

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

November 12, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano

Kirsten Thompson, Worship Leader; Sue Helander, Livestream

Bill Love and Paula Vincent, Ushers

Prelude Music & Livestream Begins

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

Welcome, Announcements

*Opening Hymn # 280 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

*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 Amos 5:18-24, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

Words of Witness "An Ever-Flowing Stream" Andy Kennaly

Hymn of Response # 285 God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

Prayers of the Community & The Lord's Prayer

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

Our God in Heaven; May your holy name be honored; May your movement spread, Your will prevail through earth, as through the heavens. Grant us sustaining bread each day. Forgive us the wrongs we have done, as we forgive the wrongs that others have done to us. From confusion keep us clear, keep us safe from evil's sway. You are the reason of faith's reign and all power, and all glory for all time. Amen.

Offering, Offertory, Doxology, *Prayer of Dedication

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

*Closing Hymn # 420 God of Grace and God of Glory

*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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Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 Amazing grace how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

2 Twas grace first taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3 Through every danger, trial and snare
I have already come;
Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4 The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
my shield and stronghold he shall be
as long as life endures.

5 When we've been there ten thousand
years,
Bright Shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

1. God, You spin the whirling planets,
Fill the sea 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.

Now 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. [sh](#)

God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy pow'r;
crown thine ancient Church's story,
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo, the hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail thy ways.
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

3 Cure thy children's warring madness;
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

4 Set our feet on lofty places;
Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christlike graces,
Pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
That we fail not them nor thee!
That we fail not them nor thee!

4 Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the gift of your salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
serving you whom we adore,
serving you whom we adore. [a](#)