

First Presbyterian Church IN VICTOR

WHOEVER YOU ARE.
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.



First Presbyterian Church

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Pastor: Rev. Michael McNamara

Guest Organist: Sue Belcher

**Thank you to these members who are
helping with worship today-**

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Order of Worship

July 28, 2024, 10am

**Please stand if you are able.*

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome *GTG No. 399*

"God Welcomes All"

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 145

The whole of your creation shall give you, Eternal Love,
And all who trust and know you shall bless you
They shall speak of the fullness exemplified in your community
And they shall tell of your infinite wonder
To make known to all people your courageous acts of Love
And the glorious splendor of the communities of God
The communities you create transcend time
**And your sure guidance endures generation to
generation**
The Lord is faithful in all God's words,
And graciousness is at the root of all of God's deeds
The Lord upholds all who are falling
And raises up all who are humbled and bowed
The eyes of all look to you
And you give them their food in due season
You graciously give of yourself
Satisfying the deepest longing of every living thing.
The Lord is just in all God's ways
And kind in all God's doings.

***Opening Hymn** *GTG No. 408*

"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in the Air"

Gathering Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you.
You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from
neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We
condone evil, prejudice, warfare and greed.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy upon us;
heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the
world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus
Christ.

Assurance of Pardon

Passing the Peace

THE WORD

Time with Children

Prayer of Illumination

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings

2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord: They shall eat and have some left." He set it before them; they ate and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

John 6:1-15

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

Sermon

"What to do with Miracles..."

RESPONDING

***Hymn of Response** *GTG No. 500*

"Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread"

Welcoming of New Members
Apostles Creed

GTG Hymnal pg. 20
GTG Hymnal pg. 35

Offering

***Doxology**

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

SENDING

***Closing Hymn** *GTG No. 36*

"For the Fruits of All Creation"

Benediction

Postlude



Please Welcome our New Members!

Jane Durham
Bonnie Wallace
Ben & Kristen Willmott
John Sorensen



Upcoming Church & Community events to add to your calendars:

Sunday, July 28

- 10 am Sunday Worship
- 11:15 am Fellowship
- 7:30 pm AA & Al-Anon Meetings

Tuesday, July 30

- 9:30 am Free Panera

*FYI: August 21 *Blanket Squares* meeting is cancelled due to summer! *



**Volunteering is a great way to get plugged into our church, feel like part of a community, and serve Jesus at the same time. God has uniquely equipped every person in the Church with specific skills and gifts. As Christians, we are tasked with utilizing these gifts in our community and within our local church. Using your God-given skills as a volunteer is a fantastic way to serve the church while simultaneously lightening the load of a church's staff. Each Sunday we need support with:

- Greeters
- Liturgists
- Coffee hour
- Communion prep (once a month)
- **AV -looking for 1-2 people to learn our AV system!**

Please utilize the sign-up sheets in the Welcome Center, where you are able. Thank you!



Welcome Visitors!

Thank you for the gift of your presence here this morning. We are so glad you have chosen to spend this time in this space. Please know you are invited to participate in any way that is most helpful for you. You are not expected to announce your presence, but you are most welcome to reach out to anyone here. You are invited to fellowship following worship downstairs in Corey Hall and we would love to share a coffee and a chat. If you would like to have us reach out to you in the days ahead, please fill out the Visitor Card in the pew and drop it in the Offering plate or use the *QR code below*.

If you are here with children, that is wonderful, and they are welcome too. Sunday School is offered *during the school year* during the worship service for youth ages 4 through grade 6, following the Children's Time. The Infant Care Room (equipped so users can hear and watch the service) is located at the top of the eastern stairs in the back of the sanctuary, or feel free to use the nursery through the door to the left at the front of the sanctuary at any point during the service. It is good to have you here. Welcome.

Interested in becoming a member?

Please call or email our pastor,

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