

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

August 17, 2025, 11:00 a.m., Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Catherine Lyle, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director
Carol Curtis, Worship Leader; Kirsten Thompson, Usher
Mickey Quinn, Livestream*

PRELUDE MUSIC, LIVESTREAM BEGINS

LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sisters and brothers, gathered in the presence of God, let us remember Miriam, a woman of courage and faith.

From her watchful gaze over her baby brother Moses in the reeds, to her bold approach to Pharaoh's daughter, Miriam demonstrated unwavering faith and courage in the face of fear.

Miriam, the prophetess, led the women in a triumphant song and dance, celebrating God's deliverance after the miraculous crossing of the Red Sea. She reminded us to worship and give praise to the God who loves us beyond measure.

Let us, like Miriam, be inspired to trust in God's plan, lead with courage, and remain steadfast in our faith, no matter the journey ahead.

Come, let us worship the Lord, who calls us to be courageous in moments both small and great, who equips us to lead and serve according to His will, and who empowers us to offer joyful praise and worship for all He has done and will do.

Amen!

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.

*OPENING HYMN #449 "My Lord! What a Morning"

*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....

SCRIPTURE READINGS Hebrews 11:29-12:2, Luke 12:17-29

WORDS OF WITNESS "Faith in Interesting Times" Catherine Lyle, Pastor

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #407 "When a Poor One"

OFFERING, OFFERTORY

*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. Amen....

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #2279 "The Trees of the Field" (*Sing the Faith*)

***CHARGE, BENEDICTION, FOLLOW THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

Go in faith spiritual descendants of Miriam. Harness more of your good sisterly traits by being brave enough to swim with crocodiles, loving enough to welcome home all of God's people, and joyful enough to sing when you have no home but a home in God. Amen

We are a congregation of people

Loving, living, learning the joy of faith.

POSTLUDE, LIVESTREAM CONCLUDES

WORDS TO SONGS

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My Lord! What a Morning

Refrain:

My Lord! what a morning,
My Lord! what a morning,
Oh, my Lord, what a morning,
When the stars begin to fall.

You will hear the trumpet sound
To wake the nations underground,
Looking to my God's right hand
When the stars begin to fall.

(Refrain)

You will hear the sinner cry
To wake the nations underground,
Looking to my God's right hand
When the stars begin to fall.

(Refrain)

You will hear the Christian shout
To wake the nations underground,
Looking to my God's right hand
When the stars begin to fall.

(Refrain)

When a Poor One

When a poor one who has nothing shares with
strangers,
When the thirsty water give unto us all,
When the crippled in their weakness strengthen
others,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.

When at last all those who suffer find their comfort,
When they hope though even hope seems
hopelessness,
When we love though hate at times seems all
around us,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.

When our joy fills up our cup to overflowing,
When our lips can speak no words other than true,
When we know that love for simple things is better,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.

When our homes are filled with goodness in
abundance,
When we learn how to make peace instead of war,
When each stranger that we meet is called a
neighbor,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.

The Trees of the Field

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with
peace;
The mountains and the hills will break forth before
you;
There'll be shouts of joy,
And all the trees of the field will clap, clap their
hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,
The trees of the field will clap their hands,
The trees of the field will clap their hands
While you go out with joy.