

First Presbyterian Church  
Lake Park, Iowa  
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10:30am

April 7, 2019

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Musical Prelude – CHORAL INTROIT

Announcements

Passing of the peace

Lenten Litany

Pastor/ How can we sing the Lord's song? We live in a land whose culture puts ease before ethics.

**C/ Jesus lived in such a land too, be He sang the Lord's song!**

L/ How can we sing the Lord's song? We live in a land where business puts wealth ahead of service and where politics puts power before values and the welfare of all.

**C/ Jesus lived in such a time too, yet He sang the Lord's song!**

L/ How can we sing the Lord's song when religion values conformity above discipleship and individuals above community?

**C/ We can sing the Lord's song because Jesus lives in us now and all things are new! Sing to Lord, shout with praise to the Most High!**

Opening Hymn: # 309 I Will Sing of My Redeemer

Minute for Mission—One Great Hour of Sharing

This mission collection will be taken up next Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

Special Music - CHOIR

Reading of Scripture

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 43: 16-21 *\*page 1127*

Canticle: #653 Whiter Than Snow (verse 1 & 4) (based on psalm 51)

New Testament Lesson: John 12: 1-8 *\*pages 1670-71*

Sermon



-We will be filling eggs this Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> for next Saturday's Easter Egg Hunt. Please have all food and donations for the Easter Egg Hunt here at the Church by Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for all your help and support.

-Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be HERE at the Church on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. with Egg Hunt, Activities, and Lunch to begin at 10:00 a.m. and go until NOON. All children ages 3 to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade are welcome to join in the fun!

-Easter Lilies, or other flowers, are accepted here at the Church after Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Please notify the Church Office (by April 18<sup>th</sup>) if yours is In Honor of or In Memory of someone special.

-The date for our Spring Salad Luncheon will be Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Please watch your bulletins and May Newsletter for more details on this delicious fundraiser!

-The 9:30 a.m. May P.W. Breakfast meeting will be held May 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. instead of May 8<sup>th</sup>, as it appears in the P.W. Program booklet. Jane Heikens will speak on the early churches in Lake Park. Please come! Thank you for noting this change.

-VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019 will be at Harris UMC on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, and June 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. An evening meal will be provided. Please watch your bulletins and Newsletters for more details.

-VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Someone to arrange for people to deliver Meals on Wheels during the months of June, September, and December – Monday through Friday. No holidays.

-The H-LP students in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grades are working on a new service learning project that involves sending care packages to service members who are deployed overseas. They are asking for donations of specific items to include, and the list, along with complete information can be found on the bulletin board in the entryway and in the school newsletter.

-The current balance on our Commercial Loan is \$9,953.67.

-If you need confidential help and support with financial concerns, legal education, or stress counseling, you can get help by calling the IOWA Concern Hotline at 1-800-447-1985.

-Friday morning **Bible Study** continues every Friday at 10:00 a.m. We are studying The Ten Commandments. Everyone is welcome.

Affirmation of Faith: Westminster Confession (1649 AD, PCUSA Book of Confessions, 6.081-6.086)

**All/ Repentance unto life is an evangelical grace, given by God to the elect, and is the doctrine that should be preached by every minister of the Gospel as well as that of faith in Christ.**

**Repentance happens when the grace of God illumines the sinner to one's own odious deeds and all that is contrary to the holy nature and righteous law of God. And in this light of the weight of sin and the freedom of God's mercy, the believer turns from the ways of sin unto the Way of Christ, walking in the commandments of love and grace. This repentance does not atone for sin, only Christ can do that, but it does connect and change the sinner with the Spirit. Just as there is no sin so small as to escape damnation, there is no sin so big as to evade God's grace and our repentance. Because of God's grace in the light of this knowledge of sin and the salvation given in Jesus's blood and the Spirit's regeneration, all people should be willing to publically repent, turning from scandalous behavior big or small in proper apology and admitting of wrong to any parties offended or harmed, and by Christ's love and grace be reconciled to Him and all the brothers and sisters in the church forever. Amen.**

Offertory: Doxology #815  
Prayer of Dedication Deacons

Prayers: Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Sacrament of the Lord's Table (nBCW 240)

*Words of institution: 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26*

Invitation

L/ The Lord be with You C/ And also with you  
L/ Lift your Hearts C/ We lift them to God  
L/ Let us give thanks to God C/ It is right to give thanks

L/ In your wisdom you made all things... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name.

**C/ Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. (Isaiah 6: 3; Revelation 4:8) Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest!** (Psalm 118:25; Matthew 21:9)

L/ You are holy, O God of majesty...accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

**C/ We remember Christ's death, we proclaim Christ's resurrection, we await the coming of Jesus Christ in glory!**

L/ Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us...Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection, when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory.

**C/ Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, forever and ever. Amen!**

Lord's Prayer (using Debts)

Communion of the People

*Please sing Come to the Table of Grace found in the inside cover of the blue Presbyterian Hymnals. (Grace, peace, love, hope, joy)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving (from our Reformed Heritage)

L/ We bless thee and thank thee for this day to remember thy acts of love and great mercy. Enable us to honor this Sabbath day by making the week to come holy and devoted to thy loving purpose. Make it give us strength to call out and resist evil, to embrace thy people poor and rich thy Spirit sends into our paths, and to live holy and disciplined lives devoted to Christ Jesus.

**C/ May this Sabbath day where we feasted at your table on earth cause bread to be cast on the waters and thy love to be known to all the peoples. May all that was preached, all that was heard, all that was shared make us to live by thy Spirit as we ought. Bless us that we might betake that joyous feast one day in the Eternal Sabbath of Heaven where equity, peace, and love are**

**ever before our eyes and Thy worship is our whole occupation!**  
(Alexander Whyte, 1900, Church of Scotland pastor and writer)

Benediction

Sending Hymn: 501 Now I Belong to Jesus

Ministry Leaders

Deacons: Heather Harmon & Ron Nissen

Greeters: Lynette Ohana & Luis Ohana

Worship Music: Marian Tuinstra

Pastor: Rev. Tim Harmon

All members are ministers of Jesus Christ +

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Attendance 3/31/19: 46

Offering 3/31/19: \$1,858.00

There are 41 paid per capitas: \$41 for 2019  
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-HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Jesse Ray on April 9<sup>th</sup>.

-We now have Adult Sunday School each Sunday at 9:30a.m.

-THANK YOU to everyone who helped with our MOBILE FOOD PANTRY on Thursday!

-THANK YOU to everyone who donated to the Youth Group's Mission. We collected 32 pairs of socks! They were sent out on Monday to help those in need after the flooding.

-“THANK YOU to Pastor Tim and to my Church Family for all the cards, flowers, dinner, and special treatment on my birthday.”

– Lyla Akkerman

–There is a Joint Lenten Service today at Lake Park UMC at 5 p.m.

-PW@Night CIRCLE meets tonight at 6:30 in the Fireside Room.

-Senior Tea to honor the 2019 H-LP Seniors will be here this Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m.

-Youth Group will meet here this Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

–CHOIR meets every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Come sing with us!

-Sioux Valley Trinity Lutheran Church will be having a Beef Dinner TODAY from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There is a flier on the entryway bulletin board with complete information.

