

# First Presbyterian Church of Martinsville



June 22, 2025

Worship 10:00 am

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# The Worship of God

## Second 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

*Andante Cantabile* from *Symphony* No. 4

Charles-Marie Widor

### Preparing to Hear the Word

#### Welcome

Rev. John Erickson

#### Remembering our Baptisms

#### Opening Prayer

#### Call to Worship

Emily Hill

O Lord, our Lord, there are many places we could go this morning,  
**but we have desired to come to your house.**

There are many voices to which we can listen today,  
**but we desire to hear your voice.**

It would be easy to scatter,  
**but we have chosen to gather.**

We need to behold your beauty,  
**to inquire in your temple,**  
to be wrapped in your love,  
**and to experience your renewing Spirit.**

Come close, Lord Jesus,  
**to fill us and renew us.**

#### ♦ Hymn

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

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#### Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people.**

**You have called us to be the church,**

**to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world.**

**Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved,**

**callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.**

**Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.**

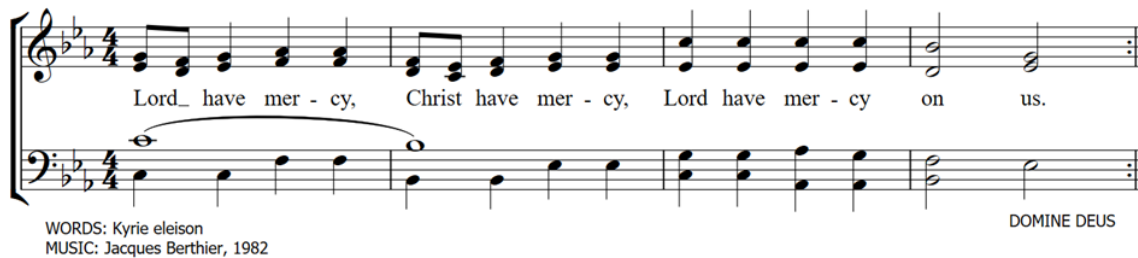
**Remove the obstacles preventing us from being your Ambassadors to a broken world.**

**Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit.**

**This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.**

#### Silent Prayer

*Kyrie*



## Assurance of Pardon - based on Romans 8:1; 2 Corinthians 5:17

Hear the good news!  
 There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.  
 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus  
 has set you free from the law of sin and death.  
 Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.  
 The old life has gone; a new life has begun.  
 Know that in Jesus, God embraces you, forgives you,  
 and strengthens you to live a renewed life.

**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**

Emily Hill

**First Scripture Reading**

Psalm 13

Pew Bible: OT p. 468

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

**Special Music**

*Jesus Christ, my Sure Defense*

J.S. Bach

**Second Scripture Reading**

Luke 8: 26-39

Pew Bible: NT p. 63

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**Children's Message**

Pastor John

**Sermon**

Rev. John Erickson

## Responding to the Word

### ♦ **Hymn**

*Amazing Grace*

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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

*Song of Hope*

### ♦ Hymn

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## Benediction

### Benediction Response

*Lead Me Lord*

The musical score for 'Lead Me Lord' is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains the melody with lyrics: 'Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy right-eous-ness, make Thy way plain be - fore my face.' The bass staff provides harmonic accompaniment. The second system begins with a measure rest marked with a '9', indicating it starts on the ninth measure of the first system. The treble staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'For it is Thou, Lord, Thou, Lord, On - ly that mak - est me dwell in safe - ty.' The bass staff continues the accompaniment. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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

LEAD ME, LORD

## Postlude

*Prelude in C Major, BWV 531*

J.S. Bach

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

### ♦ All who are able, please stand



Rev. John Erickson, Pastor  
Elijah Buerk - Guest Organist  
Steve Ward - Media Director