November 1, 2020 Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost and All Saints’ Day

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

Andrew Kennaly, Pastor Annie Welle, Pianist

Worship Leader: Sharon Anderson Usher: Victoria Oliver

PRELUDE

WELCOME, SHARING PRAYERS

BEGIN FACEBOOK LIVE, OPENING MUSIC

LIGHT CHRIST CANDLE, RING THE BELL, SILENT REFLECTION

WELCOME, ANNOUNCE NOVEMBER 22 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

to elect officers, update Pastor’s Terms of Call, and change by-laws to allow electronic meetings

ALL SAINTS DAY RINGING REMEMBRANCE Carol Curtis, bell ringer

Kent Labrie, Gary Wescott, Velma Wescott, Enid Thompson, Bob Meigs,

Chuck Scott, others…

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY & THE LORD’S PRAYER

Prayers of the community…

Holy God in heaven, we give you thanks for everyone we mentioned, and those names that go unspoken. Receive your saints in joy, and may their lives inspire us to claim your loving grace. Our world seems to be filled with struggle as refugees look for homes of safety, fleeing from destruction and threats; as migrants look for opportunities to build a life for themselves and their families, moving on from things that have gotten so difficult they feel the need to leave. For families and communities facing natural disasters, wondering when the next big storm will come and struggling to start over yet again. For wars and rumors of wars and an arms industry that depends on instability and violence to make profits. For the many ways we fool ourselves, rationalizing reasons for destructive behavior or uncaring attitudes, *Lord, have mercy*. Yet even as we pray during struggle, we also know this world is filled with blessing, so many miracles we take for granted or overlook. For the many ways your love is shared, your servants care, and your goodness expressed, we give you thanks. Help us to hold on to hope, that no matter what, you hold us, and everything, by grace. In *Christ, have mercy*.

We also pray for these…

Let’s take a minute and hold silence together as we pray in our hearts…

*Lord, have mercy*, even as we pray what Jesus shares with disciples, saying,

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.

The Peace of Christ be with you. (And also with you). Thanks be to God!

SCRIPTURE READING 1 John 3:1-3, read by worship leader

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:1-12, read by Pastor

WORDS OF WITNESS “Imminence and Transcendence”

OFFERING

One way to respond to God’s leading in your life is to give of yourself in time, talent, and treasure. Supporting the mission and ministry of First Presbyterian Church helps support expressions of love in the world. Financial gifts can be placed in the offering plates at each entrance door, or sent by regular mail to 417 N. Fourth Ave. in Sandpoint ID, 83864, or donated online at the church website: [www.fpcsandpoint.org](http://www.fpcsandpoint.org)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

As we go into this day, live into your sainthood as one created, loved, and blessed by God; one called to grow in the depths of awareness, trusting your soul’s connection with the creative power of the Source of life. May God’s heaven in your heart free you to live as one connected with all things, so that love, for Love’s sake, holds us and leads us in the love of God the Father, the grace and peace of Christ, Jesus, our Lord, and the abiding, expressive Presence of the Holy Spirit, who is with us NOW, even as forever. Amen.

SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST WITH THE WORLD

CLOSING MUSIC, ENDING FACEBOOK LIVE