

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

August 18, 2024, 9:30 a.m. Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director
Sharon Anderson, Worship Leader; Tina Friedman, Sue Helander, Ushers
Don Helander, Livestream*

PRELUDE MUSIC, LIVESTREAM BEGINS

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

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*OPENING HYMN #274 “O God of Earth and Space”

*RESPONSIVE PRAYER AND PEACE OF CHRIST

How lovely is your dwelling place, O God of hosts!

My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Happy are those whose strength is in you.

O God of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

Hear the prayers of our hearts.

You call us from a deep place, Wisdom that holds all of life.

Your song echoes in our heart and our soul cries out for you.

**Call us into your larger Love, your eternal embrace, your gift of abiding
that unites all things with equity, justice, mercy, and love. Speak to our
hearts, shape our lives, and send us forward with hope.**

Hear our prayers, Amen.

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....*

SCRIPTURES Psalm 111, Ephesians 5:15-20, John 6:51-58

WORDS OF WITNESS “Time to Live with Wise Care” Andy Kennaly, Pastor

*SONG OF RESPONSE #2130 “The Summons” (*Sing the Faith* book)

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

*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....*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #263 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

*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**

You are invited to stay for refreshments and conversation after the service.

WORDS TO SONGS

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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.

The Summons

Will you come and follow me
If I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown
In you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind
If I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
And never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
Should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
In you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see
If I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
And never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
And do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean
In you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide
If I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
And never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
To reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound
In you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true
When you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
And never be the same.
In your company I'll go
Where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
In you and you in me.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
Then wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.

Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!