

Graduation Sunday
Second Sunday After Pentecost
Little Prairie United Methodist Church
June 7, 2026, 9:30 a.m.



Go and Learn What This Means (Mat 9:13)
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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

Vicki Kanne

Welcome

Pastor Penny Bonsell

Centering Time

Vicki Kanne

Call to Worship

All who are righteous, shout with joy to our God! Let us sing a new song!

Praise God and give thanks, with organs, with guitars, with all kinds of instruments!

Play your best with joy!

Because our Creator's word is right, and everything God does is done for our good.

Let your faithful love surround us, O God!

Long, Kim. Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year A - Two-Volume Set: Liturgies for Year A (p. 314).

Hymn: *Come, Thou Almighty King (UMH # 61)* **All**

Opening Prayer

You remind us through Scripture that you desire mercy and not sacrifice. You showed us an example of your mercy in the life and actions of Jesus Christ.

Let your church live out that mercy for others, as the healing and compassionate presence that Jesus was in the world.

By your Word, O God, everything was made. Your Word is powerful and can transform the hearts of men and women.

Speak to us today, O God. Open our hearts and minds to your renovating Word, and give us guidance and strength. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Long, Kim. Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year A - Two-Volume Set: Liturgies for Year A (pp. 315-316).

Sharing the Peace

Celebration and Blessings of the 2026 Graduates

Liam Kline and Garrett Ostermann

Hymn *This is a Day of New Beginnings (UMH #383, vs. 1, 4 & 5)* **All**

THE WORD

Scriptures:

Psalm 33

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

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

Message *Go and Learn What This Means* *Pastor Penny Bonsell*

Hymn: *He Touched Me (UMH #367)* **All**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Joys and Concerns/Prayers of the People

Almighty God, You have set before us the path, but we have wandered on our own to try to find our way.

Sometimes we are like toddlers, and we hear Your call and come back.

Other times, we are children testing boundaries, ignoring Your call until fear finally makes us look back.

And still other times, we are full of youthful rebellion, demanding to be cut loose and set free, not knowing how much we still need to seek Your wisdom and guidance.

But most of all, too often we think we are adults and have figured it all out and know our own way, only to stumble and stray so far. Remind us, parental God, that we are always Your children, that we are never fully grown up in Your sight, that we always have much to learn.

Help us to seek You every day, to acknowledge that we need Your wisdom and guidance, and help us to return to the path and walk with You. In the name of Christ, who is our companion on this journey of faith, we pray. Amen.

Written by Rev Mindi and posted on Rev-o-lution. <http://rev-o-lution.org/>. Reposted on the re:Worship blog at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2017/01/prayer-of-confession-walking-with-god.html>.

Offering

Vicki Kanne

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 the prayer which 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

Vicki Kanne

Hymn

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service (UMH# 581)

All

SENDING

Dear Beloved, dear family of God, may your humble service continue. 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. God Bless!

Go in hope, peace, joy and love. Shalom. Amen.

Postlude

Vicki Kanne

INFORMATION

Pastor: Penny Bonsell, Administrator: Sara French, Certified Lay Minister and Youth Director: Theresa Siemers, assistants Maddy Heinz-Kline and Kory Larson, Technology Administrator: Jesse Steed, Admin Council Chair: Kevin Larson, SPRC Chair: Deb Little, Treasurer: Lori Noreen, Finance Committee Co-Chairs: Kevin Larson and Mel Henrichs, Trustees Chair: Tom Stowe, Missions, Nurture and Outreach: Barb Liebenstein, Lay Servant: Karen Nelson, Soundboard Technician: Tom Hollenhorst



Website



Online Giving

Little Prairie UMC UPCOMING EVENTS

Sundays, Worship at 9:30 am

Tuesdays, 8:30 am: Breakfast Club, at L&M

Wednesdays, 9-10:30 am: Pastor Penny at James Gang coffee shop

Saturdays 9-11 am Soul Sisters (see Theresa for details)

Wed. June 10, 6-8 pm, Music on the Prairie, Old Country Boys (Food available at 5:30)

Sat. July 4, 12:00, noon 4th of July potluck Picnic on the Prairie at the school house

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