

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

November 27, 2022, 10:30 a.m. First Sunday of Advent

*Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director
Worship Leader, Mary Sturgis; Ushers, Victoria Oliver, Sylvia Humes;*

Livestream, Cynthia Dalsing

PRELUDE MUSIC & LIVESTREAM BEGINS, LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE
RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE

CHORAL INTROIT *Maranatha* verse 1

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, LIGHT ADVENT CANDLE

*OPENING HYMN Hymnal # 11 *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?*

*UNISON OPENING PRAYER AND RESPONSIVE PEACE OF CHRIST

Holy God, we celebrate your love, the source of incarnation, and we trust in your promises. You are our hope. You are our joy. In Christ, all things hold together in light. When sorrows fill us, your Spirit sustains us; when waiting in long shadows of grief, your light gives glimpses of promise. Help us to trust you more, and prepare to receive your Advent in our hearts. Amen.

The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI Hymnal # 577 *Glory Be to the Father*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen...

CHORAL ANTHEM *We Wait for Thee*

SCRIPTURE READINGS Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:36-44

WORDS OF WITNESS "Unlearning" Andy Kennaly, Pastor

SONG OF RESPONSE Sing the Faith # 2150, vs. 1 *Lord, Be Glorified*
In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In our lives, Lord, be glorified, today.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY Lord in your mercy...**hear our prayer.**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

OFFERING, OFFERTORY, DOXOLOGY, PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*The Doxology # 593 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen....

*CLOSING HYMN Hymnal # 8 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION, FOLLOW THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

We follow Christ's light, for we are a congregation of people,

Loving, living, learning the joy of faith.

POSTLUDE, LIVESTREAM CONCLUDES

WORDS TO SONGS

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O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?

1 O Lord, how shall I meet you,
how welcome you aright?
Your people long to greet you,
my hope, my heart's delight!
Oh, kindle, Lord most holy,
a lamp within my breast
to do in spirit lowly
all that may please you best.

3 Love caused your incarnation;
love brought you down to me.
Your thirst for my salvation
procured my liberty.
Oh, love beyond all telling,
that led you to embrace
in love, all love excelling,
our lost and fallen race.

4 A glorious crown you give me
A treasure safe on high
That will not fail nor leave me
As earthly riches fly.
My heart shall bloom forever
For you with praises new,
And from your name shall never
Withhold the honor due.

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

1 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;
behold, the King of glory waits;
the King of kings is drawing near;
the Savior of the world is here!

2 Fling wide the portals of your heart;
make it a temple, set apart
from earthly use for heaven's employ,
adorned with prayer and love and joy.

3 Redeemer, come, I open wide;
my hearts to thee here lord abide;
let me thy inner presence feel;
thy grace and love in us reveal.