



The Home Page

First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, Nebraska 68901-5175
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This summer, Pastor Greg is preaching a **Summer Sermon Song Series** on songs from popular culture. Below is the tentative schedule. If you have a family member, friend or neighbor who likes any of these groups, songs, or music, invite them to church this summer!

7/9/17: Sermon on musical *Man of La Mancha* song "The Impossible Dream" and Revelation 21:1-6
7/16/17: Sermon on Lynyrd Skynyrd song "Simple Man" and Matt. 22:35-40, 2 Corinth. 1:12-14
7/23/17: Sermon on Barry Manilow song "One Voice" and Romans 15:1-13
7/30/17: Sermon on J. Paul Williams "Creation Shall Be at Peace" and Isaiah 11:1-10
8/6/17: Go & Serve Sunday. "Seasons of Love" from Rent, 1 John 3:1-3, 16-22
8/13/17: David Johnson, Guest Preaching
8/20/17: Sermon on The Byrds "Turn, Turn, Turn" and Ecclesiastes 3

Please note, the **Go & Serve Celebration Sunday is changed to August 6**. This includes the youth leading in worship and the lunch and program following worship for the Stockholders who donated in support of Go & Serve.

Join us Saturday, July 8 at 12:45 p.m. in the FPC parking lot to **send off the Go & Serve team!**

Happy Nappy diaper collection is the fourth Sunday of each month is designated for the collection of diapers. Please bring a box and place in the basket outside of the *Hands Around the World Store*. They are collected and distributed to those in need in the community, currently thru Catholic Social Services. The congregation is encouraged to bring diapers to help those most vulnerable.

NEEDED: Scrapbook Skills

If you are (or used to be) a "scrapbooker," please consider sharing your skills to create a book showcasing each of the crosses on the Cross Wall (the wall in the hallway connecting the Fellowship Hall and the Memorial Room). This is a short term opportunity to serve the church in a much-needed and much-appreciated way!! Please contact Kili Wenburg (402-461-6374 or kili@fpchastings.org) if you can help.

Volunteers needed thru July for a church office project! Decades of meeting minutes are to be digitized for permanent archiving by scanning the hardcopies thru the copier machine. Two hour shifts are available 9 am - noon & 1 - 4 pm Mon-Thu as convenient for you. Contact Tarci at 402-462-5147 or tarci@fpchastings.org.

Open Table's Sack Lunch Program

One sack lunch, per person, per day, no questions asked.

Join our congregation in celebrating fourteen years of support for the Open Table Sack Lunch Program. Beginning Sunday, July 9th, we will be assembling 1200 lunches on each of the next four Sundays in Fellowship Hall immediately following the worship service. This tradition in our church has been a blessing for the people receiving the lunches, and the people preparing them.

Volunteer opportunities include:

Sundays

Setting up before Sunday morning services at 9:00 am.

Assembling lunches in Fellowship Hall following services.

Transporting lunches to Catholic Social Services on Sunday following assembly.

Mondays

Assist in loading sacks from Church onto CSS truck, and helping unload at CSS.

Tuesdays

Transporting bananas from Russ's IGA to Catholic Social Services

Wednesdays

Organizing a hot lunch or special meal.

Joining cooks in our church kitchen to prepare a chef salad or hot lunch to serve on the next day.

Thursdays

Assist in serving special lunch at Catholic Social Services.

Fridays or Saturdays

Transporting bread, meat or other foods. (Larger vehicle helpful)

Donations of cash or food are always welcome and needed.

Prayers!!!!

Thanks for your generous and enthusiastic support of this ongoing mission.



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.

The **radio broadcast** airs during service at 10:00 a.m. on KICS 1550 AM.

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.

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.

Prayers for Judy Brown, Celia Ganow, Zelma Fobben, Thomas Johnson (Richard Johnson's brother) and families.

Condolences to Vonda Essex and family for the loss of her mother, Deloris Plucker of Parker, SD, who passed away on Wednesday, June 21.



