



**Welcome to First Presbyterian Church
Online Worship for October 4, 2020**

This service is one of two options during the Coronavirus time of physical distancing in which worship is happening only online. At 9:00 am on Sundays we will livestream through ZOOM an informal conversational time of worship like our First Light Worship. You can find the link to that on our website or Facebook page: fpcboise.org or facebook.com/fpcboise

This service is live streamed at 10:45 am 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

Prelude

Aria

Ian Tracey

Welcome

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

Choral Introit

Cause Me to Hear

Melvin West

*Cause me to hear Thy loving kindness in the morning, for in Thee do I trust.
Cause me to know the way wherein I shall walk, for I lift up my soul to Thee.
--Psalm 143:8*

Call to Worship

The Word of the Lord is a light upon our path.
God's providence guides us, nurtures us, and restores us.
God's care of us inspires our own relationship with the world all around us.
Let us worship the Lord our God with thanks and praise.

***Hymn 511**

Come, Behold! the Feast of Heaven.

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Come, Behold! the Feast of Heaven 511

1 Come, be - hold! the feast of heaven

2 All is read - y, come at - tend Al - le - lu - ia!

3 All who trust in God be - long Al - le - lu - ia!

4 As the Lord our God has willed,
has to mor - tal flesh been given.
as the Lord's in - vit - ed friend;
at this ban - quet with this throng.
here the hun - gry soul is filled;

Hear the Word of God de - clared:
come from north, west, south, and east;
Share the mys - tic ho - ly food;
here the wea - ry are re - freshed.

"Come! the ban - quet is pre - pared."
cel - e - brate the joy - ful feast.
taste and see: the Lord is good.
All who share God's feast are blessed. Al - le - lu - ia!

Though rightly viewed as a meal of remembrance, the Lord's Supper is also an occasion of anticipation. This text draws on abundant biblical imagery to evoke the fulfillment of Jesus' promise to share the feast anew "in the kingdom of God" (Matthew 26:29/Mark 14:25/Luke 22:16).

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you spoke creation into being with order and love. You carved out a place for us to flourish and made us stewards of your grace. And yet we demonstrated a preference for domination and consumption. We fail to live in right relationship with you, with our selves, and with each other. We consume the world rather than care for it. We see others as means to an end, and seek to profit ourselves by the world. Selfish ambition is a tempting idol and an insidious master. Help us to stop. Help us to remember the saving acts of your son who chose service and sacrifice over fame and power. Bring us back to your way and make us instruments of your peace. O Lord, have mercy on us... (Silence)

...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 first and foremost 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. Jesus died for you, rose for you, lives and reigns in power for you. Jesus is praying for you. The good news of all that is? We are forgiven. You are forgiven. So be at peace.

Anthem

The Lord's My Shepherd

Lloyd Larson

Prayer for Illumination

O God, fill us with your Spirit and humble our hearts so that we can hear your Word and follow in your way, this day and every day. Amen.

Listen to the Word: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Reflection on the Word and Life: "The No in our Yes"

***Affirmation of Faith** (adapted from the Brief Statement of Faith)

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. 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!"

***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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The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Communion Prayer

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.

Words of Institution / Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn 525**

Let Us Break Bread Together

LET US BREAK BREAD

***Charge and Benediction**

Choral Response

May the Words of My Mouth

Melvin West

*May the words of my mouth, and the meditations of my heart
be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.
--Psalm 19:14*

Postlude

Trumpet Tune in D Major

Daniel Bishop

Leading Worship

Rev. Drs. Andrew Kukla and Ruth Hicks
Ryan Dye, Minister of Music
Luan Fife, Accompanist

Chancel Ensemble Choir

Micaela Hulseley, Heather Dye, Anna Marie Boyd, Eric and Veronica Blake, Colin Cho, and David Le

Let Us Break Bread Together 525

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)

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Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer - cy on me. (on me)

This African American spiritual quite possibly reflects the circumstances of slaves attending early morning communion services in colonial Anglican churches, but its combination of hope ("rising sun") and supplication ("Lord, have mercy") speaks to many worshippers' experience.