

The Home Page

First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, Nebraska 68901-5175 Vol. 20.25 July 31 – August 7, 2016

CANADY'S CHRONICLE

On occasion pastors choose hymns that may not be familiar to most of the congregation. On those occasions you would think that the pastor committed an unforgivable sin. Music is very important to the overall worship experience but it never hurts us to learn or at least be exposed to a hymn that fits well with the theme of the day.

Following is an example of how members respond to unfamiliar hymns.

These were supposedly two actual letters received from disgruntled members about singing new hymns:

Letter one: "Please no more new hymns. What's wrong with the inspiring hymns with which we grew up? When I go to church it is to worship God . . . NOT to be distracted with learning a new hymn. Last Sunday's was particularly unnerving. While the text was good, the tune was quite unsingable and the harmonics were quite discordant."

Letter two: "Was it the organist's idea or yours that our peaceful worship service was shattered by that new hymn last Sunday? The music was sacrilegious, something one would expect to hear in a den of iniquity . . . NOT a church. Don't even expect me to sing it next time."

Letter one was written in 1890 and the hymn was "What a Friend We Have In Jesus." Letter two was written in 1874 and was about the hymn "I Love to Tell the Story."

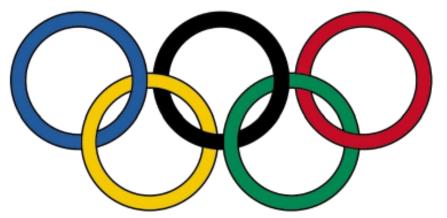
- Pastor Don Canady

Sunday School and Wednesday Night Live Teachers and Volunteers for the 2016/2017 year are needed in several areas.

Please contact Stephanie Brader

(stephanie@fpchastings.org or the church office: 402-462-5147) and let her know how you can help!

Go for True Gold with GOD



2016/2017 Children, Youth, and Adult Programs Kick-Off/Opening Ceremony First Presbyterian Church Sunday, August 21

Families with Children

9:00am-9:15am: Parents/Guardians, Students, and Teachers will gather in the Memorial Room for fellowship and breakfast pastries, juice and coffee.

9:15am-10:15am: Pre-K thru 12th grade students will proceed to classrooms for Sunday School.

9:15am-10:15am: Parents/Guardians will proceed to Fellowship Hall for Sunday School and Wednesday Night Live parent information meeting followed by kick-off celebration for Fall 2016 adult activities and classes.

Families/Others without Children

9:30am-9:45am: Gather for fellowship and enjoy breakfast pastries, juice and coffee in the Memorial Room.

9:45am-10:15am: Proceed to Fellowship Hall for kick-off celebration of Fall 2016 adult activities and classes.

Recent FPC donations remitted include: \$68.82 to PC(USA) Hunger Fund, \$449.00 Project Homeless Connect, and of the \$790.00 from Pentecost, \$474.00 to the Presbytery and \$316 to Local. Thank you for your contributions to those in need!

August Communion Offering: Wednesday Night Live

Wednesday Night Live is a four-part, midweek program designed for children and youth to come together and share in the many blessings of the Spirit and grow in their faith through Recreation Play, Bible Study, Worship Arts, and a shared Family Time meal! Our programs are designed to foster the total personal and spiritual growth of each child and youth along with the family. Our ministries seek to draw each child and youth into responsible participation in the life, mission, and work of the church. It is the mission of the CE Committee to offer this program to all wanting to participate without charge. Your donations make a difference by helping fund the associated costs, such as food and programming materials.

Happy Nappies. Your Mission Committee is always collecting diapers for our "Happy Nappies" project. Place your donations in the green bin in the Memorial Room.

Hastings Food Pantry donations may be left on the donation cart, found in the Memorial Room on the first Sunday of every month or in the kitchen all other days. Non-perishable needs requested by the Pantry are: paper products, pastas, canned fruit, boxed meals, canned vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, and canned chicken, tuna, turkey.

On July 25, FPC Deacon delivered one bag with 12 items to the Hastings Food Pantry.

Thank you for your help in serving the most vulnerable in our community!

Share Your Garden Produce. Bring your extra, take what you need. 'The Sharing Table' is in the Memorial Room. Everyone is welcome to partake!

