

The Home Page

First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, Nebraska 68901-5175
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CANADY'S CHRONICLE

During the summer months, our normal church schedule is different. Most committees do not meet, our Sunday School classes are not held, and our worship schedule has been different. Having said that, it goes without saying that your church staff has not been sitting back waiting for things to begin again in mid- to late August. Plans have been made for the beginning of our normal schedule. As you will see in this Home Page, Kick-Off Sunday will take place this Sunday, August 21. Wednesday Night Live begins the following Wednesday, which means our youth choirs begin.

The Christian Education staff have been working hard for the future education of our children and adults. (*Education* sounds so formal—how about *building a relationship with God and one another?*) Regardless, we label it **our** responsibility to strengthen the faith of **all** who walk through the doors of our church building.

On one occasion, an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

"What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?"

He answered: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

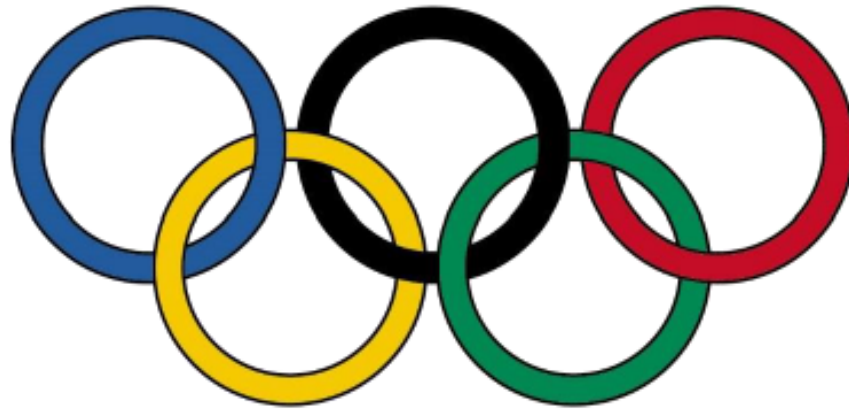
Amen.

As your Christian Education team has been working hard planning for the coming year's activities, so all committees of the congregation will begin their work during the month of August. As we pray for the work of all committees, we must include prayers for our Pastor Nominating Committee. Every committee and group within the life of First Presbyterian Church should be driven by Jesus' instructions. **"Love God, love one another."**

Though the committees are diligent in performing the tasks given to them, the work of the church goes beyond committees. All members of the congregation must be involved in our ministry using the gifts God has bestowed on you. May, "Love God, love one another" be the driving force in developing the best relationship we can build with our God.

– *Pastor Don Canady*

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.

Once again, we were overwhelmed by the generosity, prayers and energy for Open Table last month. Together, we assembled more than 5,000 sacks/sandwiches and prepared almost 800 special meals. It is a joy to be a part of our church family as we are working together. Not only did we provide needed meals for others, we did it with faith, positive energy, conversation, creativity and humor. As is true with any mission project, participation in the Open Table is a blessing to all of us.

Thank you!

Meg Stewart-Magee, Zo Kreager, Lily Kingsley, Jeni Howard, and the Global Mission and Local Social Witness Committee



“Special meals” entailed Wednesday afternoon gatherings in the church kitchen, preparing and storing meals, delivering to Catholic Social Services to return a following day to assemble and serve hot lunches or chef salads. This ‘above and beyond’ effort was opted by the Mission Committee in consideration of those who eat sack lunches regularly.



For 2016 the Open Table Fund had a beginning balance of \$7,205.85. Total receipts to date are \$1,165.00; total expenditures \$5,318.82. The ending fund balance of \$3,052.03 is a great start for next year! Glory be to God!

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*"We want to send a special letter to **thank you** for all of your donations of groceries given to the Hastings Food Pantry over the last month. You gave two cases of pudding cups and a total of four bags of groceries which help so much! What wonderful donations. So many people will be blessed with these gifts and we appreciate it so much! Thanks again and God bless!!"* --Hastings Food Pantry, Board of Directors

**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.

**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.

**Mission Committee team delivered 207 diapers** to Catholic Social Services on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for helping those most vulnerable!

**Mission Committee team is requesting donations** of new or nearly new school clothes:

Boys sizes 8-10 slim or adjustable waist and sizes 10- 12 slim or adjustable waist;  
Girls sizes 10- 12 slim and also size 12-14 slim; and  
Plus girl's teen sizes 3-5 and 7-9 or small and medium.

Please call or drop off to Susan Hoff, 402-469-0985, 3611 Wendell Drive (please note: new address) Thank you!

**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](mailto:kili@fpchastings.org) if you are interested in volunteering.



