



# First Presbyterian Church

Moscow, Idaho

Revs. Sylvester & Beverly Bullock, Interim Co-pastors

April 13, 2025 10:30 a.m.

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## Palm Sunday – Holy Week Begins

Liturgical Color Purple

### **PREPARING OURSELVES TO WORSHIP GOD**

Prelude “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” arr. Larry Shackley

Welcome and Announcements

### **ENTERING INTO GOD’S PRESENCE**

✦ Passing the Peace

✦ Call to Worship (from Psalm 118) by Ginna Bairby

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

**All: God’s steadfast love endures forever!**

One: The stone that the builders rejected

**All: Has become the chief cornerstone.**

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

One: Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

**All: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

**All: God’s steadfast love endures forever! Let us worship God.**

✦ Palm Processional “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” Hymnal #197

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison) by Matthew A. Rich

Have mercy on us, O God, for we are broken vessels. You call us to follow you, but we deny, abandon and betray. You call us to pursue justice and righteousness, but we stick to the status quo. You invite us into the hope of your Spirit, but we make despair our daily bread. You lead us to the cross, but in our discomfort, we try to skip to the empty tomb. Transform us, O God. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon all our brokenness, that your grace may fill in the cracks of our broken places and make us whole. Amen.

*(silent confession and personal reflection)*

### Assurance of Pardon

Response to Forgiveness      “Hosanna, Praise is Rising”      Insert

### 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](mailto: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      Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm Lesson      Psalm 31:9-16

Special      “He Is Among Us”      Praise Team

You'll find Me with the broken and the weak, In the spaces in between.  
You'll hear My voice cry out with those who weep, Only if you're listening.  
Whatever you do for the least of these, You do it unto Me.  
My blessing is on those who love the poor, Will you open up the door?  
Hallelujah, hallelujah. He is among us He is among us  
By this the world will know the Father's love, We will know the Father's love.

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Gospel      Luke 23:1-49

**One:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

### Prayer of Illumination

Sermon      “An Instructed Tongue”      Pastor Sly

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

### Silent Reflection

✦ Affirmation of Faith (based on Philippians 2:5-11)

By Ginna Bairby

We trust in God, the source of all hope, even as we call on God to meet us in places of hopelessness. We commit to be disciples of Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself and was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the father. Amen.

### 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://tithe.ly/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.

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✦ Dedication of One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

## **FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

✦ Song of Invitation

“For God So Loved”

Insert

✦ Charge and Blessing

Postlude

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

arr. John Kraus

*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.*

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*Presbyterian Outlook, 2025 - Liturgy written by Ginna Bairby*

✦ - Stand as you are able.

Worship Leader – Jim Robinson  
Usher – Tom Richards  
Music Minister – Rev. Sylvester Bullock  
Accompanist – Ian Wendt  
Video – Adelia Hopper  
Sound – Matthew Mikami



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