First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho December 31, 2023, 10:30 a.m. First Sunday of Christmas Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director Worship Leader, Kirsten Thompson; Usher, Gary Jones, Victoria Oliver Livestream, Cynthia Dalsing

PRELUDE MUSIC & LIVESTREAM BEGINS

LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE, RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*OPENING HYMN #41 O Come, All Ye Faithful

\*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...

SCRIPTURE READINGS Isaiah 61:10-62:3, Psalm 148, Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:22-40

1)

WORDS OF WITNESS

"God Blesses"

Andy Kennaly, Pastor

2)

\*CHRISTMAS HYMNS BY REQUEST

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

Hymnal # 29

Go, Tell it on the Mountain

CHARGE AND 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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## O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him
Born the King of Angels:
O come, let us adore Him, (3×)
Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given!
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!
O come, let us adore Him, (3×)
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of Heaven above! Glory to God, all glory in the highest: O come, let us adore Him, (3×) Christ the Lord.

## Go, Tell it on the Mountain

Refrain:

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills, and ev'rywhere; go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

- 1 While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night, behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. [Refrain]
- 2 The shepherds feared and trembled when lo, above the earth rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth. [Refrain]
- 3 Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born, and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. [Refrain]