

First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Robert Malsack, Pastor

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 16, 2024

**While waiting for worship,
enjoy the excitement of VBS!**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Announcements / Opening Prayer

Prelude

*Praise Medley

Insert

*Prayer of Confession:

We profess You as the one true God

Forgive our questioning of that eternal truth.

We believe You are the God of love,

Forgive us for not loving others as You have loved us

You call us to trust in You

Forgive our doubts when things are not going our way

You promise us an eternal dwelling place

Forgive our fear of dying.

We affirm Your love for all Your creation

Forgive us for picking and choosing whom we will love.

(silence for personal confession and reflection)

*Assurance of Pardon

It is impossible to out sin God's grace given through the cross.

Dearly beloved, hear and believe the good news of the gospel,

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen. Alleluia!

*Gloria Patri *(Avery & Marsh)*

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

A-men. A-men. A-men. A-men. A-men. A---men. Amen!

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*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Music of VBS

Prayer for Illumination

Sandi Lefebvre

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Pg. 704, Pew Bible

Responsive Reading: Psalm 92

Pg. 498, Pew Bible

Sermon Text: Mark 4:26-34

Pg. 839, Pew Bible

Sermon: *The Message of Vacation Bible School*

Affirmation of Faith *(adapted from II Corinthians 6:3-10 NLT)*

We live in such a way that no one will stumble because of us, and no one will find fault with our ministry. In everything we do, we act in love reflecting the presence of God within us. We patiently endure troubles and hardships and calamities of every kind. We face opposition to our faith in many ways. We prove ourselves by our purity, our understanding, our patience, our kindness, by the Holy Spirit within us, and by our sincere love. We faithfully preach the truth in the way we live. God's power is working in us. Our sole defense, our only weapon, is a life of integrity, no matter what we face.

INTERCESSIONS / PRAYER CONCERNS:

Anne Starr, Sara Miller, Yvonne Schultz, Norma Nekhay, Carol Hochstein, Emily Cummings, Mark Kaad, Karyn Daft; missionaries, Sam and Cayla Schaefer

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.**

The Offering

Offertory: *Your Friend*

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

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn: *Thanks, God*

Insert

*Benediction

*Postlude: *This Train*

*Those who are able, please stand.

CHURCH NOTES

Monday: 5:00p.m. Soup Kitchen (*drive-thru only*)

Tuesday: **11:00a.m. – 5:00p.m. Blood Drive**

1:00p.m. Shawl Ministry

Thursday: 9:30a.m. Sit, Chat, Finish That

1:00p.m. Parkinson Group

Friday: 11:30a.m. Women's Luncheon:

Knight Owl in Norway

Vacation Bible School: *What a wonderful week!*

Approximately 150 children attended this past week's VBS program. A special thank you to the many volunteers who helped make this another successful VBS and to all who supported it through donations of food and money as well.

Reflections with Pastor Bob: A time to reflect with Pastor Bob on the passages of scripture for the upcoming Sunday worship. These reflections will be held on Wednesday mornings at 10:00a.m. in the chapel beginning June 26th. Bring your Bible. All are welcome.

All women are invited to the Women's Luncheon this Friday, June 21st, at the Knight Owl in Norway at 11:30a.m. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Fireside Room.

We need Ushers and Readers for July and August. The sign-up sheets are on the table in the Fireside Room.

Ushers: Mike and Susan Corcoran; Andy and Laurie Fuller

MY LIGHTHOUSE

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In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa
You are the peace in my troubled sea

Chorus

My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You
My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
I will trust the promise, You will carry me safe to shore
Safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore

I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa
You are the peace in my troubled sea *chorus*

I HAVE A FRIEND (YO TENGO UN AMIGO)

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Chorus

I have a friend who loves me, who loves me, who loves me
I have a friend who loves me, and Jesus is His name *repeat*

Verse

He loves me, He loves me, He loves me with such tender love
He loves me, He loves me, and Jesus is His name

SPANISH CHORUS

Yo tengo un amigo que me ama, me ama, me ama
Yo tengo un amigo que me ama, su nombre es Jesús

SPANISH VERSE

Que me ama, me ama, me ama con tierno amor
Me ama, me ama, su nombre es Jesús *English chorus*

THANKS GOD

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Chorus

Thanks, God, for all the good things You do

Thanks, God, You're my light and my truth

Oh

Thanks, God, for the good things You've made

Thanks, God, for this heart that was saved

Oh

Thanks, God

Verse

All the waves when they crash when they roar

So fun to ride one up to the shore

Thanks, God

All the wonders under the deep

Down to the bottom where I'll never reach

Thanks, God

Oh that You love me I'm so amazed

Makes me want to say *chorus*

Bridge

I'm diving into Your love

Watch me here I, I come

I'm diving into Your love

Watch me here I, I come