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First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, Nebraska 68901-5175
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“This Mother’s Day, we walk with all of you. Mothering, in all its forms, is not for the faint of heart and we have real warriors in our midst. We remember you, we celebrate you and we give thanks to God for you, on this day and every day.”

~Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett

HEALTHY WOMEN HEALTHY FAMILIES MOTHER’S DAY PROJECT (a year-round ministry of PC (USA) and Presbyterian Women) supports programs of Presbyterian partner churches that directly impact the health and well-being of women and children. HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY from Presbyterian Women.

DONATION IN HONOR OF:

Stephanie Brader (thank you for supporting the
Congregation in spiritual growth)

Steph Brader

Carolyn Branch (#2 sister of mine)

Gail Dreher

Kathy Essink

Mary Fisk, for managing the prayer chain

Sarah Fruehling

Evelyn J. Geu

Rosemary Gfeller

Dana Kay Ghorashy, my daughter

Grandma Bonnie Grams

Carol Nedderman Kyle

Elizabeth J. Lay

Edna Lewis, my mother

Angie Locke

Ginny Locke

Carol Medsker

Pauline Moomey

Madeline Weiland Nedderman

Robyn Perelman Nedderman

Kili Wenburg (thank you for supporting the
Congregation in spiritual growth)

ReNelda Wenburg

Pam Witte

GIVEN BY:

Sarah, Christian, & Arich Fruehling

Daveta Brader

Susie Graham

The Essink family

The Essink family

Mary Northrop

Ginny Locke

Pamela K. Lay

Sarah, Christian, & Arich Fruehling

Flossie Sanderson

Luella Baumgart-Grams, Toby &
Anika Carroll

Bianca Stack, Meghan & Morgan Kyle

Pamela K. Lay

May Wierenga

Ginny Locke

Sarah, Christian, & Arich Fruehling

Sue Medsker-Nedderman

Marilyn Nielsen

Vera, Fidget, Eve, & Cricket

Calvin Thanos Nedderman

Sarah, Christian, & Arich Fruehling

Jim & Rogene Wenburg

The Essink family

DONATION IN MEMORY OF:

Alice Braum
 Luella Grams
 Evelyn Greenwood
 Phyllis Hansen
 Julie Hastings
 Myrtle Knigge
 Joan Knowlton
 Alice Locke
 Alice Locke
 Margaret Nedderman
 Mrs. Betty Payne
 Mrs. George Payne
 Beaula Valentine, my grandmother
 Anna Wierenga

GIVEN BY:

Ginny Locke
 Bonnie & Kenton Grams
 Chuck & Jeanne Hastings
 Jim & Rogene Wenburg
 Chuck & Jeanne Hastings
 Katharine Davis
 Bonnie & Kenton Grams
 Sarah, Christian, & Arich Fruehling
 Ginny Locke
 Robert Nedderman
 The Payne family
 The Payne family
 Teri Nguyen
 Ira & May Wierenga

Life in the Community

“Kids: Thank you so much for taking the time to make these Beautiful Bookmarks for all of us. Your thoughtfulness and creativity brought a smile to our faces. You guys are great!! Thank you” – Revive Ministries

“First Presbyterian Church- Thank you for inviting us to come and share the vision God has given us. Thank you also for the donation. We just took in our second family & this will helpas they heal! – Luke & Corina Kliever”

Global Mission Committee Members delivered to Catholic Social Services 94 diapers on May 4th and 155 diapers on May 10th. Thank you for helping some of the most vulnerable in our community.

First Presbyterian Church Hastings remitted in May: \$1,448.00 to One Great Hour of Sharing, \$716.16 to FUMC for United Harvest Food Distribution, \$340.00 to Adams/Clay County ARC (Advocate for the Rights of Citizens), \$140.35 to PC(USA) Hunger Fund, \$84.00 to Hastings Food Pantry.

Donations for FPC’s **Open Table Sack Lunch Program** are accepted throughout May. FPC is scheduled to assemble and provide the Open Table lunches throughout the month of July again this year. More than 5,000 sack lunches and almost 800 ‘special meals’ were prepared last year. The cost to fill the total need last year was \$5,318.82.

The Open Table Fund has a 2017 beginning balance of \$3,052.03. \$1,618.00 was raised from communion offerings last week! The fund is still in need approximately \$650.00. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

Come meet our Presbyterian Mission Worker



Jim and Jodi McGill

Jim and Jodi McGill have been serving as mission co-workers since 1995 working with the Church of Central Africa in Malawi in the areas of water/sanitation and health.

Jim is a water engineer who has installed hundreds of water projects in sub-saharan Africa.

3 opportunities to come hear Jim talk about the work that God has called him to do in **Niger, South Sudan and Malawi**

1. BBQ/Potluck at Pastor Greg's House on **Saturday, May 27 at 4pm**. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share; Greg will provide hot dogs, chicken and veggie burgers. (Please RSVP, see below)
2. During worship at First Presbyterian Church of **Grand Island on Sunday, May 28 at 9:30am**
3. After worship "Lunch and Learn" at First Presbyterian Church of **Hastings on Sunday, May 28 at 11:30am**



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This trip is being co-sponsored by First Presbyterian Church of Grand Island and First Presbyterian Church of Hastings.

To RSVP for the BBQ at Greg's house, or for more information about any of these events, please contact:

Pastor Greg at greg@fpc Hastings.org or by phone at (402) 462-5147

A free-will offering will be taken at each event to cover the travel costs and to support the work of the McGills. First Presbyterian Church of Hastings will also be taking a Father's Day Offering in support of the safe drinking water projects Jim is doing with the partners in Africa.

Hands Around the World Store (HAWS) shelves are restocked! Come on in and pick up a bag (or two) of Café Justo coffee. Feel free to also browse the fine selection of chocolate, textiles and jewelry. Items come from nonprofit, fair trade organizations dedicated to lifting disadvantaged artisans and farmers and their families out of poverty. HAWS donates \$100 each month to the United Harvest Food Distribution. Hours are 9a.m. – 12p.m. every Sunday. Café Justo coffee is also available for sale in the church office during the week.

Long-Sleeved Shirt Drive Continues Through June

There's still time to clean out your closet and contribute your long-sleeved shirts for our shirt drive. We are once again collecting shirts to be distributed through Proteus to local farmworkers for protection against pesticides and heat stress.

Time for some good BBQ!

Competitors will be producing their best ribs and burgers at the First United Methodist Church this Saturday evening, May 13, 5-6:30 p.m. Dinner is \$10 for adults; \$5 for kids under 12. A portion of the proceeds goes to support the United Harvest mobile food pantry.

Are you, or is someone you love, graduating from college this Spring?

We would like to acknowledge and celebrate all of our college graduates. Please contact the church office at 402-462-5147 with names and schools of those graduating this Spring.

Sunday School may be over for the spring, but Bible@Breakfast continues

All are welcome to join the Bible@Breakfast group anytime!
Gatherings are at 7:00 a.m., Wednesday mornings, through May.
The group is currently reading and discussing the book *A New Kind of Christianity* by Brian McLaren.

Money and Possessions

Meeting 12:00-1:00 on Wednesdays, beginning June 14, the Summer Book Club will read and discuss Walter Brueggemann's book *Money and Possessions* under the leadership of Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh. *Order your copy from your favorite book seller today!*

"The Bible is rich with complex and diverse material on the topic of money and possessions. Indeed, a close look at many scriptural texts reveals that economics is a core preoccupation of the biblical tradition. In this new work, highly regarded preacher and scholar Walter Brueggemann explores the recurring theme of money and possessions in the Old and New Testaments. He proposes six theses concerning money and possessions in the Bible, observing their contradictory nature to the conventional wisdom and practice of both the ancient world and today's society. Brueggemann advises us to reassess the ways in which our society engages—or does not engage—questions of money and possessions as carriers of social possibility. He invites the church to move toward an alternative neighborly economy that is more consistent with the gospel we confess."

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***Upcoming Services - Come Worship with Us!***

**May 21 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship, VBS Commissioning**

**May 28 10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with final spring performance by Celebrate Brand**

**June 4 10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with Communion**  
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Greeters:

May 21	Bill and Martha Boyd, Eleanor Jorgensen
May 28 (Memorial Day Weekend)	Jane and Dwight Marsh, Wayne and Elaine Specht
June 4	Kathy and Curt Reimer, Eleanor Jorgensen
June 11	Brian and Laurie Johnson, Jill Kramer
June 18 (Father's Day)	Kathy and Jim Duval, Carter and Selah Wenburg
June 25	Anne Bohlke, Mary Fisk, Stephanie and Justin Brader

