

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

March 9, 2025, 10:30 a.m. First Sunday in Lent

*Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director
Kirsten Thompson, Worship Leader; Donna Bricker & Dyno Wahl, Ushers
Carol Curtis, Livestream*

PRELUDE MUSIC, LIVESTREAM BEGINS, LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE

RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE

CHORAL INTROIT "Stay with Us"

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Luke 4:1; Rom. 10:8b)

The season of Lent sets us on a journey. We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

Like Jesus, we are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with us.

God's Word is on our lips.

Our call is to trust in God alone, to do God's will in all things.

God leads us not only into the wilderness, but also through the wilderness.

Let us worship God!

*OPENING SONG #2145 "God's Great Love Is So Amazing!" (*Sing the Faith*)

*OPENING PRAYER AND RESPONSIVE 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....

CHORAL ANTHEM "On Eagle's Wings"

SCRIPTURE Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Psalm 91:12-, 9-16, Luke 4:1-13

WORDS OF WITNESS "Command This Stone" Andy Kennaly, Pastor

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #80 "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"

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

God, lover of us all, Most Holy One, help us to create what you want for us here. Give us today enough for our needs. Forgive our weak and deliberate offenses, just as we must forgive others when they hurt us. Help us to resist evil and to do what is good; For we are yours, endowed with your power to make the world whole. Amen.

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

*CLOSING HYMN # 538 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

*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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God's Great Love Is So Amazing!

God's great love is so amazing!
See — a shepherd with his flocks!
Ninety-nine are safely grazing;
one is lost among the rocks.
That good shepherd goes and searches
till he finds the one astray.
So God says to fill our churches
with the ones who've lost their way.

God in love is always seeking!
See — a woman with her broom!
For a single coin she's sweeping
every corner of the room.
When it's found she calls each neighbor,
telling friends from all around.
So God says to search and labor
till God's precious ones are found.

God keeps waiting, searching, yearning!
See — a father's heartfelt joy!
Thankful for his son's returning,
he runs out to greet his boy.
To the angry older brother,
hear the father's patient call.
So God says to love each other,
for in Christ, God loves us all.

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

Jesus walked this lonesome valley,
He had to walk it by Himself;
O, nobody else could walk it for Him,
He had to walk it by Himself.

We must walk this lonesome valley,
We have to walk it by ourselves;
O, nobody else can walk it for us,
We have to walk it by ourselves.

You must go and stand your trial,
You have to stand it by yourself,
O, nobody else can stand it for you,
You have to stand it by yourself.

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing;
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, Thy love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us,
Traveling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration
For Thy gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of Thy salvation
In our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, Ever faithful
To the truth may we be found.

So that when Thy love shall call us,
Savior, from the world away,
Let no fear of death appall us,
Glad Thy summons to obey.
May we ever, May we ever
Reign with Thee in endless day.