



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church
June 20, 2021

This service is one of two options, at 9:00 am on Sundays we use ZOOM to livestream our First Light Worship, an informal conversational time of worship. The link can be found on either our website or Facebook page: fpcboise.org or [facebook.com/fpcboise](https://www.facebook.com/fpcboise)

Our 10:45 am service is open to the public. It is also livestreamed from our Sanctuary, and you can follow along with this bulletin or use this bulletin to guide your own service of worship. The live stream is available for view at <https://www.youtube.com/fpcboise> or [facebook.com/fpcboise](https://www.facebook.com/fpcboise)

Prelude *Adoration* Florence B. Price

Welcome

This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Choral Introit *Spirit of the Living God* Daniel Iverson

You are invited to join in singing with the choir

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

Call to Worship (Responsive) **Psalm 20**

May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble, and may the name of the God of Jacob protect you!

May the Lord remember all of our offerings and regard with favor our sacrifices of praise.

May the Lord grant you your heart's desire, and fulfill all of your plans.

Our pride is in the name of the Lord who hears us when we pray and answers our needs.

Let us worship God!

*Hymn 54

Make a Joyful Noise to God!

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(Psalm 66)

1 Make a joy - ful noise to God! All cre - a - tion sings your praise!
 2 Come and see what God has done, great the bless - ings to the just:
 3 Bless the Lord, our ref - uge sure; let our songs of praise be heard!

Great your won - ders here dis - played, un - ex - celled through - out our days.
 walked the cho - sen through the sea, brought their en - e - mies to dust.
 By whose jus - tice, we are tried; by whose grace, our guilt de - ferred.

Glo - rious is your sa - cred name, a - ges old, yet still the same.
 Let us lift a thank - ful voice for God's mer - cies, and re - joice!
 When our life's sure end shall come, bring us to your heav - en - ly home.

This paraphrase of Psalm 66 maintains a corporate tone more suitable for congregational singing than does the original psalm, which moves to a personal narrative in its latter part. The reference to "all creation" is strengthened by the associations of the tune (see no. 14).

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. O Lord, have mercy on us... (Silence, followed by:) Forgive us, O God, and move us to trust, that we may boldly live your grace and love; through Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

Friends, if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves. But to say we are only sinners goes too far. Our identity rests not in our brokenness but in God's love. Know that, whatever you believe separates you from God, God's love is more than enough to bridge the gap. The good news is that we are forgiven. You are forgiven. So be at peace.

Passing the Peace

Special Music

Meditation

Brad Marshall

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

O God, by your Spirit tell us what we need to hear, and show us what we ought to do, to obey Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Listen to the Word: Mark 4:35-41

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Reflection on the Word and Life

Rev. JoAnn Thiry

***Affirmation of Faith (Unison)** (adapted from the 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. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain, and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

***Doxology** (Tune: Old Hundredth, Hymn 607)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

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Prayers of the Community

The Lord's Prayer (traditional)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Hymn 463**

How Firm the Foundation

***Charge and Benediction**

***Choral Response**

God Be in My Head

Lorayne Coombs

You are invited to join in singing with the choir

God be in my head, and in my thinking.

God be in my eyes, and in my looking.

God be in my mouth, and in my speaking.

Oh, God be in my heart, and in my understanding.

Postlude

Toccata

Eugene Gigout

Please be seated during the Postlude, thank you

Leading Worship

Rev. Dr. Ruth Hicks

Rev. JoAnn Thiry

Robert Schmidt, Organ

Maryl Seaquist, Liturgist

Musical Leadership - Veronica and Eric Noyce, Brad Marshall

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1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
 3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
 4 "When through fiery trials thy path-way shall lie,
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

It seems odd now to think of singing this text to ADESTE FIDELES, but mainline churches did so well into the 20th century because of a cultural bias against shape note music. The vigor of the present tune seems especially right for the final line's reference to Hebrews 13:5.