June Ushers (Team 4): Susie Graham, George Howard-Captain, Dixie McDonald, Gale McDonald, Dan Zabloudil, Vera Zabloudil

Communion Servers, June 4 (Team 3):

Martha Boyd, Kay Georgiana, Susan Hoff, Harold Korb, Lynette Krieger, Paul Krieger, Kraig Lofquist, Kathleen Nelson, Chris Schukei, Kym Warner

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

John & Sharon Brooks	06/01/1980
Paul & Lynette Krieger	06/02/1973
Jim & Rogene Wenburg	06/02/1973
Stan & Chanda Essink	06/02/2000
Ethan & Lindsey Stout	06/02/2012
Will & Ginny Locke	06/03/1961
Ed & Cheryl Lockwood Jr.	06/06/1970
LaVern & Connie Franzen	06/07/1964
Eric & Laura Bishop	06/07/2003
Mads & Sarah Anderson	06/08/2013
Curtis & Kathy Reimer	06/10/1989
Kenton & Bonnie Grams	06/11/1977
Chad Murrell & Patty Kingsley	06/11/1994
Rob & Michelle Kerr	06/12/1993
Brent & Erica Brooks	06/14/1997
Francis & Norma Vineyard	06/16/1951
Zach & Becky Spurgeon	06/16/2012
Wiyual & Nyabuok Dieth	06/17/2003
Nkuma & Chinedu Uche	06/18/1986
Abdul & Suellen Bruguera	06/18/2011
Justin & Nikki Miller	06/20/2009
Jeremy & Kaela Heneger	06/21/2003
Ken & Bev Stein	06/22/1979
Dave & Linda Cooke	06/23/1984
C L & Sandra Wimer	06/24/1967
Doug & Diane Phelps	06/24/1978
Mike & Rachel Florek	06/24/1984
Jerry & Mary Seiler	06/26/1976
Jim & Mary Lewis	06/27/1964
Gary & Carol Grummert	06/27/1965
Bryant & Melissa Allen	06/27/2009

Prayers for Judy Brown, Celia Ganow and families.

Need a ride to church on Sundays? Request a ride by calling Jeanne Hastings, Deacon Moderator, at 402-462-8460 or the church office at 402-462-5147.

The **radio broadcast** airs during service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 21, and 10:00 a.m. Sunday, May 28 on KICS 1550 AM.

Sunday'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, Sunday's service will be broadcast on Channel 3 on Sunday at 12:00 noon and on Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

A car key was found in the pews and **a bracelet** in the parking lot. Please call or come to the office to claim.

A copy of any Sunday service is available on DVD disc upon request at no charge. Contact Tarci at 402-462-5147 or tarci@fpchastings.org.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

06/01	Peter Lainson	06/12	Ruth Caldwell	06/22	Kaela Heneger
06/02	Cathy Mitzelfelt		Kaleena Fong		Neil Kerr
	Joan Swan	06/13	Charles Hafer	06/23	Zane Baldwin
06/03	Billie Abbott		Laurie Lofquist		Adelaide Ehrich
	Dick Christensen	06/14	Victoria Anderson		Rachel Florek
	Dick Rasmussen		Dylan Croon		Doug Oakeson
06/04	Wyatt Davis		Tenley Hermann		Claire Schwarz
	Ashley Hermann		Janna Johnson		Don Whitcomb
	Wanda Williams		Erika Nielsen	06/24	Jan Schawang
	Hazel Zajack		Bruce Phelps	06/25	Connie Hansen Golter
06/05	Chase Johnson	06/15	Atticus Heneger		Tom Kreager
	Amy Pettit		Arlene Kort		Bree Robbins
	Ashley Thomsen	06/16	Julie Asmus	06/26	Jim Boeve
06/06	Ingrid Ehrich		Courtney Junker		Carol Harrenstein
	Pamela Lainson		Nathan Kerr		Jill Kramer
	Jaxlyn Murphy		Lorri Oakeson		Colleen Schukei
	Bev Stein		Libby Smith	06/27	Jim Lewis
	Neal Sunderman	06/17	Ty Chapel		James Miles
	Norma Vineyard		John Pollak	06/28	Jodie Phelps
06/08	Andrew Barrows		Hugh Shoemaker		Terra Phelps
	Dave Cooke	06/18	Eric Brader	06/29	Dianne Christensen
	Jeni Howard		Ian Erickson		Emma Ellerbee
06/09	Alexis Longshore		Katie Phelps		Joe Matticks
	Chris Petroff		Leah Ratzlaff		Don Reynolds
06/10	Delys Hall		Sally Smith	06/30	Karla Malouf
	Deb Johnson	06/19	Tim Peterson		Ruth Nielsen
	Joyce Ore	06/20	Mike Shaw		Gabriel Snell
	Tut Ruei		Logan Smith		Andrew Spurgeon
06/11	Jesse Grimmett	06/21	David Ellerbee		
	Tommy Toms III		Keira Erickson		
			Rebecca McPherson		

Synod School 2017



"People having so much fun while examining issues related to faith."

