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## Order of Worship May 12, 2024

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rich Lawrence

*Please sign and pass the friendship pad.*

INTROIT

*He Leadeth Me*

Gentleman's  
Quintet (QC)

CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 1

Rich Lawrence

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked.

**We delight in God's Word, we meditate on God day and night.**

Our worship grounds us in God, like trees planted by streams of water

God helps us yield good fruit.

**We do not wither when we spend time in God's presence.**

OPENING PRAYER

Rich Lawrence

\*HYMN

*This is the Day*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Randy Hammond

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Randy Hammond

**Savior God, we invite you into our lives for a season, only to forget and neglect you once again. You beckon us, calling for our attention, but we are distracted and busy taking care of other priorities. Remind us, Holy God, that you are the source of our flourishing. You are the living water by which we have been planted. Forgive our neglect. Forgive our unfaithfulness. Focus us on you, your Word, and all that your Spirit provides. Amen.**

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Randy Hammond

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\*RESPONSE

*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*

No. 591 (2x)

\*Passing the Peace of Christ (Rich)  
The grace and peace of Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

ANTHEM *Blessed be Your Name* Gentleman's  
Quintet (QC)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Randy Hammond

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 10:1-10 Randy Hammond

<sup>1</sup>Hear the word that the LORD speaks to you, O house of Israel. <sup>2</sup>Thus says the LORD: Do not learn the way of the nations or be dismayed at the signs of the heavens, for the nations are dismayed at them.

<sup>3</sup>For the customs of the peoples are false: a tree from the forest is cut down and worked with an ax by the hands of an artisan;

<sup>4</sup>they deck it with silver and gold; they fasten it with hammers and nails so that it cannot move.

<sup>5</sup>Their idols are like scarecrows in a cucumber field, and they cannot speak; they have to be carried, for they cannot walk.

Do not be afraid of them, for they cannot do evil, nor is it in them to do good.

<sup>6</sup>There is none like you, O LORD; you are great, and your name is great in might.

<sup>7</sup>Who would not fear you, O King of the nations? For that is your due; among all the wise ones of the nations and in all their kingdoms there is no one like you.

<sup>8</sup>They are both stupid and foolish; the instruction given by idols is no better than wood!

<sup>9</sup>Beaten silver is brought from Tarshish and gold from Uphaz.

They are the work of the artisan and of the hands of the goldsmith; their clothing is blue and purple; they are all the product of skilled workers.

<sup>10</sup>But the LORD is the true God; he is the living God and the everlasting King.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Rich Lawrence

GOSPEL LESSON John 17:6-19 Rich Lawrence

<sup>6</sup>“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled.



# First Presbyterian Church Happenings

## Serving Us Today (May 12)

Randy Hammond(Worship Leader), Randy & Kathy Arnold(Ushers), Joe & Stephaine Jacobs(Greeter), Julian Euteneur(Music), Jay Espelien, Karen Ondracek, John Scott(Audio/Video), Leah Jacobs, Ariel Yu (Nursery), Carol Brink(Equal Exchange Products).

## Church Directory

Members: If you still need your church directory picture taken, please contact the church office to schedule your time. They will be taken right after church in the library on Sunday, May 12th and 26th.

## “Breaking Bread” Community Meal

Join us Wednesday, May 15 for grilled hamburgers and brats. A sign-up sheet will be up soon. Serving begins at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

## J.U.L.I.E.T.S

The next gathering of JULIETS(Just Us Ladies Informally Eating Together) is May 18th at 11:15. We meet at Panera at 27th and Division. Come for lunch or just coffee. All are welcome. The June gathering will be at Munsinger Gardens gift shop on June 29 at 10am. A chance to be outside!

-Jane Odgers

## Back by popular demand...

Please join us for our Spring Luncheon and Style Show benefiting Anna Marie’s Alliance on Saturday, May 18. Watch for more information. Reservations will be available for both in-person and TO-GO options. Any questions, contact Brenda Espelien at (320) 291-5084.

## G.I.F.T.(Generations in Faith Together) Sunday May 19th

After worship “Shine Your Light Banquet” A light lunch will be served. All ages and everyone welcome! Join us for this special event marking the end of the Sunday school year!

## Plant Sale

The Children, Youth and Family Committee will be selling Pattison Farms certificates in the church entry way. Each purchase benefits our church youth in being able to attend Clearwater Forest Camp each summer.

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### Mon., May 13

11:00 am —NAPS  
3:00 pm —Worship & Evangelism Meeting  
5:30 pm —Personnel  
6:00 pm —Finance  
7:00 pm —Focus on Recovery Group

### Tues., May 14

9:00 am —Men’s Bible Study  
3:00 pm —Mission Committee  
4:30pm —Property Committee  
5:30 pm —Lowertown

### Wed., May 15

9:15 am —Women’s Bible Study  
2:00 pm —Online Prayer Group  
5:00pm —Community Meal  
7:00pm —Chancel Bell Choir  
7:00pm —Confirmation

### Calendar

### Thurs., May 16

3:00 pm —Men’s Quintet

### Fri., May 17

7:00 am —Men's Bible Study

### Sun., May 19

9:00 am — Childrens Bells  
10:00 am —Worship  
Church directory photos following worship