

**Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Mother's Day  
Little Prairie United Methodist Church  
May 12, 2024, 9:30 a.m.**



*"All Mine is Yours, Yours is Mine"*

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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**

*Prelude in D Major - J.S. Bach*

*Marcia Yernberg*

**Welcome  
Centering Time**

*Pastor Penny Bonsell*

## **Call to Worship**

Easter people, raise your voices, for you belong to the Risen Christ!

**We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together.**

Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world.

**We share Christ by proclaiming the good news of God's love to the world.**

How will you share God's love with the world?

**By loving, respecting, and honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks, and ignores.**

Easter people, you belong to the Risen Christ!

**Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ's love and belonging everywhere we go.**

**Hymn:**

*Take Time to Be Holy UMH #395*

*All*

## **Opening Prayer:**

Dear God, we come to you as your children.

**Be with us, as we learn to see one another with new eyes, hear one another with new hearts, and treat one another in new ways.**

Help us to grow and blossom in faith as flowers bloom in spring time.

**We give thanks for the seeds of love you have given us. As we bloom and grow, may we share these seeds of love with the world. Amen.**

## **Sharing the Peace**

### **Children's Moment**

## **THE WORD**

**Psalm 1**

**John 17:6-19**

**Message**

*"All Mine is Yours, Yours is Mine"*

*Pastor Penny Bonsell*

## **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**Hymn**

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

*UMH #526*

*All*

## **Joys and Concerns and Prayers of the People**

God of all creation who called every being into life who is mindful of humankind in all its diversity who embodies us with dignity, granting different gifts and talents to shape life in this world we ask for your Spirit to unite us; where we face lack of understanding and disunity in our churches, in our communities, in our countries.

**We lay before you the burdens of our hearts. We ask for your Spirit to unite us in the face of the conflicts, hatred, and violation of life experienced in so many regions of the earth.**

We ask for your Spirit to unite us wherever fear prevents us from caring for our neighbor, from meeting people of different ethnicities, cultures, and faith communities with respect.

**God of all creation, in Christ, we are reconciled, and so we ask for your uniting Spirit to help us to overcome all our divisions that we may live in peace. Amen.**

**Offering**      *Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word arr. by Curt Oliver*      *Marcia Yernberg*

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

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Holy God and author of our existence; our story is part of a greater story, and your hand is visible on every page and every scene.

**So too our stories cannot be disconnected from those in the past who have shaped the steps we take – saints and sinners, rebels and followers.**

They are part of our story as we are part of theirs.

**As we offer gifts this day, we pray they might be used to strengthen the story of faith that will be told by those who will come after we are gone. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

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**      *To God be the Glory #UMH 98*      *All*

## SENDING

Go with the blessing of the one who forgives our failings and comforts our soul. May Christ be fully present in you so that a stranger sees 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, and peace. Shalom. Amen.**

**Postlude**      *Sent Forth by God's Blessing arr. by Lorie Line*      *Marica Yernberg*

## INFORMATION

Pastor: Penny Bonsell, Administrator: Sara French, Music Director and pianist: Luann Alderks, Certified Lay Speaker 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, Trustees Chair: Tom Stowe, Missions and Lay Servant: Karen Nelson, Outreach and Nurture Chair: Jeff Sartor

### **Upcoming Events**

Tues. May 14, 8:30 am: Breakfast Club, L&M; (every Tuesday)

Wed. May 15, 9-10:30 pm: Pastor Penny at James Gang Coffee Shop

Sat. May 18, 9-11 am Soul Sisters

Mon, May 20, 7pm: Admin. Council

Sun-Thurs., July 28- Aug 1, 5:30 pm-8:00 pm, VBS Theater Camp Little Prairie's "*Holy*"wood Productions. Children and youth will be invited to create, direct, act, sing, and build the set and stage to tell Bible stories. We are hoping to create a short movie of our adventure.

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### **Website**



### **Online giving**

