

# **First Presbyterian Church Hastings, Nebraska**

Head of the Church: Jesus Christ  
Ministers: Members of the Church  
Senior Pastor: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett  
Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Heitmann  
Liturgist and Scripture Reader: Linda Cooke  
Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer  
Trumpet: Dr. Louie Eckhardt  
Organist: Linda Vollweiler

**November 5, 2017, 10:30 a.m.  
All Saints Sunday**

Many English-speaking churches sing Bishop William Walsham How's, "For All the Saints" on the celebration of All Saint's Sunday. How's hymn is usually sung to the Ralph Vaughn Williams tune, *Sine Nomine*. Long poems are often shortened into hymns so that a congregation is not exhausted from the singing of them, but every now and again it's worth seeing the whole poem as the poet intended it. Here is the entire text of How's 1864 poem.

## FOR ALL THE SAINTS

1. For all the saints, who from their labours rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

2. Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;  
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

3. For the Apostles' glorious company,  
Who bearing forth the Cross o'er land and sea,  
Shook all the mighty world, we sing to Thee:  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

4. O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

5. For the Evangelists, by whose blest word,  
Like fourfold streams, the garden of the Lord,  
Is fair and fruitful, be Thy Name adored.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

6. For Martyrs, who with rapture kindled eye,  
Saw the bright crown descending from the sky,  
And seeing, grasped it, Thee we glorify.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

7. O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

8. And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
And hearts are brave, again, and arms are strong.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

9. The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

10. But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
The King of glory passes on His way.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

11. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

*\*Indicates those who are able, please stand.*

PRELUDE

“For All the Saints”

arr. Robert Farrell

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather here in your presence, O God, bringing you our own needs and bringing with us the needs of the world.

***We come to you, for you come to us in Jesus Christ.***

We gather to remember the saints who have gone before us, to celebrate lives well lived, and to reflect and witness to the resurrection.

***We come as we are, because you invite us to come; and you promise never to turn us away. Come, let us worship God!***

\*HYMN

“You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Beloved God, who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even to our spiritual forebears, have mercy on us.***

***We do not always love others as you would have us love.***

***We do not always do as you would have us do.***

***In our stubbornness, we turn from you when we should turn toward you.***

***Hold us, dear One – comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence.***

***We praise you for the grace you shower on us, constantly forgiving our errors, especially the ones that we don't share with any but you.***

***Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts.***

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear the good news!

***Though our ancestors, family, and friends have not always followed God perfectly, we know and trust that they are loved and forgiven.***

Friends, believe the good news!

***Though we have not always followed God perfectly, we know and trust that we are loved and forgiven.***

Thanks be to God for God's mercy and grace! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and loved!

***Alleluia! Amen!***

\*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.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ATTENDANCE

(Please pass the Friendship Pads and sign in to let us know that you were here this morning)

ANTHEM

“For the Fallen”

Eleanor Daley

The lyrics for the anthem of the Chancel Choir are drawn from this poem written by Laurence Binyon. Below is the text of the entire poem and the lyrics in the anthem are in bold print.

**FOR THE FALLEN (1914)**

Laurence Binyon

With proud thanksgiving, a mother for her children,  
England mourns for her dead across the sea.  
Flesh of her flesh they were, spirit of her spirit,  
Fallen in the cause of the free.

Solemn the drums thrill; Death august and royal  
Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres,  
**There is music in the midst of desolation**  
**And a glory that shines upon our tears.**

They went with songs to the battle, they were young,  
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.  
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted;  
They fell with their faces to the foe.

**They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old:**  
**Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.**  
**At the going down of the sun and in the morning**  
**We will remember them.**

They mingle not with their laughing comrades again;  
They sit no more at familiar tables of home;  
They have no lot in our labour of the day-time;  
They sleep beyond England's foam.

But where our desires are and our hopes profound,  
Felt as a well-spring that is hidden from sight,  
To the innermost heart of their own land they are known  
As the stars are known to the Night;

**As the stars that shall be bright when we are dust,**  
**Moving in marches upon the heavenly plain;**  
**As the stars that are starry in the time of our darkness,**  
**To the end, to the end, they remain.**

## 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.***

1<sup>st</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Revelation 7:9-17

**“Sharing the Story” Reflection – Linda Cooke**

2<sup>nd</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Matthew 5:1-12

*This is the Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.*

MESSAGE

Fall Series: Good News in the Midst of Grief  
“The Other Side of the Curtain”  
Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett

\*HYMN

“For All the Saints”

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\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Adapted from an affirmation written by Rev. Steve Garnass-Holmes)

***We believe in God, who is love, whose love is manifest in all Creation, in our lives, and in all people.***

***We follow Christ, who embodied God's love. In his life and ministry, his death and resurrection, and his granting to us of his Spirit, he filled us with that love as well.***

***We live by the Spirit, the presence of God's love in us. In that love we participate in the Church, Body of Christ, in loving God by loving our neighbors through our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service.***

***We believe that nothing can separate us from the love of God, neither death nor life, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation. Love is our faith, and it is a gift from God. We thank God, and ask God's blessings, that we may love in the name of Christ and the power of the Spirit, to God's glory. Amen.***

OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

“Call to Remembrance”

Richard Farrant

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***God is with us each day offering so many blessings. Now we bring these gifts in an attitude of praise and thanksgiving. O Lord, bless these gifts and the lives that these gifts represent. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.***

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 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

***We thank you, God, for the bread of new creation with which we have been fed. We thank you, for being guests of the risen Christ in whom we have been blessed. We thank you for this feast which connects us to the past, grounds us in the present, and gives us hope for the future. Now send us, abounding with your healing grace, to remember, love and serve and never cease until the world fills with Christ's peace.***

\*HYMN

“Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!”

(During the singing of the final hymn, we will take a second offering to benefit Maryland Living Center. The congregation is invited to come down to the communion table and place their offering in the basket.)

\*CHARGE and BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE "Finale from Concerto No. 5" Handel/arr. David Johnson

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

**Sunday, November 12**

**Worship at 8:30am and 10:30am**

**Sunday School for all ages at 9:15am**

**Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett preaching the Fall Series: "Good News in the Midst of Grief"**

## **THE COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

**DEATHS November, 2016 to October, 2017  
of members of our congregation**

**Lillian Baumann May 30, 1919 to December 20, 2016**

**Robert Dirks August 1, 1929 to January 22, 2017**

**Charles Evans April 16, 1935 to July 18, 2017**

**Joe Heineman March 19, 1928 to March 15, 2017**

**Arthur Langvardt January 24, 1944 to February 8, 2017**

**Wayne Specht November 3, 1937 to August 27, 2017**

**Joan Swan June 2, 1926 to July 14, 2017**

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**Invitation to Attend**  
**First Presbyterian Go & Serve Meeting for 2018 Trip**

**When:** Sunday, November 5, 2017, following 10:30 a.m. Worship

**Where:** Fellowship Hall

**Who:** Potential Go & Servers and their parents

**Why:** To discuss our 2018 Go & Serve trip to Camp Courageous, Iowa, (Correction) **July** 15-20, 2018

**Wahoo:** Pizza for lunch!

If you're interested in taking part in next summer's trip, come for lunch to hear our plans for the trip, for fundraising, and for Stay & Serve opportunities. Bring an interested friend (and that friend's parents).

Go & Serve has made three previous trips to Camp Courageous, so we will have some alums to talk about their experiences as well as an informative video about the Camp Courageous experience.

**R.S.V.P.** (which is French for "respond, please") to Damen Heitmann (dheitmann@hastings.edu) so you won't go hungry. If you don't respond, it stands for "Roasted Skunk Very Possible."

