

Ash Wednesday

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint
and Sandpoint United Methodist Church
Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Catherine Lyle, Pastor SUMC; Andy Kennaly, Pastor, FPC
Duet sung by Dana Stockman and Kirsten Thompson, Annie Welle, Piano

OPENING MUSIC & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

God calls to us, saying “Return to me with all your heart.”

Let us come to God with our entire heart, to be made whole.

As we turn again to God, grace and mercy remind us

that God is slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

HYMN #366

“Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE READING

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

MUSICAL SOLO

“My Way” by Hal Leonard
Pastor Catherine Lyle, French horn

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 51:1-17; 2

HYMN #359

“More Love to Thee, O Christ”

SCRIPTURE READING

Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

DUET

“Kyrie Eleison” by Ron Kean
Dana Stockman, Kirsten Thompson, Annie Welle

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

Remember you are stardust, and to stardust you shall return.

DEPARTING SONG #2162

“Grace Alone” (*Sing the Faith* book)

BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC & FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

WORDS TO SONGS

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Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

Jesus, Thy boundless love to me
No thought can reach, no tongue declare;
O knit my thankful heart to Thee,
And reign without a rival there!
Thine wholly, Thine alone, I'd live,
Myself to Thee, entirely give.

O, grant that nothing in my soul
May dwell, but Thy pure love alone;
O may Thy love possess me whole,
My joy, my treasure, and my crown!
All coldness from my heart remove;
May every act, word, thought be love.

O love, how gracious is thy way!
All fear before thy presence flies;
Care, anguish, sorrow melt away,
Where'er Thy healing beams arise.
O Jesus, nothing may I see,
Nothing desire or seek, but Thee.

More Love to Thee, O Christ

More love to Thee, O Christ,
More love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make
On bended knee.
This is my earnest plea:
More love, O Christ, to Thee;
More love to Thee,
More love to Thee!

Once earthly joy I craved,
Sought peace and rest;
Now Thee alone I seek,
Give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ to Thee;
More love to Thee,
More love to Thee!

Then shall my latest breath
Whisper Thy praise;
This be the parting cry
My heart shall raise;
This still its prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ to Thee;
More love to Thee,
More love to Thee!

Grace Alone

Every promise we can make,
Every prayer and step of faith,
Every difference we will make
Is only by his grace.

Every mountain we will climb,
Every ray of hope we shine,
Every blessing left behind
Is only by his grace.

Grace alone which God supplies,
Strength unknown he will provide.
Christ in us our Cornerstone;
We will go forth in grace alone.

Every soul we long to reach,
Every heart we hope to teach,
Everywhere we share his peace
Is only by his grace.

Every loving word we say,
Every tear we wipe away,
Every sorrow turned to praise
Is only by his grace.

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