

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost
Little Prairie United Methodist Church
August 4, 2024, 9:30 a.m.



Parables in Action

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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 *"Thy Word" by Amy Grant & Michael W. Smith arr. Mark Hayes*
Luann Alderks

Welcome *Pastor Penny Bonsell*
Centering Time

Call to Worship

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear

Things I would ask him to tell me if he were here

Scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea

Stories of Jesus, tell them to me

Hymn of Praise *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus UMH # 277* *All*

Opening Prayer

God of all blessings, Jesus inspired us through his teaching to see your kingdom as a place where small things can have a mighty impact: a tiny mustard seed planted, or a sip of Living Water to quench our Thirst.

We ask you this day to bless the tiny faith seeds in us, so that they may grow and have a powerful impact when used according to your purposes. Bless us that we might see glimpses of your kingdom through daily miracles, growing in creation. In the name of Jesus, our Savior and Redeemer, we pray. Amen.

Sharing the Peace

Children's Moment

THE WORD

John 4:9-14, John 7:37-38

Matthew 13:1-9, 31-32

Matthew 20:1-16

Message *"Parables in Action"* *Pastor Penny Bonsell*

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn *Hymn of Promise UMH # 707* *All*

Joys and Concerns and Prayers of the People

Offering *"Jesus Loves Me" by William B. Bradbury arr. Martha Mier
Luann Alderks*

Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (UMH # 95)*

Holy Communion *"One Bread, One Body" by John B. Foley arr. Mark Hayes
Luann Alderks*

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, 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!**

Communion Prayer

And the Prayer in which Christ 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.

Hymn *Wonderful Words of Life UMH # 600* *All*

SENDING

Go forth today ready to catch glimpses of God's never-ending, unstoppable, and always-present love at work in the world. And when that love feels hidden and distant, breathe deep and remember: unrevealed does not mean inactive. God sends you, the Spirit fills you, Christ goes with you and you with Christ always and everywhere. **God Bless! Go in love, joy, and peace. Shalom. Amen.**

Postlude *"I Love to Tell the Story" by Willam G. Fischer arr. John Innes
Luann Alderks*

INFORMATION

Pastor: Penny Bonsell, Administrator: Sara French, Music Director and pianist: Luann Alderks, Certified Lay Minister and Youth Director: Theresa Siemers, Youth 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, Outreach and Nurture Chair: Jeff Sartor

Little Prairie UMC Upcoming Events

Tues. August 6, 8:30 am: Breakfast Club, L&M; (every Tuesday)

Tues. August 6, 7:00 pm: Finance Team meeting

Wed. August 7, 9:00 am: Pastor Penny at James Gang Coffee Shop

Wed. August 7, 5:30-8:00 pm: Music on the Prairie with the Old Country Boys, featuring Jeff and Gregg Sartor. Come for great food, fun and great music! Rain or shine!

Sat. August 10, 9-11 am Soul Sisters (see Theresa Siemers for details)

Mon. Aug 19, 7:00pm: Admin Board Meeting

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

Website



Online giving

