# Moscow First Presbyterian Church

We are a welcoming, caring family of faith, called to love the Lord and our neighbors. We are growing in Jesus Christ through worship, teaching, fellowship, and service to others.

### **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 31, 2025**

Sunday, August 31 10:30 a.m. Worship

Monday, September 1 – Office Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, September 2

12:00 p.m. Tuesday Sisters 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry

Wednesday, September 3

6:00 p.m. Youth Group

Thursday, September 4

10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study – Resilience, Joy and Identity

Sunday, September 7 – Blessing of the Backpacks

9:00 a.m. Adult Ed – Wired Word

10:30 a.m. Worship

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Birthday this week: Pam Juscen, Joann Jones, Chris Olsen, Brittnay Davis

In our prayers: Victims and families affected by Minneapolis church school shooting

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 31, 2025

#### THANK YOU!

Thank you Norman and Kathy Pendegraft for your indefatigable efforts to set up the new church phone system. Your persistence is paying off.

#### THANK YOU!

Thank you to the Superior Floors crew for cleaning the upholstery on all the chairs in the Fellowship Hall. Your work is beautiful and the chairs were ready and waiting to be used at our community BBQ.

#### THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the people from our church who helped with the "Welcome Back BBQ" last Sunday. We had many delicious dishes of food to share, the barbecued meat, and a table of desserts. At least 100 people attended, and many of them were from the

community – not just from our church. People lingered and visited. A big thank you to Scout Troup 344 who helped set up the tables and take them down and to Nadine Morton for all the centerpieces.-Mary Jo Van Gerpen, Coordinator Also, a giant thank you to Mary Jo for coordinating the whole event!

#### **FOON COMING SOON!**

We are excitedly looking forward to our first FOON of the 2025-2026 school year. September 17 we will be serving pizza outdoors because it is a Family Promise week. Want to be involved? Talk to Julie. Want to bring treats? Get in touch with Ellen Johansen or ask Julie to be emailed the treat sign up. We always need more donations to pay for pizza. We could also use some paper plates to stock up for the year. Thank you all for the way you support FOON, which means you are really supporting our local high school students.

#### **FAMILY PROMISE WEEK COMING SEPTEMBER 14-21**

Our next Family Promise Host week is September 14 - September 21. Moscow FPC and Quail Run LDS Ward will co-host up to four families in the basement level. FPC provides meals and hospitality for four nights: Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. Quail Run LDS Ward will host on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Meals are served in Fellowship Hall for our guest families and evening hosts. We are looking for volunteers to prepare a meal, enjoy food and fellowship with our guests, serve as overnight hosts, help set-up, take-down, or do laundry at the end of the week. Our church also provides gift cards from WinCo for our guests, and contributions are greatly appreciated. Please contact Celeste Brown in person or by email (bioinfomom@roadrunner.com) for more information.

**Service opportunity:** Celeste is stepping down as Family Promise Volunteer Coordinator at the beginning of 2026. After five years, it is time to afford this opportunity to others. Our upcoming host week and the subsequent host week in November will allow plenty of time to train our new coordinators. If you have radical organizational skills or simply a heart for serving others, please prayerfully consider stepping into this role. A great group of volunteers are ready to support you!

#### **COOKIES NEEDED FOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

We need cookies for Coffee Fellowship. They can be store purchased or home-baked. Please leave them in the upstairs kitchen labeled Coffee Fellowship. Thank you so much!

#### **MOSCOW PRIDE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED SEPTEMBER 6**

Palouse Pride in the Park 2025 is Saturday Sept 6, noon to 4:00 p.m. at East City Park. Moscow FPC will have a booth where we will be giving free compliments, making a large All Hands for Peace wreath and sharing information about our faith community. We need volunteers for 3 different 2 hour shifts - fun guaranteed! Please sign up here: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B4AA4AD29A5FC1-58101159-fpcbooth">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B4AA4AD29A5FC1-58101159-fpcbooth</a>

#### DEACONS BENEVOLENCE OFFERING FOR AUGUST

The August Benevolence Offering will be going to pay off school lunch debts. This provides help and support to local families in our school district, ultimately making sure that more kids are fed. Please make out your check to FPC, with August Deacons Benevolence in the memo line or on your offering envelope. You may also give online using the <a href="Ithe.ly app"><u>Tithe.ly app</u></a> or the "Give" button on our website at <a href="fpcmoscow.org">fpcmoscow.org</a>.

#### WORSHIP VIDEOS FOR RECENT SUNDAYS NOW ON YOUTUBE

Because of technical difficulties, the video livestream has not been working the past few weeks. However, the services were recorded and have now been uploaded on YouTube. We're sorry the streaming service did not work on those Sundays. Several people have been working on identifying and correcting the problem.

## **Community Mission Project**



We are partnering with the Quail Run Ward (our Family Promise co-hosts) for a National Day of Service (September 20) community project. Churches and organizations across Moscow will participate in a variety of projects to benefit the city, youth, nonprofits and more. Projects are starting now and will be finished by September 20, when there will be a community picnic to celebrate all of us serving one another in community.

FPC and Quail Run will be hosting a virtual "baby shower" for legal refugees served by World Relief in Spokane. World Relief, a Christian refugee organization, was the second largest contract with the State to aid legal immigrants. They envision thriving, welcoming communities where families flourish, and people experience restorative relationships with God, their neighbors, themselves, and all creation. World Relief's work in the U. S. specifically focuses on helping refugees and other vulnerable immigrants rebuild their lives in a new country.

You can help by donating baby clothes, toys, diapers, wipes, gift cards, and other baby-related items. This is a fun mission project with a lot of flexibility for what to

buy and donate. There is a large donation box by the coat rack in the entryway. Get in touch with Dianne if you have questions: <a href="mailto:daleylaursen@gmail.com">daleylaursen@gmail.com</a>.



# Welcome, Kyle Coleman First Presbyterian Church Director of Music

The FPC Personnel Committee is happy to introduce our new Music Ministry Director, J. Kyle Coleman.

Kyle is a native of Gadsden Alabama and completed his undergraduate degree at Shorter University in Georgia. He began his professional music career as a church piano accompanist at the age of 14 and has been involved with music ministry since that time. Kyle and Abigail moved to Moscow last year when she

became an assistant professor of Costume Design for the University of Idaho Theater Arts Department. Recently, Kyle was the accompanist for Tapestry, a local female vocal group.

Kyle is remarkably well-qualified for this position.

- •Currently is Director of Music for the University of Idaho Theatre Arts
- Department.
- •Earned a master's degree in Choral Conducting and Pedagogy/ U of Iowa.
- •Organist and pianist at First Presbyterian Church, Marion Iowa.
- •Music Instructor at Hillcrest Academy, Kalona Iowa.
- •Played in praise bands and is familiar with the selection of praise music.
- •Extensive experience collaborating with pastors in selecting music that supports worship.
- •Experience leading and coordinating ecumenical music activities in collaboration with other churches.
- •Plays several instruments in addition to the piano and organ.