasoline, utilities, assistance with rent, and helping folks connect with resources with deeper pockets. They are a part of The Valley Thanksgiving Blessing and organizing our congregation to sling turkeys that Saturday. They provide a fundraiser lunch to benefit Family Promise, the Christmas Friendship Dinner, folks in our congregation, and support the Valley Blessing. Deacons prepare and clean up Communion on the first Sundays of the month. And the big ministry is our Furniture Barn that provides hundreds of furniture items to folks in need. If you have gently used furniture to donate, please contact the Deacons at 907-355-9011.

Picnic right after church today!

Our Women's Group is furnishing hot dogs, hamburger patties, buns, and condiments for everyone to enjoy! Join us for our Beginning of Summer Picnic. If you want to help out today, check with Shirley Novak. Extra hands are always welcome for clean-up.

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, Janis Elliott, Kelley Engel, Linda Frey, Dana Frey, Brenda Muller, Bruce Muller, Jeff Trotter, Ralph Wesser

Colors of the Cross

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). The next color will be **RED**. There is only one day in the year when the banner will be **red**. Do you know the significance and when it is?

Food Bank Donations: 846 lbs!

Thank You so very much!

Vacation Bible School available

WHEN: June 2nd -6th, 2025

Time: 9am – 12:30pm

Where: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 501 E. Bogard RD

Preregister: Scan the QR Code on the flyer in the office window.

WANTED:

We are looking for volunteers to work in the office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10-2pm. If you might be able to help out please contact Shirley Novak at 907-355-2686.

Commission on Health and Healing

Yukon Presbytery has formed a commission to walk alongside our congregation as we work through our rough times. They would like to talk to individuals and find out what concerns there might be as we move forward. Please feel free to call or email any of these folks if you want to talk to someone. They will be more than happy to meet with you either one on one or as a group, and all comments will be confidential. The members of the commission are:

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Birthdays

May 26 Dana Frey

May 31 Cindy Ryberg

Anniversaries

May 27 Dana & Linda Frey

Laughter is the best medicine:

"My teacher told me years ago not to worry about spelling because in the future there will be autocorrect, and for that I am eternally grapefruit."