

**First Presbyterian Church  
Hastings, Nebraska**

Head of the Church: Jesus Christ  
Ministers: Members of the Church

Pastor: Don Canady

Pianist: Mary Plock

Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer

***Pentecost Sunday***

**May 15, 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**

“This Is the Day”

No. 681

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life.

***Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.***

Let us worship the Spirit, who renews us.

***To the one true God be praise in all times and places.***

**\*HYMN**

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

No. 15

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Eternal God: you desire to be present with us, but often we fail to invite you. We focus our lives and prayers on our own troubles and forget the pains, problems and spiritual warfare that many sisters and brothers face every day. When we falter and fall, forgive us, pick us up and guide us along the pathway of faith. AMEN.***

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory To God”

No. 583

\*PEACE OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ATTENDANCE

**2015/2016 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**  
**VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION**  
Kili Wenburg and Stephanie Brader

**THE WORD**

ANTHEM

“Come, Now, Spirit of God”  
Sarah Wolf - Flute

Joseph M. Martin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow on the path you set before us; through Jesus Christ, Amen.***

FIRST READING

Psalms 104:24-34

GOSPEL READING

John 14:15-27

The Gospel of the Lord  
***Praise to You, O Christ.***

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:1-21

The Word of the Lord  
***Thanks be to God.***

HYMN

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

No. 688

MESSAGE

“Fire and Wind”

**\*LITANY FOR PENTECOST**

Holy Spirit, Creator,  
in the beginning you moved over the waters.  
From your breath all creation drew life.  
Without you, life turns to dust.

***Come, Holy Spirit!***

Holy Spirit, Counselor,  
by your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith.  
You clothed them with power to be bearers of your Word.

***Come, Holy Spirit!***

Holy Spirit, Power,  
you came as fire to Jesus' disciples;  
gave them voice before the rulers of this world.

***Come, Holy Spirit!***

Holy Spirit, Sanctifier,  
you created us children of God;  
you make us the living temple of your presence;  
you interceded within us with sighs too deep for words.

***Come, Holy Spirit!***

Holy Spirit, Giver of life,  
you guide and make holy the church you created;  
you give gifts:  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counseling and fortitude,  
the spirit of knowledge and piety,  
the spirit of the fear of the Lord,  
that the whole creation may become what you want it to be.

***Come, Holy Spirit!***

**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                      “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”                      No. 606

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**SENDING**

\*HYMN                                      “Spirit of the Living God”                                      No. 288

\*CHARGE and BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

Gary Bauer  
Jenni Bauer  
Amy Black  
Joe Black  
Traci Boeve  
Daveta Brader  
Eric Brader  
Justin Brader  
Richard Brader  
Raegan Bradley  
Don Canady  
Pam Canady  
Chudier Duang  
Jim Duval  
Kathy Duval  
Mattie Eddleman  
Stacey Eddleman  
Tony Eddleman  
Logan Ellis

Chanda Essink  
Stan Essink  
Susie Graham  
Nancy Grams  
Carol Grummert  
Lois Hafer  
Amy Hermes  
Kris Horton  
Jeni Howard  
Kelley Junker  
Alissa Kidd  
Ann Koozer  
Jill Kramer  
Megan Launchbaugh  
Kraig Loftquist  
Laurie Lofquist  
Jane Marsh  
Becky Meyer  
Mike Meyer

Chad Murrell  
Erika Nielsen  
Ruth Nielsen  
Susan Oliver  
William Oliver  
Wendy Propp  
Leah Ratzlaff  
Tom Ratzlaff  
Curtis Reimer  
Kathy Reimer  
Brady Rhodes  
Chris Schukei  
Abby Shetler  
Becky Spurgeon  
Zach Spurgeon  
Cindy Strasheim  
Jim Wenburg  
Rogene Wenburg  
Steve Wolford

**Next Sunday, May 22, 2016  
10:30 Worship  
Pastor Don Canady**

# “Thank you!!”

...to all who helped make adult education events possible!  
...from the CE Committee, Adult Education Director,  
and all the participants who benefitted!

*"He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God."* -II Corinthians 9:10-12

## **Heirs Apparent Volunteers**

Curtis Reimer, weekly facilitator

Tony and Stacey Eddleman, substitute leaders

Rob Kerr, special series on Christian history

## **Forums Led by Volunteers**

“Justice and Mercy”: Les Seiler, Teresa Luther, Wayne Ganow

“Love and Marriage”: Lanae Hall, Dan Deffenbaugh\*

“Love Shouldn’t Hurt”: Jamie Manzer\*, Ian Tuttle\*, Carolyn Clements\*

“Syrian Refugee Crisis”: Logan Ellis, Ingrid Bego\*

“Welcoming the Stranger”: Yolanda Chavez-Nuncio\*

“Church Conversation”: Bryce Wiebe\*

“Revitalizing the Family-Life-Work Balance”: Sarah Fruehling

“You—Sitting in the Pew Next to Me”: Gretchen Lainsen, Jeff Howard, Kraig Lofquist, Irina Belikova-Erickson

“Welcoming the Stranger”: Carlos Barcenos\*

“Interacting with the Enemy”: Ramez Habash\*

“Choice and Sacrifice”: Mark Zajack

“Sacrifice as Blessing”: Hannah Jensen

“Jesus’ Sacrifice”: Dan Deffenbaugh\*

“Parenting as Sacrifice”: Jody Lieske\*

“Improv and Ethics”: Hastings High Improv Students\*

“Visio Divina”: Emma Redinger

“Opening the Gifts”: Brady Rhodes

## **Soup Group Leaders**

Susan Oliver, Lanae Hall, Colleen Schukei, Jody Lieske,\* Sarah Fruehling,  
Lindsey Kluver\*

