

*First Presbyterian Church*

*February 16, 2025*

*6th Sunday after Epiphany*

*Morrison, Illinois*

*10:15AM*

*Enter This Church That We Might Worship Together!*



**PRELUDE**

**THE GATHERING WELCOME**

Pastor: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

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

**INTROIT**

*Jesus Lover of My Soul*

No. 303 Vs. 1

**OPENING PRAYER & MOMENT FOR MEDITATION** (Jeremiah 17:7-8)

“Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.”

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsively) (Psalm 1:1-3)

Pastor: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

**All: but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.**

Pastor: They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.

**All: In all that they do, they prosper.**

**\*HYMN**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

No. 376

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

Jesus, at times we lose our trust in you, wondering why we may find ourselves in times of suffering. Forgive us for our lack of faith. Likewise, we often forget you when we live in times of plenty for, in our comfort, we lose sight that these gifts have been granted by you. At these times, we lose our spirituality. Help us to always remember, Lord, that you are with us always, never forsaking us, making sure that your love always envelops us, even when we do not notice or cannot see it. We pray this in Jesus’ name. .... *Silent prayer followed by ‘Amen’.*

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

Christ lived and died for us. Christ rose again for us. Christ’s love for us is never ending. Let us follow Christ as his disciples and be filled with his merciful love. We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

**\*HYMN**

*Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)*

No. 579

**GOSPEL READING**

Luke 6:17-26

**NEW TESTAMENT**

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

**SERMON**

**HYMN**

*There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy*

No. 298

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer (p. 16))

**OFFERING OF TIME, TALENTS & TREASURES**

**\*HYMN**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology)*

No. 592

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION (UNISON)**

Thank you, Lord, for your gift of love, and all that extends from it. Thank you for our lives, our discipleship, our congregation, and our communities. May we work together to spread your love to all corners of the world, praising your name in all of our words and actions. Indeed, praise be Jesus’ name, now and forever more! Amen.

**\*HYMN**

*Fill My Cup*

No. 350

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\***

**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).

Donations may be placed in the offering plate near the narthex door.



*Depart This House That We Might Witness Together!*

**Remember in prayer:** residents and staff of Resthove, Homestead and Highlight Health (formerly Pleasant View); Bev & Larry Bealer, Dan Brandon, Dale Johnson, Barbara Marti, Youdelka Philippe (MSH), Jody Tucker, Rachael Tucker, Ray Tucker.

# 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/@firstpresmorrison>

**Bible Study** We will meet Tuesdays at 9:30am at Highlight Health (formerly Pleasant View).

**Drive-Up Meal** The next meal will be on February 27. We will be serving chili and cornbread. Meal begins at **4:30PM**. Help is needed on Wednesday at 1:30pm and Thursday starting at 3:45pm. We will be offering in person dining.

## Birthdays

02/20: Ann Mennenoh

## Upcoming Events:

02/16:

10:15am Worship Service

11:15am Coffee Hour

02/17:

2pm Social Hour @ Resthave

6:30pm Session Meeting

02/18:

9:30am Bible Study @ Highlight Health

02/19:

1:30pm BINGO @ Resthave

02/20:

8am Social Hour @ The Loft

12pm Golden Oldies @ Homestead

02/22:

12-2pm God's Will Burrito Fundraiser

Pick up

## STAFF

*Pastor.* . . . . . Rev. Dr. Mike Selburg

*Office Manager.* . . . . . Stacie Baker

*Organist.* . . . . . Scott Vandermyde

*Custodian.* . . . . . Courtney Bruckner

## SESSION

## ELDERS:

Rick Barr  
Lexie Laughlin  
Tim Reynolds

Ron Shank  
Scott Vandermyde  
Carol Wolf

Stacie Baker, Clerk

*Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead,  
how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead?  
If there is no resurrection of the dead,  
then Christ has not been raised;  
and if Christ has not been raised,  
then our proclamation has been in vain  
and your faith has been in vain.  
We are even found to be misrepresenting God,  
because we testified of God that he raised Christ  
—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised.  
For if the dead are not raised,  
then Christ has not been raised.  
If Christ has not been raised,  
your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.  
Then those also who have died in Christ have perished.  
If for this life only we have hoped in Christ,  
we are of all people most to be pitied.  
But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead,  
the first fruits of those who have died.*

—1 Corinthians 15:12-20



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