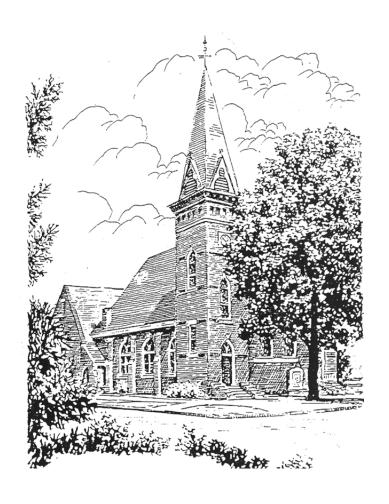
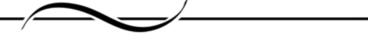
# First Presbyterian Church of Martinsville



July 20, 2025 Worship 10:00 am www.fpcmartinsville.org



# The Worship of God Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



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# 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.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

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!

# Prayer of Confession

Hymn

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** 



### **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 339

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 592

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.

# Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

# Sending

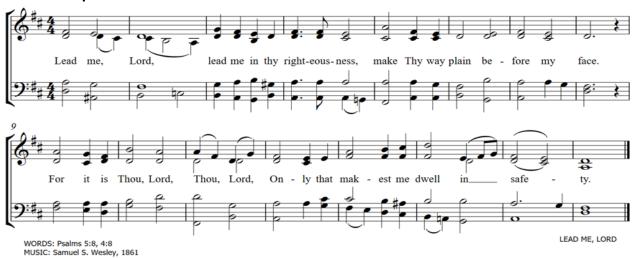
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Hymn
 Though I May Speak

## **Benediction**

# **Benediction Response**

### 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