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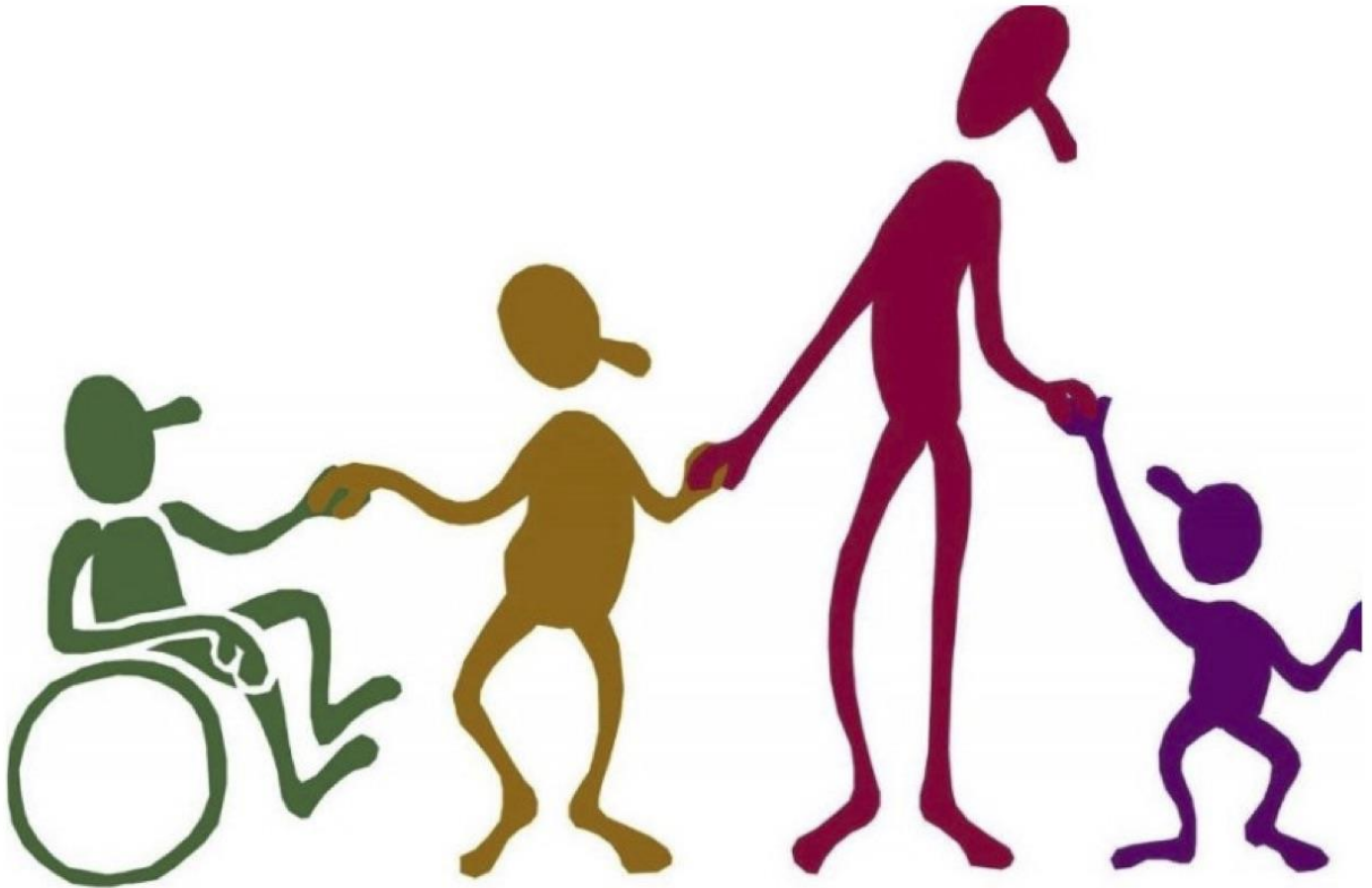


MENS BASKETBALL: HASTINGS COLL. VS. KS WESLEYAN

# GUYS NIGHT OUT

Thursday, November 9. Food at 6:00, Game at 7:00  
Legacy Room, Lynn Farrell Arena, Hastings College  
All men, all ages welcome.

# Embodied Faith



Courageous individuals "Share the Story!"  
of how changes in their bodies have  
been a part of their faith journey.

Nina Meyer (Physical Mobility)  
Erica Brooks (Weight Changes)  
Nancy Grams (Cancer)

Kathy Duval (Aging)  
Jenni Welsch (Pregnancy and  
body dysmorphia)

**Forum: November 12, 9:15 a.m., Fellowship Hall**



## Announcements

**The radio broadcast** airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given in memory of Herb & Alice Braum and Rev. Kenneth & Alice Locke by Ginny & Will Locke.

**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](mailto: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 Herb & Alice Braum and Rev. Kenneth & Alice Locke by Ginny & Will Locke.

**Greeters:** Carolyn & Richard Mckenzie, Mark & Lorna Zajack

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

**Acolytes:** Hazel Zajack, Norah Snell

**Nursery:** Kim Bogan, Abby Shetler

**Today's Communion Offerings** will be donated to Maryland Living Center. Monetary donations as well as apartment startup items are greatly appreciated: towels, cleaning supplies, laundry baskets, small trash cans, shower curtains and gently-used furniture.

**Communion Servers (Team #4):** Dick Brader, Jeanne Hastings, Mark Hemje, Mary Olsen, Katherine Sachtleben, Marnie Soderquist, May Wierenga, Dan Zabloudil, Vera Zabloudil

**Prayers for:** Arnie Boehler, Judy Brown, Mary Jo Emmons, Celia (& Wayne) Ganow, Jan Ham, Irmise (& Elmer) Heeren, Chuck Kidd, Richard & Wanda Langer, Nancy Langford, Mary (& Jim) Lewis, Frank (& Carol) Medsker, John & Mary Northrop, Audrey Watson and families.

