First Presbyterian Church Hastings, Nebraska

Head of the Church: Jesus Christ Ministers: Members of the Church Pastor: Greg Allen-Pickett

Associate Pastor: Damen Heitmann Liturgist and Scripture Reader: Travis Feezell

Organist: Linda Vollweiler

Hasting College Choir Director: Fritz Mountford

October 1, 2017, 10:30 a.m.

*Indicates those who are able, please stand.

"All You Works of God, Bless the Lord!" PRELUDE Jamaican Folk Tune

arr. Behnke

WELCOME

INTROIT "O Clap, Your Hands" Ralph Vaughn-Williams

Hasting College Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

From ages past and ages yet to come the call comes to us.

The voice of God calls out, "I will stand in front of you."

For those who came before us and for those who will follow

God brings forth water from the rock; blessing from moments of pain.

We come to this place as links in an unending chain.

Let us worship the God who was, who is, and who shall be.

*HYMN "Santo, Santo, Santo" 595

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

I confess, O God, that I blow things out of proportion. I turn passing glances into icy stares. Innocent comments become volleys of passive aggressive attacks. Simple misunderstandings shift into chasms of distrust and skepticism. Forgive me, O God, for loving the drama a bit too much. Help me, dear Lord, to live peaceably with my neighbors once more.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory Be to the Father"

581

*PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Greet others around you this morning by exchanging the Peace of Christ.)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Hastings College Students Hands and Hearts Against Hunger of Hastings

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ATTENDANCE

ANTHEM

"Breathe On Me Breath of God"

arr. Dr. Fritz Mountford

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

1st SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

2nd SCRIPTURE READING- Exodus 17:1-7

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "From Generation to Generation"

*HYMN "Lead On, O King Eternal" 269

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

OFFERTORY "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" St. Christopher

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

(Once a year we celebrate "World Communion Sunday," an opportunity to reflect on our connection to the Global Church and recognize our unity in Christ. In this spirit, the communion liturgy will be bilingual and the communion music will be a celebration of our globally connected church.)

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 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

This morning we will take communion by intinction. The Congregation is invited to come down the center aisles, receive a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, partake, and return to your seats.

The communion bread this morning was made by the children this past week during Wednesday Night Live programming.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN "Siyahamba" 853

(During the singing of the final hymn please bring to the communion table your offerings to benefit Hearts and Hands Against Hunger of Hastings.)

*CHARGE and BLESSING

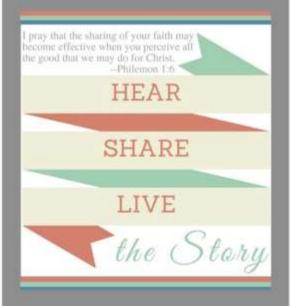
*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Sevenfold Amen" Sir John Stainer

*POSTLUDE "Siyahamba" South African Freedom Song/arr. Behnke

Come worship with us next week and invite others on Sunday, October 8!
8:30am: Celebrate "Contemporary" style of worship
10:30am: Traditional Worship Service
Sunday School for all ages at 9:15am
Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett preaching both services

THE FORUM

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAYS, 9:15-10:15 A.M. FELLOWSHIP HALL



ALIGNING FAITH & FINANCES

OCTOBER 8

Decoding Church Budget

What is the FPC annual budget? Who makes spending decisions for our church? How are foundation funds managed? What's the connection between foundation dollars and the general budget? Come learn all the ins and outs of FPC financials.

TARCI MATTHEWS, FINANCIAL OFFICER/ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST; JANE BAUER, TREASURER; DAVE FISHER, MODERATOR OF TRUSTEES; REV. GREG ALLEN-PICKETT

OCTOBER 22

Reflections on Giving

How do individuals navigate questions about financial giving: How much should I give? To whom should I give? Why do I give? This Forum will present personal stories about financial giving as well as statistics and scriptures related to this important aspect of lived faith.

