

First Presbyterian Church of Martinsville



July 20, 2025

Worship 10:00 am

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The Worship of God

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

The Call of the Carillon

Let the carillon bells invite us into the sanctuary, where we prepare our hearts in silence to worship the Living God.

Prelude

Prelude in B Major

Camille Saint-Saëns

Preparing to Hear the Word

Welcome

Rev. John Erickson

Remembering our Baptisms

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

Lynn Hill

In the quiet and comfort of this sabbath morning, we come seeking the presence of God,

Confident that by seeking we will find.

We come with questions and cares, asking the Lord for comfort and assurance,

Knowing that the Lord hears our prayers and desires for us only blessings and peace.

We knock on the doors of God's kingdom,

**And trust with faith and hope that the God of heaven and earth
will open the doors for us.**

All: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

♦ Hymn

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

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Prayer of Confession

Loving God,

you have invited us to seek your will, to ask your favor,
and to knock on the doors of your kingdom.

Yet so often we do not seek your will,

preferring instead to serve our own selfish interests.

Too often we do not ask for your favor or guidance,

deluding ourselves instead, convinced we know best.

Rather than knock on the doors of your kingdom,

we choose to close the doors of our own hearts to your desires for us.

In your great mercy forgive us Lord and give us strength of heart

that we may indeed seek, ask, and knock and so find our life and living in you.

In the name of Christ, we pray.

Amen.

Silent Prayer

Kyrie

Lord have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy on us.

WORDS: Kyrie eleison
MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1982

DOMINE DEUS

Assurance of Pardon

Who among you would not extend grace to a loved one indebted to you?
If we who struggle to do good desire such things,
how much more does our father in heaven desire to shower us with grace and love?
Friends, let's take hold and live into the good news of the living God.
And in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

♦ Gloria Patri

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

♦ Passing of the Peace

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Lynn Hill

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 37: 1-11

Pew Bible: OT p. 483

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music

Légende

Louis Vierne

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 11: 1-13

Pew Bible: NT p. 67

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Children's Message

Pastor John

Sermon

Rev. John Erickson

Responding to the Word

♦ Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

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♦ Affirmation of Faith ~ The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was buried;
He descended into hell; the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the God the Father Almighty,
from there he will come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church,
The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Gathering of Tithes and Offering

Offertory

♦ Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

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Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Sending

Though I May Speak

♦ Hymn

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Benediction

Benediction Response

Lead Me Lord

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy right-eous-ness, make Thy way plain be - fore my face.

For it is Thou, Lord, Thou, Lord, On - ly that mak - est me dwell in safe - ty.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The second system starts with a measure rest (9) and continues with the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4.

WORDS: Psalms 5:8, 4:8
MUSIC: Samuel S. Wesley, 1861

LEAD ME, LORD

Postlude

Fugue in B Major

Camille Saint-Saëns

(During the postlude, you are invited to remain seated.)

♦ All who are able, please stand



Rev. John Erickson, Pastor
Audrey Cook - Guest Organist
Steve Ward - Media Director