First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

March 5, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Second Sunday in Lent

Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano Judy Labrie, Worship Leader; Mickey Quinn, Usher Don Helander, Livestream

PRELUDE MUSIC & LIVESTREAM BEGINS, LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE, RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

We have learned many things about the ways of faith.

Unlearning is sometimes hard to do.

The Spirit blows where it will, calling us to see with new vision.

We lift our eyes, seeking God Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. God meets us, and we are transformed.

Let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN Hymnal # 354 Guide My Feet OPENING PRAYER AND RESPONSIVE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you. Thanks be to God!

Psalm 121, John 3:1-17 SCRIPTURE READINGS

WORDS OF WITNESS "The LORD Is Your Keeper" Andy Kennaly

Spirit of the Living God *HYMN OF RESPONSE Hymnal # 322

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

We respond to God's goodness and love in our lives through the giving of our time, talents, and treasures. I invite the ushers to come forward to receive this morning's offering. Thank you for giving to all good causes.

*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

COMMUNION (see insert)

Sing the Faith # 2220 *CLOSING SONG We Are God's People

*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

SONG LYRICS

Reprinted with permission under ONE LICENSE #705893-A.

Guide My Feet

1, 6 Guide my feet while I run this race, yes, my Lord!
Guide my feet while I run this race, yes, my Lord!
Guide my feet while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

- 2 Hold my hand...
- 3 Stand by me...
- 4 I'm your child...
- 5 Search my heart...

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me.

We Are God's People

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord, Born of the Spirit, established by the Word; Our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in Christ we stand; O let us live transparently and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord, for we have known it, the love of God outpoured;
Now let us learn how to return
The gift of love once given:
O let us share each joy and care,
And live with a zeal that pleases
Heaven.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head, called to obey Christ, now risen from the dead; God wills us be a family, diverse yet truly one:

O let us give our gifts to God, and so shall God's work on earth be done.

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place, formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace; We die alone, for on its own each ember loses fire: Yet joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light, and to inspire.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT 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.

We have gathered around the table. What is special about this table?

This is the table of God's family. What do we celebrate at this table?

We celebrate God's love and faithfulness to us.

Eternal God, we give you thanks that long ago you promised by covenant to be our God. Though some remained faithful to your covenant, we too often worshiped other gods and did not love each other or ourselves as you command. We all disobey your law, yet you still love us and remain faithful to us. Thank you, God! What takes place at this table?

We participate in the mysteries of God as we share in the Body of Christ.

Gracious God, we thank you for coming alongside us through the birth, life, and ministry of Jesus. As Jesus died on the cross, he shows the power and depth of your love, and showed His victory over death by rising from the dead. Thank you, God! Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We have gathered around the Lord's table.

Why do we eat bread at this table?

We eat bread at this table because before He died, Jesus gave bread to His disciples and said, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." (Luke 22:19b)

Why do we drink the cup from this table?

We drink because at the same meal, Jesus gave His disciples the cup and said, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood." What happens when we share these?

We are renewed, and reminded that we are connected with God, and united with faithful people of all time and space. Through faith and thanksgiving, we are sent as the Body of Christ into the world.

Holy God, renew the pouring out of your Holy Spirit on us and these gifts of bread and juice, so we may serve you in love. Send us into the world with thankful hearts to work for justice and peace. Through Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, Almighty God.

Amen.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION