



The United Methodist Church of Libertyville

April 28, 2013
8:30 & 10:00 am

Today's Scripture Passage *Matthew 18:1-5, 10 & 19:13-15*

At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who, then, is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" He called a little child, whom he placed among them. And he said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes a humble place--becoming like this child--is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven... Then people brought little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked them. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." When he had placed his hands on them, he went on from there.



A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

PASTORS

Jamie Hanna Williams • Stephen C. Williams

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2013



Greeting & Announcements (Please pass the attendance pads at this time.)
We welcome you to our service today.
May God's blessing of peace and grace be with you.

Prelude "People Need the Lord" M. Hayes

*** Call to Worship**

Out of the fullness of the lives God has given us we have come
to worship and to praise.

**With thanks we offer to God the creativity of our minds,
the warmth of our hearts, and the joy of our spirits.**

We love because God has first loved us, freeing us from the power
of sin and death.

**With glad hearts let us join together in singing praise to God,
Creator, Word, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*** Hymn** "All Things Bright and Beautiful" No. 147

Prayer of Invocation

O God, who has created us and sustains us: We come with
thanksgiving for these moments when we can ease the pace of our
lives and listen for your voice. Create a spirit within us that truly
draws us toward you and toward our brothers and sisters: a spirit
deep, perceptive, gentle, and bold. Clear our minds, open our hearts,
and touch us with your presence and your power. We offer this prayer
in the name of Jesus Christ our friend and our Savior. Amen.

Scripture Reading Matthew 18:1-5 & 10, 19:13-15
(8:30) Connie Sheffer (10:00) Jill Natzke

Word of Witness Missouri Mission Trip Jeff Welch

**** Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

** Those who are able are invited to stand.*

*** Please consider completing a "Joys and Concerns" card and placing it in the box at the back of the sanctuary. The Pastors and Prayer Team will use the cards to guide weekly prayer. Thank you!*

Offering / Offertory “The Light of the World Is Jesus” M. Hayes
* Doxology “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” No. 94
* Prayer of Dedication

Children’s Musical “God of This City” See insert
by Williams, Ebensberger, Gambill
Joyful Noise Choir with Blair Brockman, Director

Curtain Call

*** Pastoral Benediction**

Postlude “Joysong” M. Hayes



MANY THANKS to Blair Brockman, the Director of the Children’s Musical;
the Joyful Noise Choir; all the members of the cast and their parents;
and everyone who helped with this morning’s Children’s Musical!

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL!

We are delighted to have you sharing with us in worship today.
If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Table
in the foyer to pick up a Visitor Packet
and meet our Welcoming Ministries Coordinator,
Joyce Bedell (joycebedell@sbcglobal.net),
for more information about our church family.
All are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, cookies
and community sharing from 9:30—10:30 AM, between the services.
We look forward to seeing you there!

*Many thanks to the following people for helping
with our services this morning:*

Sound Tech: John Brockman
Greeters: (8:30) Clem and Jan Vath (10:00) Mary Hill
April Ushers: (8:30) John Aten, Carl Hartkopf, Larry Neal,
Cathy O’Brien, Bob Spears
(10:00) Dan Bollinger, David Holliman, Wendy Holliman, David Natzke,
Bill Vanni, Ed Walters, Bill Wilson
(9:30) Please join us for coffee and refreshments served in Fellowship Hall
and hosted by our Adult Choir.

News & Notes

LAST CALL! JOYFUL NOISE AND THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE are working together for the **month of April** to collect non-food items for **The Haven** in Libertyville. We are collecting: paper towels, facial tissues, toilet paper, and laundry detergent. Donated items can be dropped off in the bins in Fellowship Hall. This mission was inspired by our Joyful Noise Children's Choir musical entitled "God of This City," shared in worship this morning! This musical calls us to "live out loud" for Jesus. No one is too small to help!

RUMMAGE SALE—AN INTERGENERATIONAL EVENT: Help set-up for the Rummage Sale **next Sunday, May 5**, beginning at **12:30 PM**. Men, women and children, please join us as we transform our church into a stellar rummage sale destination! Come to help for as long as you can! No experience needed—we train with a smile! This is a 2-part event; **Saturday, May 11, at 11:30 AM**, is the final part. Your help is needed to make this mission happen ... and we have fun! Join us!

RUMMAGE SALE: Please join us to help with the Rummage Sale! From **Monday, May 6** through **Wednesday, May 8**, donations of clothing, linens, books, audio & videotapes, DVDs, CDs, craft items, small electronics, toys and infant equipment will be accepted in Fellowship Hall. Large items, furniture, sports equipment, tools etc. will be accepted in the garage. Please, no computer equipment, TVs or encyclopedias!

Set-Up: **Sunday afternoon, May 5, at 12:30 PM**

Drop-off & Sort: **Monday—Wednesday, May 6—8, 9 AM—8 PM.**

Price & Sort Only: **Thursday, May 9, 9 AM—2 PM.** As all the items in Fellowship Hall are \$1 each, most pricing is in the garage.

Sale Hours: **Friday, May 10, 9 AM—7 PM**

Saturday, May 11, 9 AM—Noon. (\$5/bag day)

Clean-Up **Saturday, May 11 at 11:30 AM**

Help is particularly needed for Friday morning and Saturday afternoon. You may also help by donating food for the workers. A volunteer sign-up poster is in Fellowship Hall. Questions? Please call Judy Awe (847-680-8913), Janet Hartkopf (847-526-8416), Beth March (847-367-5175), or Barb Plohr (847-367-5556).

FROM THE KITCHEN COMMITTEE—Are you missing a dish? Could it be in the church kitchen? Please claim your items before the Rummage Sale; items left will become Rummage Sale donations! Thank you!

HALF THE SKY MEETING POSTPONED. The UMW "Half The Sky" meeting previously planned for April 30 has been postponed. Please look for the new date in the weeks to come!

BISHOP'S APPEAL 2013 COLLECTIVE OFFERING—"GIVING ABUNDANTLY, GENEROSITY OVERFLOWING." At this year's Annual Conference from June 5-8, the Bishop has asked each church to bring a special offering to benefit Harvest 2020, an effort to start new churches and ministries in the Northern Illinois Conference. Our church will be receiving a special offering on **Pentecost Sunday, May 19**, for this purpose. We invite you to prayerfully consider what you might give and bring your offering on that day. Thank you.

IT TAKES A VILLAGE! During this time of transition in Children's Ministries, we are in need of many helping hands for our children's programs. Please feel free to sign up on the bulletin board in the rear of the sanctuary today to teach or assist with May and Summer Sunday School or to help out with this Summer's Vacation Bible School program. Thank you, The Children's Ministry Committee

SUMMER 2013 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. Registration is now open for **VBS ~ July 15—19!** Children, pre-school age to 5th grade, come and experience a week of **KINGDOM ROCK! Where Kids Stand Strong for God!** Register on our website (www.umcl.org). Registration forms are also available in the church office.

SPRING HANDBELL CONCERT—Beth McFarland and the Heritage Bell choir would like to invite you and your friends to come and hear the Random Ringers Handbell Ensemble on Sunday, May 5th at 4:00 PM for their Spring concert here at UMCL. The Random Ringers are a Community Handbell Ensemble that practice and perform in the Northern suburbs under the direction of Beth McFarland.

PRIME TIME MAY MEETING! Prime Time will meet on **Monday May 13th** at **NOON** for lunch at the **Townee Square Restaurant** in downtown Libertyville. The cost for lunch will still be \$5 and we will order from the regular menu. You can park at the church and walk to Townee Square if it's a nice day. Or, if you wish, get a group together and carpool from the church lot to the restaurant. Please RSVP to the church office to reserve your spot by Friday, May 10 (847-362-2212 or libertyvilleumc@sbcglobal.net). We look forward to seeing you at Townee Square.

RUTH CIRCLE will meet on **Wednesday evening, May 15th**, at the home of Sue Hamilton (350 West Austin, Libertyville, 847.362.7972). At **7:00 PM** dessert will be served and at **7:30 PM** a program will be presented by church member, Mary Sue Welch. Mary Sue serves on the board of a relatively new but already very successful organization called Waukegan to College (W2C) which helps families that are committed to creating brighter futures for their children. Come join us as we all learn more about this group and the successes they have already achieved.

STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE: One measure of our love for Christ is our sensitivity to the needs of others. If you would like to talk with a Stephen Minister, please contact Pastor Jamie or Pastor Steve.

ALTAR FLOWERS AND WORSHIP GREETERS: Sign up on our website (www.umcl.org) or call the church office to serve as a Sunday worship greeter or to donate altar flowers (May 26, June 9 & 23, and all of July are available, as well as additional summer dates). Questions? Contact Joannie Foley at foleyszoo@aol.com.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE SENIORS! We would like to recognize you in the bulletin and/or in person on **Sunday, June 9** for your big accomplishment... graduating! Please call or email the church office if you would like your name printed and/or will be in one of the services (8:30; 10:00; or 11:15 AM) on Sunday, June 9. If you are graduating from college, please also tell us where you are graduating from and the degree obtained. We would love to share this accomplishment with you. Please call or email your response by Tuesday, May 28. Congratulations again! — Ben

HUGE THANKS TO ALL VOLUNTEERS FOR PADS! It is almost impossible to thank everyone who supports our PADS ministry. Besides many people from St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Libertyville Covenant Church, Islamic Foundation North, and the Mennonite Church, there are so many people from our church who faithfully serve at PADS. This list is not complete but the following people have gone above and beyond this season: James and Mary Hill, Janet Grigsby, Ben Hallet and the Youth, Jim Lang, Mike Presutti, Jack Kraemer, Nick DeKa, Sue and Bob Hamilton, Kevin Garren, Kathryn Eber, Mike and Pam Fennewald, Connie Sheffer, George Aynilian, Jack Brahmmer, Jack Hansen, Amy Sharer, Mary Jo Swift, Bob and Janine Glass, Bill and Erin Russell, Bill Osborne, Ed Walters, Keith Klemp, Bruce Jaffe, Greg and Kathy Powell, Nicki and Kiara Schuh, and the Alesna Family. Also many thanks to all who made lunches or donated items/money. Thanks to your support, we are able to help make a difference in the world!

