

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

September 24, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano

Jane Fritz, Worship Leader; Don Helander, Livestream

Sylvia Humes, Millie Rinker, Ushers

Prelude Music & Livestream Begins

Lighting the Christ Candle, Ring the Bell, Moment of Silence

Welcome, Announcements

*Opening Hymn # 460 Holy God, We Praise Your Name

*Opening Prayer and Responsive Peace of Christ

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

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

Scripture Readings Exodus 16:2-15, Psalm 105, 1-6, 37-45, Matthew 20:1-16

Words of Witness "Inclusive Trust" Andy Kennaly

Hymn of Response # 274 O God of Earth and Space

Prayers of the Community

Good caring presence within us, around us, and above us; hold us in a sense of mystery and wonder. Let the fullness of your goodness be within us and around us. Let all the world know your ways of caring and generosity. May we find we have all we need to meet each day without undue anxiety.

Overlook our many stupidities, and help us to release everyone from their stupidities. May we know we are accepted. Strengthen us that we will reach out to the best, always with the faith to rise above the ugly realities of our existence. And we celebrate the gifts you have given us: the rich kingdom of life's possibilities, the power to do good and the triumphs of good, and the moments when we have seen the glory and wonder of everything. You are life's richness. You are life's power. You are life's ultimate meaning. Amen.

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

Offering, Offertory, Doxology, *Prayer of Dedication

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

*Closing Hymn # 417 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

*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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Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Holy God, we praise Your name;
Lord of all, we bow before You.
Saints on earth Your scepter claim;
all in heav'n above adore You.
Infinite, Your vast domain;
everlasting is Your reign.

Hark, the glad celestial hymn
angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim,
in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
“Holy, holy, holy Lord!”

All apostles join strain
as your sacred name to hallow;
prophets swell the glad refrain,
and the blessed martyrs follow;
and from morn to set of sun,
through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name You,
while in essence only one;
undivided God, we claim You,
and, adoring, bend the knee
while we own the mystery.

O God of Earth and Space

O God of earth and space
Of sea and fire and air
Your providence surrounds us here
And everywhere
In fruit and grain and tree
In shelter from the cold
In cooling breezes flowing wells
Now as of old

Where faithfulness is shown
Where love and truth abound

Where beauty graces human life
There You are found
Inspirer of all thought
Creative force of art
The melody on every tongue
In every heart

Wherever freedom reigns
Where sin is overthrown
Where justice fused with mercy rules
There You are known
Give us the courage clear
To make the earth a home
For all to live in harmony
In Christ's shalom

Your word commands response
And summons us to life
We follow
Strengthened by Your grace
In calm or strife
Our ever present help
Our challenge and our prod
We praise You
Now and to life's end
Eternal God

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the lord and precious,
Binding all the church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever,
And our confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call you,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
With your wonted loving kindness,
Hear your people as they pray,
And your fullest benediction

Shed within it walls always.

Here bestow on all your servants
What they ask of you to gain,
What they gain from you forever
With the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in your glory
Evermore with you to reign

Laud and honor to the Father,
Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit
Ever three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory
While unending ages run.