Congratulations to:

Grandparents Chuck and Jeanne Hastings and Lonnie and Pat Tourek **for the birth of Emery Blair Tourek.** She was born June 16, 2017 to Kris and Beth Tourek.

Lindsey, Ethan, Charlie Stout and family **for the birth of Rory John Stout** born June 26, 2017, 8lbs., 7ozs and 21" long.

As a ministry of hospitality, the deacons organized **meal delivery to the Stout family** after the birth of Rory. You can sign up to deliver a meal by visiting the following webpage: <https://mealtrain.com/e73e60> If you can't access the webpage, please come into the office to let Tarci or Greg know when you would like to deliver a meal, and they will share the details with you. Meal delivery will be Mondays and Thursdays starting Thursday, June 29 for 6 weeks. That means there are 12 opportunities to sign up! The family is two adults and one precious 2 year old. There are no dietary restrictions. Thank you for participating in this vital ministry of hospitality as we welcome the newest member of our First Presbyterian Church family!

The next **United Harvest Free Food Distribution** will be Saturday, July 15 from 10 a.m. – 12 noon in the church Annex. Volunteers are always needed. If you are interested in volunteering, please choose one shift and report to the Annex at the start of your chosen time: 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon and 12 noon – 2:30 p.m. If you are willing and able to deliver boxes to home-bound recipients, please contact Tarci in the church office: 402-462-5147.

July Communion Offerings will be accepted thru the month and remitted to SASA (Spouse Abuse Sexual Assault) Crisis Center.

First Presbyterian Church remitted in June \$1,065.00 for Pentecost - \$639.00 to PC(USA) for Child Welfare and \$426.00 to CASA, \$122.08 to PC(USA) Hunger Fund, and \$2,857.00 for Special Offering - \$1,428.50 to missionary Jim McGill and \$1,428.50 for Water Projects. Glory be to God!



You Can Make A Difference

During the months of July and August, our local Salvation Army corps is looking for volunteers to assist in starting a new and much needed feeding program that will operate out of a portable kitchen unit. They need capable, able-bodied people who can hand out sandwiches, chips, and bottled water from inside an air conditioned feeding unit one evening a week. If you would be willing to help with this new adventure, please contact Major Dale Brandenburg at 402.463.2930.

SUMMER to SERVICE

First Presbyterian July Challenge A Month of Community Service!

**Some churches slow down during the summer. Not First Presbyterian Church of Hastings!
Join us as we double down for the month of July and commit to serving our community!**

Romans 12:9-13 (NLT) Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them.... Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other. Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically... When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality.

We are challenging ourselves to volunteer 1,000 hours for the month of July! Are you in?

There are multiple opportunities to serve in July. Sign up for at least 2 opportunities and help us achieve our church-wide goal of 1,000 volunteer hours!

United Harvest Mobile Food Pantry

Saturday, July 15
Two shifts available:
9:30am-12:00pm
11:45am-2:15pm

Help unpack and distribute food in the "mobile food pantry" that we set up in the Annex Gym. Or help a recipient fill their food cart and help them load up the food in their car.

Coordinator:
Kili Wenburg: 402-462-5147 – kili@fpchastings.org

Go and Serve Mission Team

Saturday, July 8 – Saturday July 15
Our Go and Serve mission team of 22 people will be traveling to Charlotte, North Carolina to work with a Presbyterian ministry called "Cross Missions" that works to address urban poverty and food insecurity.