In coordination with First United Methodist Church and Foodbank For The Heartland, First Presbyterian Church is proud to announce *United Harvest*, the new mobile pantry food distribution service scheduled every last Saturday of the month in the Annex building located on Hastings and 7th Street (between First United Methodist Church and First Presbyterian Church).

The first day will be:

Date: Saturday, August 27th Time: 12:30p.m. - 2:30p.m.

Please bring boxes or bags to carry food if you are in need, or contact Kili at kili@fpchastings.org if you are interested in volunteering.







MOBILE PANTRY

HELPING MEET YOUR FAMILY'S NEEDS

Date: Saturday, August 27th

Time: 12:30pm-2:30pm

Location: Annex Building

Between the First United Methodist Church and First
Presbyterian Church

Hastings and 7th Street in Hastings, NE

Contact: (402)-440-6241

Instructions: Please bring boxes or bags to carry

food

FOODBANK

This institution is an equal opportunity provider

A mobile pantry is a traveling food pantry that delivers food directly to families in need for a oneday distribution.

The goal is to provide food where there is a high need but limited resources.

The mobile pantry is available to you free of charge!



Dear Presbyterian Faithful,

Hello from your Troop 200! I am Thomas Kleinjan, current Scout Master of First Presbyterian Church's Boy Scout Troop 200 since 1936. I'd like to give you a few updates what the sponsorship of the church has done for our young men and future leaders these past few months.

Late April we went on a hike to Doniphan to do a service project. There are scouts working on the hiking merit badge (which happens to be one of the hardest ones to earn) so we organized a trip taking the shoelace express into and back from the small town for those dedicated boys determined to make it through the last requirement of a 20 mile hike. This old Scout Master hung in there for the first 5 miles! Some boys completed 1 of 5 required 10 mile hikes, and 3 of our veteran scouts made all 20 miles back to the church with some intrepid and in-shape Assistant Scout Masters.

On Memorial Day weekend, we had the privilege to be taught map reading and compass work from a retired Master Sergeant of the US Army. He was generous and provided a camp ground for the troop to complete the Wilderness Survival merit badge. He took us on a hiking tour of historical Brickton and showed us some ruts created by pioneers traveling across the Oregon Trail.

In early June, we help set-up and tear down the memorial luminaries placed around the Hastings Senior High School track in service to the Relay for Life organization. We worked for almost 10 hours into the night and the boys learned the value in helping a noble cause.

We have recently returned from South Dakota's Boy Scout camp, Medicine Mountain! 12 boys and 5 adults attended the 5th week of camp among 21 troops from all over the country. They survived trekking up and down the rocky terrain, cooking our own meals, swimming in 50 degree lake water, earning merit badges and roughing the weather at 7,000 feet above sea level. The boys thrived at creating camp gadgets, fire building, constructing an entry way with a fence, performing a skit at camp fire and working together in the patrol method. On our off day, we toured Mt. Rushmore, picnicked at a national park, toured a gold mine and panned for nuggets! Our SPL (Senior Patrol Leader) DeAnthony Moretti lead the troop to taking 5th place in the mountain man relay and 3rd best overall troop in the white buffalo contest! We brought home a trophy to put on display for future scouts to see years to come.

Speaking of which, I have a scout uniform worn by one of troop 200's alumni that have passed away and I am looking to preserve them on a mannequin. If anyone could help or donate anything, it would be greatly appreciated. We would like to honor and display his patronage to the troop and the church that chartered him.

Troop 200 is looking to kick-off the new season of scouting with a Calamus River canoeing and fishing trip! We will be camping at Calamus SRA and journeying down the river in canoes. I currently have 3 vessels lined up and I am looking for 2 -3 more. If anyone has a canoe, and would be gracious enough to let us float it down a river, please contact me at: 402 705 0553 or e-mail to: scouting200hastings@gmail.com. While we are there, we will site see Ft. Hartsuff and tour the Happy Jack Chalk Mines on the way back.

We do have need of charitable donations and are willing to put in service to earn them. I can round up a few boys and tools to do odd jobs if anyone would like to help a scout go to camp, earn merit badges or advance it his troop. Some boys rely on fundraising and hard work in order to pay their way through scouting but some still struggle to afford basic opportunities. The troop has never turned away a boy due to financial constraints and never will as long as we can keep our account in the black. Your support would be deeply appreciated.

