

*First Presbyterian Church*

*Morrison, Illinois*

*May 22, 2022*

*6th Sunday of Easter*

*10:15AM*

*Enter This Church That We Might Worship Together!*

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**PRELUDE** *From Thy Throne So High* Von Gluck

**THE GATHERING WELCOME**

**Pastor:** Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People:** Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**INTROIT** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!* No. 113 Vs. 2

**OPENING PRAYER & MOMENT FOR MEDITATION** (John 5:1-9)

“After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.” Jesus said to him, “Stand up, take your mat and walk.” At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.”

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsively) (Psalm 67)

**Pastor:** May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.

**All:** **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

**Pastor:** Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

**All:** **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

**Pastor:** The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.

**All:** **May God continue to bless us; let all the ends of the earth revere him.**

**\*HYMN** *Arise, Your Light Is Come* No. 411

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Forgive us, Lord, for the ills that we create and live within. You have lived and died for us. You rose again so we might live into new life. Yet so often, we continue to choose the path of death and destruction. Forgive us for our sins, we pray.....*Silent prayer followed by ‘Amen’.*

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS** (Unison)

Hear the Good News. Christ died and Christ rose again so we may have new life and be forgiven. Let us live in a new life of love. Let us follow the path we know is right and have faith that the Lord God will be with us always. Praise be Jesus name forever and ever! Amen.

**\*HYMN** *Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)* No. 579

**TIME WITH THE GROWING CHURCH** (Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer (p. 16))

**GOSPEL READING** John 14:23-29

**SERMON**

**\*HYMN** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* No. 316

**\*PRAYER FOR DISCERNMENT**

**\*HYMN** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology)* No. 592

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION** (Unison)

Let’s, together, as one body, give thanks to the Triune God. Let’s praise our Creator, our Savior, and our Guiding Spirit. Let’s begin a new life once again today by rededicating our life to the Triune God. Let our lives be given to the service of Christ. Let’s learn to be the disciples and stewards of Christ that we have the potential to be. Let’s love one another as Christ commands, so that we may learn what it truly means to love others so much that we are willing to give all of our own self to those in need. We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

**\*HYMN** *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* No. 288

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\*** *Elevation* Franck

**PASSING OF THE PEACE** (*greeting: “Peace be with you,” response: “and also with you”*)

\*You are invited to stand for this portion.

\*\*Please remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude.

The Bible verses are read from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV).

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*Depart This House That We Might Witness Together!*

**Remember in prayer:** Individuals and families fighting COVID-19 infection; residents and staff of Resthove, Windsor Manor and Pleasant View; medical workers, essential employees, school teachers & staff; Dan Brandon, Orville Goodenough, Janet Johnson, Omar Manchester, Joyce Mathew, Shirley Mills, Wayne Osborn, Youdelka Philippe (MSH), Cookee Shawver, Jean Temple, Dick Vandermyde, Michael Vegter, Jr.

# Love one another!

## Livestream Worship Services

Each Sunday at 10:15am from the church's Facebook group page: [www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison](http://www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison). And after the service on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcZJobAb6lcNXGA0cbuuVdg>

**Bible Study** In May, we will meet for Bible study on the 10th and 17th at Pleasant View Home at 9:30AM.

**Deacons Are Here For You** Do you have a physical or spiritual need? Our deacons want to help! Please feel free to reach out to a deacon!

## Prayer Requests

Have a prayer request? You can now email them to [prayers.firstpresmorrison@gmail.com](mailto:prayers.firstpresmorrison@gmail.com)

**Drive-Up Meal** The next meal will be on May 26. Brats will be served. Meals will start being handed out at 5:00PM.

## STAFF

Minister. . . . . Rev. Dr. Mike Selburg  
Office Manager. . . . . Stacie Baker  
Organist. . . . . Scott Vandermyde

## SESSION ELDERS:






Lynn Knox  
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## Deacons:

Mavis Best  
Junee Cortes  
Nancy Glazier  
Doris Robertson  
Jody Tucker

*And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.  
I saw no temple in the city,  
for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb.  
And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it,  
for the glory of God is its light,  
and its lamp is the Lamb.  
The nations will walk by its light,  
and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.  
Its gates will never be shut by day—  
and there will be no night there.  
People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations.  
But nothing unclean will enter it,  
nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood,  
but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.  
Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life,  
bright as crystal,  
flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb  
through the middle of the street of the city.  
On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit,  
producing its fruit each month;  
and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.  
Nothing accursed will be found there any more.  
But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it,  
and his servants will worship him;  
they will see his face,  
and his name will be on their foreheads.  
And there will be no more night;  
they need no light of lamp or sun,  
for the Lord God will be their light,  
and they will reign forever and ever.*

—Revelation 21:10; 21:22-22:5

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