

Second Sunday in Lent
Little Prairie United Methodist Church
March 16, 2025, 9:30 a.m.



Under Loving Wings
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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 Holy Wings - arr. by Mark Sedio*

Marcia Yernberg

Welcome

Pastor Penny Bonsell

Centering Time

Call to Worship

Children of God, when you are surrounded on every side by shadows that frighten and voices that deride and confuse, what do you say?

God is our light and our salvation! Whom shall we fear?

When threats bombard you from every corner, stealing the security and peace you long for, what do you say?

God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?

When anxiety and loneliness overwhelm and you do not know who or what to trust any more, what do you say?

Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

Because God knows our suffering. God makes a home among us, welcoming us to come home to God and one another.

Come! Let us worship God who hides us in the day of trouble and conceals us together under the cover of the tent of Love.

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

Hymn of Praise *Great Is Thy Faithfulness UMH #140* *All*

Opening Prayer

We live in the shadow of peace, O God, but too often, we face the shadow and not the light. We pray for peace today because we know we are not a whole people without it. Forgive us our warring madness, our abuse of power, and our disregard of the rights of others.

Lift from us the burden of the need always to be in control. Teach us the ways of mutual love for all people. Help us to give peace a chance. Amen.

Written by Paul B. Robinson

Sharing the Peace
Children's Moment

THE WORD

Psalm 27

Luke 13:31-35

These are the Words of God, For the People of God. Thanks be to God.

Message

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Pastor Penny Bonsell

In our giving, may we reflect the love that sustains us, and may we lift one another up in times of need and vulnerability.

Use these offerings to bring comfort to the weary and hope to the brokenhearted, just as you draw near to us in our struggles.

Strengthen us to be a source of light and love in this world, reflecting your compassion in all we do. In Christ's name, 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 *Children of the Heavenly Father UMH #141* *All*

SENDING

Go, now, in the blessing of God who conceals you in the tent of God's love, that you may invite others to come home to God who is Love. 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 peace, joy and love. Shalom. Amen.

Postlude *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah - Mark Patterson* *Marcia Yernberg*

INFORMATION

Upcoming Events:

Tues. March 18, 8:30 am Breakfast Club, L&M

Wed. March 19, 5:30 pm Lenten Soup Supper

Sat. March 22, 9-11:00 am Soul Sisters (See Theresa for details)

Fri. March 28, 5:30-8:00 pm Confirmation and Youth Group

Fri. April 4, 5:30-8:00pm Confirmation and Youth Group

Fri. April 11, 3-8:00 pm Fish Dinner

Sun. April 13, Palm Sunday

Sun. April 20, Easter Sunday

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

Website



Online giving



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