

**First Presbyterian Church  
Hastings, Nebraska**

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

Pastor: Don Canady

Pianist: Hannah Jensen

**August 28, 2016, 10:30 a.m.**

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

PRELUDE

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

WELCOME AND PRAYER

INTROIT

“I Love You, Lord”

No. 627

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, "Love one another, even as I have loved you."

***Love is more powerful than fear; it is mightier than hatred.***

Let the love which God has lavished upon us be poured out to those in need.

***Help us, O Lord, to witness to you by the ways in which we care for others.***

Remind us, Lord, that we are called to be your disciples.

***As we worship this morning, heal our hearts and spirits, and prepare us for service. Amen.***

\*HYMN

“Morning Has Broken”

No. 664

INVOCATION

***Through the ages, O God, you have called to us to follow. You led us to freedom, to hope and peace. Enter our hearts again today and lead us to your healing love that we might serve you joyfully in this world that you have loaned to us. Amen.***

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory to God”

No. 583

\*PEACE OF CHRIST

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ATTENDANCE

### PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO KINDERGARTEN, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> GRADES

Preston Ferguson	Grace Brader	Nyaguor Duang
Brooke Lofquist	Ashton Essink	Avery Essink
Reid Nunley	Zada Gernstein	Hannah Hafer
Meredith Oliver	McKain Ratzlaff	Kayla Howe
Sabrina Pontine	Norah Snell	Tyson Kerr
Gabriel Snell	Zane Thomsen	Justin Musgrave
Stella Thomsen	Megan Welton	Paige Taylor
Vivienne Turner	Hazel Zajack	

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***God of all creation, send your Holy Spirit among us this day, that the seed of your Word might take root in our hearts, and bear the fruits of peace, love, and justice for all. Amen.***

FIRST READING-Psalm 81:1, 10-16

SECOND READING--Hebrews 13:1-16

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

GOSPEL READING -- Luke 14:1-14

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

HYMN

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

No. 753

MESSAGE

“Is Inviting Jesus a Mistake?”

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.***

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  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN    “Blest Are They”    No. 172

\*CHARGE and BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

**Next Sunday, September 4, 2016  
10:30 Worship  
(No Sunday School)  
Pastor Don Canady**

## **Announcements:**

**The radio broadcast** airs on KICS 1550 AM and is provided 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 memory of Phyllis and John J. Lainson by family and friends.

**Ushers:** Lynne Friedewald, Jim Harrenstein-Captain, Paul Nuss, Chuck Shoemaker

**Greeters:** Charles and Margaret Hermes, Clyde and Katherine Sachtleben

**Youth Ushers:** Allie Bauer, Lily Black

**Acolytes:** Alex Ferguson, Campbell Schukei

**Nursery:** Maggie, Lucy, Erika Nielsen

**September 4 Communion Servers, Team 4:** Dick Brader, Jan Ham, Jeanne Hastings, Mark Hemje, Kraig Lofquist, Rich McKenzie, Jane Pollack, Katherine Sachtleben, Lori Schroeder, Ted Schroeder, Alice Throckmorton, Kili Wenburg, May Wierenga

**September Communion Offering** will go to our local **Habitat for Humanity** chapter. The offering will be received next week--September 4--following a Minute for Mission by Rich Reimer.

Rev. Bill and Janey are the proud grandparents of a grandson born Aug. 16 at 2:50p.m. He weighed 9 lbs., 2 oz., born 21.5 in. long. Nathaniel and Janeen Tacey are the proud parents. They named him **Imre Von Tacey**. ("Imre" is Hungarian and translates to *strength*; "Von" is Norse and translates to *hope*.) The red rose is in honor of his birth.

Al Meyer's wife, Leanne, is currently with the Red Cross **helping flood victims** in Louisiana.

Because the July 5 Red Cross blood drive far exceeded its goal, First Presbyterian Church is being recognized on the **Red Cross Sponsor Spotlight**. Thank you to all of the donors and volunteers who make these drives a success. If you haven't been to one of our drives, please stop in and check it out!

Our **next blood drive** is **October 13** from noon to 6pm. If you would like to donate or volunteer, contact Erica Brooks at [ericalynn128@gmail.com](mailto:ericalynn128@gmail.com) or [402-469-9285](tel:402-469-9285). You can also make an appointment to donate at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). Your donations make a difference!

**Hastings Food Pantry donations** are accepted throughout each month. A donation cart is in the Memorial Room on the first Sunday of every month and in the kitchen all other times. Food and non-perishable items may be donated anytime. Needs requested by the Pantry are: paper products, pastas, canned fruit, boxed meals, canned vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, and canned chicken, tuna, turkey. Your donation makes a difference to an individual or family in need!

**Hands Around the World Store** is open today until noon. Feel free to browse the fine selection of fair trade coffee, chocolate, textiles and jewelry. Items come from nonprofit, fair trade organizations dedicated to lifting disadvantaged artisans and farmers and their families out of poverty. Your purchases make a difference!

**Taize Worship Returns September 4 with New Schedule.** Bring a friend and join us the first Sunday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Parlor! Taize service on September 4 will be led by Rev. Dr. David McCarthy, who has made many trips to the Taize Community in France and who deeply loves and understands this unique worship style. This is a "can't miss" opportunity to experience Taize worship in an authentic way!

**Taize Testimonial:** "Do you ever notice that it never seems quite enough to pray during Sunday morning worship? Taize services are a time for prayer and chant-like music--but the setting is more muted and personal. Without a doubt, our devotional time for reflection during a Taize service seems deeper. For me, these prayers to God can feel somewhat ethereal, yet more purposeful and connected to the Almighty." --*Byron Jensen*

**Calvin/Westminster Ringers, grades 6-12**, is open to students who have some ability to read music. We rehearse on the Sunday mornings at 8:45 when there isn't a Celebrate Service--so about twice a month. Our first rehearsal is September 4th. I know this is Labor Day weekend, but I need to start sometime. Contact me at [bjensen@hastings.edu](mailto:bjensen@hastings.edu) if your child will be participating this year in Calvin/Westminster Bells. Thank you. -- Byron Jensen

**CHANCEL CHOIR rehearsal** will begin at 6:45 on September 7 (the Wednesday AFTER Labor Day.)

PW (**Presbyterian Women**) will resume **meetings** this fall on September 7 at 11:45am. Circle 3 will prepare the lunch and Circle 1 is responsible for setting tables and preparing devotions and name tags. Kili Wenburg will present the program giving us an introduction to this year's Bible study, "Who is Jesus?" All women of the church are invited to attend. (The executive committee will meet at 10:30am in the library.)

**Other opportunities** in September include: Circle meetings on September 21 and Presbytery Fall Gathering in Atkinson on September 22 or Beaver City on September 24. Kili will be the speaker at both locations.

The **kitchen door code** has changed. Please contact Tarci in the office if you need the new one.

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

**This Week --- Aug 29 – Sep 3, 2016**

<b>Mon, Aug 29</b>	<b>10:00a.m.</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b> in Pastor's Office
<b>Tue, Aug 30</b>	<b>1:00p.m.</b>	<b>Quilters</b> in Annex
<b>Wed, Aug 31</b>	<b>4:30p.m.</b>	<b>WNL!</b>
<b>Fri, Sep 2</b>	<b>6:00p.m.</b>	<b>Wedding Rehearsal</b>
<b>Sat, Sep 3</b>	<b>4:00p.m.</b>	<b>Wedding</b>

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