

**First Presbyterian Church  
Hastings, Nebraska**

Head of the Church: Jesus Christ  
Ministers: Members of the Church  
Pastor: Don Canady  
Organist: Linda Vollweiler  
Chancel Choir: Dr. Robin Koozer  
Chancel Bells: Dr. Byron Jensen

**January 15, 2017, 10:30 a.m.**

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

PRELUDE                                    “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”                                   arr. Bish  
(The prelude is an opportunity for prayer, meditation, and reflection.)

WELCOME AND PRAYER

INTROIT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Glory be to God on high!

***To God who empowers our heart, our spirit, and our mind.***

Glory be to God on high!

***To Christ who graces humankind.***

We gather to worship, giving our thanks for God’s steadfast love, our source of strength throughout the year just ended.

***We gather to worship, trusting that the love of God will accompany us throughout the year to come.***

We worship with words of grateful praise. Glory be to God oh high!

\*HYMN

“Come, Worship God

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***We have been more adept at professing our faith than at practicing it. Although we place ourselves in the ranks of believers and acknowledge our indwelling presence, we often refrain from letting your Spirit be our guidance system. We balk at doing the very things Jesus commended and commanded: praying for enemies, working for justice, giving unselfishly, loving unconditionally, healing hurts, trusting you. Sometimes, when our faith is weak, we succumb to the temptation of regarding these things as optional***

***rather than essential. Forgive us when we excuse our inaction. And fill us, we ask, with the energy and the wisdom to respond to Jesus’ teaching with daily dedication. We seek to develop our faith through its practice.***

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Glory to the Father”

\*PEACE OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ATTENDANCE

A MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

*The congregation is invited to sing as the children come forward.*  
***Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong, they are weak but he is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me,  
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.***

ANTHEM “He’s the Lily of the Valley” arr. Alice Parker  
Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. Amen.***

FIRST READING- *Psalm 40:1-10*

SECOND READING- *1 Corinthians 1:1-9*

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

GOSPEL READING- *John 1:29-42*

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

HYMN “In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”

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MESSAGE “Andrew”

\*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	“All Things Bright and Beautiful” “Ring Joyfully” Chancel Bells	arr. Cathy Moglebust Susan e. Geschke
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*DOXOLOGY	“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”	606
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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN	“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”	721
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\*CHARGE and BLESSING

At all times and in all actions, keep the faith. Rest assured: God's grace is with you always. Amen.

*POSTLUDE	“Prelude and Fugue in B Flat Major”	J.S. Bach
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**Sunday, January 22, 2016**  
**8:30a.m. Worship with Celebrate Band**  
**9:15a.m. Sunday School (All Ages Welcome!)**  
**10:30a.m. Worship, Message by Pastor Don Canady**

## **Announcements:**

**The radio broadcast** airs on KICS 1550 AM and is given by family and friends in loving memory of Atha Borley.

**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 given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. George Payne.

**Greeters:** Neal and Susan Hoff

**Ushers:** Dale Behrens, Matt Fong, Gaylon Hermann, Jeff Hermann, Jessica Meeske, Al Meyer-Captain, Todd Pankratz, Ken Stein.

**Acolytes:** Seth Schwarz, Tethloach Duang

**Youth Usher:** Courtney Junker, Nyanhial Duang

**Nursery:** Andrea Franzen, Laura Peterson, Leah Ratzlaff

**Please pray** for Art Langvardt and Teresa Luther, Elmer and Irmise Heeren, and Phyllis Waltemath and families.

**The Red Cross Blood Drive date has changed!** It will be held on Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall from 12 noon to 6:00 p.m. For more information, or to make an appointment, contact Erica Brooks at 402-469-9285 or [ericalynn128@gmail.com](mailto:ericalynn128@gmail.com). Thank you for taking the time to give. Your donation makes a difference!

### **January 18 – PW Circles Meet:**

Circle 1 - 9:30 a.m. In the Parlor - Bonnie Grams, hostess; Rogene Wenburg, lesson leader.

Circle 2 - 9:30 a.m. At Jorn Olsen Gallery - Susie Graham, hostess; Joy White, lesson leader.

Circle 3 - 1:30 p.m. In Fellowship Hall - Marie Rasmussen, hostess; Sue Medsker-Nedderman, lesson leader.

An informal gathering providing congregation members an opportunity to **meet Rev. Greg and his wife Jessica** will be held on January 28<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall from 3-5p.m.. Greg will lead the 10:30a.m. Worship Service on January 29<sup>th</sup> followed by a congregation meeting with a vote taking place at that time. Please plan to attend these two very important events.

### **This Week --- January 16 – January 22, 2017**

<b>Mon, Jan 16</b>	<b>11:00a.m.</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b> in Pastor's Office
<b>Tues, Jan 17</b>	<b>1:00p.m.</b> <b>6:45p.m.</b>	<b>Quilters</b> in the Annex <b>Deacons Meeting</b> in Anderson Conference
<b>Weds, Jan 11</b>	<b>7:00a.m.</b> <b>9:30a.m.</b> <b>9:30a.m.</b> <b>1:30p.m.</b> <b>4:00p.m.</b>	<b>Bible@ Breakfast</b> in the Parlor <b>PW Circle I</b> meet in Parlor, Hostess Bonnie Grams <b>PW Circle II</b> meet at Jorn Olsen Gallery, Hostess Susie Graham <b>PW Circle III</b> meet in Fellowship Hall <b>WNL!</b>
<b>Thurs, Jan 12</b>	<b>5:30p.m.</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b> in Anderson

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