

**First Presbyterian Church  
Hastings, Nebraska**

Head of the Church: Jesus Christ  
Ministers: Members of the Church  
Pastor: Don Canady  
Organist: Ashley Ehrich  
Flute: Sarah Wolf  
Liturgist: Lynne Friedewald  
**May 22, 2016, 10:30 a.m.**



**GATHERING**

*\*Indicates those who are able, please stand.*

PRELUDE

“Fugue” in G minor

Jean-Jacques Beauvarlet-Charpentier  
(The prelude is an opportunity for prayer, meditation, and reflection.)

WELCOME AND PRAYER

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

“As the Deer”

No. 626

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

We begin in the name of the one whose mystery is beyond us.

***We stand before the ultimate mystery, seeking understanding.***

Open yourself to us today, O God.

***Teach us your ways, that we might serve you and the whole creation.***

**\*HYMN**

“God Is Here!”

No. 409

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***It is so easy for us to lapse into fear, forgiving God. When your way is different from the path so many walk, we can easily get lost. We fear that we will not fit in, that we will not have enough, that we will waste our effort on futile causes. Our fear keep us from living passionately as you have created us, and we do not trust the vision of justice and mercy you offer. Remind us that we are your own, and that we need not be afraid. Rekindle your vision in us, that we might be renewed in our callings.***

### SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory Be to the Father”

No. 581

### \*PEACE OF CHRIST

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ATTENDANCE

### A MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

No. 616

*The congregation is invited to sing as the children come forward*

***Our God is an Awesome God  
who reigns from heaven above  
with wisdom, power, and love;  
our God is an awesome God.***

### VOLUNTEER COMMISSIONING

Dear friends, thank you for volunteering to share *Barnyard Roundup* Vacation Bible School with kids this summer. As members of God's church, you'll have many opportunities to share Jesus' love in words and actions as you represent our Lord and our church. Will you help children and their families know and grow in Jesus, our Savior?

**Yes, with the help of God!**

God's Word says "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want." The Holy Spirit works powerfully through God's Word to give us faith to believe in Jesus, to grow in faith, and to live as His people. Will you share God's Word in the Bible lessons and in Psalm 23 with children and their families?

**Yes, with the help of God!**

And you, the Church of Christ, will you support, encourage, and pray for the *Barnyard Roundup* VBS program, its workers, and its teaching and outreach ministry?

**Yes, with the help of God!**

May the Holy Spirit empower all of us and make it so! Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**AMEN.**

## THE WORD

### ANTHEM

“Aria”

Otar Taktakishvili

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***Living God, help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. AMEN.***

FIRST READING--Romans 5:1-11

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING --John 15:26-16:15

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to You of Christ.**

HYMN

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

No. 817

MESSAGE

“Counseling”

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***The Lord God blesses us each day with a creative presence which makes new people of us. Recognizing God’s Spirit within us we are able to live productive and meaningful lives. Our emptiness is filled with God’s Spirit; our despair is soothed; we are challenged to move beyond vain pursuits and to follow in the way of the cross; our demand of exploring our selfish ways is forgiven and we are given hope and promise for a new day. Praise be to God.***

### 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

“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

Paul Manz

\*DOXOLOGY

No. 708

***We give thee but thine own, whate’er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.***

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### SENDING

\*HYMN

“Come, Thou Almighty King” (verses 1, 3 and 4)

No. 2

\*CHARGE and BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

“Italian Hymn”

Richard Proulx

**Next Sunday, May 29, 2016**

**10:30 Worship**

**Pastor Don Canady**

**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 George and Florence Root by family and friends.

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

**Greeters:** Paul and Lynette Krieger, Kim Creech

**Youth Ushers:**

**Acolytes:** Nathan Kerr, Tyson Kerr

**In the Hospital:** Geraldine Shuman

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

As of Friday, May 20, FPC collected \$10,540 and Go Fund Me raised \$21,385. First Presbyterian Church Hastings is honored to present to the Meyer family \$25,000.

**Vacation Bible School (VBS),** May 23-27 @ 2:00p.m. - 5:00p.m., PreK thru 5th Grade. Register online at [www.fpchastings.org](http://www.fpchastings.org).

**Summer series of GriefShare.** Video-based grief support group for anyone who has lost a loved one to death-- recently or years ago. Tuesdays, 7-9p.m. at 1st St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Begins May 17. Try a session with no obligation.

8:30 services and Sunday School classes for all ages (children-adults) have concluded for the summer, to resume in the fall.

**Worship in the Park.** Sunday, June 12, Alexander Park. RSVP to church office by Friday, June 10, to get accurate count for pulled pork sandwiches (\$2.50/sandwich, pay at the door). Bring a blanket or lawn chair and a dish to share.

**Barnyard Roundup VBS Celebration.** You are invited! Come here & see what we did. Friday, May 27 @ 4:30p.m., First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary.

**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!!

**In Loving Memory of Guy Stocks, 09/09/1925 – 05/18/2016.** Private burial will be on Monday, May 23 @ 10a.m. at Parkview Cemetery, the funeral in FPC Sanctuary @ 11a.m. preceded by a luncheon in Fellowship Hall.

**This Week --- May 23 – May 28, 2016**

**Mon, May 23** 11:00a.m. **Guy Stocks Funeral, Luncheon**

**Tue, May 24** 1:00p.m. **Quilters** in Annex

**Weds, May 25** 7:00a.m. **Bible @ Breakfast** in Parlor

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# **2016 VBS Volunteer Commissioning**

## **May 22, 2016**

**Storytelling:** Jane Marsh & Linda Cooke

**Crafts:** Amy Black, Shannon Welton, & Lily Black

**Bible Challenge:** Kili Wenburg & Teresa Canady

**Games:** Becky Spurgeon, Avery Essink, Nathan Kerr

**Snacks:** Laurie Lofquist, Tyson Kerr, Carol Grummert, & Pam Canady

**Audio/Photography:** Eric Brader & Maggie Nielsen

**Shepherds:** PreK—Marcia Hogan, Grace Canady, & Grace Redinger

Kindergarten—Jeni Howard, Nyaguor Duang, Julia Reimer, & Courtney Junker

1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>—Cheryl Schukei & Carter Wenburg

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>—Sydney Kerr, Jennifer Boeve, & Mary Seiler

**Nursery:** Abby Shetler

**Registration:** Erica Brooks



# Kids Eat Free!

Niños Comen Gratis! Ages 1-18\*

**MAY 23-27**

2015 W 3rd St by the Water Park

11:00am—12:30pm

**JUNE 6—JULY 1**

Carter Park on S Chicago and E Street

11:00 am—12:00 pm

Harms Park across from Duncan Field

12:30 pm—1:30 pm

**AUGUST 1—12**

2015 W 3rd St by the Water Park

11:00am—12:30pm



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