Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. Response: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Jesus' Mission"

Chuck Dobrinick

HYMN "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" PH 404

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** 

The Apostle's Creed PH 14

**TITHES AND OFFERING** 

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" PH 361

\*BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

\*Those that are comfortably able may stand.

PH = Blue hymnal NCH = Brown hymnal

Preaching: Chuck Dobrinick Deacon: Mary Ann Shillinger Organist: Cathy Cunningham

# FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pinckneyville, Illinois March 22, 2015 Fifth 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

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 119: 9-16)

L: How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word.

R: I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands.

L: I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

R: Praise be to you, O LORD; teach me your decrees.

L: With my lips I recount all the laws that come from your mouth.

R: I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great riches.

L: I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways. Unison: I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word.

### \*OPENING HYMN

"How Great Thou Art"

PH 467

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

# DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH Louise/Sandy/Cheryl

CALL TO CONFESSION

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)** 

Merciful God, we think of the freedom of which the Bible speaks and too often we accept it as the freedom to do what we like, rather than being obedient to you and serious about reflecting your character into the world. We confess that we fail miserably when we try on our own to live lives shaped by love, joy and peace; patience, kindness and goodness; faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Merciful God, we confess also our failure to seek the leading of your Spirit when we are confronted daily with the challenges of following Jesus. Forgive us when we use our freedom to be self-indulgent, instead of serving one another in love. In His name we pray, Amen.

**SILENTCONFESSION** 

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*Gloria Patri Glory Be to the Father PH 579

\*HYMN "I've Got Peace Like a River!" PH 368

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PASTORAL PRAYER
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
LORD'S PRAYER(using debts & debtors)
PRAYER FOR ILLUNINAITON

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 31: 31-34 (pg. 1227-1228 in Pew Bible)

NEW TESTIMENT SCRIPTURE Hebrews 5: 1-10 (pg. 1866 - 1867 in Pew Bible)

GOSPEL John 12: 20-33

(pg. 1671 - 1672)

## **PRAYER LIST:**

- Our Lenten journeys
- Grace Walden (car accident)
- Conflicts in Syria, Ukraine, Nigeria, and elsewhere
  - 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
  - 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.

On Sunday (3/29), 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!

Also this Sunday (3/29), the Pinckneyville Band Parents Association is hosting a Chicken and Dumpling Dinner from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm at the K of C Hall in Pinckneyville. All proceeds will benefit the Pinckneyville High School and Jr. High Band Programs. Please see flyer on bulletin board for more information.

Special film showing: On Thursday (3/26) at 7p.m., the Liberty Theater in Murphysboro will show a special screening of the 2014 documentary **Divorce Corp.** This is a well-researched and professional documentary on the Family Law system in the 21<sup>st</sup> century in the USA, and particularly its effects on children. The Liberty Theater charges \$5 for admission, with proceeds benefitting the ongoing restoration and maintenance of the theater. All concessions are \$1 each. For more information contact Pastor Charles.

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

Sunday, March 22 New Hope Maundy Thursday 4/2 St. Paul UCC Good Friday 4/3 First UMC

For the month of March only, the Session meeting has been changed to the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 6 p.m. this would be (3/25).

### **HOMEBOUND MEMBERS & FRIENDS:**

Grace Hubler-Pinckneyville Health Care Center Gertrude Smith Kay West