

worship guide

Welcome and Prayer

Worship in Song | *See What a Morning (Resurrection Hymn)*

Passing of the Peace

Opening the Alleluias

Worship in Song | *Christ the Lord is Risen Today Hymn 289*

Children's Message

Children through 5th grade are dismissed for Godly Play + The Link

Offering + Special Music | *Christ Arose*

Scripture Readings | *Matthew 28:1-4, 5-8*

Meditation | *He is Risen*

Candle Lighting

Worship in Song | *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee Hymn 377*

Affirmation of Faith

Worship in Song | *Ain't No Grave, Lo, in the Grave He Lay*

Invitations

Charge and Blessing

discussion questions

Matthew 28:1-15

He is risen, and the worst news is now the best. Worship the risen Lord.

- What does it mean that the women see the tomb stone rolled away?
- What do they make of the angel's words?
- What does fear and joy feel like?
- What do you notice about this encounter with a risen Jesus?
- What does Jesus mean by brothers? How do we interpret this?

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sharing a living faith across generations

Easter Sunday | March 31st, 2024



HE IS RISEN!

*Tammy Rutgers, Organ • Jocelyn Meyer, Music
Kerrie Bauer, Liturgist • Doug Bunnell, Preacher*

*Brass Quintet: Elliot Smith - Trumpet, Kaden Schmidt - Trumpet,
Elena Bauer - French Horn, Jamison Schmidt - Trombone, Shon Schmidt - Trombone*

See events inside, visit fpcbellingham.org/calendar for this week's regular meetings or email info@fpcbellingham.org for links and further information.

Phone messages are checked throughout the week. 360.734.5510

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COMMUNION

The sacrament (mystery) of communion is celebrated at FPC every Sunday. The table is open to all followers of Jesus of any age or stage. Once the table is opened, you are invited to come forward and receive communion from a server. Please raise your hand if you would like to be served at your seat. The cup is grape juice; the intinction bread is gluten-free. Optional disposable cups (with gluten), can be put in the lobby trash can after the service. During communion, you're invited to light a candle in lament or hope.



CAFÉ PRES

Join us each Sunday after the service for some community time, coffee and treats.

If you'd like to host Café Pres, sign up downstairs or email jocelyn@fpcbellingham.org

PEW CARDS

Fill out a card and place in the offering plate or in the box in the foyer.

CONNECT | get involved, update your contact information

CARE | request prayer, visitation, sign up for Prayer Vine emails

GIVE | ways to give of your time, talents and treasure

CHILDREN ON SUNDAYS

An unstaffed, equipped nursery, Room 2, is available downstairs for parents to change diapers, settle babies and watch the service livestream.

Godly Play Prep: Toddlers —3-Year-Olds

Toddlers through 3 years old are welcome in Godly Play Prep. Rooms 3 & 4. (Please enter through the door for Room 3.) Godly Play Prep is open to receive toddlers through 3-year-olds five minutes before (9:55am) or anytime during the service.

Godly Play: Preschool—3rd Grade

Godly Play Mentors are excited to welcome your children to Godly Play!

Children ages preschool - 3rd grade will be blessed from congregational worship to sing, wonder about God's story, respond through art and play, and care for one another.

We treasure your children! Thank you for trusting them with us for Godly Play!

The Link: 4th + 5th Grade Sunday School

Meets in Room 1 in the Fellowship Hall and is dismissed from worship with Godly Play. The Link will be dismissed to connect with parents at Café Pres.

YOUTH

(MIDDLE SCHOOL + HIGH SCHOOL)

Small Groups meet every other week on Sunday. If you'd like to get involved, email youth@fpcbellingham.org for details. There's a group for everyone!

STAY CONNECTED

THIS WEEK:

Spring Break: There will be no regular weekly meetings or office hours April 1-5
Commons monthly events will continue.

VBS 2024: Alpine Ascent

June 24-27 | 9am—12 noon

Registration opens Monday, April 1st for children and volunteers!

Register: tinyurl.com/AlpineVBS2024

REGULAR MEETINGS TO RESUME 4/7:

Prayer Praxis Group

Sundays 6:30-8pm | In person at FPC and on Zoom | Come and join us as together we seek for a deeper experience of the Spirit in our lives. We will be Reading Mike Neelley's book, Hearing the Heartbeat of God and also practicing the exercises that Mike talks about.

FPC Story Hour

Mondays | 7-8pm on Zoom
Join us as we begin reading *Redwall* by Brian Jacques. Reading, discussion... always a great hour of the day.

Women's Bible Studies:

Tuesdays on Zoom | 9:45—11:15am
Studying Ephesians with the help of Lifeguide's Bible study—*Ephesians: Wholeness for a Broken World* by Andrew T. LePeau and Phyllis J. LePeau.

Wednesdays at FPC | 9:15—11:15am
Everyday Faith Childcare is available.

Pastor Doug's Every-body-is-Welcome Bible Study: *Wednesdays on Zoom* |

4:30pm Discussion, dialogue and deep interaction with God's Word. Join us as we study 1 Peter.

Walking with Jesus, A study in the Gospel of Luke: *Thursdays at FPC | 1:30-2:45pm*

Join friends from FPC, neighbors and others to read and discuss passages from the Gospel of Luke. All are welcome!

UPCOMING:

Pasta with the Pastors

Tuesday, April 16 | 12 noon

All are invited for a casual lunch in the Fellowship Hall. Come chat with friends old and new.

THE COMMONS

First Friday Art Walk: *Community*

The Commons excited to be part of the Downtown Bellingham First Fridays Art Walk. Come celebrate and view our current art show: *Community* | April 5th

Commons Open Studio

First Tuesday of the month (4/2): 9am—noon Bring anything you want to work on and share community time and space with other creative folks.

The Artist's Rule Book Group

4/7 after worship in the Commons | We will be focusing on chapter 9. Anyone is welcome to come!

Embrace Your Inner Artist: A Retreat at the Grunewald Guild

May 17-19 | Look for registration details in the near future.

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FIRST PRES PRESCHOOL IS NOW ENROLLING FOR FALL '24!

Blended Preschool and Pre-K classes for children ages 3 to 5.

Pick the days that work best for your family!

fpcbellingham.org/preschool

Contact Laurie Bunnell at: preschool@fpcbellingham.org