

January 28, 2018



11:00 a.m.

*Where faith is nurtured, curiosity is encouraged,
diversity is welcomed, and all are loved.*

****Those who are able, please stand**

Prelude

Sonata No. 22
Brass

Johann Pezel

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Sue Coller

Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to others in your row, and then return it to the center aisle.

Call to Worship

David Kamran

One: O Lord, open our lips

All: And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

One: O magnify the Lord with me.

All: Let us exalt the name of the Lord together.

****Hymn #363**

"Rejoice, the Lord is King!"

DARWALL'S 148th
arr. John Rutter, adapt. Brian Pfoltner

Call to Reconciliation

Silent Prayer

Prayer of Confession

One: Look upon us, loving Savior, sift our thoughts and assess our feelings. Deal firmly with those things that have inhibited our love and diverted our energies.

All: Loving God, we come before you as a people who at times are more sinners than saints. Where we are self-righteous, censure us. Where we are twisted, straighten us. Where we are heartless, soften us, and where we are wasteful, awaken us.

One: Flood your relentless Spirit through our whole being, sweeping away guilt and its lethargy, and by the saving grace of Christ Jesus, heal the hidden springs of our personality.

All: Thank you, Holy Savior, for answering our prayers before we get around to asking them, and for doing much more than we ask or think. Amen.

Mission Statement:

First Presbyterian Church is a living ministry of the Risen Christ in the heart of Lincoln.

*We praise God through worship
We live our beliefs through mission*

*We strengthen faith through study
We nurture a diverse community*

Assurance of Pardon

One: In Christ Jesus we are a radically renewed community.

All: Thanks be to God!

One: Old things are done away with, all things become new.

All: Thanks be to God!

One: We are agents of grace and reconciliation.

All: Thanks be to God!

One: With every step or stumble, Christ will be with us.

All: Thanks be to God!

**The Peace

One: Knowing that we are forgiven, let us be at peace within ourselves and be seekers of peace with one another. The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.

**Song of Joy

“Glory Be to the Father”

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

Children’s Time

David Kamran

Prayer For Illumination

First Scripture Reading Luke 10:25-28 (NT pg. 71-72)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Second Scripture Reading Nehemiah 5:14-19 (OT pg. 434)

Sermon

What Motivates a Leader?

Rev. Dr. Sue Coller

**Hymn #722

“Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak”

CANONBURY

Welcoming New Member Jack Chuol

Profession of Faith

Question to the Congregation

Welcome

One: Today, Jack has reaffirmed the covenant into which she was baptized. As members of the family of God, she has been called to serve Christ in the world.

All: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

One: Loving God: We pray this day for those who are sick or in trouble. Heal their disease, relieve their distress, and return to them the joy of salvation.

All: Loving God, hear our prayer.

One: We pray for all who suffer the violence of war or natural disaster. Bring an end to violence that destroys human flourishing; help us to live in peace with our neighbor and enable us to dwell in harmony with the earth.

All: Loving God, hear our prayer.

One: We pray for children and for all who depend upon the support of others. Protect the vulnerable, shelter the weak, and give strength and wisdom to those who care for them.

All: Loving God, hear our prayer.

One: We pray for elected officials and for civil servants. Stir up in them a desire for justice, enable them to fulfill their responsibilities with integrity, and drive from them any spirit of selfish gain.

All: Loving God, hear our prayer.

One: We pray for pastors, teachers and all the saints who lead your church. Grant them wisdom to know your truth and give them courage to live as faithful disciples of Jesus.

All: Loving God, hear our prayer.

One: Loving God, you have crowned us with steadfast love and mercy. Receive our prayers and help us to trust your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The Offering

Please place the top sheet of the friendship pad in the offering plate.

Text **MissionPossible** to 73256 to give by text

Offertory

"Awake, Awake to Love and Work"

Eric Thiman

Chancel Choir

Awake, awake to love and work!

*The lark is in the sky, the fields are wet with diamond dew,
the worlds awake to cry their blessings on the Lord of life, as he goes meekly by.*

Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of praise;

See how the giant sun soars up, great lord of years and days!

So let the love of Jesus come and set thy soul ablaze.

To give and give, and give again, what God hath given thee;

To spend thyself nor count the cost;

to serve right gloriously the God who gave all worlds that are, and all that are to be.

****Hymn of Dedication** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication

****Hymn #366** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” HYFRYDOL
(verses 1-3 only) arr. J. Hotchkis, adapt. B. Pfofner

****Charge and Benediction**

One: ...and I know you will, for you are...

All: The Salt of the Earth

One: You are...

All: The Light of the World

One: You are ...

All: The People of God

One: And God goes with you.

Choral Benediction “May the Lord Bless and Keep You” Brian Pfofner

*May the Lord bless and keep you, may the Lord shine upon you,
May the Lord give you peace as you go on your way. Amen.*

Postlude “Fanfare and Recessional” Brian Pfofner
Brass, Percussion & Organ

*(You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude or exit quietly)
The flowers are given to the glory of God*

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*Please join us in Fellowship Hall following the service for
the Annual Congregational and Foundation Meeting*

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