

Seventh Sunday of Easter
Little Prairie United Methodist Church
June 1, 2025, 9:30 am



May All Be One

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Our vision: Creating a welcoming community that worships well, disciples well, and serves well; transforming the world for Jesus Christ.

WELCOME AND GATHERING

Gathering Music

"He Is Exalted" by Twila Paris arr. Mark Hayes

Luann Alderks

Welcome

Pastor Penny Bonsell

Centering Time

Call to Worship

The roots of the Tree of Life run deep into the sacred soil.

The limbs of the Tree of Life reach out to embrace the goodness of all creation.

The trunk of the Tree of Life stands strong in the face of hatred and malice toward the least, the lonely, the left out.

The branches of the Tree of Life struggle toward the heavens, hoping to bring about God's reign of justice and love for all.

The winds of the Spirit breathe through the Tree of Life, bringing renewal and hope.

May our worship this day be a worthy offering that supports the Tree of Life and brings the goodness of the Sacred to our world.

by Sally Johnson

Hymn *Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling*

UMH #348

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Opening Prayer

Gracious Creator, you invite us into relationship with every breath. Settle us, center us, and calm us to the ever-moving flowing of your Spirit calling us to become one with you. We pray in humility and hope of grace. Amen.

by Sally Johnson

Sharing of the Peace

Children's Moment

THE WORD

Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21

John 17:20-26

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Message

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Pastor Penny Bonsell

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn

Fairest Lord Jesus

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Joys and Concerns

Prayers for the People

Creating God, we look forward to the arrival of your city, and we recognize our part to play. The tree of life needs clean water; the ground needs to be prepared. Our work has begun. Guide our hands in seeing to it.

We see that you are calling all people back to you and that you have charged us with invitation and welcome. There are those whom we might have called enemies before. Open our hearts for reconciliation.

Loving God, open our minds to see the vision you have for us. Allow our imaginations to take control when our minds say, “That’s not possible.” Make us dream of a city, not another empire.

Returning God, give us urgency. Let us not say what has been said too long, “The next generation will fix it.” Raise us up as prophets to proclaim the good news that the time has come.

God-throughout-Creation, strengthen our hands to do the work and make them soft to reach out to those on the fence.

Make our city one that knows no division. Make us a prismatic reflection of your great love for us. May we be the builders you ask us to be. Amen.

by Rev. Chad Hornsby

Offering *"Of the Father's Love Begotten" 12th Century Gregorian Chant*
 arr. Kathleen Massaud *Luann Alderks*

Doxology *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow (UMC #95)* *All*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Transforming God, we have come to your house as children. The Table is ever growing and we revel in your gifts for us. Receive our simple offerings, that they may be used to faithfully serve in building your kingdom come. Amen.

And the Prayer Christ gives us . . .

The Lord’s 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 trespasses as we forgive those who have trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.

Hymn *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* *UMH #557* *All*

SENDING

We are surrounded by the presence of the Holy. We are held in the love of the Creator. We are filled with the inspiration of the Spirit. We are called by the life and resurrection of Jesus the Christ. May we go from this place to live lives that hold this world in care and compassion, dreaming a New Creation as God's beloveds. May the Christ in you be fully present. May a stranger see in you a friend and neighbor. God sends you, the Spirit fills you, Christ goes with you and you with Christ, always and everywhere.

God Bless! Go in love, joy, hope, peace. Shalom. Amen.

Postlude: *"Great Is the Lord" by Michael W. Smith & Deborah D. Smith*

arr. Mark Hayes

Luann Alderks

INFORMATION

Sun. June 8th, 9:30am Graduation and Confirmation

Tues. June 10th 1:00 pm Finance Team meeting

June 12-13th Annual Conference

Sundays, Worship at 9:30 am

Tuesdays, 8:30 am: Breakfast Club, at L&M

Wednesdays, 9-10:30 am: Pastor Penny is at James Gang coffee shop

Saturdays, 9:00 am Soul Sisters (see Theresa Siemers for details)

Fridays, 2nd and 4th 5:30-8:00 pm: Youth Group and Confirmation

Music on the Prairie Wednesdays, 6-8 pm June, 18, July 9, August 20,

beginning with The Old Country Boys in June. Food available

Mon-Thurs., July 28-31, 5:30 pm-8:00 pm, VBS- Smore Jesus!

Each evening we will have dinner, fun camping themed activities, with the campfire and s'mores.

INFORMATION

Pastor: Penny Bonsell, Administrator: Sara French, Music Director and pianist: Luann Alderks, Certified Lay Minister and Youth Director: Theresa Siemers, assistants Maddy Heinz-Kline and Kory Larson, Technology Administrator: Jesse Steed, Admin Council Chair: Kevin Larson, Admin Secretary: Sue Rollins, SPRC Chair: Deb Little, Treasurer: Lori Noreen, Finance Committee Co-Chairs: Kevin Larson and Mel Henrichs, Trustees Chair: Tom Stowe, Missions and Lay Servant: Karen Nelson, Soundboard Technician: Tom Hollenhorst

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