

*First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho*  
*December 3, 2023, 10:30 a.m. First Sunday of Advent*

*Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director*  
*Worship Leader, Paula Vincent; Usher, Jane Fritz; Livestream, Mickey Quinn*

PRELUDE MUSIC & LIVESTREAM BEGINS, LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE

RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE

CHORAL INTROIT

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, LIGHT ADVENT CANDLE

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

\*OPENING PRAYER AND RESPONSIVE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS              Isaiah 64:1-9, 1 Corinthians 1:3-9, Mark 13:24-37

WORDS OF WITNESS              “Darkened Light of Love”              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 BLESSING, 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.

2 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.

3 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.