First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho January 8, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Second Sunday after Christmas Day Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Bill Love, Elder; Annie Welle, Piano

PRELUDE MUSIC & LIVESTREAM BEGINS, LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS *OPENING HYMN # 492 Baptized in Water

*UNISON OPENING PRAYER AND RESPONSIVE PEACE OF CHRIST Lord of light, we praise you for you are the one who casts away the darkness. As the wise men came seeking the Christ Child, kindle us with a desire to seek him anew and to make new discoveries of his truth and glory. May the Star of Bethlehem lead us to worship the Light of the World.

As your beloved son embraced his mission in the waters of baptism, inspire us with the fire of your Spirit to join in his transforming work. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ who lives and reigns for ever and ever. 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...

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 2:1-12, Matthew 3:13-17

WORDS OF WITNESS

"Light and Water" Bill Love, Elder

*HYMN OF RESPONSE Hymnal #66

We Three Kings

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Lord in your mercy...hear our prayer.

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.

OFFERING, OFFERTORY, DOXOLOGY

*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.... PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN Sing the Faith#2226 Bind Us Together

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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Baptized in Water

1 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit cleansed by the blood of Christ our king; heirs of salvation, trusting his promise faithfully now God's praise we sing.

- 2 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our king; one with his rising, freed and forgiven thankfully now God's praise we sing.
- 3 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our king; born of the Spirit, we are God's children joyfully now God's praise we sing.

We Three King of Orient Are

1 We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

Refrain:

O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

- 2 Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again, King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. [Refrain]
- 3 Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh; prayer and praising, we are raising, worshiping God on high. [Refrain]
- 4 Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom; sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb. [Refrain]
- 5 Glorious now behold him arise; King and God and sacrifice: Alleluia, Alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies. [Refrain]

Bind Us Together

Refrain
BIND US TOGETHER, Lord, Bind us together
With cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together, Lord
Bind us together with love.

There is only one God, There is only one King; There is only one Body, That is why we sing: