



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church  
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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](http://fpcboise.org) or [facebook.com/fpcboise](https://facebook.com/fpcboise).

Our 10:45 a.m. 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://facebook.com/fpcboise).

Prelude

*I Need Thee Every Hour*

Neil Harmon

Welcome

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

Introit

*Spirit of the Living God*  
You are invited to join in singing with the choir

Daniel Iverson

*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)      Ephesians 2

You are no longer strangers and aliens, but members of the household of God.  
**We are built upon the foundation, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.**  
In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple.  
**In the Lord we are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.**  
Let us worship God!

\*Hymn #611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

ADORATION

# 611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-lect thy rays;  
 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.

Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a - bove.  
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.  
 Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way.  
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash - ing sea,  
 Ev - er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife.

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.  
 chant - ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
 Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J. C. F. von Schiller's poem, "An die Freude" (To Joy), as the final movement of the composer's *Ninth Symphony*. The author, a prominent Presbyterian pastor and author, wrote the words with this tune in mind.

TEXT: Henry van Dyke, 1907, alt.  
 MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1842, alt.

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### **Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

**O God, sustained by your mercy we make bold to confess our sin.  
We expel strangers and deny hospitality. We judge others all too freely.  
Our hasty words cause conflict and tension. We are disturbers of your peace.  
As you sent Christ to reconcile your people, forgive the failings  
of our unredeemed humanity and show us once again the image of your Son,  
who loved his enemies and taught us to do the same. 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**

Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

### **Passing the Peace**

#### **Prayer for Illumination (Unison)**

**O Lord our God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.  
Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient  
to your will and live always for your glory, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

### **Listen to the Word**

#### **Psalm 23 (The Message)**

GOD, my shepherd! I don't need a thing.  
You have bedded me down in lush meadows,  
you find me quiet pools to drink from.  
True to your word, you let me catch my breath  
and send me in the right direction.  
Even when the way goes through Death Valley,  
I'm not afraid when you walk at my side.  
Your trusty shepherd's crook makes me feel secure.  
You serve me a six-course dinner right in front of my enemies.  
You revive my drooping head; my cup brims with blessing.  
Your beauty and love chase after me every day of my life.  
I'm back home in the house of GOD for the rest of my life.

#### **Mark 6:30-34, 53-56**

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

**\*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 #803**

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

RESIGNATION

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Choral Response**

*God Be in My Head*

Lorayne Coombs

*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**

*Nicaea*

*Please be seated during the Postlude*

**Leading Worship**

Rev. Dr. Ruth Hicks

Rev. Kathy Bilderback

Robert Schmidt, Organ

Susan Knights, Liturgist

# My Shepherd Will Supply My Need 803

(Psalm 23)

1 My shep-herd will sup-ply my need; Je-ho-vah is his name.  
 2 When I walk through the shades of death your pres-ence is my stay;  
 3 The sure pro-vi-sions of my God at-tend me all my days;

In pas-tures fresh he makes me feed, be-side the liv-ing stream.  
 one word of your sup-port-ing breath drives all my fears a-way.  
 O may your house be my a-bode, and all my work be praise.

He brings my wan-dering spir-it back when I for-sake his ways,  
 Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my ta-ble spread;  
 There would I find a set-tled rest, while oth-ers go and come;

and leads me, for his mer-cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.  
 my cup with bless-ings o-ver-flows; your oil a-noints my head.  
 no more a strang-er, or a guest, but like a child at home.

The effectiveness of this beloved paraphrase of Psalm 23 owes much to the flowing shape note melody that serves as a "living stream" to carry the text, which in turn has been given a remarkable clarity and lightness through the poet's masterful use of single-syllable words.

TEXT: Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.

MUSIC: U.S.A. folk melody; Lewis's *Beauties of Harmony*, 1828; harm. Dale Grotenhuis, 1986  
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(alternate harmonization, 74)