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Order of Worship February 11, 2024

PRELUDE	<i>The Way You Love Me</i> <i>Matt Maher</i>	LowerTown Project
GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	<i>Please sign and pass the friendship pad.</i>	Pastor Darin
INTROIT	<i>Amazing Grace(My Chains are Gone)</i> <i>Chris Tomlin</i>	LowerTown Project
CALL TO WORSHIP		based on Psalm 96:16
Leader:	Sing to the Lord a new song. Let all the earth sing to the Lord.	
People:	Sing to the Lord. Honor God's name. Make His saving power known from day to day. Tell of God's greatness among the nations. Tell of God's wonderful works among all the people. For the Lord is great and should be given much praise. God is to be honored with fear above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are false gods. But the Lord made the heavens. Honor and great power are with God. Strength and beauty are in His holy place.	
OPENING PRAYER		Pastor Darin
*HYMN	<i>I Need Thee Every Hour</i>	No. 735
CALL TO CONFESSION		Michelle Chan
PRAYER OF CONFESSION		Michelle Chan
	Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.	
WORDS OF FORGIVENESS	In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven Thanks be to God.	

*RESPONSE

Alleluia
Dakota Road

*PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor Darin

The grace and peace of Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

ANTHEM

Who Can
Cochren & CO

LowerTown Project

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Michelle Chan

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Kings 5:1-14

Michelle Chan

¹Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ²Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease." ⁴So Naaman^[a] went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵And the king of Aram said, "Go, then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. ⁶He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his skin disease." ⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! ¹²Are not Abana^[b] and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Darin

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:40-45

Pastor Darin

⁴⁰ A man with a skin disease came to him begging him, and kneeling he said to him, “If you are willing, you can make me clean.” ⁴¹ Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him and said to him, “I am willing. Be made clean!” ⁴² Immediately the skin disease left him, and he was made clean. ⁴³ After sternly warning him he sent him away at once, ⁴⁴ saying to him, “See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded as a testimony to them.” ⁴⁵ But he went out and began to proclaim it freely and to spread the word, so that Jesus could no longer go into a town openly but stayed out in the country, and people came to him from every quarter.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Leprosy Questions”

Pastor Darin

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*HYMN

Baptized in Water

No. 482

BAPTISM

Allayah Phillips
Parents: Nicole & Ralph Phillips

WE GIVE OUR OFFERINGS

Invitation to Give
Offertory Music

River of Life
Mac Powell

LowerTown Project

Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN

You Are Mine (I Will Come to You)

No. 177

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Your Love Defends Me
Kerr, Maher

LowerTown Project

First Presbyterian Church Happenings

Serving Us Today (Feb. 11)

Michelle Chan(Worship Leader), Mary Lease & John Pike(Ushers), Randy & Kathy Arnold(Greeter), LowerTown Project(Music),Jay Espelien, Lynn Rae Olson, John Scott(Audio/Video), Leah Jacobs, Aki Rebeck (Nursery).

Ash Wednesday (February 14th)

This years worship gathering will be February 14th at 7:00pm. We will celebrate communion and participate in the imposition of ashes.

Hope Covenant Church Meal Giveaway (February 17th)

We are helping with the giveaway this Saturday, February 17th 11am-1pm at Hope Covenant Church located at 336 4th Ave. South. This month is "Back to the Basics" which will include warm clothing, children's books and a chili cook-off.

G.I.F.T. (Generations In Faith Together)- Craft for Lent (February 18th)

Come join us as we make Lent chains & Easter Gifts for our shut-in members! We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 11:15am on Sunday February 18th.

Class 101

Interested in membership in the church? Want to learn more about our congregation? Want to connect with other new folk. Class 101 returns after worship next Sunday (Feb. 18). Join us around 11:15 am.

"Breaking Bread"-Soup Dinner (February 21st)

Join us in a community meal in support of our Youth & College Ministry. There will be soups, homemade bread and dessert! A sign-up poster is located in the main Entrance at the church. Dinner is served from 5:00 pm-6:30 pm.

Souper Bowl of Caring is today!

Plan to contribute to the Souper Bowl of Caring after worship. Kids will have buckets/pots on hand so that you may donate to help alleviate hunger. All of the proceeds benefit The Huskies Food Pantry at SCSU. They support learning, wellness, and students retention by providing free nutritious food options

Calendar

Mon., Feb. 12

11:00 am—NAPS(nutrition assistant program for seniors)
3:00 pm —Worship & Evangelism
5:30 pm —Personnel
7:00 pm —N.A. Group

Tues., Feb. 13

9:00 am —Men's Bible Study
3:00 pm —Mission Committee
5:30 pm —Lowertown

Wed., Feb. 14

9:00 am —Music Performance Group
9:15 am —Women's Bible Study
2:00 pm —Online Prayer Group
7:00 pm —Ash Wednesday Worship

Thurs., Feb. 15

4:00 pm —Men's Quartet
6:30 pm —Hope Bible Study

Fri., Feb. 16

7:00 am —Men's Bible Study

Sat., Feb. 17

11:00 am —Hope Covenant Food Distribution

Sun., Feb.18

9:00 am —Childrens Bells
9:00 am —Sunday School
10:00 am —Worship(First Sunday in Lent)
11:15 am —G.I.F.T (Generations In Faith Together)
11:15 am Class 101