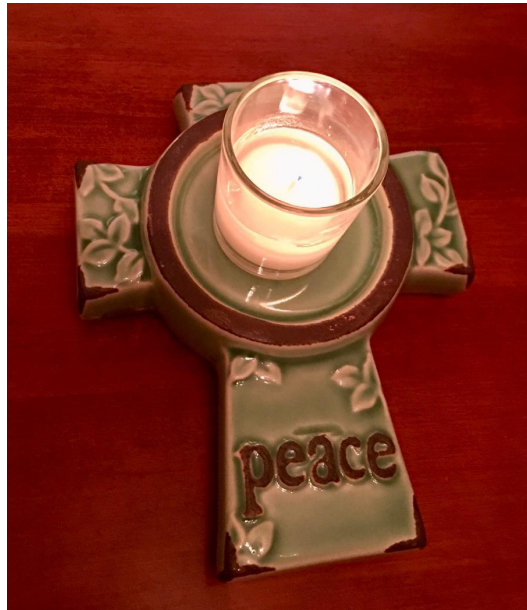


All Saints Sunday
Little Prairie United Methodist Church
November 3, 2024, 9:30 a.m.



"Unbind him, and let him go"

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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 *"I Will Rise" by Louie Giglio, Jesse Reeves, Matt Maher, & Chris Tomlin arr. Mary McDonald*
Luann Alderks

Welcome

Pastor Penny Bonsell

Centering Time

Call to Worship

In the beginning, God called the world into being, saying,

“Let there be light!”

In the fullness of time, Jesus came from God to us, saying,

“I am the Light of the world.”

In our everyday life, we see the work of the saints,

The ones in whom God’s light shines.

So let us give thanks for the saints this day,

And let us worship God.

We gather this morning to remember our call:

To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

We bring with us the events of the week in the world and in our lives,

Trying to know how to be just and loving and humble in the midst of it all.

We gather here, and see those who are doing justice, who are kind beyond measure, who set the example for humility.

With gratitude for living saints, with thankfulness for the purpose of faith, let us worship God.

Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, “Hold Fast to What Is Good.”

Hymn:

For All the Saints UMH #711

All

Opening Prayer:

Eternal God, hope of all who trust in you, in Christ you weep with those who mourn even as you cry out in triumph over the grave.

Unbind us from sin, release us from captivity, and with Lazarus, raise us from death to life, so that we may join that great crowd of saints who forever sing praise to your holy name; through Christ, the resurrection and the life. Amen.

From the PCUSA website.

Sharing the Peace:**Children’s Moment****Lighting Candles and Remembrance of Saints by Name****Kids’ Club (Formerly known as Sunday School;-)**

All kids are invited to come downstairs for a time of fun and adventure. This week’s leaders are Kevin and Lori Larson. Next week’s leaders are Sarah Betzold and Pam Williams.

THE WORD

Psalm 24

John 11:32-44

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

Message

“Unbind him, and let him go”

Pastor Penny Bonsell

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn

All Hail the Name of Jesus' Name UMH # 154 All

Joys and Concerns and Prayers of the People

Our lives are full of mistakes and errors – places where we follow self-generated idols instead of the One True God. We are not alone in these mistakes – all of those who have come before us also were plagued with temptation and sin. Let us come before God, just as generations of believers have done, and pray for God's forgiveness and grace.

Beloved God, who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even to our spiritual forebears, have mercy on us.

We do not always love as you would have us love. We do not always do as you would have us do.

In our stubbornness, we turn from you when we should turn toward you. Hold us, dear One –comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence. We praise you for the grace you shower on us, constantly forgiving our errors, especially the ones that we don't share with any but you. Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts.

A time of silence

Friends, hear the good news! Though thousands upon thousands of our ancestors did not follow God's ways perfectly, we have hope in the one who did! Jesus, a man of a particular people in a particular time, taught through his words and deeds that God has already forgiven us.

Thus, we and all who have come before us are rightly known as saints – the holy ones of God! Thanks be to God for God's mercy, grace, and love! Amen!

Offering

"Holy Ground" by Geron Davis arr. Mark Hayes

Luann Alderks

Doxology

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

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, 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 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.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Young arr. Mark Hayes

"This Is the Day of New Beginnings" by Carlton R.

Luann Alderks

Hymn

This is the Day of New Beginnings

UMH #383

All

SENDING

Beloved, you are children of God, united as family with the saints of every tribe, nation, language, and generation. Go forth now in the Way that Jesus teaches, that you may love and live this Way of Love. God sends you, the Spirit fills you. Christ of goes with you and you with the Christ of always and everywhere. **Amen.**

Go in love, peace and joy! Shalom.

Postlude "Praise the Name of Jesus" by Roy Hicks, Jr. with "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name by Oliver Holden arr. Mark Hayes *Luann Alderks*

INFORMATION

Upcoming Events

Tues. Nov. 5, 8:30 am: Breakfast Club, L&M; (every Tuesday)

Wed. Nov. 6, 9:00-10:30 am: Pastor Penny **will not be at** James Gang Coffee

Wed. Nov. 6, 5:30-7:00 pm: Soup Supper and Book study, *The Book of Forgiving*,

Fri. Nov. 8 5:30-8pm: Youth group and confirmation

Saturdays, 9:00-11:00 am Soul Sisters (see Theresa for schedule and details)

Mon. Nov. 18, 7pm: Admin Council Meeting

Sat., Nov. 23, 4-8 pm: Fall Ham Dinner CAC fund-raiser!

Sun. Nov. 24 after church: All Church Charge Conference

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

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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