A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!

Our church has a wonderful array of ministries that seek to spread the gospel into the world. If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

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<u>Calendar for this week:</u>

Sunday, May 2 10:30 am Worship with Communion

Preaching......Pastor Corey LangeCommunion Prep.....Kerri BrantnerUshers & Greeters....Wayne & Lori FolkersOrganist....George FrenchMusic Director....Sandy PerkinsReader....Ralph Pester

Wednesday, May 5

6 pm

Bell Rehearsal

Thursday, May 6

1 pm

Book Study 'Love Is The Way – Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times' Fireside Room

Next Sunday, May 9

10:30 am Worship

Preaching	Rev. Mike Ozaki
Ushers & Greeters	Gary & Lori Hoerner
Organist	George French
Music Director	Sandy Perkins
Reader	Mary Pulkrabek

First Presbyterian Church

5th Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 2, 2021

*Those who are able may stand

PREWORSHIP FELLOWSHIP PRELUDE MUSIC WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS MINUTE FOR MISSIONS SONG OF CONTEMPLATION



*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Here in this place of worship, with the congregation of the faithful, we lay down our fears, to boldly sing God's praise.

Here in the vineyard of the Lord, with our sisters and brothers in Christ,

grandparents tell stories of faith to little ones sitting on their laps. Here where God waits to serve us at the Table:

we shall be so filled with love that we will run to serve others.

*GATHERING HYMN #401....."Here in This Place"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

O God, you are the true vine, and you have made us your branches. In your grace, we find strength, and in your love, we are set free. Forgive us, O God, when we do not live as people who have been freed, when we act as if the Easter story did not turn the world upside down. Forgive us, O God, when we do not live as people who are your branches, when we forget that we are rooted in you and bound to one another by your spirit. Forgive us, O Christ, our one true vine, and teach us to abide in you.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Responsive)

Hear the good news of God's promise; I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

The peace of Christ be with you! <u>And also, with you</u>! (Please share signs of peace with each other at a distance!)

*RESPONSE HYMN #519"You Are My Strength When I Am Weak"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Responsive)

Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. <u>Amen.</u>

SCRIPTURE

FIRST READING	Acts 8:26-40
SECOND READING	1 John 4:7-21
Leader: The Word of the Lord. P	eople: <u>Thanks be to God!</u>

GOSPEL READING John 15:1-8 Leader: The word of the Lord. People: Praise to You, O Christ

SERMON

Pastor Corey Lange

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

*HYMN OF THE DAY #530....."One Bread, One Body"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Lord in your Mercy. C: Hear our prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER (forgive us our "sins")

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Responsive) The Lord be with you, <u>and also with you</u>. Lift up your hearts. <u>We lift them to the Lord</u>! Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. <u>It is right to give our thanks and praise</u>



***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE



*POST COMMUNION PRAYER (Responsive)

Thank you, O God, for giving us communion with our risen and glorious Lord. Now send us out to be a sign of new life that has come into the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. <u>Amen</u>.

*BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)

Now go forth in Jesus' name, remembering his new commandment to love one another, just as he has loved us. <u>Amen.</u>

*CLOSING HYMN #765....."May the God of Hope Go with Us"

*DISMISSAL (Responsive)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*POSTLUDE



Volunteers are still needed to help deliver Home Delivered Meals.

Our week is May 24 – 28.

The sign-up sheet is on the table next to the church office. Please take a moment and see when you'd be able to help out and get signed up to help!

Please continue to be in prayer for:

Doris Davis Bladen Melsa, Jeri's grandson Wally Hoselton Brett Schultz Brent Blake and the Blake families JoAnn Westburg



HERE IN THIS PLACE

Here in this place the new light is streaming; Now is the darkness vanished away; See in this space our fears and our dreamings Brought here to you in the light of this day. Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; Gather us in, the blind and the lame; Call to us now, and we shall awaken; We shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery. We are the old who yearn for your face. We have been sung throughout all history, Called to be light to the whole human race. Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; Gather us in, the proud and the strong; Give us a heart, so meek and so lowly; Give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water; Here we will take the bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, Call us anew to be salt for the earth. Gather us to drink the wine of compassion; Give us to eat the bread that is you; Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, Not in some heaven, light years away: Here in this place the new light is shining; Now is the kingdom, and now is the day. Gather us in and hold us forever; Gather us in and make us your own; Gather us in, all peoples together, Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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You are my strength when I am weak; You are the treasure that I seek; You are my all in all.

When I fall down, you pick me up; When I am dry, you fill my cup; You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, Woman or man, no more.

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Many the gifts, many the works, One in the Lord of all.

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Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, Gathered to one, for all.

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MAY THE GOD OF HOPE GO WITH US

May the God of hope go with us every day, Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, Bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all; Working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.

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