

*First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho*  
*August 27, 2023, 9:30 a.m. Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*

*Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano*

*Kirsten Thompson, Worship Leader; Mickey Quinn, Livestream*

*Bill Love and Paula Vincent, Ushers*

Prelude Music & Livestream Begins, Lighting the Christ Candle, Ring the Bell,  
Moment of Silence, Welcome, Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Let us open our hearts to the sunshine of God's love.

**Let us open our souls to the gentle wind of God's Spirit.**

We have gathered to hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

**A word that renews us again and again.**

\*Opening Songs Sing the Faith # 2025 As the Deer & 2056 God Is So Good

\*Opening Prayer and Responsive Peace of Christ

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

\*Sung Response #577 "Glory Be to the Father"

*Glory be to the Father, and 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 Romans 12:1-8, Matthew 16:13-20

Words of Witness "Beyond Confinement" Andy Kennaly

\*Song of Response Hymnal # 333 Seek Ye First

Prayers of the Community

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**Eternal Spirit, Earth maker, pain bearer, life giver, Source of all that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven; The hallowing of your name echo through the Universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts that we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, 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 # 439 In Christ There Is No East or West

\*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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### **As the Deer**

As the deer pants for the water  
So my soul longs after you  
You alone are my hearts desire  
And I long to worship you.

#### Chorus

You alone are my strength, my  
shield  
To You alone may my spirit yield  
You alone are my hearts desire  
And I long to worship you

### **God Is So Good**

God is so good,  
God is so good,  
God is so good,  
God's so good to me.

God cares for me,  
God cares for me,  
God cares for me,  
God's so good to me.

God loves me so,  
God loves me so,  
God loves me so,  
God's so good to me.

God is so good,  
God is so good,  
God is so good,  
God's so good to me.

### **Seek Ye First**

Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
And His righteousness;

And all these things shall be added  
unto you.

Allelu, Alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;  
Seek, and you shall find.

Knock, and it shall be opened unto  
you.

Allelu, Alleluia!

### **In Christ There Is No East or West**

1. In Christ there is no east or west,  
in him no south or north,  
but one great fellowship of love  
throughout the whole wide earth.

2. In Christ shall true hearts  
everywhere  
their high communion find;  
his service is the golden cord  
close binding humankind.

3. Join hands, disciples of the faith,  
whate'er your race may be!  
Al children of the living God  
Are surely kin to me.

4. In Christ now meet both east and  
west;  
in him meet south and north,  
all Christly souls are one in him  
throughout the whole wide earth.