

# ***First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho***

*April 30, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Fourth Sunday of Easter*

*“Earth Care Service”*

*Andy Kennaly, Pastor (On Sabbatical)*

PRELUDE MUSIC & LIVESTREAM BEGINS, LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE,  
RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS  
OPENING SONG #473      “For the Beauty of the Earth”

OPENING PRAYER AND RESPONSIVE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

\*SUNG RESPONSE #579      “Glory Be to the Father”

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS      Earth Care Scriptures and Reflections

REFLECTIONS      “Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address Greetings to  
the Natural World”      Jane Fritz

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE      Hymnal # 285 God You Spin the Whirling Planets

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, 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      Sing the Faith #2279 The Trees of the Field

\*CHARGE, 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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### **“For the Beauty of the Earth”**

1 For the beauty of the earth,  
for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies.

Refrain:

Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this, our hymn of grateful praise.

2 For the wonder of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flower,  
sun and moon and stars of light,  
[Refrain ]

3 For the joy of ear and eye,  
For the heart and mind’s delight  
For the mystic harmony  
Linking sense to sound and sight  
[Refrain]

4 For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth, and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild,  
[Refrain]

### **God You Spin the Whirling Planets**

1 You spin the whiling planets, Fill the  
seas and spread the plain, mold the  
mountains, fashion blossoms, Call forth  
sunshine, wind, and rain. We, created in  
Your image, Would a true reflection be  
of Your justice, grace, and mercy and  
the truth that makes us free.

2. You have called us to be faithful in  
our life and ministry. We respond in  
grateful worship joined in one

community. When we blur your  
gracious image, focus us and make us  
whole. Healed and strengthened as your  
people, we move onward toward Your  
goal.

3. God, Your word is still creating,  
calling us to life made new. New reveal  
to us fresh vistas where there’s work to  
dare and do. Keep us clear of all  
distortion. Polish us with loving care.  
Thus, new creatures in Your image,  
we’ll proclaim Christ everywhere.

### **The Trees of the Field**

You shall go out with joy  
And be led forth with peace  
The mountains and the hills  
Will break forth before you  
There'll be shouts of joy  
And all the trees of the field  
Will clap, will clap their hands

And all the trees of the field will clap  
their hands

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While you go out with joy