



First Presbyterian Church

Moscow, Idaho

Revs. Sylvester & Beverly Bullock, Interim Co-pastors

March 30, 2025 10:30 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Liturgical Color Purple

PREPARING OURSELVES TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" arr. Marilyn Ham
With Mozart's symphony No. 40, First Movement

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

✦ Passing the Peace

✦ Call to Worship

One: In times of trouble, in days of fear,

All: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

One: When we are lost and lonely, not sure of our place,

All: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

One: When we are hard-hearted and cynical,

All: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

One: When we struggle to believe God's promise of redemption,

All: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

One: Together we look to God to teach us the way we should go.

All: Steadfast love surrounds us, as together we place our trust in the Lord.

✦ Opening Hymns "To God Be the Glory" Hymnal #634

Congregational Hymn Selection

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

from the *Book of Common Worship*

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name.

(silent confession and personal reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Forgiveness

“As the Wind Song”

Hymnal #292

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

*Place your written prayer requests in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.
For other concerns, contact the church office office@fpcmoscow.org*

Following each prayer request, please respond:

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

HEARING GOD’S WORD FOR OUR TIME AND PLACE

Old Testament Lesson

Joshua 5:9-12

Psalms Lesson

Psalms 32

New Testament Lesson

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Special Music

“Grace Greater than Our Sin”

arr. Larry Shackley

Ian Wendt, Pianist

Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer of Illumination

Congregational Hymn Selections, Testimonies and Prayer

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Silent Reflection

✦ Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Offering

*Please place your offering in the plate, mail your offerings to the church office,
405 South Van Buren St., Moscow ID 83843 or give online at this link:
<https://tithely.com/give?c=982246>*

✦ Song of Gratitude (Doxology)

Hymnal #605

Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son;
praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One.
Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.
Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.

Text: Anon. Music: Ghanaian melody; arr. Alfred V. Fedak. Music arr. © 2011 Alfred V. Fedak

✦ Dedication of our Tithes and Offerings

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ Song of Invitation

"Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart"

Hymnal #804

✦ Charge and Blessing

Postlude

"Amazing Grace"

arr. Maik Guo

*A Stephen Minister will be at the front of the sanctuary following
the postlude to talk with or pray for anyone who has a concern.*

Please join us in the Chapel Room for refreshments after the service.

Liturgy by Ellen Williams Hensle for *Presbyterian Outlook*, 2025

✦- Stand as you are able.

Worship Leader – Chris Olsen
Greeters – Myrtle and Sadie
Usher –Saoirse Feeney
Music Minister – Rev. Sylvester Bullock
Accompanist – Ian Wendt
Video – Adelia Hopper
Sound – Matthew Mikami



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