

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

April 6, 2025, 10:30 a.m. Fifth Sunday in Lent

*Andy Kennaly, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director
Dana Stockman, Worship Leader; Paula Vincent, Usher
Sue Helander, Livestream*

PRELUDE MUSIC, LIVESTREAM BEGINS, LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE

RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING SONG #2196 “We Walk by Faith” (*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....

SPECIAL MUSIC “Kyrie” Dana Stockman, Kirsten Thompson

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126, John 12:1-8

WORDS OF WITNESS “Turbidity” Andy Kennaly, Pastor

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #366 “Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me”

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY, IN THREE PARTS

Community Petitions 1) Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Intercession 2) We thank you, O God: **You are making all things new.**

Lord’s Prayer 3) **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, PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*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

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

*CLOSING HYMN #361 "How Firm a Foundation" verses 1-4

*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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We Walk by Faith

We walk by faith, and not by sight;
with gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod;
yet in his promise we rejoice,
and cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
and may our faith abound;
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found:

That when our life of faith is done
in realms of clearer light
may we behold you as you are,
in full and endless sight.

We walk by faith, and not by sight;
with gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
but we believe him near.

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.

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath
said,
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee
to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to
go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall
lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.