As always, we are looking for new boys to join us in our adventures and welcome any boy 10 - 11 and up that wants to check out or scouting program to come see us.

My Best,
Thomas Kleinjan,
Scout Master,
Troop 200
402 705 0553
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Congregational Lives

FPC's new parking lot project is progressing beautifully! The north side of the lot is open for limited parking. East side doors remain open thru the week. Please watch your step!

Need a ride to church on Sundays? Request a ride by calling the church office or Deacon Moderator Jan Ham at 402-301-9081.

The radio broadcast airs Sunday @ 10:30am during service on KICS 1550 AM.

Today's service will be broadcast on Channel 181 Tuesday, 1:00 p.m., and Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, July 31, 2016

10:30 Worship Damen Heitman

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Sunday, August 7, 2016

**10:30** Worship with Communion Pastor Don Canady

For those living at Good Samaritan Village, today's service will be broadcast on Channel 3 on Sunday at 12:00 noon and on Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

**Congratulations to Al Meyer** for being selected as the new interim manager for Hastings Utilities!

**Thank you** for the beautiful Red, White, and Blue bouquet delivered to my home on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. I enjoyed it very much. –Jean Barber

In the Hospital: Richard Viglicky.

#### **2016 DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS**

**BARBER, Jean** (p.1) Replace Phone: 402-460-**0**798

#### **COMMUNION SERVERS, AUGUST 7 - TEAM 3**

Martha Boyd Susan Hoff Paul Krieger Chris Schukei Dave Fisher Harold Korb Scott Kummer Doug Soderquist

Kay Georgiana Lynette Krieger Kathleen Nelson

#### **AUGUST USHERS**

Paul Nuss Lynne Friedewald

Jim Harrenstein-Captain Chuck Shoemaker

#### **AUGUST GREETERS**

Aug 7 Flossie Sanderson, Eleanor Jorgensen
Aug 14 Darrel and Roberta Lloyd, George and Jenni Howard
Aug 21 Richard and Connie McClenahan, Mary Fisk
Aug 28 Charles and Margaret Hermes

Chris & Colleen Schukei 08/12/2000

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY AUGUST

| Dennis & Julie Asmus  | 08/01/1964 | Myron & Sharon Chapel            | 08/13/1964 |
|-----------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|
| Scott & Sarah Snell   | 08/02/2003 | Robin & Ann Koozer               | 08/14/1976 |
| George & Jeni Howard  | 08/04/1979 | Justin & Kili Wenburg            | 08/14/1998 |
| Chuck & Georgie Evans | 08/05/1956 | Don & Pam Canady                 | 08/18/1963 |
| Brian & Kim Graviette | 08/05/1989 | Jim & Cheryl Wray                | 08/20/1977 |
| Duane & Karen Huber   | 08/06/1993 | Ronald & Shirley Maul            | 08/21/1976 |
| Rick & Becky Matticks | 08/07/1987 | Frank & Carol Medsker            | 08/22/1950 |
| Erik & Ruth Nielsen   | 08/07/1997 | Ron & Beth Wissing               | 08/22/1986 |
| Vernon & Betty Kooy   | 08/09/1963 | Bill & Martha Boyd               | 08/28/1976 |
| Chris & Linda Petroff | 08/09/1970 | Darrel & Roberta Lloyd           | 08/29/1954 |
| Jim & Traci Boeve     | 08/12/1994 | Cal & Jane Johnson               | 08/30/1957 |
| LaVern & Kathy Davis  | 08/12/1972 | Tom Kreager & Shanda<br>Spurgeon | 08/30/2014 |

