

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, you make us shepherds; we leave the sheep to fend for themselves. You send us out to rescue the lost; we are sure there are others with more time and talent than we who should do that work. You call us to be repairers of the breach; we are too overwhelmed to know where to start... so we don't. O Lord, have mercy on us...
[*Silent prayer, 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 / PASSING THE PEACE

HEARING THE WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN / CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

We invite children to come forward for a moment in worship designed for them. Following that, they may go to Children's Chapel and return to the worship service during the hymn following the sermon.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit who inspires prophets and apostles, be with us now in the reading of your word, that it may point us in the way of the Word-made-flesh. Amen.

LESSON: MATTHEW 10:5-20

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." ⁸Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. ⁹Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, ¹⁰no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. ¹¹Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. ¹²As you enter the house, greet it. ¹³If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

¹⁶"See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; ¹⁸and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. ¹⁹When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; ²⁰for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

*Beautiful Savior, King of Creation,
Song of God, and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee; Truly I'd serve Thee,
Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown!*

*Fair are the meadows; Fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring.
Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer.*

*He makes our sorrowing spirits sing.
Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration,
Now and forever, forever more be Thine!*

-Irish Folk Song, (c. 1677)

REFLECTION ON THE WORD AND LIFE:

“I Send You”

Fourth in a Six-Week Series on our Stained-Glass Windows

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(adapted from The Brief Statement of Faith)*

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in baptism, feeds us at Table, and calls us to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness 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, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

OFFERTORY

Sonata No. 3—*Andante tranquillo*

Mendelssohn

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***DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

COMMUNION PRAYER AND 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 THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

***HYMN 733**

We All Are One in Mission

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***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE**

God's Love

Richard Shephard

*God's love has been shed abroad in our hearts
Through the Holy Spirit he has giv'n us.
- Romans 5:5*

POSTLUDE

Sonata Op. 65, No. 2—*Fugue*

Felix Mendelssohn

LEADING WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Andrew Kukla, *Pastor*

Ryan Dye, *Minister of Music*

FPC Chancel Choir

Luann Fife, *Pianist*

Brad Marshall, *Liturgist*

Today's flowers are given by the Laxson family in memory of Bill Laxson.
A Memorial Service and Celebration of Life for him will be held in the Sanctuary
this afternoon at 2:00 pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Friday, February 10th, 208 ensemble, 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Part of the "State of the Art" concert program, exploring the past, present, and future of music from the state of Idaho. Work by La Monte Young, Ruby Fulton, Eric Alexander, Josh Ritter, Stephanie Zickau, Gene Harris, and beyond. FREE and open to the public.

February 11 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Treasure Valley Music Teachers' Association *Bach Festival & Competition*. Music students residing throughout Idaho will present works of Bach for judges and audience members. Performances will be in recital format and will be FREE and open to the public.

February 18 at 7:30 p.m. and February 19 at 2:00 p.m. *Boise Baroque Orchestra*, under the direction of Robert Franz, presents a program entitled *Pergolesi's Neapolitan Treat* featuring his Stabat Mater sung by soloists Brenna Wells and Logan Tanner. Tickets available online at boisebaroque.org.

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