

May 13, 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*

Music Appreciation Sunday

Prelude "Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals" Charles W. Ore

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Dr. Sue Collier
Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to others in your row, and then return it to the center aisle.

Minute for Mission Parking & Garden Campaign

Fanfare "Fanfare" C.S. Lang, arr. Rich Mays
Brass, percussion & organ

Call to Worship Phil Waldron

One: We gather to worship the One who crafted creation out of chaos.

All: Our cries of joy join the anthems of the universe.

One: We gather to lift our praise to the God who gives us voice.

All: We bring the songs which have echoed in our hearts all week long.

One: We gather as the children of God, our joy unbroken in God's love.

All: Young and old, tone deaf and perfect-pitched, lift the new, new songs of faith.

****Hymn #679** "Let the Whole Creation Cry" SALZBURG
Combined music groups & congregation arr. Bankson & Ramseth

1. All: sing Verse 1

2. Choirs only: sing interlude verse

3. All: sing Verse 2

Call to Reconciliation

Silent Prayer

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*

Prayer of Confession

Joy-giving God, we hear the harmony of your grace and love in our souls, but sing off-key. We want to learn new songs, but haunting tunes of past mistakes run through our heads. We long to make a joyful noise, but the hurt inflicted on us, and the pain we caused others, silence our voices. Sing to us of your forgiveness, your hope, and your love. Strike a chord of humility in our hearts so we can see all you have done for us; and in seeing, believe how much you love us; and in believing, echo that new song of hope and life composed through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Listen to the melody of the good news: Christ is risen, bringing joy into the world. The One who was dead now lives, and wraps us in the delight of life forever with our God.

All: Our dirges have turned to joy; our requiem rearranged as a hymn of hope; our laments lost in a cantata of praise. Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!

**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 #35

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

LOBE DEN HERREN

Youth Instrumental Ensemble & Congregation

*Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration!*

Special Music

“God of Great and God of Small”

Natalie Sleeth

Children’s Choir, with Brittany Pfofner & Owen Hill, violins

Children’s Time

Kris Brammer

Prayer For Illumination

First Scripture Reading Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22 (OT pg. 556)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Second Scripture Reading Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 (OT pg. 34)

Sermon

Divine Detours

Rev. Dr. Sue Coller

Special Music

*“The Rejoicing”, from Royal Fireworks Music
Bell Sextet*

G.F. Handel
arr. Martha L. Thompson

Prayers of the People & 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 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.

Minute for Mission

Pentecost Offering

The Offering

*Please place the top sheet of the friendship pad in the offering plate.
Text **MissionPossible** to 73256 to give by text*

Offertory

*“Kingsfold”
Chancel Bells*

arr. Kevin McChesney

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

*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 (insert)**

“Voices Raised to You”

SONG OF PRAISE
Carolyn Jennings

****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.

Postlude

"Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Brian Pfofner

Chancel Choir & Bells, brass, percussion, organ

I once was lost, but now I am found; I once was blind, O help me to see.

Open my eyes that I may see, open my eyes Lord! Illumine me.

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; nought be all else to me, save that Thou art;
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Mother and Father, you are both to me, now and forever your child I will be.*

*Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.
Be Thou my vision, Lord of my heart.*

*High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O ruler of all.*

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; nought be all else to me, save that Thou art;
Be Thou Lord, be Thou my vision, O Lord!*

(You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude or exit quietly)

***The flowers are given to the glory of God provided by Sue & Karl Tillinghast
in celebration of Mother's Day and to honor their mothers
Marjorie & Lois***

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Paul Kasl, Dorothy Schneiber

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Dr. Charles W. Ore

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*Please join us for coffee and treats in the
East Entrance hosted by Carlene & Fred Miller*