# MOBILE PANTRY

HELPING MEET YOUR FAMILY'S NEEDS

Date: **Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**

Time: 12:30pm-2:30pm

Location: **Annex Building**

Between the First United Methodist Church and First Presbyterian Church

**Hastings and 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Hastings, NE**

Contact: (402)-440-6241

Instructions: Please bring boxes or bags to carry food



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 one-day 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!



**FOODBANK**  
FOR THE HEARTLAND

# Kids Against Hunger of Hastings

August 4, 2016

Dear pastors and youth and family leaders;

We are so grateful for your ongoing partnership in our work of feeding starving children and their families through Kids Against Hunger of Hastings. We have two pieces of news to share and celebrate with you.

The first is that we passed the 4 million meal mark this summer! That's an incredible milestone after only eight years and you helped us achieve it by providing the opportunity for volunteers from your congregation to put their hearts and hands to work making a difference in the lives of starving people locally and globally.

Connecting with the hearts and hands of area youth and adults hungry to join in our mission to feed hungry people is also the idea behind our second bit of news. We are changing our name from Kids Against Hunger of Hastings to Hearts & Hands Against Hunger of Hastings. With the name change we eliminate unnecessary franchise expenses and put money toward purchasing food.

Nothing but our name changes—we are still the same people in the same place with the same passion for feeding starving people around the world and around our community. We continue to provide life-saving meals to places like Haiti, the Philippines, Ecuador, Latvia and many, many other countries. We also provide meals to area food pantries, homeless shelters, assistance programs and churches engaged in feeding the hungry in our community.

As the new school year begins, we invite your confirmation and youth groups to come and be a part of our Youth Packing Night event. We're offering two dates so you can pick the one that best suites your schedule. Just call 402-460-8627 with the number of youth and adults you are bringing and the time you'd like to pack so we can reserve room for you.

**Wednesday, Oct. 19 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm**

**Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm**

We are grateful to be in ministry with you making a difference in the lives of hungry people locally and globally. We look forward to reaching the 5 million meal mark with your help!



Renee Johnson  
HHAH event coordinator, 402-460-8627





## **Volunteers Needed!!!**

The Hastings **Meals on Wheels** program is in desperate need of volunteer drivers to deliver lunch, one day a week, Monday-Friday. You can choose the day that works best for you. The routes take no more than 1 hour of your time (and in most cases less). If you do not want to drive a regular route, you could sign up as a substitute driver and be placed on a call list to fill in.

Meals are picked up at Good Samaritan Village and distributed to homebound individuals throughout Hastings.

We welcome volunteers of any age, but if you are 55 and over, you are covered under our insurance policy while driving on volunteer business.

Delivering **Meals on Wheels** is a rewarding and worthwhile opportunity that takes very little time and gives you an opportunity to assist those that are less fortunate and unable to cook for themselves due to age, recent hospitalization or a disability. Our drivers report how gratifying their delivery experience is, and how in many cases they are the only personal contact for the meal recipient each day.

If you or anyone you know would be interested in becoming a volunteer driver, please contact the Meals on Wheels program by calling 463-5900.

Thank you for your consideration!



Senior Action, Inc.  
212 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Suite C  
Hastings, NE 68901



**Crossroads Center needs help.** Record numbers of homeless and hungry people are turning to Crossroads Center from across Central Nebraska. Worse, giving to Crossroads is much slower during summer months. The strain is incredible. Your help is urgently needed to meet the need this month. [www.crossroadsmission.com](http://www.crossroadsmission.com) or 462-6460. Thank you.

**Boy Scouts Troop 200 needs a trailer.** An old trailer in despair with a salvageable, heavy-duty axle, or scrap angle iron and shop space to refurbish the one they have. Please contact Tom Kleinjan @ [scouting200hastings@gmail.com](mailto:scouting200hastings@gmail.com) or 402-405-0553 if you can help!

**GriefShare Sessions begin** Tuesday, September 6, 2016, 1:00p.m. & 6:30p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 212 W. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Grand Island in the Church Conference Room. Be a part of a 13 week confidential, non-denominational support group, around people who are going through similar situations, find encouragement, comfort, and help, and gain renewed hope for the future. [www.trinitylutheranangi.org](http://www.trinitylutheranangi.org) or [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org), or call 308-382-0753.

### ***Congregational Lives***

**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.

**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.

**PNC Letter to the Congregation.** Copies are available on the glass shelves in front of the church office or online in the announcement section of FPC website at <http://fpchastings.org/pnc-letter-to-the-congregation/>. Please note a correction to Jim Duval's email: [jduval@gmail.com](mailto:jduval@gmail.com)

**Please pray for members of our PNC:** Jim Duval, Chad Murrell, Mike Karloff, Joan Shaw, Chris Junker, Pam Lay and Jeni Howard.