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

| 08/01 | Bob Dirks        | 08/17 | Chris Johnson        |
|-------|------------------|-------|----------------------|
|       | Gregg Lay        |       | Dianne Scheidegger   |
|       | Lindsay Shaw     |       | Jonah Snell          |
|       | Alphonse Tako    |       | Carol Wheeler        |
| 08/02 | Danny Rousseau   | 08/18 | John Funkey          |
| 08/03 | Allie Bauer      |       | Jamie Smith          |
|       | Kathy Duval      |       | David Tut            |
|       | Jim Harrenstein  |       | Chinedu Uche         |
| 08/04 | Ira Wierenga     | 08/19 | <b>Chudier Duang</b> |
| 08/05 | Terry Hall       |       | Gary Grummert        |
| 08/06 | Caleb Kidd       | 08/20 | Alice Throckmorton   |
|       | Rick Matticks    | 08/21 | Barbara Jackson      |
|       | Susan Meeske     |       | Connie McClenahan    |
|       | JoAnn Seiler     | 08/22 | Stephanie Bliss      |
|       | Doug Soderquist  |       | Celia Ganow          |
|       | Roda Tut         | 08/23 | Lauren Canady        |
|       | Megan Welton     |       | Vivian Fong          |
| 08/07 | Roberta Lloyd    |       | Samuel Johnson       |
| 08/08 | Kyler Murphy     | 08/24 | Justin Miller        |
| 08/09 | Katherine Creigh | 08/25 | Jessica Bauer        |
|       | Chuck Shoemaker  |       | Dave Stewart         |
|       | Vera Zabloudil   | 08/26 | Sharon Brooks        |
| 08/10 | Nyabuok Dieth    |       | Ed Lockwood Jr.      |
| 08/11 | Sharon Chapel    |       | Holly Urrutia        |
| 08/12 | Carolyn McKenzie | 08/27 | Abbie Kerr           |
|       | Tristan Propp    |       | Karen Portwood       |
| 08/13 | Kim Creech       | 08/28 | Sheldon Howard       |
| 08/14 | Sam Matticks     |       | Faith Brader         |
|       | Jamison Murphy   | 08/30 | Jane Bauer           |
|       | Jerry Seiler     |       | Dale Davis           |
|       | Denny Storer     |       | Chris Junker         |
| 08/15 | Pamela Osborne   |       | Margaret Marsh       |
| 08/16 | Richard Brader   | 08/31 | Fred Knapple         |
|       | Larry Nowka      |       | Matt Malouf          |
|       | Ashley Schroeder |       | Joyce Mefford        |
|       | Kathy Utter      |       | Marilyn McIntire     |
|       | Beth Wissing     |       |                      |
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## Committee News

#### PNC Letter to the Congregation:

As most of you know, a new Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) has been formed combining three members of the former PNC with four new members. As with our first PNC committee, we are charged and committed to finding the best pastor to lead and serve our caring, diverse, and vibrant congregation. As before, we are coming together on a weekly basis with prayer, thoughtful discussion, and a sincere desire to find that pastor. After reviewing a list of over 30 leadership competencies outlined by the PC-USA Church Leadership Connection, our committee is focusing on the ten competencies listed below. These competencies are used to match candidates to our church. As we have learned, this is not a perfect or easy process, but we are being hopeful and positive as we work through it, and we are asking that you as a congregation join and support us through prayer, direct conversations with us, and by keeping a positive attitude towards the search.

# LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES HASTINGS FPC – JULY 2016

#### **Preaching & Worship Leadership:**

Is a consistently effective preacher and worship leader; is able to inspire from the pulpit, communicates a clear and consistent message through sermons that are carefully prepared and artfully delivered; projects the identity and character of the congregation through worship leadership presence.

#### **Interpersonal Engagement:**

Displays a consistent ability to build solid relationships of trust and respect inside and outside of the organization; engage people, organizations, and partners in developing goals, executing plans, and delivering results; use negotiation skills and adaptability to encourage recognition of joint concerns, collaboration, and to influence the success of outcomes.

#### **Communicator:**

Advances the abilities of individuals and the organizations through active listening supported with meaningful oral and written presentation of information.

### **Organizational Agility:**

Is astute about how congregations and/or organizations work; knows how to get things done through formal and informal channels; understands the importance of supporting good policy, practice, and procedure; appreciates the power in the culture of a congregation; is politically savvy.

#### **Self Differentiation:**

Demonstrates strong and appropriate personal boundaries in relationships; has a healthy appreciation of self, without being egotistical; is emotionally mature; can maintain a less-anxious presence in the midst of turmoil; is not overly dependent upon outside affirmation; works to build a strong personal support system.

#### **Spiritual Maturity:**

Shows strong personal depth and spiritual grounding; demonstrates integrity by walking the talk and by responding with faithfulness of purpose; is seen by others as trustworthy and authentic; nurtures a rich spiritual life; seeks the wisdom and guidance of appropriate mentors; is able to articulate a clear and consistent theology.