FPC Hastings has sent a short term mission team every year since 1969! The team is already set this year, but you can:

- Pray for them
- Donate toward the cost of the trip to support this vital work

Community Service Coupon for FPC Hastings Summer of Service

(Tear off this coupon and turn it into the church office, be entered into a drawing for a dozen cupcakes)

Name: _____ **Number of Hours Served:** _____

Names of ministries where service took place: _____

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Sundays - July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30:

9am-10am: Set up to help pack lunches after worship service

11am-12pm: Help pack more than 1,200 lunches each week

12pm-1pm: Transport lunches to Catholic Social Services on Sunday following assembly

Tuesdays - July 11, July 18, July 25, August 1:

Transport bananas from Russ's IGA to Catholic Social Services (Check with Jeni or Meg for details, 1 hour)

Wednesdays - July 12, July 19, July 26, August 2:

Cook in church kitchen to prepare a hot lunch to serve on the next day (Check with Jeni or Meg for details, 1-4 hours)

Thursdays - July 13, July 20, July 27, August 3:

Serve lunch at Catholic Social Services (Check with Jeni or Meg for details, 1-4 hours)

Other opportunities throughout the month include:

- Transporting bread (requires larger vehicle) or other food items.
- Donations of cash or food are always welcome and needed.
- Please offer your prayers!

Coordinators:

Jeni Howard: 402-469-1500 – jhoward37@charter.net

Meg Stewart-Magee: 402-902-9330 –

mstewart@hshn.org

Project Homeless Connect

June 17, 24, and July 1 - Donation/collection drives:

Volunteer 1-4 hours between 10am-4pm outside of Walmart (June 17, July 1) or Russ's (June 24) to collect donations for the PHC event

July 27: 225 volunteers needed!

Volunteer opportunities include:

- Set-up day before event/clean-up after event
- Navigator
- Runners/Greeters
- Food Service
- Registration table
- Translators, including Spanish, Sudanese, Vietnamese

For more information or to sign up to volunteer, visit this website: www.phchastings.org

Donation of needed items: Towels/wash cloths; these can be gently used as long as they appear like new. Monetary donations also welcomed.

Stuffed animal donations: Stuffed animal adoption activity during PHC. This activity helps occupy children while their parents are receiving services.

Coordinators:

Tina Winchell: 402-469-7915 - phchastings@gmail.com

Rashell Hillis: 402-984-9438 - hillisrashell@gmail.com

Other Service Opportunities

Our church members are engaged in ministry and service all the time! Please record the hours you spend volunteering during the month of July to be included in our total. This could include:

- Deacons visits
- Community service through civic organizations like Rotary Club, Kiwanis, Lions, Masons, etc.
- Volunteering with Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts
- Volunteering at a summer camp

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UNITED HARVEST



MOBILE PANTRY

HELPING MEET YOUR FAMILY'S NEEDS

Date: **Saturday, July 15**
Saturday, August 19
Saturday, September 16

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Location: Annex Building
Between the First United Methodist Church and First
Presbyterian Church
Hastings Ave and 7th Street in Hastings, NE
Contact: (402)-463-6733
Instructions: Please bring boxes or bags to carry
food. No need to pre-qualify.

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.

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&

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For more info:

402-462-2066

8th Annual Recovery in the Park "Celebration"

July 14, 2017

Barbecue

Hamburgers, hotdogs, chips and drinks
You are welcome to bring a dessert to share



CAR SHOW
Melon Roast Car Club

6:00 pm @

Chautauqua Park

2219 W 5th
Hastings, NE



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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

June 18, 2017

10:00a.m. Worship Attendance	189
General Fund (2017)	\$3,597.00
Plate Collections	\$96.00
PC (USA) Hunger Fund	\$51.91
Jim McGill/Water Projects	\$1,310.00
Go & Serve Stock Sales	\$780.00
Annex Bldg. Use	\$500.00

June 25-30, 2017

10:00a.m. Worship Attendance	204
General Fund (2017)	\$7,429.00
Plate Collections	\$83.00
CE Sunday School	\$2.00
WNL	\$13.00
PC (USA) Hunger Fund	\$30.09
Communion – Open Table	\$140.00
Jim McGill/Water Projects	\$1,310.00
Go & Serve Stock Sales	\$2,170.00
Food Pantry	\$9.00
Coffee Donations	\$8.51
Church Use	\$300.00
Annex Bldg. Use	\$37.00

Thanks be to God!