



Welcome to our church this morning. We are glad you are here. Please fill in our Friendship Book, which is located on the inside aisle of our pews. We hope to greet everyone today and to make our time together a source of inspiration and service.

We have childcare available during our service, for children five years and younger, located just beside the entrance to the sanctuary. We also have a special time for worship designed specifically for K-5 grade folk. They can go downstairs at the conclusion of our Congregational Singing in our order of service. If you would like to go with them for a few moments the first time or two you are encouraged to do so.

After each service, there is a time for fellowship in our fellowship hall located downstairs and around the corner from the sanctuary. We have some refreshments and encourage everyone to come and visit for a few minutes before heading home.

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Thank you for coming today and may the offering of our worship together be a blessing not only for this time but for the week ahead.

First Presbyterian Church of Wasilla is part of Presbyterian Church of the United States of America. We have been here in Wasilla for over 70 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:

Upward in worship,
Inward in fellowship and discipleship,
Outward in service and evangelism.

January 7, 2018
Happy New Year!

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Worship Leaders Today
Preaching: Rev. Henry Woodall
Music/Media Director: Garth Hangartner
Organist/Pianist: Allayne Dinkel
Pianist/Organist: Jan Krsnak

Service of Worship
January 7, 2018

Prelude

Call to Worship *Isaiah 60:1-3*

Prayer of Confession *Psalm 32:1-7*

Assurance of Pardon *I John 2:1-2*

Hymn **#401**
 "*Here in This Place*"

Time with Children

Welcoming One Another
(Children may head downstairs for Kingdom Kids and will return for communion)

Congregational Singing *FISH*
 "*Amazing Love – You Are My King*"
 "*How Deep the Father's Love For Us*"
 "*10,000 Reasons*"

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading
 Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon
 "*Epiphanies: Seeing God's Light in Our Lives*"

Offering

Offertory
 "*Sages From Afar*"
 Blake

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Communion

Hymn **#744**
 "*Arise, Your Light Is Come!*"

Benediction *Ephesians 3:20-21*

Choral Benediction **#748**
 "*Go With Us, Lord*"

Postlude
 "*Lord of Life*"
 Paxton

FELLOWSHIP TIME - *Everyone* is encouraged to come downstairs to have some coffee and snacks immediately following the Service of Worship. The refreshments are good, but the best part is visiting with your fellow worshippers. If you are new, this is a wonderful time for us all to get to know one another better!

Fellowship Pads - It is a pleasure having you with us this morning. We would love for you to sign the fellowship pad at the end of the pew. Thank you.

Would you like to pray? 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 available at the front of the sanctuary to pray for you personally and confidentially about any concern you may have.

Prayer Chain - If you have prayer joys or concerns please send an email to Laurie Kari at laurie.kari6@gmail.com.

Visit Our Revamped Website – <http://www.FirstPresWasilla.org>
Check it out for sermon audio recordings, video of the complete worship service, bulletins, Henry's blog, and an online calendar & more!

DATES TO REMEMBER:
Fair Trade Sales: Jan 14

Please be sure to secure your vehicles.

POSTSCRIPTS

Stewardship – December 31, 2017

Attendance: 68

Offering: \$5,517

Year to Date General Offering: \$251,802

Amt needed to meet the budget: \$275,281

Designated Offering: Christmas Joy: \$515

(Total to date: \$2,071)

“Christian stewards seek the heart of God in faithfully, joyfully, and gratefully managing all the gifts God has given.”

Table Talk

After church, grab a snack and coffee, then join us in the Youth Room at the back of the Fellowship Hall. We'll discuss and examine the scriptures & sermon in depth and also have a chance to get better acquainted. We will wrap things up by noon.

Women's Bible Study Tuesdays

In the Upper Room from 10:30-noon, all women are welcome to join our current Horizons Bible Study, “Cloud of Witnesses.” We are taking a short break, and will meet again this week, January 9th. We will finish up Lesson 3 on that day, hopefully!

PRESBYTERIAN MEN - SATURDAY

All men are invited to join us for breakfast on the second and fourth Saturday of the month. Make a note that the second Men's Breakfast this month will be held in Palmer, January 27.

Fair Trade Sales Next Sunday!

A new year is here and we are continuing our Fair Trade mission. Olive Oil, Coffee, Tea, Cocoa Mixes, Candy Bars and Fruit Bars will be available again this year. If you need anything before the next sale date, just ask Cindy Satterfield to get you what you need. She'll be more than happy to help: ask her at church, call her phone (357-3047), or e-mail (SatterfieldC@yahoo.com). The next scheduled sales date is January 14th.

Officer Reports Due

If you are responsible for a report in the 2017 Annual report, please email it to wasilla@mtaonline.net attention Shirley. This makes it easier for the Annual report to be assembled. **All reports should be submitted by this Tuesday, January 9, 2018.** Thank you – Shirley Novak

Presbyterian Women

The first meeting of PW in 2018 will be Saturday, January 13, from 10-12 noon down in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited to come and enjoy a potluck lunch and either listen to a scheduled speaker, learn a craft, or work on a project. Invite a friend!

Arise, shine, your light has come! The 2018 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women is scheduled for August 2-5 in Louisville, Kentucky. Copies of the 2018 Churchwide Gathering Registration booklet will be available at the meeting.

Session Meeting January 21
Deacons Meeting Today 11:30am

Birthdays

Jan 10 Tom Berg
Jan 16 Richard Harvey
Jan 17 Lydia Bushey
Jan 17 Caroline Prosser

Anniversaries

Jan 10 Jeremiah & Sara Johnson

Activities for the Week

Sunday, January 7

10:00am Worship Service/Communion

11:15am Table Talk

11:30am Deacons

Monday, January 8

Tuesday, January 9

10:30am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 10

7:00pm Choir

8:00pm FISH

Thursday, January 11

Friday, January 12

Saturday, January 13

8:00am Men's Breakfast

10:00am Presbyterian Women

Sunday, January 14

10:00am Worship Service

11:15am Table Talk

Communion

*Speak O Lord as we come to you
To receive the food of your holy word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All your purposes for your glory.*

*Teach us Lord full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eye to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail –
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.*

*Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built
And the earth is filled with your glory.*

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen