Fírst Presbyterían Church Hastings, Nebraska

Jesus Christ, Head of the Church Members of the Congregation, Ministers Pastor: Don Canady

Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer

Organist: Hannah Jensen

February 14, 2016, 10:30 a.m. **GATHERING**

*Indicates those who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE

(The prelude is an opportunity for prayer, meditation, and reflection.)

INTROIT "I Love You Lord" Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

For some of us, it was tempting to "sleep in" this morning.

But God has called us to this place, to hear God's word, to open our hearts in prayer and praise, and to seek direction for our lives.

There are many temptations placed in front of us. We are called to be strong and place our trust in God.

God is always faithful to us, comforting, guiding, lifting us. AMEN

*HYMN

"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Lord, we are reminded of our weakness and our need for your strength. We ask your forgiveness when we succumb to the temptations of this world, when we tread paths that are contrary to your will. We ask your forgiveness when we fail to look beyond our own desires to see another's need. We ask for your presence in our wilderness wanderings. May your hand guide us from the arid land of sin into a land flowing with milk and honey—a land made rich and abundant by your saving love. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

By the power of God, Jesus reached out to heal the afflicted and cleanse troubled spirits. When we want that transformation within and among us more than we want to cling to the past, we will know the blessing of forgiveness. Claim the victory over sin that comes to those who hope in Christ.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory to God"

582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. World without end, without end, Amen. World without end, without end, Amen. World without end, without end, Amen.

*PEACE OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ATTENDANCE

A MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

Stephanie Brader

The congregation is invited to sing as the children come forward Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world. Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world.

THE WORD

ANTHEM

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Dale Grotenhuis

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, may your word be ever near us, on our lips, and in our heart. Transform us as we hear your word this day, that we may respond with faithful praise. Amen.

Lauren Canady FIRST READING Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

GOSPEL READING Luke 4:1-13 Lauren Canady

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "So What Is Yours?"

"Hope of the World" **HYMN** 734

THE RESPONSE

CONCERNS and CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. AMEN.

OFFERING

(All loose coins in the offering plate will go to PCUSA Hunger Fund.)

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

"Glory Be to the Father"

581

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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

*HYMN

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

835

*CHARGE and BLESSING

Announcements:

The radio broadcast is given by JoAnn and Les Seiler.

Today's service may be seen on Channel 181 Tuesday, 1:00 p.m., and Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

For those living at Good Samaritan Village the service will be broadcast on Channel 3 on Sunday at 12:00 noon and on Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

Flowers are in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Foote by family and friends.

Ushers: Lynne Friedewald, Jim Harrenstein, captain, Chuck Shoemaker

Greeters: Joe and Amy Black

Youth Ushers: Erikka Rhodes, Morgan Karloff

Acolytes: Abbie Kerr, Raegan Bradley

Nursery: Carol Grummert

Sympathies to: Elmer and Irmise Heeren and family for the loss of Elmer's brother Darrell; Joe and Ashley Ehrich and family for the loss of Joe's mother Janice Ehrich, and Traci and Jim Boeve and family for the loss of Traci's mother Clarine Rosberg.

Watch "The Bible" mini-series with the **Heirs Apparent Class** Sunday mornings at 9:15 in Anderson Conference Room. Discussion led by Curtis Reimer

Beginning February 17, St. Mark's Episcopal Pro-Cathedral on 5th & Burlington is holding it's forty-fourth annual Lenten series. All are welcome to join **Sermons a La carte** on Wednesdays from 12:05 to 12:30pm for a Lenten message followed by lunch served in their undercroft. Lunch is \$3.00.

Langenberg scholarships for Spring 2016 semester are now available, located online and on a glass shelf in front of the office door.

After 31 years of service, **Stamps for Missions** is closing. There is no longer a need to donate stamps at this time. The complete letter will be published in this week's Home Page.

Church Mice are always recruiting walkers & volunteers! Meet Mon-Thurs. @ 8:15am in the Annex Gym to walk, then enjoy coffee and conversation around a table. On Thurs., following coffee, Church Mice volunteer organizing pews and picking up the Sanctuary as needed. This is a time of fellowship. All are welcome to join! Contact Jan Ham @ 402-301-9081.

Session meets at 5:30 instead of 7:00pm this week.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!

Thurs, Feb 18

This Week February 15 – February 20		
Mon, Feb 15	10:00	Staff Meeting in Pastor's Office
Tues, Feb 16		Deacon Meeting in Anderson Christian Education Meeting
Weds, Feb 17	9:30 1:15	Bible Study in Parlor Circle 1 Meeting, Hostess Sally Smith Circle 2 Meeting, Hostess Flossie Sanderson Circle 3 Meeting in Fellowship Hall Wednesday Night Live

5:30 Session Meeting in Anderson

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