**"Intro to Yoga" Series** continues this week. All are welcome at the Annex on Wednesday at 5:05 p.m. for a free, 45-minute class. This week's installment is "Yin Yoga" taught by Lanae Hall of Avani.

**Guys Night Out** will be THIS THURSDAY, November 9. Men of all ages are invited to get together for food at 6 p.m. and then watch the HC men's basketball team take on Kansas Wesleyan at 7 p.m.  
*Legacy Room (the room that overlooks the gym), Lynn Farrell Arena, Hastings College*

Presbyterian Women (PW) will continue to collect plastic bags to make **sleeping mats for the homeless**. Bras and plastic bags may be dropped off in the church's common office area.

Do you have **Nancy Graham's** **crook pot lid**? She may want to trade you for the one she has...

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This year the children of First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, will be continuing the tradition of helping other children around the world by participating in the Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF campaign. The annual tradition has helped provide countless children around the world with health care, clean water, nutrition, education, emergency relief, and more. You can visit [trickortreatforunicef.org](http://trickortreatforunicef.org) to learn more.



Come on in and **check out the new items for sale in *Hands Around the World Store (HAWS)***! Pick up a bag (or two) of Café Justo coffee. Feel free to browse the fine selection of chocolate, textiles and jewelry. Olive oil is now for sale at only \$3 a bottle, and much, much more!

Items come from nonprofit, fair trade organizations dedicated to lifting disadvantaged artisans and farmers and their families out of poverty, and HAWS donates \$100 each month to the United Harvest Food Distribution.

Store hours are 9 a.m.-12 noon during the school year. Café Justo coffee is also available for sale in the church office during the week, but nothing else, so be sure to miss the opportunity!



## Hastings College Local/Global Meal Packing Event

The Hastings College Local/Global Organization (formerly Hunger & Homeless) would like to invite the members of First Presbyterian Church to help at the Hearts & Hands Against Hunger Packing event on Friday, November 10th at the Hazelrigg Student Union. This year's goal is to pack 80,000 meals. Students and Faculty will be packing for one-hour shifts starting at 8:00 and ending at 5:00. Please join us in packing highly nutritious meals for starving and hungry children and their families.

### This Week --- Nov. 6 – Nov. 11, 2017

<b>Mon, Nov. 6</b>	<b>12:00p-1:00p</b>	<b>Memorial Committee Meeting</b> in Kessler
	<b>7:00p-9:00p</b>	<b>Boy Scouts Meet</b> in Basement Scout Room
<b>Tue, Nov. 7</b>	<b>10:00a</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b> in Pastor's Office
	<b>12:00p-1:00p</b>	<b>Bible Study</b> in Parlor
	<b>1:00p</b>	<b>Quilters Meet</b> in Annex
	<b>5:30p-7:00p</b>	<b>W.A.M. Meeting</b> in Anderson Conference
<b>Wed, Nov. 8</b>	<b>7:00a-8:00a</b>	<b>Bible@Breakfast</b> in Parlor
	<b>4:00p-6:00p</b>	<b>WNL Activities</b> (Pre-K thru 5 <sup>th</sup> Grades)
	<b>4:00p-6:00p</b>	<b>Angels Aware Cast Rehearsal</b> in Sanctuary
	<b>5:05p-5:50p</b>	<b>Yoga</b> in the Annex Gym
	<b>6:00p-6:45p</b>	<b>WNL Family Time Meal</b> (All Ages Welcome!)
	<b>6:00p-6:45p</b>	<b>Chancel Bells Practice</b>
	<b>6:30p</b>	<b>Wood Carvers</b> in Basement
	<b>6:45p-7:30p</b>	<b>Chancel Choir Practice</b>
<b>Thu, Nov. 9</b>	<b>6:45p-7:30p</b>	<b>Cal/West Choir Practice</b> (6 <sup>th</sup> thru 12 <sup>th</sup> Grades)
	<b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>WNL Bible Study/Fellowship Jr./Sr. High</b> (6 <sup>th</sup> thru 8 <sup>th</sup> Grades)
	<b>5:00p-6:00p</b>	<b>Personnel Meeting</b> in Parlor
	<b>6:30p-7:30p</b>	<b>Spanish Class</b> in NW Classroom, Annex
<b>Fri, Nov. 10</b>	<b>7:00p-8:30p</b>	<b>Boy Scout Troop 200 Den Meeting</b> in Fellowship Hall
	<b>10:00a</b>	<b>Mahjong Ladies</b> in Youth Activity Room
	<b>8:00a-5:00p</b>	<b>HC Meal Packing Event</b> at Hazelrigg Student Union

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