## **Soup Group Child Care Providers**

Pam Lay, Elaine Specht, Ginny Locke, Rogene Wenburg

## **PW Bible Study leaders**

Marilyn Nielsen, Jane Foote, Flossie Sanderson, May Wierenga, Elaine Specht, Bonnie Grams,  
Eleanor Jorgenson, Pam Lay, Jane Marsh, Jo Seiler, Carol Grummert, Jill Kramer, Gayle  
Fandry, Mary Jeanne Cooke, Mary Lewis, Sue Medsker-Nedderman

**Wednesday Evening Bible Study:** Joe Black

**Financial Peace University:** Leah and Tom Ratzlaff

**Wednesday Evening Book Discussion:** Ruth Nielsen, Lois Hafer

**Summer Book Club:** John Harrington

## **Special thanks also goes to...**

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(CE Committee members include(d): Kim Hermann, Matt Fong, Susie Graham, Kenton Grams,  
Jessica Bauer, Nancy Grams, Ann Koozer, Stacey Eddleman, Irina Erickson, Kris Horton, Chris  
Junker, Laurie Lofquist, Barbara Sunderman.)

\*This individual is not a member of our church but is a community member who has freely  
given of him/herself in service to us and to God. Please thank him/her if you have the  
opportunity!

\*\*Thank you also (and sincere apologies) to anyone who was inadvertently left off this list!

***Be sure to offer a word of thanks to  
these generous and faithful individuals!***

## **Announcements:**

**The radio broadcast** airs on KICS 1550 A.M. and is given by Les and JoAnn Seiler.

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

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

**Flowers** are in loving memory of Merle and Albert J. Theabald.

**Ushers:** Dennis Asmus-Captain, Dave Fisher, Neal Hoff, Susan Hoff, Ed Lockwood, Phil Odom, and Rich Portwood

**Greeters:** Bill and Martha Boyd, Eleanor Jorgensen

**Youth Ushers:** Jennifer Boeve, Josh Brooks

**Acolytes:** Maddie Johnson, Shannon Canady

**Nursery:** Leah Ratzlaff

**In the Hospital:** Geraldine Shuman

According to Jody Stutsman, program coordinator for Proteus, there is still a great need for long sleeve work shirts for migrant workers this summer. These shirts protect the workers from the sun and exposure to agricultural chemicals. While you are doing your spring cleaning, if you find long sleeve shirts you are no longer using, please bring them and place them in the specially marked tub outside the *Hands Around the World Store*. If you would like to participate in the distribution of the shirts to the workers in early July, please email Denny Storer ([cdstorer@inebraska.com](mailto:cdstorer@inebraska.com)) for details. Then feel free to browse the fine selection of fair trade coffee, chocolate, textiles and jewelry in the *Hands Around the World Store*."

### **Matching-Challenge Fundraiser for the Meyer Family**

Mike and Becky Meyer and their daughters, Lydia and Nina, are members of FPC. Nina has Muscular Dystrophy. In March of 2016 Nina required surgery on her spine to insert a rod that would enable her to maintain better posture, which among other things improves her respiratory function. Nina was hospitalized for two weeks in Denver, CO, and is now recovering at home.

The Meyer family needs to purchase a van to transport Nina. Mike and Becky have a standard van, from which they lift Nina to and from her seat, and also the wheelchair to and from the back. After the surgery, carrying Nina now causes her pain so they need to purchase a wheelchair accessible van for transport.

Nina is a past Ambassador for MDA Nebraska and continues to advocate for the organization through her participation in fundraising and speaking engagements, including Community Health Charities of Nebraska.

**FPC is excited to offer a matching challenge fundraiser to help the Meyer family. All donations sent to the church (or made to their 'Go Fund Me' account) will be matched dollar per dollar by FPC up to \$25,000!**

Checks made payable to Mike or Becky Meyer may be mailed c/o FPC at 621 N. Lincoln Ave., Hastings, NE, 68901. (This is not a church donation). Or if you prefer, their 'Go Fund Me' account (established by Keith Napier) is online at: <https://www.gofundme.com/225bbqk>. Please do what you can to help them achieve this goal!

**Summer Book Club** "Islam without Extremes: A Muslim Case for Liberty."

Order your copy now and make plans to join in on Wednesdays at noon, June 8-July 13.

**Time and Talent Inventory.** Please watch for this mailing and return your family's responses as soon as possible. THANK YOU!!

### **This Week --- May 16 - May 21, 2016**

<b>Mon, May 16</b>	<b>5:30p.m. Foundation Meeting</b> in Kessler
<b>Tue, May 17</b>	<b>1:00p.m. Quilters</b> in Annex <b>6:45p.m. Deacon's Meeting</b> in Anderson Conference
<b>Weds, May 18</b>	<b>7:00a.m. Bible @ Breakfast</b> in Parlor <b>9:30a.m. Circle 1 Meeting</b> , Hostess Jean Barber <b>9:30a.m. Circle 2 Meeting</b> , Hostess Mary Lewis <b>1:15p.m. Circle 3 Meeting</b> in Fellowship Hall, Hostess Joyce Ore
<b>Thurs, May 19</b>	<b>5:30p.m. Session Meeting</b> in Anderson Conference

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