#### **Contextualization:**

The ability to assess accurately the context, environment, history, relationships and uniqueness of a congregation or organization.

#### **Hopeful:**

Maintains stability in the moment and hope for the future; provides direction, guidance, and faith when describing basic needs; and helps followers to see a way through chaos and complexity.

#### **Bridge Builder:**

Possessing a certain responsibility for the unity of the congregation and or organization; works to connect people of different cultures, worldview so and theological positions.

#### **Initiative:**

Demonstrates ambition; is highly motivated; is action oriented and full of energy for things seen as challenging; seizes opportunity; pushes self and others to achieve desired results.

We welcome your direct feedback. Please feel free to contact anyone from our committee with information, comments or questions. Thanks for your support.

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The correct address is: <a href="mailto:jduval@gmail.com">jduval@gmail.com</a>.

#### From the Office

It's been brought to my attention that an odd email requesting a link be clicked has been received from me. If you receive anything like this, please do not click the link and move the email to spam.

I receive similar spam from what appears to be members of congregation on a semi-regular basis. Unfortunately there's not much that can be done to stop this, since anyone can set up an email account and label it with anyone else's name.

Viewing the email address by hovering over the name is a good way to confirm the sender. Moving the suspicious email to spam and/or updating your spam filter settings may be other helpful ways to 'red-flag' these junk messages.

If any new way for FPC to control this type of activity develops, I'll be sure to announce it. Thank you.

God bless,

Tarci Matthews

**SCHOLARSHIP** 

COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY

**Home Page publications** will resume weekly August 14<sup>th</sup>. **Board and committee meetings** will resume in August.

#### BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

| WORSHIP, ARTS<br>& MUSIC | 1ST TUESDAY              | 5:30 P.M.  | ANDERSON            |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------|---------------------|
| CONGREGATIONAL<br>LIFE   | 2 <sup>ND</sup> TUESDAY  | 5:30 P.M.  | PARLOR              |
| GLOBAL MISSION           | 2 <sup>ND</sup> TUESDAY  | 5:30 P.M.  | KESSLER             |
| TRUSTEES                 | 2 <sup>ND</sup> TUESDAY  | 5:30 P.M.  | ANDERSON CONFERENCE |
| CHRISTIAN ED             | 2 <sup>ND</sup> TUESDAY  | 7:00 P.M.  | ANDERSON CONFERENCE |
| PERSONNEL                | 2 <sup>ND</sup> THURSDAY | 5:00 P.M.  | KESSLER             |
| DEACONS                  | 3 <sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY  | 6:45 P.M.  | ANDERSON CONFERENCE |
| SESSION                  | 3 <sup>RD</sup> THURSDAY | 5:30 P.M.  | ANDERSON CONFERENCE |
| FOUNDATION               | MONDAY (QTRLY)           | 5:30 P.M.  | KESSLER             |
| MEMORIAL                 | TUESDAY (QTRLY)          | 12:00 P.M. | ANDERSON CONFERENCE |
|                          |                          |            |                     |

AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR

VIA EMAIL AS NEEDED

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**Publishing Guidelines**: The *Home Page* is a weekly publication (bi-weekly June & July) for the people and mission of First Presbyterian Church.

The newsletter seeks to inform, instruct and challenge its readers to become engaged in the ministry of FPC.

**Articles** will be accepted by Friday of each week. Submissions may be edited for length and suitability. You may send articles to the church office: tarci@fpchastings.org or call 402-462-5147.

## July 10, 2016

| 10:30 Worship Attendance | 160        |
|--------------------------|------------|
| General Fund             | \$3,051.00 |
| Plate Collections        | \$36.00    |
| PC(USA) Hunger Fund      | \$29.24    |
| SASA                     | \$51.00    |
| Food Pantry              | \$6.00     |
| Annex Use Income         | \$650.00   |

## July 17, 2016

| 10:30 Worship Attendance | 155         |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund             | \$15,166.00 |
| Plate Collections        | \$53.00     |
| Per Capita               | \$57.70     |
| PC(USA) Hunger Fund      | \$20.30     |

#### Thanks be to God!