



First Presbyterian Church of Littleton



³⁴ 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. ³⁵ When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; ³⁶ send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat.” ³⁷ But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.”

Mark 6:34-37a (NRSVUE)

Sunday, February 22, 2026

*Please be seated, silence all devices, and prepare yourself for worship.
All are welcome in this sacred space, including the wiggles and giggles!*

◆ PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT

PRELUDE HYMN *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* FPCL Handbell Choirs

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Murray

◆ SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

~~~ GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE ~~~

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

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*Come into the presence of God to be fed.*

**We come hungry — not only for food, but for meaning, for rest,  
for mercy. We come trusting God, who provides enough.**

*In the wilderness, God gave manna for the day.*

*By the sea, Jesus broke bread for the crowd.*

**We worship the One who meets us in our need.**

*Come, let us worship the Lord,*

**who gives daily bread and grace in abundance.**



◆ HYMN Doxology (Words for Lent) Congregation

**Praise God throughout these forty days.  
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.  
And praise the Spirit, who imparts,  
God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.**

◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION Pastor Murray

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE APOSTLES' CREED

*(rewritten by the Reverend Jonathan Murray for "Lent in Plain Sight: Bread")*

**We believe in God, Creator of heaven and earth, who hears the hunger of the people and provides daily bread in the wilderness; whose mercy is new each morning and whose grace is enough for today.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son, our Lord, who was born among the poor, walked with the hungry, and did not turn away those in need. He called the weary to rest, took what little was offered, blessed it, broke it, and shared it, and in his hands there was more than enough. He suffered under the weight of human fear and scarcity, was crucified, died, and was buried. On the third day he rose again, revealing that even death cannot exhaust God's abundance. He ascended to heaven and reigns in mercy and grace.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, who teaches us to trust God one day at a time, who loosens our grip on what we cling to, and opens our hands to share. We believe in the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting — a life sustained not by fear, but by the Bread of Life. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER 35

Pastor Winslow

◆ HYMN 65 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* Congregation

~~~ CARRYING GOD'S GOOD NEWS INTO GOD'S WORLD ~~~

◆ BENEDICTION Pastor Murray

POSTLUDE

**Where in your life are you being invited to trust God provides
"enough for today" instead of certainty for tomorrow?**

February's RightNow Media picks

Check out some more videos from the huge selection of inspiring Christian content located at Right Now Media! Everything is accessible for you to conveniently enjoy from your computer or mobile device--absolutely free! Your account is already paid for through FPCL, so all you have to do is sign up.

If you have any trouble creating your account, or accessing content, please contact Pastor Blakeley for assistance!

For general audience: **"Tame your thoughts":**

Break away from negative thought patterns and become a little more like Jesus every day! Celebrated pastor and author Max Lucado leads this six-part series that identifies Scripture-based tools you can use to help change your thoughts for the better.

For women: **"Shero":** Pastor Jerome Gay is your guide through this study highlighting the faith, courage, and fortitude of four Old Testament women. Learn from their examples to draw inspiration in your own walk with the Lord!

For men: “**Jesus, the Ultimate Warrior**”. Pastor Jerome Gay explores a Biblically based concept of what it means to be a man and helps you to understand the six battles that each man can win through Christ.

Sunday Bible Study **March 1**

Bible Study is on the 1st and 3rd Sundays, following worship. Bring a ‘brown bag’ lunch and join us as we discuss God’s Word to us. Both children and Adult Sunday Bible Study will meet, starting in Ficklin Hall for lunch.



Tuesday Evening Shabby Sheep Women Bible Study

Beginning on March 3rd at 7pm

Wednesday Morning Shabby Sheep Women Bible Study

On Wednesdays at 10am

Today’s Service

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| Director of Handbell Choirs | Karen A. Meersman |
| Music | Memorial Handbell Choir & Tintinnabulation Ringers |
| Liturgist | Taylor A M |
| Trustee | Don M |
| Ushers | Sheri and Dennis W, Jim and Lynda K and Gary G |
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Open Door Circle will be meeting every 3rd Thursday, at 10:30.

All women are welcome. Please call Hedy Lemieux at 303-794-8284 with any questions.



WINTER ACCESSORIES DRIVE

The mission committee is in need of **MORE GLOVES**, please
Cold Weather is here



We are having a New Member Class in Ayers Parlor on Saturday, February 28th from 2:00-4:00. Please reach out to Dee G if you are interested

Office Hours 9am-2pm Tuesday-Thursday *Appointments Encouraged

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Worship Plans
Sermon Series for Lent,
Lent In Plain Sight

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| <i>March 1:</i> | <i>Cross</i> | <i>Mark 8:31-38; Hebrews 12:1-3</i> |
| <i>March 8</i> | <i>Lenten Cantata</i> | <i>Amazing Love</i> |
| <i>March 15</i> | <i>Coins</i> | <i>Ephesians 2:1-10; John 13:1-15</i> |
| <i>March 22</i> | <i>Shoes</i> | <i>Exodus 3:1-15; Hebrews 12:1-3</i> |
| <i>March 29, Palm Sunday</i> | <i>Coats</i> | <i>Luke 19:29-40</i> <i>BELLS</i> |
| <i>April 5, Easter Sunday Worship Services at 8am and 10am</i> | | |
| <i>*Pancake Breakfast 9am*</i> | | |

Mission Statement:

We Believe the Good News that all of Littleton is called Beloved by Jesus Christ and together we Belong to God's Kingdom.



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