

We believe that the Holy Spirit is a part of God that helps us to live up to God's expectations. The Holy Spirit is in all of us. It keeps us connected to God, as it moves through the world.

We believe that the Bible is the word of God. It is the source of our knowledge about God, and tells the history of the Earth and Jesus' story before and after he came to Earth.

We believe that the Church is a community of people worshipping in the house of God. The Church helps people learn about and praise the Lord.

OFFERING (All loose coins in the offering plate will go to PC(USA) Hunger Fund.)

OFFERTORY "The Old Ship of Zion (Spiritual)" Anna Laura Page
Chancel Handbells

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Take and eat the bread when it is passed to you.

Take the cup and hold it until the entire congregation has been served. We drink the cup together as a sign of unity in the Body of Christ.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, may we who have received this sacrament live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth your gifts to all the world. As the church, may we rise from the Communion Table and be sent by the power of the Holy Spirit to participate in God's mission to the world.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*HYMN

“Take My Life”

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During this hymn, please bring your communion offering forward and place it in the basket on the communion table. The communion offering this month is donated to the Open Table.

*CHARGE and BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

“Gloria” (from 12th Mass)

Mozart



Confirmation Cake Reception

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
MEMORIAL ROOM
SUNDAY, MAY 7
FOLLOWING TODAY'S
SERVICE**

Come worship with us next week, and invite your friends and family!

Sunday, May 14: Mother's Day

8:30am Celebrate Service

10:30am Worship

Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett Preaching

Announcements:

The radio broadcast airs on KICS 1550 AM and is in loving memory of Edna Perry by Shirley Johnston and family.

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 2:00 p.m.

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

Flowers are given in memory of Mabel C. and Frank E. Weyer by family.

Greeters: Jane Bauer, Mary Creigh, Vera & Dan Zabloudil

Ushers (Team 3): Andrew Barrows, Dave Fisher-Captain, Ed Lockwood, Phil Odom, Rich Portwood, Doug Soderquist

Acolytes: Campbell Schukei, Eleanor Oliver

Youth Ushers: Allie Bauer, Carter Wenburg

Nursery: Andrea Franzen, Laura Peterson

Communion Servers (Team 2): Mary Fisk, Matt Fong, LaVern Franzen, Brian Johnson, Mary Kay LaMaster, Constance Malloy, Carolyn McKenzie, Al Meyer, Chad Murrell, Kathy Nelson, Rogene Wenburg

Prayers for Judy Brown, Celia Ganow, and families.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WNL YEAR-END
PICNIC

Children of all ages, families, and congregation are welcome to attend!

Wednesday, May 10
Libs Park—16th St. & Baltimore Ave
5:00-6:00pm fellowship & free-play
6:00-7:00pm meal*

*Hot dogs, drinks, condiments, and table service will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.



If you are interested in owning a gently-used **electric wheelchair**, please contact the church office.

May communion offerings will be to FPC's Open Table Sack Lunch Program.

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 was \$5,318.82.

The Open Table Fund has a 2017 beginning balance of \$3,052.03, which is a great start! Glory be to God that we are able to fill this need; let's do it again! Your offering makes the difference. Thank you!

A **VBS donation board** is displayed in the Memorial Room. If you can help support our VBS by making a donation, please take a card and purchase the item listed. Then attach the card to the item and return it to the church ASAP. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie at 402-462-5147 or stephanie@fpchastings.org

Last Chance to Experience Taize-Style Worship until the Fall

This beautiful, relaxing, contemplative service may be just the deep breath opportunity you need to recenter your mind and heart this hectic spring season.

Join us to pray, listen to scripture, sing praises, and reflect on the theme of "Overcoming Fear."
Sunday, May 7, 7:00 p.m., Chapel

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**FPC is happy to announce the following scholarships are now available:**

**Ann Binfield Scholarship**

This scholarship is for students attending a Presbyterian college or university.  
Amounts awarded are based primarily on need.

**Chip Essex Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is for any student attending a 2-year or 4-year college.  
\$500 each semester to one individual.

Applications are available in the church office, or by emailing Traci Boeve at [tboeve@hastings.edu](mailto:tboeve@hastings.edu).



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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.

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HEALTHY WOMEN HEALTHY FAMILIES MOTHER'S DAY PROJECT

(a year-round ministry of PC (USA) and Presbyterian Women)

Mother's Day cards will be offered in the Memorial Room today and in the library through Thursday, May 11. The suggested donation is \$10 with the proceeds going to support programs of Presbyterian partner churches overseas that directly impact the health and well-being of women and children. Donations of any amount are welcome. Please make checks payable to "Presbyterian Women," fill in the form below, and return both to PW or the church office.

All women will be listed in the bulletin on Mother's Day, May 14.

Card in honor of _____

Donation in memory of _____

Given by _____

This Week --- May 8 – May 13, 2017

Mon, May 8	5:00p.m. 5:30p.m. 7:00p.m.	HSO Meeting in Anderson Conference Foundation Meeting in Kessler Boy Scouts Troop 200 in Basement Scout Room
Tue, May 9	10:00a.m. 1:00p.m. 4:15p.m. 5:30p.m. 5:30p.m.	Staff Meeting in Pastor's Office Quilters in the Annex Global Mission Meeting in Kessler Congregational Life Meeting in Parlor Trustees Meeting in Anderson Conference
Wed, May 10	7:00a.m. 5:00-7:00p.m. 6:30p.m. 6:45p.m. 7:30p.m.	Bible@ Breakfast in the Parlor Final WNL!, Picnic in Libs Park Wood Carvers in Basement Chancel Choir Practice Chancel Bells Practice
Thu, May 11	5:00p.m. 6:00-8:00p.m.	Personnel Meeting in Kessler Spanish Class in the Parlor
Fri, May 12	10:00a.m. 1:00-5:00p.m.	Mahjong Ladies in the Parlor Pooh Corner Graduation Ceremony In Fellowship Hall
Sat, May 13	5:00-9:00p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 200 Court of Honor In Fellowship Hall

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