



**First
Presbyterian**
CHURCH OF PORTLAND

**Service for
the Lord's Day**

March 6, 2022

First Sunday in Lent

Please remember to silence your cell phone. 

Welcome to worship! At present, our church is requiring that all those attending worship and any other events inside the church keep masked at all times to help keep vulnerable members safe.

The Gathering

PRELUDE Prelude on *Lonesome Valley* Robert J. Powell
 Prelude on *Wondrous Love* Rebecca Groom te Velde

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT When We Are Tested Carlton R. Young
When we are tested and wrestle alone, famished for bread when the world offers stone,
nourish us, God, by your word and your way, food that sustains us by night and by day.

When in the desert we cry for relief, pleading for paths marked by certain belief,
lift us to love you beyond sign and test, trusting your presence, our only true rest.

When we are tempted to barter our souls, trading the truth for the power to control,
teach us to worship and praise only you, seeking your will in the work that we do.

— *Ruth Duck, 1996*

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The God of mercy tends to our needs,
 leading us out of the wilderness, out of darkness.
As gracious as the dawn to those longing for light
 so welcome is the Lord's love
 to those who have endured in trust and hope.



** Please stand as you are able.*

* **LITANY FOR LENT**

O Christ, out of your fullness we have all received grace upon grace.
You are our eternal hope; you are patient and full of mercy.

Save us, Lord.

O Christ, you were wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities.

Save us, Lord.

O Christ, source of all comfort, our life and resurrection:

Save us, Lord.

O Christ, Savior of all who trust you,
hope of all who die for you, joy of all the saints:

Save us, Lord.

Jesus, Lamb of God, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world, **grant us peace. Amen.**

* **HYMN #734**

Hope of the World

DONNE SECOURS

* **INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We meet you here, God of faithfulness,
our hands and lives full of all our foolish ways.

Too often,

we treat the strangers who walk among us with fear and doubt.

We inflict our anger on those who care about us most.

We impose hard words on those who need hope and grace.

So now we bring our hearts to you,

in hopes that you will mend them.

As you hear our faltering words,

we pray you would answer us with your forgiving love.

May we go forth to be merciful towards others,

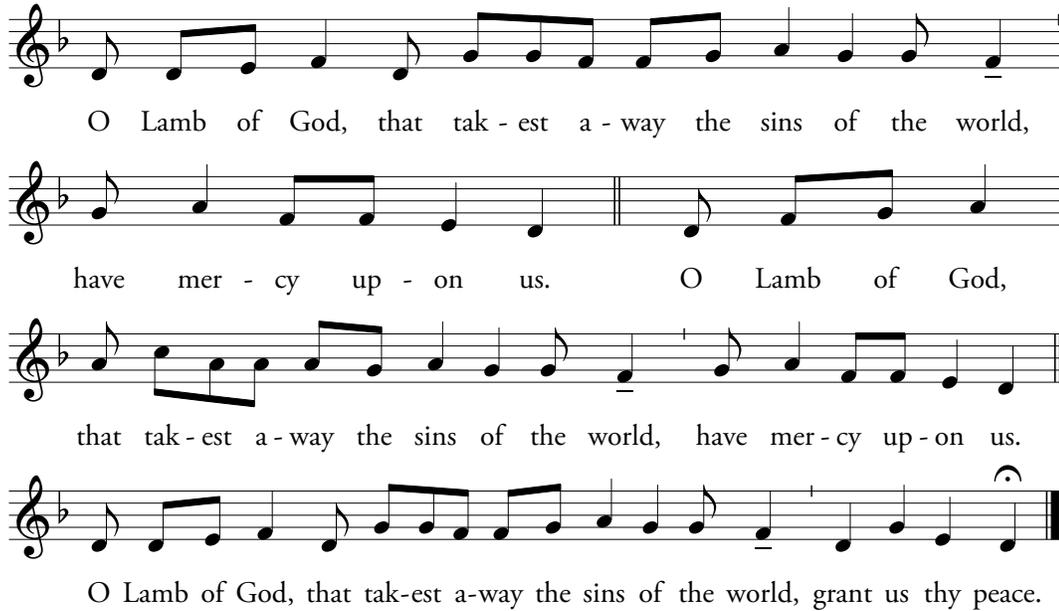
even as the one who is Lord of all, Jesus Christ,

has been merciful to us.

Our prayers continue in silence.



* **LAMB OF GOD**



O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the world,
have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God,
that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

John Merbecke, 1550; arr. Healey Willan, 1930

* **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

As far as the East is from the West,
so far has the Lord removed our transgressions from us.
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:
in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

* **RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

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!

