Peace Presbyterian Church, Elkhorn Nebraska

May 9, 2021

<u>Prelude</u> Mother's Day Medley Shirley Young Ringing of the Bell Bill Dermyer

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Bonnie Wilkins

<u>Call to Worship</u> Sharon Bossman

ONE: God calls to us.

ALL: We are here, God who is always with us,

listening for your words of life and love.

ONE: Jesus calls to us.

ALL: We are here, Friend who knows our longings, ready to come and see where you would lead us.

ONE: The Spirit calls to us.

ALL: We are here, Peace we are longing for, so that we might help others find the way to life.

Song Blessed Be the Name of the Lord Shari Brosz; Praise Band Scripture Psalm 92:1-4; 12-15 (NRSV) Sharon Bossman

This is the Word of the Lord. ALL: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession

Sharon Bossman

ONE: Because we are so focused on ourselves, it is hard to see the lives which others endure. When we are so worried about how the economy will affect us, we do not notice those in need around us. As we grumble about our aches and pains, and about how difficult it is to get out of the bed each day, we easily ignore the broken.

ALL: Forgive us, God of goodness and grace. Speak to us of healing, so we might bring help to others. Speak to us of grace, so hearing, we may share it with everyone we meet. Speak to us of love and life, so we may offer it as freely as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, brought it to us.

(Moment of Silent Confession)

Words of Forgiveness

Rev. Wilkins

ONE: Amen. God grace is poured out on everyone. God's hope is freely shared in every moment. Forgiveness is the gift which mends our foolish lives.

ALL: Thanks be to God we are surrounded by God's love and mercy, now and to the very end!

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you. ALL: And also with you.

Response Glory Be to the Father Shari Brosz

Scripture 1 Corinthians 14:26 & Hebrews 10:24-25 Rev. Wilkins

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Sermon Reconnect With the People of God Rev. Wilkins
Hymn The Church's One Foundation Peace Choir, Pete Hall, Christi Bierman
Receiving Into Membership By Affirmation of Faith Confirmand, Jackson Hall
Prayer Requests and Prayer
Offering Rev. Wilkins
Sharon Bossman

ONE: We are hesitant to offer our gifts in this moment because in the back of our minds we wonder if any good will come of helping the poor, feeding the hungry, reaching out to the stranger.

ALL: But by God's grace, not only goodness, but hope and healing will pour out of what we freely give.

Lord's Prayer Sharon Bossman

ALL: 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.

Song Bind Us Together Shari Brosz; 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 Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen Praise Band