

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

December 24, 2025, 5:30 p.m.; Christmas Eve

*Catherine Lyle, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director
Dyno Wahl, Worship Leader; Jane Fritz & Judy Labrie, Ushers; Mickey Hemingway, Livestream*

PRELUDE MUSIC, LIVESTREAM BEGINS

LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE, WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

LIGHT THE ADVENT CANDLES AND CHRIST CANDLE

Cynthia Dalsing

CAROL #53 "What Child Is This"

We light these candles for those who need it most.

For all who need more Hope.

For all who yearn for Peace.

For all whose Joy lays dormant.

For all who need the salve of Love.

For all of who need this Child of Possibility.

Our question for this night at the scene of the nativity is this: "How do the messages of this child reverberate into our time, our lives, our world?"

What child IS this? This, this, is Christ the King who reigns with hope, peace, joy, and love forever.

*CAROL #41 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 9:2-7

CHORAL ANTHEM "Almost There"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *Birth of the Chosen One* by Terry Wildman

CAROL #25 "Away in a Manger"

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:1-20

CHORAL ANTHEM "Christ Child, Christ Child"

WORDS OF WITNESS "Trust the Young and Have Faith in Their Parents"

Catherine Lyle, Pastor

CAROLS #31 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

#28 "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

LIGHT THE CANDLES

CAROL "Silent Night, Holy Night" (see reverse)

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CAROL "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" (see reverse)

*POSTLUDE, LIVESTREAM CONCLUDES

Please place your extinguished candle in the large metal bowls located at the exits.

Offering baskets are located by the exit doors to support the ministry of the church.

Thank you for sharing Christmas Eve service with First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint! We gather in-person for worship each Sunday at 11:00 a.m., and you are invited to keep in touch with ongoing projects and our YouTube stream through our website, www.fpcsandpoint.org.

WORDS TO SONGS

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Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother and Child!
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!"

Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Silent night, holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain:
Go, tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain,
That Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light. *(Refrain)*

The shepherds feared and trembled,
When lo! above the earth,
Rang out the angels chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth. *(Refrain)*

Down in a lowly manger
The humble Christ was born,
And God sent us salvation
That blessed Christmas morn. *(Refrain)*

