



*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 (only 4 most recent services available). Please visit our website for this year's Sunday bulletins and more 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.**

**July 27, 2025**  
**Seventh Sunday After Pentecost**

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***Worship Leaders Today***

Preaching: John Deal  
Liturgist: Elder Shelly McDonald  
Worship Director: Dr. Garth Hangartner  
Pianist: Carolyn Olsen

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## **A Service of Worship**

### **July 27, 2025**

***Prelude***

***Call to Worship***

***Let Us Sing***  
*“Blessed Be Your Name”*

***Prayer of Confession***

***Assurance of Pardon***

***Welcoming One Another***

***Let Us Sing***  
*“Because He Lives (Amen)”*

***Prayers of the People***

***The Lord’s Prayer***

***Scriptures***  
*Psalm 23, Mark 3:13-19,*  
*Luke 24:13-35*

***Sermon***  
*“Lead, Follow, or Get...”*

***Call for Offering***  
*Offertory*  
*Doxology*  
*Prayer*

***Let Us Sing***  
*“Your Grace Is Enough”*

***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](mailto: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](http://www.FirstPresWasilla.org)** – You can view worship service videos and read bulletins going back a year.

**Today:**  
**Fellowship Time**

**Coming Up:**  
**Mon. 6pm Corporate Prayer**  
**Tue. 10:30am Women Bible Study**

## POSTSCRIPTS

### Stewardship for July 20, 2025

Updates next week

**“Give according to your income lest God make your income according to your giving.” Peter Marshall**

### 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.

### Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

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

### Family Gathering & Youth Group

The Family Gathering and Youth Group will meet 4:30 – 7pm **August 13<sup>th</sup>**. Come and join us for a great time of food, fun, fellowship, and Bible study.

### Prayer Meeting Schedule

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

### Deacons of our church

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

## Multi-Family Churchwide Yard Sale

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Yard Sale is this

**Saturday, August 2, 9am-3 pm.**

Gather those gently used treasures for sale to benefit our church. Items you wish to donate for the sale can be brought to the Youth Room at the back of the Fellowship Hall, and Lois and friends will price them. If there are sizes or information that would help to sell the item, please include that. If you want to operate a booth of your arts or crafts, it is only \$10 per table plus whatever you want to donate over and above. Lois has a sign-up sheet for the individual tables – please let her know TODAY so there will be the right number of tables set up. It really is a fun time. Join us and pray for good weather! Questions? Contact Lois Tidwell 907-631-8008.

### PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGES

New church office hours:

Tuesdays 10:00 – 2:00pm

Fridays 9:30am-until the bulletin is complete for the summer.

### 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.

### Election of Elders

Winston Tallman has been elected to fill the remainder of Sam Phillips' term for the class of 2025. Rodney Pucak was elected to fill the remainder of Kerry Potter's term for the class of 2027. They will start serving upon completion of their Elder training and examination by session. Elders elected for the class of 2025 are Linda Frey, Tom Class, and Winston Tallman.

## Food Bank Donations:

**1,453 POUNDS!**

*The Food Bank folks are extremely grateful for FPCW's support.* We are one of the few churches who consistently bring donations. Remember that fresh and perishable foods can be delivered between 10:00 – 12:00. There is ALWAYS a need for fresh and shelf stable milks. The Food Bank can now accept household items: cleaning supplies, paper products, shampoo, shaving cream and razors, diapers, even duct tape!

## The Serenity Prayer

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change;  
Courage to change the things I can;  
and wisdom to know the difference.  
Living one day at a time;  
Enjoying one moment at a time;  
Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace;  
Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is,  
not as I would have it;  
Trusting that He will make all things right  
if I surrender to His Will;  
So that I may be reasonably happy in this  
life and supremely happy with Him forever  
in the next. Amen.      Reinhold Niebuhr

## 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 Linda Carpenter 907-315-6998.

## Elders of our church

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

## \*\*\*Streaming our Services\*\*\*

We have experienced issues with streaming our services on FaceBook, so we are going to try the “Live” function of our YouTube channel instead. Go to youtube.com and search for **First Pres Wasilla AK** and find our site with the front of the sanctuary as the banner picture. Click the “Subscribe” button and you will be good to go! Once you have subscribed, you can also click on the “bell” icon to turn on notifications as well. On Sunday mornings, come back to the site and you will be able to watch the live stream there instead of FaceBook. Thank you for adapting as we make our way through the changes in social media. We hope to see you Sunday – in person or online!

## *Birthdays*

July 27	Brenda Muller
July 28	Jill Warner
July 29	Charles Smelcer
August 1	Bob Christensen

## *Anniversaries*

July 30	Sam & Allyssia Phillips
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