


*WELCOME TO*  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
*OF BISMARCK, ND*  
*“1ST SUNDAY OF LENT”*



Create in me  
a pure heart,  
O God

Psalm 51:10 NIV

**February 18, 2024**

**10:00a.m. Service**

**Our Mission**

We are a community called to love God through worship and prayer, receiving and serving our neighbors with the compassion of Christ, open to new beginnings and the spiritual growth of children, youth and adults.

WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS THIS MORNING AND  
INVITE YOU TO MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME!



PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN US FOR  
**COFFEE HOUR** FOLLOWING WORSHIP.

## **Please Join Us**

**We're celebrating Cathy Kinnischtzke's 60th Birthday  
following worship Sunday, February 25  
refreshments in the Parlor  
warm wishes & cards are welcome!!**



PLEASE FILL OUT YOUR **“LENT PRAYER CARDS”**  
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, THE USHERS WILL COLLECT THEM  
DURING THE OPENING HYMN. THANK YOU!



**“1st Sunday of Lent” 10:00am**  
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**Prelude** “Meditation” arr. Mary McDonald

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit** “Create In Me a Clean Heart” Mary R. Hopkins

**Gathering in God’s Name**

**\*Call to Worship** (responsively)

Everyone come!

**You who are thirsty, come.**

**You who are struggling to make ends meet, come.**

**You who squander all you have, come.**

**You who are longing to share with others, come.**

Come, and listen!

**God draws near and gives renewing water.**

**God enters in and offers strength to the weary.**

**God teaches us again how to share as community.**

**God helps us to be a new people grounded in promise.**

**\*Opening Hymn** “Open My Eyes That I May See” Hymnal #324

**Call to Confession** “Create in Me a Clean Heart”

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

And renew a right spirit within me.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

And renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord,

And take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of your salvation,

And renew a right spirit within me.

**Prayer of Confession** (unison)

**Holy God, hear our prayer:**

**For the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness;**

**For the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us;**

**For the forgiveness we seek for the sin we have allowed to persist;**

**For the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us; ———>**

We pray for the courage to admit our fault,  
The strength to amend our actions,  
And the hope that your grace awaits us.  
Through Christ we pray. Amen.

### Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri and Passing of the Peace of Christ Hymnal #579

### INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

#### Young Disciples Message

\*Prayer of Gratitude for the Grace of Giving

\*Doxology and Dedication of Gifts Hymnal #592

### Proclamation of the Word of God

#### Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Reading *Psalm 51:1-9*

Anthem "From the Depths" arr. Kiran Wimberly  
and the McGraths

Second Scripture Reading *Psalm 51:10-19*

Sermon "Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God"

Confession of Our Faith "Apostles Creed" Hymnal #14

Congregational Hymn "I Come with Joy" Hymnal #507

### Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Distribution of the Elements

Sharing the Feast

Prayer After Communion



### Responding to God's Word

\*Closing Hymn "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread" Hymnal #505

### Sending Forth in God's Name

#### Benediction and Blessing

Benediction Response "Change My Heart, O God" Espinosa

Postlude "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" arr. A.L. Page

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## First Scripture Reading

*Psalm 51:1-9*

*For the director of music. A psalm of David. When the prophet Nathan came to him after David had committed adultery with Bathsheba.*

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your unfailing love;  
according to your great compassion  
blot out my transgressions.
  - 2 Wash away all my iniquity  
and cleanse me from my sin.
  - 3 For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is always before me.
  - 4 Against you, you only, have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight;  
so you are right in your verdict  
and justified when you judge.
  - 5 Surely I was sinful at birth,  
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.
  - 6 Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb;  
you taught me wisdom in that secret place.
  - 7 Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean;  
wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
  - 8 Let me hear joy and gladness;  
let the bones you have crushed rejoice.
  - 9 Hide your face from my sins  
and blot out all my iniquity.
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## Second Scripture Reading

*Psalm 51:10-19*

- 10 Create in me a pure heart, O God,  
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.
- 11 Do not cast me from your presence  
or take your Holy Spirit from me.
- 12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation  
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.
- 13 Then I will teach transgressors your ways,  
so that sinners will turn back to you.
- 14 Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God,  
you who are God my Savior,  
and my tongue will sing of your righteousness.



- 15 Open my lips, Lord,  
and my mouth will declare your praise.
- 16 You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;  
you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.
- 17 My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart  
you, God, will not despise.
- 18 May it please you to prosper Zion,  
to build up the walls of Jerusalem.
- 19 Then you will delight in the sacrifices of the righteous,  
in burnt offerings offered whole;  
then bulls will be offered on your altar.
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**Worship Participants:**

Rev. Dr. Leanne Simmons, Pastor

Debi Rogers, Chancel Choir dir.

Gail Snustad, Keyboards

Runick Fru, Lay Reader

Josh Stokka, Audio/Visual Specialist

Mark Jensen, Youth Ministry dir.

Kimball Banks, Neva & Ron Carlisle, Diann &  
Clyde Johnson, and Cathy Kinnischtzke ~ Ushers

**CCC Needs List for February**

Kleenex tissues



**LAY READERS NEEDED:**



Lay Readers

Please sign up to be a **Lay Reader** on the bulletin board.

## Calendar

- Mon., Feb. 19 - Noon Resource Management  
1:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
4:30pm Admin. & Personnel  
6:30pm Scouts
- Tues., Feb. 20 - 11AM Balance & Strength Class  
**5:30pm** Worship & Music  
**6:30pm** joint W&M with CE  
**7:00pm** Christian Ed.
- Wed., Feb. 21 - 5:45pm PAC/Teens  
6:30pm Bells  
7:30pm Choir
- Thurs., Feb. 22 - 11AM Balance & Strength Class  
2:00pm Yoga
- Friday, Feb. 23 - *No Activities Scheduled*
- Sat., Feb. 24 - *No Activities Scheduled*
- Sun., Feb. 25 - 10am Worship- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent  
9-10:00am & 11am-12:00pm Blood Pressure Clinic

### Hospitality Committee - Let's Fill the Donation Box!

Our church Hospitality Committee will be accepting donations for the Bismarck Emergency Food Pantry during the month of February. Special food items requested include:

tuna, Hamburger Helper, Ramen Noodles, pasta, and pasta sauce (no glass containers, please)



If you are unable to purchase the above items, the pantry will accept any and all UNEXPIRED food. Thank you for your donation!



### **Saturday, March 9 from 1:30-4:30**

FPC will host a movie and discussion for Lent centered around the movie "**Chocolat**"

There will be popcorn!

Please be aware this movie has some adult themes.

## **STAFF**

Rev. Dr. Leanne Simmons, Pastor

Maureen Chrest, Administrative Assistant

Carol Thompson, Financial Assistant

Carmen Bryhn, Parish Nurse

Brandon Schildberger, Maintenance

Arvy Smith, Pianist/Organist

Gail Snustad, Pianist/Organist

Debi Rogers, Chancel Choir Director

Lael Hoerauf, Westminster Chimes Director

Josh Stokka, Audio/Visual Specialist

Judy Lentz, Membership Services Coordinator

Shawn Stettner, Child Care Center Director

Vanessa Hein, Assistant Child Care Director

Mary Jones, Nursery

Mark Jensen, Youth Ministry Director

Ruth Jensen & Audrey Simmons, Christian Ed. Interns