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| <p><b>Sunday, August 21, 2016</b><br/>10:30 Worship<br/>Pastor Don Canady</p> |
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### ***Committee News***

The Mission Committee gratefully received \$24 in donations over the past couple weeks in the basket on The Sharing Table. These funds will be donated to the *Hearts and Hands Against Hunger of Hastings* (previously *Kids Against Hunger*) organization. Food is being shared both within and beyond our FPC walls. Thanks be to God!

## FALL MUSIC EVENTS

Call 402.461.7448 to  
verify dates & times

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### SEPTEMBER

**Sept. 3, 17, 24**  
Marching Band Pregame & Halftime  
12:45 / Wilson Field

**Sept. 11**  
Hastings Symphony Orchestra  
3:00 / Chautauqua Pavilion

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### OCTOBER

**Oct. 9**  
Hastings College Sunday (Choir)  
10:30 / 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church

**Student:** K Cabrera, soprano;  
A Koubek, saxophone;  
A Spracklin, baritone  
3:00 / Perkins Auditorium

**Oct. 22**  
Marching Band Pregame & Halftime  
12:45 / Wilson Field

**Guest:** Daniel Martinez, guitar  
(A Lied Across NE Program)  
7:30 / The Lark

**Oct. 23**  
**Student:** S Nelson, mezzo-soprano  
(2016 Presser Scholar Winner)  
7:30 / Perkins Auditorium

**Oct. 24**  
**Faculty:** Evening of Music & Poetry  
(On ALS Theme "Water")  
Drs. Gary Johnson & Robin Koozer  
7:30 / Perkins Auditorium

**Oct. 30**  
Hastings Symphony Orchestra  
3:00 / Masonic Center (ticket required)  
**Student:** Autumn Vespers (Choral)  
6:00 / 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church

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### NOVEMBER

**Nov. 5**  
Marching Band Pre-game Halftime  
12:45 / Wilson Field

**Nov. 7**  
**Student:** SAI & Phi Alpha Sinfonia  
7:30 / Perkins Auditorium

**Nov. 8**  
**Student:** Jazz Band & Jazz Choir  
7:30 / French Chapel

**Nov. 13**  
**Student:** HC Band Concert  
3:00 / Masonic Center

**Nov. 14**  
**Student:** Bells/ Entertainment Arts  
7:30 / Perkins Auditorium

**Nov. 20**  
**Student:** Z Hirschman, bassoon  
& M Seagren, bass  
3:00 / Perkins Auditorium  
**Student:** J Nienhueser, tenor  
7:30 / Perkins Auditorium

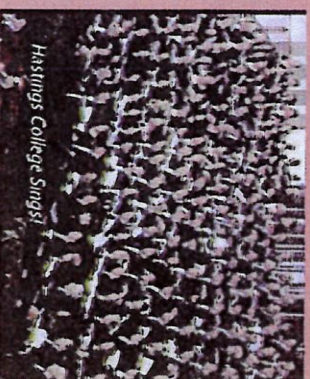
**Nov. 21**  
**Student:** Music Theatre Ensemble  
7:30 / Perkins Auditorium  
**Nov. 27**  
**Student:** N Jensen, bass  
7:30 / Perkins Auditorium

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### DECEMBER

**Dec. 4**  
**Student/Guest:**

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION FOR  
THE COMMUNITY  
-presents-



Hastings College Singers

### MESSIAH

A Sacred Oratorio  
by George Frideric Handel  
3:00 / Lynn Farrell Arena  
[www.hastings.edu/messiah](http://www.hastings.edu/messiah)  
visit link for more information  
and register to participate

**Dec. 10**  
Hastings Symphony Orchestra  
& Guest: South Central Nebraska  
Children's Chorale (SCNCC)  
(ticket required)  
3:00 / Masonic Center

### HOME COMING EVENTS

Oct. 7 - 9

**Oct. 7**  
**Faculty/Guest:** Kara Baxter Jazz  
Ensemble (Alumni Association Event)  
7:30 / The Lark

**Oct. 8**  
Melody Round-up Parade  
10:30 / Downtown Hastings



Join us for dinner and a family-friendly Christian movie!

Menu: Spaghetti and Salad

Dinner starts at 6:00 pm

Movie starts around 7:00

No cost! Join us for a fun night out!



**Sunday, August 21st,**

**2016**



This month's movie:

**Miracles from  
Heaven**



Hosted by: The Salvation Army—400 S. Burlington, Hastings

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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](mailto:tarci@fpchastings.org) or call 402-462-5147.

### Financial Corner

August 7, 2016

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|--------------------------|-------------|
| 10:30 Worship Attendance | 126         |
| General Fund             | \$23,034.00 |
| Plate Collections        | \$122.00    |
| PC(USA) Hunger Fund      | \$21.08     |
| Communion-WNL            | \$444.00    |
| Open Table               | \$20.00     |
| Food Pantry              | \$5.00      |

### Thanks be to God!

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." – Ephesians 4:4-7.