

**Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
Little Prairie United Methodist Church
July 27, 2025, 9:30 am**



The Lord's Prayer

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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 *You Are My All In All;*
 Music by Dennis L. Jernigan;
 Arranged by Carol Tornquist

Welcome
Centering Time

April Ostermann
Pastor Penny Bonsell

Call to Worship

Children of God, when the journey ahead seems long and hard, full of unknown dangers and all-too-real risks, remember:

Keep the faith. God, who made us alive, is our Guardian and Guide.

When the voices on the side of the road tempt us with their misinformation full of unearned certainty, simple solutions, and quickness to blame and shame those who

disagree with them, remember:

Stay the course. God, who made us alive, is our Wisdom and Judge.

When those in power place barriers in our way, making it harder to share the love of God in our communities, trying to convince us it is easier to do nothing than remain firm in God's call to act for the flourishing of all our neighbors, remember:

Do not be afraid. God, who made us alive, is our Strength and our Advocate.

Children of God, come! Let us worship God, whose persistent love empowers us to persevere, to stay the course, to live by faith and not fear.

Come, let us worship God, who makes us alive, through grace to love and serve God and one another. *Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2025.*

Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

UMH # 451

All

Opening Prayer

Just God, we sense your anger at the injustice that thrives in the world. We share your grief at the discord that rages among your children, the rejection of those who bear your image, and the oppression of those you know by name.

We turn toward you for strength and guidance to turn away from the norms of this world, the lure of self-righteousness, and the appeal of comfort over justice.

Embolden us to believe that another world is possible and empower us to participate in its creation. Amen.

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Sharing of the Peace

Children's Moment

THE WORD

Psalm 85

Colossians 2: 6-19

Matthew 6: 5-15

Luke 11: 1-13

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

Message

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Penny Bonsell

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn

You Are My All in All

Word & Sing # 3040

All

Joys and Concerns

Prayers for the People

Inviting God, Sometimes, we do not find it easy to speak of how we do not live as your people, but you call us to share our weaknesses and failures with you. Tempted to think your salvation is for a select few, we put up barriers for others. Clinging to all you give to us, we are reluctant to share with those in need. Surrounded by evil and violence, we find it easier to close ranks with those just like us, rather than seeking peace and reconciliation for our world.

Forgive us, God of our salvation. Open our hearts to our siblings all around us. Open our minds to the word of hope you speak to us. Open our spirits to the presence of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who flings wide the open doors of your kingdom, that all might find life with you.

Silent prayers of confession.

Assurance of Pardon

Receive the good news, my friends: Christ came searching for us, calling us by name, leading us into God's kingdom.

In Christ, we become new people: empty, we are made full; lost, we are found; dead in sin, we are made alive. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Adapted from Thom Shuman, posted on the Pilgrim WR Uniting Church

Offering

The Lord's Prayer by Albert Hay Malotte

April Ostermann

Doxology

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

All

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy God, loving parent; your patience with your children is beyond our comprehension!
How many times have we sung praises to you “from whom all blessings flow” and yet in our lives, in our practice and in our giving, sometimes we have acted like some of those blessings are from our own – to do with as we wish?

Help us to not miss your Presence, your Way and your Teachings.

May the gifts we give today be a token to our goal to live generous lives that honor you and express gratitude for your goodness to us. In the name of Jesus, our savior, the one who makes us whole, we pray. 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 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

Take My Life and Let It Be ***UMH #399***

All

SENDING

Go now in the blessing and power of God who gives us life, that you may grow in faith and live as bearers of love and life everywhere you go. 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 love, joy, hope and peace. Shalom. Amen.**

Postlude

Sent Forth By God's Blessing; Arranged by Lorie Line ***April Ostermann***

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: Logan Crosby



Website



Online giving

UPCOMING 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)

Mon-Thurs., July 28-31, 5:30 pm-8:00 pm, VBS- S'more Time with Jesus!

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

August 18 - August 23. Meals on Wheels. Call Lori Larson @ 507-321-8389 if interested.

Wed Aug 20 Music on the Prairie! **Hep Cats**

Sunday Sept. 14, 9:30 am Cowboy Church

Saturday, Sept. 20, 12-6:30pm Dundas Oktoberfest Family Friendly Community Event

See our website for more details at www.littleprairieumc.org.

Welcome new Soundboard technician- Logan Crosby

Church Landscaping for information and bids see Tom Stowe