Pentecost Confirmation, Graduation and New Member Sunday! June 8, 2025, 9:30 am Little Prairie United Methodist Church



It Filled the Entire House Little Prairie United Methodist Church 2980 130th ST E, P.O. Box 276, Dundas, MN 55019 507.663-6150 www.littleprairieumc.org

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 "In the Presence of Jehovah" by Geron and Becky Davis with "Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place" by Lanny Wolfe" arr. Mark Hayes

Luann Alderks

Welcome/Announcements **Centering Time**

Call to Worship:

Pastor Penny Bonsell Beloved, pay attention! The Holy Spirit sweeps among us, binding us together as family in Christ. We are children of God, heirs of grace. Beloved, have you noticed? The Holy Spirit moves among us, creating and renewing the whole of creation,

inspiring us to co-create with God and one another. We are children of God, co-creators in grace.

Beloved, be encouraged. The Holy Spirit lives among us, surrounding us with mercy and grace, witnessing to us about God's steadfast love for God's people.

Pastor Penny Bonsell

We are children of God, witnesses to grace.

Beloved, pay attention! Whether in a rushing wind or a gentle breath, the Holy Spirit welcomes you here, for we are all children of God, brought together by grace.

We are children of God, knit together by the Spirit. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, October 2024.

Hymn: *O Spirit of the Living God UMH # 539*

Opening Prayer:

May we feel your presence this day, Holy Spirit, like the people gathered on that Day of Pentecost. May you rush into our hearts and inebriate our souls. May we be empowered by your Spirit to live a life more faithful to God. O God, you who are always doing a new thing, we confess that we sometimes close windows against the fresh air of new ideas, against the noise of other people's worries, against the winds of change.

God of every place and time, we confess that we often draw the blinds against people who are different, against world news or community concerns.

Forgive us our insulation in our safe and secured homes, our sheltered churches, and the security systems on our hearts. Open up our lives, and let your Spirit blow through. Amen.

In inspiration by Ciona D. Rouse, The Africana Worship Book, Year C (Nashville: Discipleship Resources, 2008), 123.

Sharing the Peace Children's Moment-Celebration of Graduates *Alaina French, Nikolas Stoufis, and Maddy Klein*

THE WORD

Scriptures and Reflections of Confirmands Psalm 104:24-25, 27-28, 33-34 Romans 8:14-17 Acts 2:1-21 The Word of God for the People of God. Thanks be to God.

Message: *"It Filled the Entire House"*

Pastor Penny Bonsell

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn:

Spirit Song

UMH # 347

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Confirmation and Reception of Class 2025: *Ivy Ostermann, Malia Peterson, Katerina Stoufis, Irie French, Oliver Kline, and Gavinn Schneider* **Reception of New Members:** *Barb and Paul Liebenstein and Jane and Bruce Albers*

Confirmands' Mission as New Members

Joys/Concerns/Prayers of the People

Offering:"Spirit of the Living God" by Daniel Iverson arr. Lowell AlexanderLuann Alderks

Doxology:Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #95All

Holy Communion

Lord's Table May the God of all be with you! And also with you! Lift up your hearts! We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

And the prayer which unites 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 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.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup	"Longing for LIght, We Wait in	n Darkness" by Bernadette Farrell
	arr. Mark Hayes	Luann Alderks

Hymn:Every Time I Feel the SpiritUMH # 404All

SENDING

May God, who gives us a spirit of adoption, bless you today, carrying you on the winds of the Spirit into the world to share the love, grace, and family that have been so lavishly given to each and every one of us. 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. **Amen. God Bless! Go in hope, peace, joy, and love. Shalom. Amen.**

Postlude: "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" by Doris Akers arr. Mark Hayes

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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

Website







*Sunday School age children/parents please grab your Fun Pages Pack which will be available at the back of the church (near the greeters) or on the front middle pew.

If you are ages 4-7, please take a canvas bag; if you are ages 8-10, please take an expandable file folder. Have fun!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues. June 10th, 1:00 pm Finance Team meeting
June 11-13th MN Annual Conference, Pastor Penny is being commissioned, June 12, at 7 pm NO Pastor Penny at James Gang this week*
Tues. June 17, 1:00 pm Administrative Council
Wed. June 18, 6-8 pm Music on the Prairie

Weekly Events
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)
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- S'more Jesus!
Each evening we will have dinner, fun camping themed activities, with the campfire and s'mores.

See our website for more details at <u>www.littleprairieumc.org</u>.

Job Posting: Soundboard Technician, Sunday mornings, see Website for information