

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✠ HYMN

(printed)

"He's Got the Whole World"

✠ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✠ POSTLUDE

Announcements This Week

- ✓ **Welcome to Our Worship on This Day!** *"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."*
- ✓ **Our Liturgist Is Blaine Anderson.**
- ✓ **Ash Wednesday is February 14th.** Services will be held at 6:30pm in Belle Fourche. A pancake supper will be served in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 5:30 pm. Free-will offering. All are invited.
- ✓ **A Grief Class continues this Saturday at 10am in the Comfort Room.** We are reading Understanding Your Grief by Alan Wolfelt.
- ✓ **Our Lenten Study begins Wednesday, February 21st at 7pm.** We are reading Wrestling with Doubt by Adam Hamilton.

Please pray:

- **For instructors of history.** Thank you, O Lord, for men and women who remember our history and can teach (or remind) us of its lessons for our day. Amen.
 - **All those who are ill or homebound or in care facilities.**
 - **For others in our lives, especially:** our Church Conference, Travelers, Military and First Responders.
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First Congregational United Church of Christ



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WORDS OF WELCOME / RINGING OF THE BELL

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP (One/**Many**) [adapted from Roots.com]

Friends, open your hearts to God's love this day.

Praise be to God who has called us here,

Lord, your goodness and love

have surrounded us all the days of our lives.

We gather at your invitation, to rejoice in you,

to bring our concerns to you,

and to know your peace.

Lord, we come to worship you!

✠ Opening HYMN **CH #91**

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God who turns the world's values up-side-down,

we think of our world where un-needed

luxuries are sold with promises

of increasing our feelings of self-worth.

And we thank you that you love each one of us

here and now, as we are.

We think of our world where beauty's secret,

we are told, is hidden in a jar of face cream.

And we thank you that beauty comes from

within and is a reflection of your love for us.

We think of our world where love is shown

by the size of the bouquet, or packaging of

the chocolates.

And we thank you that your love is shown

in flesh and blood, community and stories.

God who turns the world's values up-side-

down, forgive us when we look to the world

to find our self-worth, forgive us when we

value others, according to their looks, or their

age, or their mobile phone.

And we thank you that we receive your forgiveness and your love and hear you say to us, 'You are worth it!' Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the Good News!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

✠ GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father,

And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,

As it was in the beginning,

Is now and always shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

OLDER TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Kings 6:8-23 (p. 337)

R: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART ☺

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 9:2-8 (p. 44)

R: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

Rev. Chuck Aurand

✠ HYMN

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"Jesus Loves the Little Children"

A TIME OF PRAYER

- TIME OF SHARING
- OUR COMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

A TIME OF OFFERING

✠ DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, you heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

“Jesus Loves the Little Children”

by C. Herbert Woolston (1856–1927)

**Jesus calls the children dear,
Come to Me and never fear,
For I love the little children of the world;
I will take you by the hand,
Lead you to the better land,
For I love the little children of the world.**

(Refrain)

**Jesus loves the little children,
All the children of the world.
Every color, every race,
all are covered by His grace.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.**

**Jesus is the Shepherd true,
And He'll always stand by you,
For He loves the little children of the world;
He's a Savior great and strong,
And He'll shield you from the wrong,
For He loves the little children of the world.**

(Refrain)

**I am coming, Lord, to Thee,
And Your servant I will be,
For You love the little children of the world;
And Your cross I'll always bear,
And for You I'll do and dare,
For You love the little children of the world.**

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**He's got the wind and the rain in his hands. (3x)
He's got the whole world in his hands.**

**He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. (3x)
He's got the whole world in his hands.**

**He's got you and me, sister, in his hands. (3x)
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**He's got everybody here in his hands. (3x)
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