

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

January 25, 2026; 11:00 a.m., 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

*Catherine Lyle, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director
Kirsten Thompson, Worship Leader; Sylvia Humes & Judy Labrie, Ushers; Mickey Hemingway, Livestream*

PRELUDE MUSIC, LIVESTREAM BEGINS

LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all who feel alone, forgotten, or unsure

God is here – faithful in every moment

Come, all who rejoice and give thanks

God rejoices with us and receives our praise

In all seasons, through all things-

We worship the one who never leaves us. *Pastor Jason Elder*

*OPENING HYMN #306 “Fairest Lord Jesus”

*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 Isaiah 9:1-4; Matthew 4:12-23

WORDS OF WITNESS “John, the favorite, was a dry-fly fisherman.” Bill Love, Elder

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #377 “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

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.

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 #485 “To God Be the Glory”

*CHARGE, BENEDICTION, FOLLOW THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

We are a congregation of people

Loving, living, learning the joy of faith.

POSTLUDE, LIVESTREAM CONCLUDES

WORDS TO SONGS

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Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God to earth come down,
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine,
Fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host;
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

You have come up to the lakeshore,
Looking neither for wise nor for wealthy.
You only wanted that I should follow.

Refrain:

O Lord, with Your eyes You have searched me,
And, while smiling, have called out my name.
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me,
Now with You. I will see other seas.

You know that I own so little,
In my boat there's no money nor weapons,
You'll only find there my nets and labor. *Refrain*

You need the caring of my hands.
Through my tiredness, may others find resting.
You need a love that just goes on loving. *Refrain*

You, who have fished other oceans,
Ever longed for by souls that are waiting,
My dear and good friend, as thus You call me.
Refrain

To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory: great things He hath done.

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath
done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.
Refrain