

First Presbyterian Church of Sandpoint, Idaho

April 26, 2026, 11:00 a.m., 4th Sunday of Easter

*Catherine Lyle, Pastor; Annie Welle, Piano; Dana Stockman, Choir Director
Mary Sturgis, Worship Leader; Sylvia Humes & Victoria Oliver, Ushers
Mickey Hemingway, Livestream*

PRELUDE MUSIC, LIVESTREAM BEGINS

LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE, WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

RING THE BELL, MOMENT OF SILENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP written by Rev. Anita Phillips

Our God and Creator asks, “How will you live the life I have given to you?”

Like a still, deep pool in the desert, we will live in a way that reflects your love back onto your world.

Our God and Creator asks, “How will you walk this path I have given to you?”

Like the creatures of the forest, we will walk in a way that respects all life created by your hand.

Our God and Creator asks, “How will you reach out to the world beyond yourselves?”

Like the branches of a sapling, we will strive to reach beyond the safe and the familiar, touching the world in your name.

Help us to remember we all are connected through the endless circle of life and creation.

Teach us to trust and follow the example of Jesus Christ,

All: who lived a life of sacrifice, walked a path of goodness and mercy, and reached beyond human differences. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #220 “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

*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 Psalm 100, John 10:1-10 (*First Nations Translation*)

CHILDREN’S MOMENT *Rez Dogs* by Joseph Bruchac

WORDS OF WITNESS “Herding Sheep Is Not Like Herding Cats”

Catherine Lyle, Pastor

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #172 “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

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 #2129 “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” (*Sing the Faith*)

*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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All People That on Earth Do Dwell

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell;
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make;
We are His folk, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise;
Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His Name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good;
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

My Shepherd will supply my need;
Jehovah is His Name:
In pastures fresh He makes me feed,
Beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back
When I forsake His ways,
And leads me, for His mercy's sake,
In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death
Thy presence is my stay;
One word of Your supporting breath
Drives all my fears away.
Your hand, in sight of all my foes,
Does still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows,
Your oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God
Attend me all my days;
O may Your house be my abode,
And all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest,
While others go and come;
No more a stranger, or a guest,
But like a child at home.

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus -
no turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me -
no turning back, no turning back.

Though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow -
no turning back, no turning back.