

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From a Brief Statement of Faith) {in unison}

In life and in death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks, and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying: "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord!

AMEN

TITHES AND OFFERING

***Doxology**

*Prayer of Dedication

***DEPARTING HYMN** *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* **PH 379**

***BENEDICTION**

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

PH = Blue hymnal

NCH = Brown hymnal

Preaching: Charles Walden
Deacon: Wilma Timpleton
Organist: Cathy Cunningham

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pinckneyville, Illinois
February 8, 2015



"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)

***HYMN** *This is My Father's World* **PH 293**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (from *Psalm 111*)

L: Praise the Lord!

R: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart!

L: Great are the works of the Lord – studied by all who
delight in them. Full of honor and majesty is His work.

R: And His righteousness endures forever.

L: The works of His hands are faithful and just.

R: All His precepts are trustworthy.

L: He has sent redemption to His people, and commanded
His covenant forever.

ALL: His praise endures forever!

***OPENING HYMN** *Great is Thy Faithfulness*
PH 276

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

DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH
Louise/Sandy/Cheryl

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess
our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses
against you.

**You alone know how often we have sinned in
wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in
forgetting your love.**

**Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and
sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our
sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your
ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior...**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

***HYMN** *Seek Ye First* **PH 333**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER(using debts & debtors)

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE **Luke 4: 31 – 44**
(pg. 1597 in Pew Bible)

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

Response: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MESSAGE **Doing Battle with Evil**

Pastor Charles

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:

Next Sunday (2/15), we will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper during our AM worship service.

Everyone is encouraged to be present, and to invite a friend, co-worker, or neighbor!

Draw closer to God:

Pick-up your 2015 Lenten Devotionals in the rear of the sanctuary today. Your Session has ordered these special devotionals for every family in the congregation, and it is our sincere hope that you will utilize these throughout this Lenten season. Contact any Session members if any questions.

My thanks to everyone for their prayers for my mother Grace Walden!

I was glad for the opportunity to visit her this past week, as she continues to recuperate from her auto accident.

Please continue to pray for her in the days to come.

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.

PER CAPITA FOR 2015

Our offering boxes for this year (as they have for many years) have a special envelope for the "per capita" amount that every member of every church in every presbytery pays annually. The 2015 total per capita due per member of each church in our presbytery is \$40.00. Please remit this amount in your per capita envelope and place in the offering plate or in the office. If the empty envelope in your box is misplaced, you can always utilize any general envelope and mark it for 2015 Per Capita. This important remittance helps fund the higher governing bodies of the Church.

LOVE YOUR HEART

Pinckneyville Community Hospital is having a "Love Your Heart" luncheon February 10th. You will learn how to make healthy changes to lower your risk or manage your condition. See Bulletin board for flyer

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