"Wonderful, thoughtful, energetic, fun-loving teachers, staff and leaders."

"A place where the needs of the entire family are considered."

"Gives me the incentive to try new things in my church."

"The 'connectedness' and warmth of Christian community."



July 23–28, 2017

Buena Vista University, Storm Lake, Iowa

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Let Justice Flow

Synod School 2017



Synod School, an annual midsummer ministry of the Synod of Lakes and Prairies of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), is for laity, clergy, families, and singles. It's fun and mind-stretching courses, worship and singing you'll long remember, and times for both fellowship and private reflection. Discover Synod School and you'll know why so many people keep returning.

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Convocation speaker **J. Herbert Nelson**, the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), will speak on themes from Amos 5:24. Evening worship will be led by **Claudio Carvalhaes**, Associate Professor of Worship at Union Theological Seminary in New York City. Morning worship will be led by **Erin Kaye** of First Presbyterian Church in Camden, AR and **Rachel Corpus** of Plymouth UCC in Des Moines.

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American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Adams County

Saturday, June 2, 6:00 - 11:00 PM

Hastings High School Track

Relay for Life is the nationwide, signature event of the American Cancer Society. It is a community event in the fight against cancer, and as part of the ceremonies, volunteers and survivors line the track with luminaria (lighted candles in weighted, white bags) inscribed with an individual's name. At sunset, everyone is invited to participate in the incredibly moving Luminaria Ceremony and observe a heart-felt-moment of silence as the candles are lit. Each luminaria is lit in honor of someone who has survived cancer or in memory of someone who has lost his or her battle to cancer. Donations for luminaria are \$10 each. All money goes to the American Cancer Society mission to help others Stay Well, Get Well, Finding Cures and Fight Back.

First Presbyterian Church Team again will be participating this year. Luminaries are available each Sunday in May at a table in the Memorial Room or in the church office during the week. Donations can be made via the website: www.RelayForLife.org.

When a loved one dies, there is **GriefShare**. A **summer series** of GriefShare will be held at The Good Samaritan Village Community Center, 900 East E street. The 13 week series will begin on Tuesday, June 13 at 2:00 p.m. Each session lasts 1-1/2 to 2 hours and includes a 30 minute video featuring nationally respected "grief experts" and their personal losses, followed with discussion.

GriefShare is Christian-based and non-denominational. With sponsors First St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Livingston Butler Volland Funeral Home & Cremation Center, there are no costs to participants. Those who are not sure that they are ready for such a group are invited to come "try it on." For more information go to www.griefshare.org or call 402-463-1329.



Kids Eat Free!

Niños Comen Gratis! Ages 1-18*

ZONE SITE

MAY 22 — JUNE 2

2015 W 3rd St by the Water Park

11:30am—1:00pm

CARTER PARK SITE

JUNE 5 — JUNE 30

E Street and S Chicago

12:30 pm—1:00 pm



"When working with your attorney to update **your will and estate plan**, please consider including a gift to the First Presbyterian Church Foundation that will enhance the work of this congregation for many years to come. Our Federal Identification Number is 47-0710307." --Roger Doerr, Moderator of the Foundation

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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.

Financial Corner

May 7, 2017

10:30a.m. Worship Attendance	271
General Fund (2017)	\$18,784.00
Plate Collections	\$133.00
CE Sunday School	\$9.27
PC (USA) Hunger Fund	\$28.37
Communion: Open Table	\$1,618.00
Special Offering:	
Presbyterian Scholarships	\$826.17
Food Pantry	\$10.00
Pooh Corner Rent	\$500.00
Annex Bldg. Use	\$470.00

Thanks be to God!

And God is able to provide you
with every blessing in abundance,
so that by always having
enough of everything,
you may share abundantly
in every good work.
-2 Corinthians 9:8