

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

November 3, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

*Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director
Kirsten Thompson, Worship Leader; Judy Labrie, Paula Vincent, Ushers
Don or Sue Helander, Livestream*

PRELUDE MUSIC, LIVESTREAM BEGINS, LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE

RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING HYMN #341 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine”

*OPENING PRAYER AND PEACE OF CHRIST

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....

NEW MEMBER We welcome Nova Dodd, by Reaffirmation of Faith

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Dear One, closer to us than our own hearts, farther from us than the most distant star, you are beyond naming. May your powerful presence become obvious not only in the undeniable glory of the sky, but also in the seemingly base and common processes of the Earth. Give us what we need, day by day, to keep body and soul together, because clever as you have made us, we still owe our existence to you. We recognize that to be reconciled with you, we must live peaceably and justly with other human beings, putting hate and bitterness behind us. We are torn between our faith in your goodness and our awareness of the evil in your creation, so deliver us from the temptation to despair. Yours alone is the universe and all its majesty and beauty. So it is. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Deuteronomy 6:1-9, Psalm 119:1-8, Mark 12:28-34

WORDS OF WITNESS “Three Centers” Andy Kennaly, Pastor

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

*HYMN OF RESPONSE AND PREPARATION

#516 “Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation”

COMMUNION FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY

INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to give our thanks and praise to you,...

...with all the people of faith of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory! Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, most gracious God,...

...As we live out the mystery of the faith we proclaim:

Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Spirit of the living God, make us one...

...unending song of the universe raised by all the saints.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory, honor, and praise are yours, almighty God, now and forevermore. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*CLOSING SONG #2001 "We Sing to You, O God" (*Sing the Faith* book)

*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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Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

Blessed assurance: Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

(Refrain)

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

(Refrain)

Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation

Lord, we have come at Your own invitation,
Chosen by You, to be counted as friends;
Yours is the strength that sustains dedication,
Ours a commitment we know never ends.

Here, at Your table, confirm our intention
Give it Your seal of forgiveness and grace;
Teach us to serve without pride or pretension,
Lord, in Your kingdom, whatever our place.

When, at Your table, each time of returning,
Vows are renewed and our courage restored:
May we increasingly glory in learning
All that it means to accept You as Lord.

We Sing to You, O God

We sing to you, O God,
The Rock who gave us birth,
Let our rejoicing sing
Your name in all the earth.
To you, O God, let songs be raised,
In joyful hymns, our feast of praise.

We wandered far from home
Out in a desert land,
You shielded with your love
Our fearful pilgrim band.
You kept us safe within your arms
And sheltered us against the storm.

You bear us through the world,
An eagle to her young,
Who rises on her wings
And bears us toward the sun.
We ride the vaults of light and air
And trust in your unfailing care.

O God, eternal God,
We hide within your wings,
The everlasting arms
To whom our praises ring.
Your word is true, your way is just,
You are the God in whom we trust.