

Peace Presbyterian Church, Elkhorn Nebraska

May 2, 2021

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

*Pete Hall
John Sander*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Bonnie Wilkins

Call to Worship

Linda Hurt

ONE: We come to make a joyful noise to you, O God!

ALL: We join with God's children everywhere in praising your name.

ONE: We come to follow you, Jesus!

**ALL: We have no expectations, no reservations,
nothing to hold us back. Our lives are open to your call.**

ONE: We come to listen to your voice, Holy Spirit!

**ALL: We will pay attention to your words of peace. We will plant
the seeds of grace you offer to us. Let us worship the Lord!**

Song

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

Katie King, Praise Band

Scripture

Colossians 3:12-17 (NRSV)

Linda Hurt

Prayer of Confession

Linda Hurt

ONE: We could offer peace to all we meet, Lord, but we hand them rejection instead. We could invite folks into your community of hope but would rather shut and latch the doors. We could give them the large print edition of grace but point them to the fine print of the conditions we would impose.

**ALL: Forgive us, God of mercy. May we stop trying to fool ourselves
with our arrogance and live with humility. May we not point to our efforts
but tell others of your grace and hope. May we go forth to remind others
of how near your love is to them, as near as the One who comes
speaking peace. Jesus, you are the bearer of the good news for all.**

(Moment of Silent Confession)

Words of Forgiveness

Rev. Wilkins

ONE: Amen. Come and hear what God does! Our God sings peace to us. Our God forgive us. Our God sends us forth to serve others. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! The peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Response

Glory Be To the Father

Katie King, Praise Band

Scripture

Psalms 66:1-5; 16-20 (NRSV)

Rev. Wilkins

Sermon

Reignite Your Passion for Worship

Rev. Wilkins

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Rev. Wilkins

Prayer Requests and Prayer

Rev. Wilkins

Offering

Linda Hurt

ONE: We invite you to make your offering online or by mailing in your check to our P.O. Box address. Your gifts and offerings support Christ's work through Peace. May God take these gifts and use them to:

ALL: create hope out of despair; build communities of justice out of crumbling neighborhoods; shape peace out of the anger of our times.

Communion

Rev. Wilkins

Lord's Prayer

Linda Hurt

Song

Come Thou Fount

Katie King, Praise Band

Charge and Blessing

Rev. Wilkins

ALL: Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. (Blessing)

Postlude

Pete Hall