

March 7, 2021 Third Sunday in Lent
First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho
Andrew Kennaly, Pastor
Annie Welle, Pianist Worship Leader: Sue Helander

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BEGIN FACEBOOK LIVE, OPENING MUSIC

LIGHT CHRIST CANDLE, RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ONLINE WORSHIP

A reminder that this week our Taizé Tuesdays continue during the season of Lent. Each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m., we have a time of guided prayer, scripture, a brief devotional, and periods of silence, along with Taizé music, all of this via Zoom online. Contact the church office for more information. Also, remember that next weekend is the time change as we spring forward one hour. But for now as we gather on this third Sunday of Lent, let's continue worship with prayer...

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Holy God, we gather in this holy temple of your Holy Spirit to worship you in the depths of our inner life. Our bodies are your dwelling place, for our bodies made from Earth are shaped by nothing less than Love. Help us to sing your praises with thankful hearts, to challenge that which blocks or obscures the glory of your Presence. Give us courage to face the challenges which surround us and fill us, both externally and internally. Lead us by your Spirit as we pray for your world, your church, the many nations and expressions of diversity and creative goodness. We seek comfort for those in need amidst struggles of mind, body, or spirit. We pray for the healing of the world as pandemic rages on, and inequities are revealed. We pray for Pope Francis as he visits Iraq this weekend, the first Pope to do so. May his loving vision of unity, shared life, and healing be encouraging. Help us all to love you more, and as we follow Jesus, 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 Psalm 19, read by worship leader

SCRIPTURE READING John 2:13-22, read by Pastor

WORDS OF WITNESS “God’s Light Within”

OFFERING

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Our bodies, made from Earth, shaped by Love are temples of the Holy Spirit. May we have courage to seek healing from anything that obscures the glory of God’s Presence, both externally as we seek justice and internally as we do our shadow work. May God’s light shine through our lives as we help God to help us, nurturing God’s dwelling within us. In following Jesus with all that entails, may the love of God the Father, the grace and peace of Christ, and the sustaining Presence of the Holy Spirit, one God, be with us NOW, leading us in love, even as forever. Amen.

SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST WITH THE WORLD

CLOSING MUSIC, ENDING FACEBOOK LIVE