



# First Presbyterian Church

Norman Fowler, Pastor    February 21, 2021    10:30 a.m.

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## **PREPARING OURSELVES TO WORSHIP GOD**

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

*Please feel free to leave a message in the chat section as a way of greeting one another this morning.*

## **ENTERING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE**

### Call to Worship

Psalm 25:1-10

### Opening Song

“Lord Jesus, Think on Me”    Hymnal #417, vs 1, 3, 4

Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin.  
From earth-born passions set me free, and make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray.  
Through darkness and perplexity point thou the heavenly way.

Lord Jesus, think on me, that, when this life is past,  
I may the eternal brightness see, and share thy joy at last.

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### Call to Confession

## Prayer of Confession

Lord, be mindful of your mercy and of your steadfast love. Lord, we are tempted by our own desires. In the wilderness of this pandemic, we chaff under the changes it has caused. We want a world that works according to our way of seeing things. We are too easily deceived. We want things to be different, and this can feed our confirmation bias, our attending to what fits our own perspective and desires and not attending to what does not. We fall into sin as we break our relationships with you and your children over our desires and our certainties. Forgive us. Instruct us in your way. Enable us to be humble enough to be teachable, that you might lead us in what is right. Help us become those that can withstand temptation and be your children. This we pray, in Jesus name.

*(silent confession and personal reflection)*

## Assurance of Pardon

### Response to Forgiveness

“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”

Hymnal # 444, vs 1, 4

“Forgive our sins as we forgive,” you taught us, Lord, to pray,  
but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls  
and bid resentment cease.

Then, by your mercy reconciled, our lives will spread your peace.

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## Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

*If you have prayer requests, please contact the church office  
[office@fpcmoscow.org](mailto:office@fpcmoscow.org), or Pastor Norman [fpcpastornorman@gmail.com](mailto:fpcpastornorman@gmail.com)*

## **HEARING GOD'S WORD FOR OUR TIME AND PLACE**

New Testament Lesson      James 1:12-16

Gospel Reading                      Mark 1:9-15

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon                              "Temptation"                      Pastor Norman Fowler

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

Silent Reflection

Sermon Response              "Who You Say I Am"

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me.  
I was lost but He brought me in.  
Oh, His love for me. Oh, His love for me.  
Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed.  
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

Free at last, He has ransomed me, His grace runs deep.  
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me.  
Yes, He died for me.

Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed.  
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.  
In my Father's house there's a place for me.  
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

I am chosen, not forsaken. I am who You say I am.  
You are for me, not against me. I am who You say I am.

*(repeat)*

I am who You say I am.

Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed.  
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.  
In my Father's house there's a place for me.  
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

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## Offering

*Please 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

“As the Deer”

Hymnal #626

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.  
You alone are my strength, my shield;  
to you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

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## Dedication of our Tithes and Offerings

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

## Closing Hymn

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

Hymnal #215

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking sown, sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,  
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;  
While millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,  
And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
And through eternity I'll sing on.

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## Charge and Blessing

## Postlude

*Thank you for joining us in worship this morning.*

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Worship Leader – Moira and Jeremiah Nealon  
Music Minister – Thomas Pearson  
Accompanist – Abigail Silverberg  
Video – Arturo Bieghler  
Sound – Matthew Mikami



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