



First Presbyterian Church

Norman Fowler, Pastor January 9, 2022 10:30 a.m.

PREPARING OURSELVES TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude

“Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove”

Welcome and Announcements

Minute For Mission

Family Promise Volunteering

Celeste Brown

ENTERING INTO GOD’S PRESENCE

✠Call to Worship

from Psalm 29

L: Praise the Lord’s strength.

P: Praise the Lord’s innate glory.

L: Worship the Lord’s beauty and holiness. The voice of the Lord is heard above the watery chaos.

P: The voice of the Lord is powerful.

L: The Lord remains enthroned through the deluge.

P: The Lord is forever King.

L: The Lord gives strength to his people.

A: The Lord blesses his people with peace.

✠Opening Song

“I Come with Joy”

Hymnal #515

vs. 1,3,5

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Lord, we too are filled with expectations and question in our hearts about what it all means, a birth, a new life, given to us, Emmanuel. Your voice is powerful. You speak into our lives to identify the one with whom you are well pleased. We wonder what it means to have a messiah. How do we respond to the description of power and change he is to bring into our lives? We live in a world that downplays the importance of a messiah, of Jesus, of the one you call beloved and whom you recognize as your son and savior for your people. Forgive the way we use our questions to displace and disregard the importance of Jesus. Help us hear you voice and know Jesus as your beloved, commissioned Son to whom we might listen and find the resolution to our heart’s questions. Lead us into this New Year imbuing your people with strength and blessing your people with peace through the grace given us in your Son.

(silent confession and personal reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Forgiveness

“Create In Me A Clean Heart”

Hymnal #422

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The usher will collect written prayer requests. For other concerns, contact the church office office@fpcmoscow.org, or Pastor Norman fpcpastornorman@gmail.com

Following each prayer request, please respond:

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

HEARING GOD'S WORD FOR OUR TIME AND PLACE

First Lesson Isaiah 43:1-7

Second Lesson Psalm 29

New Testament Lesson Acts 8:14-17

Gospel Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Commissioned to Save" Pastor Norman Fowler

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Silent Reflection

Offering

Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the sanctuary on your way out, mail your offerings to the church office, 405 South Van Buren St., Moscow ID 83843 or give online at this link:

<https://tithe.ly/give?c=982246>

✦ Song of Gratitude (Doxology) Hymnal #607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

Text: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988. Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551 (OLD HUNDREDETH)

✦ Dedication of our Tithes and Offerings

GATHERING AROUND THE TABLE

Communion Hymn "Let Us Break Bread Together" Hymnal #525

Celebration of The Lord's Supper

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ Closing Hymn "We Praise You, O God" Hymnal #612

✦ Charge and Blessing

✦ Postlude "Redeemed"

*All are welcome to visit outside, with distancing observed.
Refreshments will be served if weather permits.*

Worship Leader – Mindy Davis
Music Minister – Thomas Pearson
Accompanist – Ian Wendt
Video – Arturo Bieghler
Sound – Matthew Mikami



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☩- Stand as you are able.