Text: American folk hymn, c. 1811
Tune: WONDROUS LOVE, 12.9.12.12.9; Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835

* **SHARING THE PEACE**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we are also to forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you!

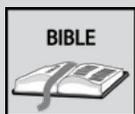
Please take a moment to be thankful for God's peace.



The Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Pew Bible, pg. 548 (OT)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Hide Me Under the Shadow of Thy Wings John E. West

Hide me under the shadow of thy wings, O Lord,
and give thine angels charge concerning me:
that I may lie down in peace and take my rest,
for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me to dwell in safety.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 4:1-13 Pew Bible, pg. 61 (NT)

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



SERMON "The View from the Top" Rev. Dr. Audrey Schindler

* **HYMN #618** O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High DEO GRACIAS

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

adapted from the Larger Catechism of the Westminster Confession

In the Lord's prayer, we pray,
"And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,"
acknowledging that the most wise, righteous,
and gracious God, for holy and just ends, may so order things
that we may be for a time held captive by temptations,
of ourselves unable and unwilling to resist them.

Therefore we pray:
that by God's Spirit we may be powerfully supported
and enabled to stand in the hour of temptation;
and, when fallen, raised again and recovered out of it,
that our sanctification and salvation may be perfected.

OFFERTORY Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley arr. John Reager

Jesus walked this lonesome valley; he had to walk it by himself.
O nobody else could walk it for him; he had to walk it by himself.

We must walk this lonesome valley; we have to walk it by ourselves.
O nobody else can walk it for us; we have to walk it by ourselves.

You must go and stand your trial; you have to stand it by yourself.
O nobody else can stand it for you; you have to stand it by yourself.

Thank you for your faithful support of the church and Christ's ongoing ministry. You may give through the church website at this link: firstpresportland.ccbchurch.com/goto/giving or mail your check to the church office: 1200 SW Alder St., Portland, OR 97205. Those attending worship are invited to leave gifts in the offering plates as they leave the sanctuary.

*** DOXOLOGY**

PRAISE GOD

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all
peo-ple here be - low; praise Ho-ly Spir-it ev - er - more;
praise Tri-une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

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The Lord's Supper

In this service of worship, in which we remember the last supper Jesus shared with his disciples, we invite those worshipping with us online to participate in communion at home.

This morning's communion responses will be spoken.

PRAYERS OF GREAT THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

GREAT THANKSGIVING ACCLAMATIONS

(The prayer continues)

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

(The prayer continues)

...that we might proclaim the One crucified and risen.
Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

(The prayer continues)

...all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Unison)*

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.

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC

Reflection on *St. Flavian*

David Schelat

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Sending

HYMN #166

Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE

Twofold Amen in F

Donovan Klotzbeacher

*During the penitential season of Lent,
it is our custom to conclude worship without a postlude.*

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**WORSHIP
LEADERS**

Rev. Dr. Audrey Schindler, Pastor
Rev. Brenna Dykman, Interim Associate Pastor
Rev. Carmen Goetschius, Parish Associate
Greg Homza, Director of Music Ministries
Pete Vanden Bosch, Lay Reader

**PRAYERS OF
THE PEOPLE**

We join in holding in prayer:

Liz Dean, Ed & Janice Gehrig, Herb Grose, Bob Hastings, Fran Hermanson, Myra Rounsavell, Tom Showalter, Pete Taylor, and others facing illness and loss. If you would like your name added to the prayer section of the weekly bulletin, or confidential prayers, please contact the church office at office@firstpresportland.org or by phone at (503) 228-7331.

**SANCTUARY
FLOWERS**

The sanctuary flowers today are given in loving memory of Esther Reschke, loving mother and grandmother of Vincent, Paula and Stefen Carpenter.

In Memoriam

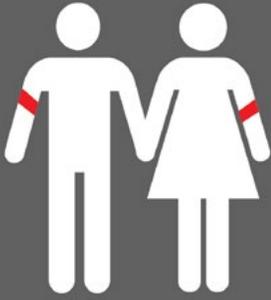
We join the Milne family in remembering Jim Milne, for many years an active member at our church. His memorial service will be held at Lake Grove Presbyterian Church at 3:00 pm on Saturday, March 12.



American Red Cross

Help save a life.

March 8, 2022
12:00-5:30 pm
Geneva Hall



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zoom Coffee Hour Today After Worship!