BRIAN JOHNSON: OTHERS, TBA

NOVEMBER 5

"Money and Possessions"

Dr. Deffenbaugh will present a summary of Walter Brueggemann's important work "Money and Possessions," which was the selection for FPC's Summer Book Club. In this work, Brueggemann mines the Bible's rich store of diverse material on the topic of money and possessions, suggesting that the Bible's stance on this topic is contradictory to the conventional wisdom and practice of both the ancient world and today's society.

DR. DAN DEFFENBAUGH, HASTINGS COLLEGE PROFESSOR OF RELIGION

Announcements

The radio broadcast airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given by JoAnn and Les Seiler.

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.

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.

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 Dr. Robert Smith.

Greeters: Paul & Belinda Nuss, Kenton & Bonnie Grams

Ushers (Team #1): Duane Huber, Steve Illingworth, Brian Johnson, Laurie Johnson, Al Meyer– Captain, Clyde Sachtleben

October 1 Communion Servers (Team #3): Martha Boyd, Susan Hoff, Harold Korb, Lynette Krieger, Paul Krieger, Kraig Lofquist, Mary Kay LaMaster, Chris Schukei, Kathy Utter, Kym Warner

Acolytes: Keira Erickson, Selah Wenburg

Nursery: Kim Bogan, Abby Shetler

October Communion Offerings will be for *Peace and Global Witness* with 25% donated to *Hearts and Hands Against Hunger of Hastings* (formerly Kids Against Hunger.)

Prayers for: Judy Brown, Ty Chapel (Sharon Chapel's son), Jim (& Mary Jeanne) Cooke, Mary Jo Emmons, Celia (& Wayne) Ganow, Jim (& Lois) Hahne, Jan Ham, Irmise (& Elmer) Heeren, Thomas Johnson (Richard Johnson's brother), Nancy Langford, Mary (& Jim) Lewis, Clay Mathews (Susan Oliver's brother), John & Mary Northrop, Carla Ridout, Audrey Watson and families.

Busy Person's Retreat opening group session is tonight at 7 p.m. in the Parlor. Over the next two weeks, retreat participants will commit to at least 30 minutes per day of private personal prayer (prayer guide booklet included) and also will schedule at their convenience three 45-minute private spiritual direction sessions with Kili. Closing group session will be at 7 p.m. on October 15.

First Presbyterian Church Women of Hastings cordially invites all women of the church to be our guests at our annual Salad Luncheon on Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at 11:45 A.M. We look forward to your joining us for good food and warm fellowship. This event will also provide you with the opportunity to hear our new pastor, Reverend Greg Allen-Pickett, as he presents a program on Presbyterian Missions, with a special emphasis on those missions that Presbyterian Women support now or might be interested in supporting in the future. In addition, there will be another opportunity for mission: "Free the Girls" as a special service project.

All women of the church are welcome and encouraged to come for all or part of the luncheon. There is no charge. Call your reservation to your circle telephone chairperson or to the church office by Monday, October 2. We look forward to seeing you there.

This Week --- Oct. 2 - Oct. 7, 2017

Mon, Oct. 2	7:00p	Scouts Meet in Basement Scout Room
Tue, Oct. 3	12:00p	Bible Study in Parlor
	1:00p	Quilters Meet in Annex
Wed, Oct. 4	7:00a	Bible@Breakfast in Parlor
	4:00p-6:00p	WNL Activities (Pre-K thru 5th Grades)
	6:00p-6:45p	WNL Family Time Meal (All Ages Welcome!)
	6:30p	Wood Carvers in Basement
	6:45p-7:30p	Chancel Choir Practice
	6:45p-7:30p	Cal/West Choir Practice (6th thru 12th Grades)
	7:30p-8:15p	Chancel Bells Practice
	7:30p-8:15p	WNL Bible Study/Fellowship (6th thru 12th Grades)
Thu, Oct. 5	6:30p-7:30p	Spanish Class in NW Classroom, Annex
Fri, Oct. 6	10:00a	Mahjong Ladies in Youth Activity Room

