

**First Presbyterian Church
Hastings, Nebraska**

Head of the Church: Jesus Christ
Ministers: Members of the Church
Pastor: Don Canady
Organist: Ashley Ehrich
Soloist: Campbell Schukei
Liturgist: Teresa Canady
July 24, 2016, 10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE “Andante Cantabile” Charles Marie Widor
(The prelude is an opportunity for prayer, meditation, and reflection.)

WELCOME AND PRAYER

INTROIT “O Come and Sing unto the Lord” (verse 1) No. 638

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come! Join the fellowship of God’s people—
people who gather as faithful Disciples of Christ.

***We seek the One who frees us
from uncertainty and doubt.***

Come! Join the welcome of God’s people—
people who meet together for justice and peace.

***We seek the One who is trustworthy,
the One who gives us what is good.***

Come! Join the celebration of God’s people—
people of the One who was, and is, and shall ever be.

***We raise our voices in praise and honor to God,
and worship the One who is faithful.***

***HYMN** “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” No. 93

INVOCATION

***God of grace and God of glory, come and be known to us in our
gathering together; come and be present in the songs we sing and in
the prayers we raise. From the busy byways of life, we come to find
once again that you are always present and always ready to receive
us. As we affirm our faith this day, deepen the roots of our***

***commitment, that we may learn your calling upon our lives.
Surround us now with the love and comfort of your Holy Spirit and
the direction and redemption of Christ. AMEN.***

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory to God”

No. 583

*PEACE OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ATTENDANCE

A MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

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

THE WORD

ANTHEM

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Like a true friend, Lord, you have not withheld the wisdom of your word.

Like a true friend, Lord, you have given us the nourishment and strength for the living of these days. AMEN.

FIRST READING-Psalm 85

SECOND READING--Colossians 2:6-19

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING--Luke 11:1-13

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

No. 66

MESSAGE

“Persistence”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—Belhar Confession

We believe:

- that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways: in that we love one another; that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another; that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope; together come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ; together are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity; together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ that we need one another and up-build one another, admonishing and comforting one another; that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; pray together; together serve God in this world; and together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity;
- that this unity can be established only in freedom and not under constraint; that the variety of spiritual gifts, opportunities, backgrounds, convictions, as well as the various languages and cultures, are by virtue of the reconciliation in Christ, opportunities for mutual service and enrichment within the one visible people of God; and
- that true faith in Jesus Christ is the only condition for membership of this church.

THE RESPONSE

CONCERNS and CELEBRATIONS

PRAYER HYMN

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

No. 469

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 “Come, O Sinners, Poor and Needy” David Cherwien

*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

*HYMN “Seek Ye First” No. 175

*CHARGE and BLESSING

*POSTLUDE “Praise to the Lord” David Cherwien

**Next Sunday, July 31, 2016
10:30 Worship
Damen Heitmann**

Announcements:

The radio broadcast airs on KICS 1550 AM and is given in memory of Hal Lainson by the Lainson family.

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 Jim McDougal by family and friends.

Ushers: Dale Behrens, Matt Fong, Al Meyer-Captain, Ken Stein

Greeters: Gale and Dixie McDonald

In the Hospital: Richard Viglicky

Thank you for the beautiful Red, White, and Blue bouquet delivered to my home on July 3rd. I enjoyed it very much. –Jean Barber

The final Open Table meal assembly is today following worship, and the final Open Table kitchen gathering to cook is this Wednesday, July 27 at 2p.m. Please lend a hand if you're able.

Share Your Garden Produce. Bring your extra, take what you need. 'The Sharing Table' is in the Memorial Room. Everyone is welcome to partake!

In coordination with First United Methodist Church and Foodbank For The Heartland, First Presbyterian Church is proud to announce **United Harvest**, the **new mobile pantry food distribution service** scheduled every last Saturday of the month in the Annex building. The first day will be Saturday, August 27, 12:30p.m.-2:30p.m. Please bring boxes or bags to carry food if you are in need, or contact Kili at kili@fpchastings.org if you are interested in volunteering.

Sunday School and WNL Teachers and Volunteers for the 2016/2017 year are needed in several areas. Please contact Stephanie Brader (stephanie@fpchastings.org or the church office: 402-462-5147) and let her know how you can help!

Please pray for members of our PNC: Jim Duval, Chad Murrell, Mike Karloff, Joan Shaw, Chris Junker, Pam Lay and Jeni Howard.

This Week --- July 25 – July 30, 2016

Tues, July 26 1:00p.m. **Quilters** in Annex

Weds, July 27 2:00p.m. **(Final) Open Table** in the Kitchen

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