All who are joining us for worship service are invited to a Zoom coffee hour today following the service, from 11:35 am to noon. The Zoom link is:

<https://bit.ly/FPCCoffeeHour>

Learning Together Through Lent

In this season where we have been separated from community, you're invited to join with our church family as we read together, "Becoming a Beloved Community." This is a devotional resource produced by the PCUSA that helps us focus less on 'me' and more on 'we.' Groups will then gather via Zoom or in-person on Sundays after church from 12-1:00 pm to reflect on being a "beloved community." To sign up to be a part of this group and receive a copy of the book or an electronic PDF, please e-mail Pastor Brenna at bdykman@firstpresportland.org or call the church office.

Purposeful Work Party at Menucha

Join us for our first volunteer work party of 2022 on Saturday, March 26, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm! If weather allows, we're hoping to paint the exterior of Beam House. We also have lots of work to do on the grounds, and can move indoors if it's truly awful weather that day. With your support, we will be able to enrich even more lives at Menucha! Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/MarchWorkParty> Questions? Cloie Cohen, Development Director, cloie@menucha.org or 503-695-2243

Join us April 3 for Lemon Bars with Ann Walsh!

The monthly Zoom cooking lessons that we call "Cooking It Up with First Pres" continue in April! Please join guest hos Ann Walsh on Sunday, April 3 at 5:00 pm. Ann will share her recipe and show us the finer points of making Lemon Bars. These tart-and-sweet treats would be a great addition to your table at Easter or anytime. Sign up through this Evite: <http://evite.me/fYfq5qsUxv>

Blood Drive at FPC - March 8

Last month, the American Red Cross declared that our country is facing its worst blood shortage in more than a decade. To help aid our neighbors, we will be hosting a Blood Drive in Geneva Hall on Tuesday, March 8, from 12:00 pm to 5:30 pm. You can sign up for a donation spot by locating the FPC drive at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html>.

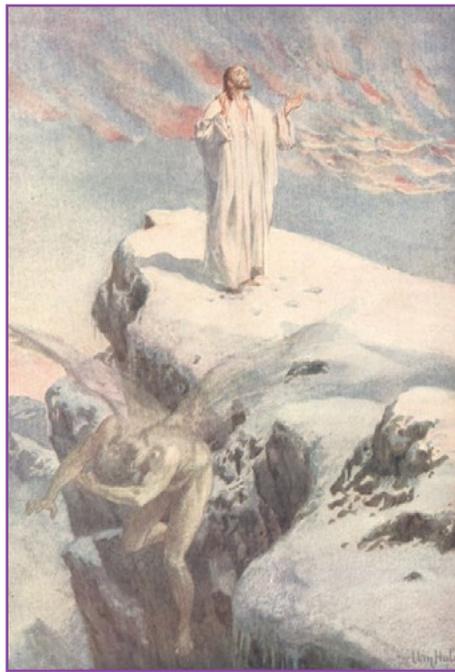
Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser

During the month of March our youth will be raising funds for this year's mission trip to work up at the Yakama Reservation with SLAM (Students Learning About Mission). There are two ways to help support our youth. First, the youth will be collecting soft goods* (see details below) to be resold/recycled in our FUNDrive where our youth will receive monetary compensation for each pound collected. Stop by the Chapel Narthex to donate soft goods or to pick up a small or large bag to fill and bring it back any day in March. If you don't have soft goods to donate and still want to support our youth, we have mini-bags you can fill with a monetary gift; change, cash, or checks to the church. We are so grateful for all ways our congregation cares for and supports our youth.

**All clothing including (men's, women's, children's), clothing accessories (hats, mittens, scarves, ties, nylons, socks, underwear), personal accessories (purses, wallets, fanny packs, bags), bed and bath (towels, sheets, blankets, pillows, curtains, tablecloths), shoes (all types) and other cloth materials. Please make sure items are washed before donating.*

Refugee Restart Kits

While the refugee crises are no longer headlining news, the number of people seeking safe haven in the USA is staggering. Oftentimes, people who are fleeing leave their homes with nothing more than the clothing on their backs. The FPC Mission Committee is teaming up with the Refugee Care Collective, working with the major resettling agencies in Oregon, to help welcome our new neighbors. Starting March 1, we will be collecting new items to put together "Restart Kits." You are invited to visit <https://bit.ly/RefugeeRestart> to see what is needed and then bring those items to the church any day in March. If you would like to donate and need help to sign up to bring items, contact Pastor Brenna at bdykman@firstpresportland.org or call the church office.



“The Temptation of Christ on the Mountain”
William Hole, c. 1905



LOVE GOD.
LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS.

Vision Statement:

At First Presbyterian Church, we commit to building faithfully on our legacy as a Christ-centered community, serving the spiritual needs of a multi-generational congregation, welcoming and accepting all, honoring all voices. Through engaging worship, thoughtful education, warm fellowship and caring outreach, we will develop and sustain disciples for Christ, serving our neighbors near and far.

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