PADS SEASON HAS ENDED - NOW WHAT CAN YOU DO? Last night, April 27, was the final night for providing shelter to the homeless in Fellowship Hall for this season. From May 1 until September 30, the homeless are truly homeless. You may know that Condell washes sheets and pillow cases for PADS each week, but we need to wash the blankets. Volunteers are needed to take 2-3 blankets home and wash them, returning them to church in late summer. Blankets will be out in Fellowship Hall for anyone to take home. Thanks in advance for your laundering help!

PADS SUMMER LUNCHESES—Our season for providing shelter for the homeless ends on April 27, but we still provide **40 lunches on the second Tuesday** of each month during the summer (May—September). These lunches can be provided by a group, a couple of families working together, a class, etc. Please contact Cathy O'Brien (847-367-8062) for more information or to sign-up for a date. Thank you!

RAIN BARRELS: Seems impossible to imagine, but eventually this summer we will not have enough rain. Plan ahead and install a rain barrel now while we have an abundance of it! On **May 11**, rain barrels and compost bins will be available at **Independence Grove Park** from 9:00 AM—3:00 PM. Thank you, The Earth

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 28, 2013

8:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
(Nursery care is available at all services for ages 0-2 years)
8:30 AM—Children's Worship Time
(ages 3 yrs-Kindergarten)
9:30 AM—Coffee Time
10:00 AM—Traditional Worship Service
10:00 AM—New Member Class
10:00 AM—Adult Sunday School
11:30 AM—New Couples Planning Meeting

Monday, April 29, 2013

6:30 PM—Young Life Capernaum
7:00 PM—Disciple 4 Bible Study
7:00 PM—Boy Scout Troop #72
7:00 PM—20-Somethings @ Ben's

Tuesday, April 30, 2013

12:00 & 7:30 PM – Living Free/AA
1:00 PM—Women's Spiritual Growth
1:30 PM—Disciple 3 Bible Study
7:00 PM—TNT

Wednesday, May 1, 2013

9:00 AM—Staff Meeting
9:00 AM—MEMOS
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study
7:00 PM—Worship Schedule/Children & Youth Task Forces (joint meeting)
7:30 PM—BSA District Committee

Thursday, May 2, 2013

11:30 AM—Faith Study
12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—Resource Committee
7:30 PM—Disciple 1 Bible Study
7:30 PM—Adult Choir

Friday, May 3, 2013

**No scheduled events

Saturday, May 4, 2013

8:30 AM—Praise Band
8:30 AM—Ad Board

Sunday, May 5, 2013

8:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
(Nursery care is available at all services for ages 0-2 years)
8:30 AM—Children's Worship Time
(ages 3 yrs-Kindergarten)
9:30 AM—Coffee Time
9:30 AM—Cherub Choir
10:00 AM—Traditional Worship Service
10:00 AM—Sunday School for all ages
10:00 AM—New Member Class
11:15 AM—Contemporary Worship Service

12:30 PM—Rummage Sale Set-up

6:30 PM—Collision
7:00 PM—Cub Scout Committee

Monday, May 6, 2013

9 AM – 8 PM – Rummage Sale Drop-off/Set-up

7:00 PM—Disciple 4 Bible Study
7:00 PM—Boy Scout Troop #72
7:00 PM—20-Somethings @ Ben's

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

9 AM – 8 PM – Rummage Sale Drop-off/Set-up

12:00 & 7:30 PM – Living Free/AA
1:00 PM—Women's Spiritual Growth
1:30 PM—Disciple 3 Bible Study
7:00 PM—Lake County Green Congregations
7:00 PM—TNT

Wednesday, May 8, 2013

9 AM – 8 PM – Rummage Sale Drop-off/Set-up

9:00 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study
5:30 PM—All-Stars for Jesus
7:00 PM—SYNERGY

Thursday, May 9, 2013

9 AM - 2 PM – Rummage Sale Price & Sort

9:00 AM—Faith Circle
12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
7:30 PM—Disciple 1 Bible Study
7:30 PM—Adult Choir

Friday, May 10, 2013

9 AM – 7 PM – Rummage Sale

6:00 PM—Young Life Capernaum
6:30 PM—Young Couples (off site)

Saturday, May 11, 2013

8:30 AM—Praise Band
9 AM - Noon – Rummage Sale
11:30 AM – Rummage Sale Clean-Up

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