* CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 105:1-4

LEADER: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;

make known his deeds among the peoples!

PEOPLE: We will sing to him, we will sing praises to him;

we will tell of all his wondrous works!

LEADER: Glory in his holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

PEOPLE: Let us seek the Lord and his strength;

let us seek his presence continually!

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 53 (vv. 1-5)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION Isaiah 55:6-7

LEADER: "Seek the Lord while he may be found;

call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way,

and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him,

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: Oh Lord, Giver of all good things.

We confess that we often seek fulfillment outside of you.

We trust in our own strength to provide for ourselves.

We try to do good under our own power, and to our own glory.

We attempt to atone for our own sins.

In all these, we ignore your promised help in the Spirit.

Help us by your Spirit to recognize our weakness and fall on

your mercy.

Grant us forgiveness, we pray.

Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

In these moments, we individually come to God in prayer, silently confessing personal sins so that we may take

hold of the forgiveness won for us by Christ, our Redeemer.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE WITH GOD Romans 8:11, 26

LEADER: If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,

he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your

mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for

us with groanings too deep for words.

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

* CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism #98 & 99

Q. 98. What is prayer?

A. Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

Q. 99. What rule has God given for our direction in prayer?

A. The whole Word of God is of use to direct us in prayer; but the special rule of direction is that form of prayer which Christ taught his disciples, commonly called the Lord's Prayer.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor David Rogers

Hymn 629 (vv. 1-3)

WORSHIPPING BY GIVING

(Sign, pass & return black pad at the end of the aisle)

♦ Offertory

"Songs Abound"

Choir

— by Katherine K. David —

* PRAISING OUR GOD

Doxology (Hymn 731)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

* DEDICATING OUR LIVES & GIFTS

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Ensemble & Congregation

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you, to receive the food of your Holy Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness; that the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity.

Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on your promises; and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your church is built, and the earth is filled with your glory.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Rev. David Rogers

"Enticements to Pray" — Luke 11:1-13

(Scripture text is on the back of the worship guide)

* RESPONDING IN SONG

Ensemble & Congregation

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend; who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men? Oh, you rescue the souls of men.

Chorus

You are the one that we praise, you are the one we adore. You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for, oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace; you offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way. Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving your own; here in our weakness you find us falling before your throne. Oh, we're falling before your throne.

* BENEDICTION

Jude 20-21

PASTOR:

But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Ensemble music: CCLI#89171

Unless otherwise noted, all scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version of the Bible.

* Congregation Please Stand

If you would like to know more about becoming a Christian, the pastor is available in the narthex after the service. Copies of the brochure "How Do I Become a Christian" are also available in the narthex.

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SCRIPTURE

Luke 11:1-13

¹Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ² And he said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread,

⁴ and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation."

⁵ And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; ⁷ and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? ⁸ I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. ⁹ And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹ What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹² or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

SERMON NOTES

TITLE: "Enticements to Pray"				
TEXT: Luke 11:1-13	Page 869 in the pew Bible			

Next Week: "First Petition of the Lord's Prayer"

Text: Luke 11:2

Preacher: Rev. David Rogers

ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TUESDAY	Ladies Morning Bible Study — CE Rm106 Ladies Evening Bible Study — Admin Rm103	9:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Children's Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary	5:45 p⋅m.
	WACN Dinner — Fellowship Hall	6:00 p.m.
	Adult Choir — Sanctuary	6:45 p.m.
	Pioneers — CE Building	6:45 p.m.
	Youth Group — Admin Youth Room	6:45 p.m.
	Prayer — Admin Rm103	7:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	Disciple Group Leaders Meeting — FH	9:00 a.m.
	Women's Prayer Team — Admin Rm103	10:00 a.m.

The church activity calendar is available on-line at www.tnpc.org/calendar.

WORSHIP SERVICE

VISITORS — Please let us know you better so we can pray for you. Please sign the visitor pad at the end of the aisle. NURSERY IS PROVIDED DURING Sunday School and the Worship service for all children age three and under. Classrooms are located on the first floor of the Education Bldg.

THE FLOWERS — This morning are given in loving memory of Jeff Powers to the Glory of God, by Ruth Powers and the Anthony family.

COMMUNION — Will be celebrated next Sunday. Please prepare your hearts and minds and relationships to approach the Lord's table.

IMAD AUBREY – MUSLIM MINISTRY — If you would like to contribute to our ministry to Muslims which Imad Aubrey is leading, you can write checks payable to <u>Town North Presbyterian Church</u> – and write "TNPC Muslim Ministry" on the memo line.

THIS WEEK

Fellowship Lunch . . . Next Sunday, March 6!

Fellowship Hall following Worship

Please bring a favorite dish to share!



MUSLIM MINISTRY NETWORK & PRAYER — Let's purpose to connect together and listen to each other in prayer the first Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Our upcoming meeting will be a one-time exception; we will meet on March 14 (instead of March 7) at 6:00 p.m. in the Admin Building, room 103.

LADIES! — Please join us this **Tuesday** morning or evening for our Spring Bible Study using Kathleen Nielson's book *Nehemiah: Rebuilt & Rebuilding.* We will be discussing Lesson 7 "Rebuilding the Walls...Around God's People and God's Word". If you have any questions, see Bonlee Rawley.

WEDNESDAY ALL-CHURCH NIGHT — Our WACN activities continue this Wednesday, March 2nd. Come for a *pizza* dinner starting at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall, served by Kelly Rogers' team. Meal tickets are \$3 for adults and just \$1 for teens & children.

SANCTUARY FLOWER CALENDAR FOR 2016 —

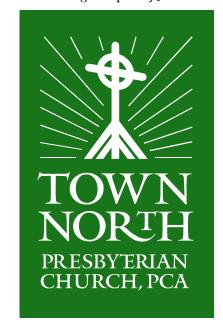
If you would like to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship services in 2016, please sign up on the calendar in the narthex. While these flowers add a beautiful touch to our worship service, they also provide an opportunity to celebrate a special occasion or a loved one's memory. The arrangements are \$55 and may be taken home after church services. For questions, see Judy Dawson.



February 2016 General Fund	2015-2016 Operating Budget	\$ 500,000
Budget for July 1, 2015 – February 21,	2016	\$ 321,839
Giving for July 1, 2015 – February 21,	2016	\$ 409,001
Budget Variance		\$ 87,162

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February 28, 2016 10:30 A.M.

REFLECTION

"We must not conceive of prayer as though it were an overcoming of God's reluctance, when it is, in fact, a laying hold of His highest willingness."

-Richard Trench, Notes of the Parables of our Lord, 265

PRELUDE Lynna Harbison

(Church elders will be available in the front to pray personally with anyone during the prelude)

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH Cesar Restrepo, Pastoral Intern