

Leader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

Response: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MESSAGE God's Steadfast Love Endures Forever! Pastor Charles

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH {in unison}
His Steadfast Love Endures Forever!**

TITHES AND OFFERING

***Doxology**

*Prayer of Dedication

***DEPARTING HYMN** *Open my Eyes That I May See*
PH 324

*BENEDICTION

****Those that are comfortably able may stand.***

PH = Blue hymnal

NCH = Brown hymnal

Preaching: Charles Walden

Deacon:

Organist: Cathy Cunningham

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Pinckneyville, Illinois
February 22, 2015
First Sunday in Lent**



“Our mission is to live the gospel in worship, prayer, and compassionate ministry to all in need.”



GATHERING (Informally greet one another and
prepare our hearts and minds for worship)

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

PH 376

CALL TO WORSHIP (from *Psalms 23*)

L: The Lord is my Shepherd.

R: I shall not want.

L: He makes me to lie down in green pastures.

R: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

L: He restores my soul.

R: He leadeth me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

L: Yea, even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death.

R: I will fear no evil.

L: For Thou art with me.

R: Thy rod and Thy staff – they comfort me.

L: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

R: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup overfloweth.

L: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

R: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

***OPENING HYMN** *Live into Hope*

PH 332

***GREET AND SHARE THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Louise/Sandy/Cheryl

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth.

Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***Gloria Patri** **Glory Be to the Father** **PH 579**

***HYMN** *Let Us With a Gladsome Mind* **PH 244**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER(using debts & debtors)

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE *psalm 136*
(pg. 972 in Pew Bible)

PRAYER LIST:

- Grace Walden (car accident)
- Friends and family of Gary Remer
- Conflicts in Syria, Ukraine & Pakistan
 - Lou McCombs-breast cancer
 - Craig Shrum – cancer
 - Julie Shute-breast cancer
 - Transformation for all of us
 - Presbytery of S.E. Illinois
 - Those who are homeless
 - Don Collier
 - Jimmy Amos
- Pam (Sandy’s co-worker) – undergoing treatment for stage 1 cancer
 - Judy Durham - Leukemia

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please join us for coffee before church each Sunday. If you would like to take a turn preparing Sunday Morning Coffee and Treats- Just sign up! There is a sheet on the table.

Lenten 2015 Schedule Services at 7pm, Good Friday at 7:30pm

Sunday, Feb. 22	First UMC
Sunday, March 1	First UPC
Sunday, March 8	St. Bruno
Sunday, March 15	St. Paul
Sunday, March 22	New Hope
Maundy Thursday	St. Paul UCC
Good Friday	First UMC

Our yoked church partner, FPC of M’boro, is holding a monthly Christian Ed class with a meal on the 2nd Wednesday night of each month. The evening begins at 6:30pm with a light meal, followed by a video presentation by two prominent theologians, and a lively discussion that utilizes the video and a study guide. All are welcome to join in! Contact Pastor Charles if you would like further info, or if you would like the study guide (\$20 each).

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS & FRIENDS:

Grace Hubler-Pinckneyville Health Care Center
 Gertrude Smith
 Kay West