





**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***Accept these gifts, O God. We offer them in thanksgiving for the gift of grace you have given us. May they bring hope to the suffering, peace to the lost, and joy to all. May they be used to further your work in the world. Amen.***

**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.***

**\*HYMN**

**"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"**

**547**

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

**"Go to the World"**

**295/verse 2**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**"Rhythmic Trumpet"**

**Seth Bingham**

**COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK AND INVITE YOUR  
NEIGHBORS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS!**

**8:30AM – TRADITIONAL SERVICE**

**9:15AM – SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES**

**10:30AM – TRADITIONAL SERVICE**

***First Presbyterian Church of Hastings***

***Sharing the love of Christ in the heart of Hastings since 1873***

**Head of Church:** Jesus Christ

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett

**Director of Children & Family**

**Ministries:** Stephanie Brader

**Organist:** Linda Vollweiler

**Chancel Choir Director:** Dr. Robin Koozer

**Calvin/Westminster Choir Director:** Linda Johnson

**Praise/Alleluia Choir Directors:** Tim and Teresa Canady

**Praise/Alleluia Bells Choir Director:** Dr. Susan Oliver

**Accompanists:** Mary Plock and Alice Throckmorton

**Pastor Emeritus:** Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey

**Ministers:** Members of the Church

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Damen Heitmann

**Director of Adult Education &**

**Spiritual Formation:** Kili Wenburg

**Parish Associate:** Rev. Don Canady

**Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster**

**Bells Director:** Dr. Byron Jensen

**Music Coordinator:** Tim Canady

**Administrative Specialist:** Tarci Matthews

**Facilities Manager:** Tony Calhoun

# **We are an Easter people, Alleluia is our song!**

**-St. Augustine**

## **April-May Easter Season Worship Themes**

**Sunday 4/8:** "Service and Unity" Acts 4:32-35, 100 years of Boy Scouts at FPC

**Sunday 4/15:** "Showing up" Luke 24:36-48, Visit from mission partner from Mexico,  
Hastings College Handbell Choir

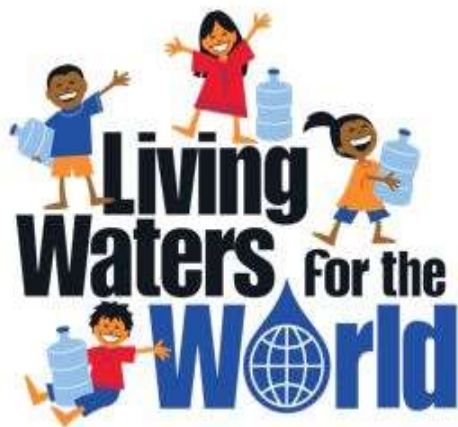
**Sunday 4/22:** Senior Recognition Sunday, Psalm 23 and John 10:11-18

**Sunday 4/29:** "Guiding and Teaching" Acts 8:26-40

**Sunday 5/6:** Confirmation Sunday, Confirmands' Statements of Faith

**Sunday 5/13:** "A Spirit of Wisdom" Ephesians 1:15-23, Mother's Day

**Sunday 5/20:** Pentecost in the Park! Acts 2:1-21 Shared worship  
and potluck with the Episcopal Church in Chautauqua Park



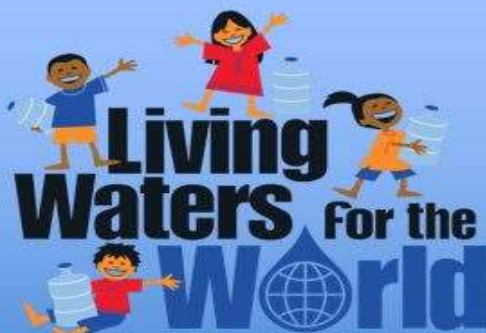
## **2018 VBS**

**First Presbyterian Church**

**May 21-25 9:00am-12:00pm**

**\*\*Early drop-off option at 8:00am by pre-registration ONLY.**

Everyone welcome! Pre-school (must be toilet trained) through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade. Register now at <https://fpchastings.org/vbs/> for the best week of the summer!



**Clean Water for All God's Children!**

**Please join us for**

**Special-Needs VBS**

**May 22-24**

**1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

**Hosted by: First Presbyterian Church**

## Announcements

April 22, 2018

**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 live** on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/fpchastings](http://www.facebook.com/fpchastings) and on Channel 181 Tuesday at 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 Dawna Whitcomb at 402-469-4805 or the church office at 402-462-5147.

### April 22, 2018:

**Ushers (Team #2):** Duane Huber, Steve Illingworth, Brian Johnson, Laurie Johnson, Al Meyer – Captain, Clyde Sachtleben, Carter Wenburg

**Greeters:** Paul & Lynette Krieger, Eleanor Jorgenson

**Acolytes:** Abigail Kerr, Madalynn Redline

**Nursery:** Kim Bogan, Erika Nielsen

**Prayers for:** Lynn Barrows, Judy Brown, Ruth Caldwell, Sharon Chapel, Fiona (Louie & Kristen) Eckhardt, Stacy Eddleman, Zelma Fobben, Celia & Wayne Ganow, Bonnie Grams, Irmise (& Elmer) Heeren, Kathy (& Steve) Illingworth, Lois Katt (Barbara Sunderman's mom), Arlene Kort, Mary Kay LaMaster, Richard & Wanda Langer, Mary (& Jim) Lewis, Teresa Luther, Dwight & Jane Marsh (Edie Perdew, Dwight's sister), Carol Medsker, Larry & Carolyn Nowka, Ramona Shetler, Erv & Betty Lou Siemoneit (Shirley Maul & Sandy Siemoneit's parents), Steve Thelen (Pamela Lay's brother-in-law), Beth (Peggy Thomson's sister), Audrey Watson and families.

**Prayers are with the Osborne family** for the loss of Pamela who died Thursday, April 19. A private family service will be held Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> in the Chapel. Pastor Greg Allen-Pickett will be presiding.

**Condolences also to Sharon Chapel and family** for the loss of her son, Ty Chapel. Ty's memorial service will be Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, followed by lunch in Fellowship Hall. Pastor Greg Allen-Pickett will be officiating.

**Congratulations Deacon Moderator Dawna Whitcomb** for being appointed by Adams County Board of Supervisors as interim Emergency Management Director effective May 1<sup>st</sup>!

*"Thank you to everyone for your prayers, visits, cards, and thoughts during my hip replacement adventure. I am doing much better and am looking forward to being dismissed from all rehab in the near future. Frank and I can't tell you how much it means to us to be part of such a loving and caring community." -- Carol Medsker*

*"I want to thank each and every one of you that included me in your prayers, there is truly power in prayer and God does grant miracles and healing. I have been so blessed and humbled by the outpouring of love and prayer I have experienced since my fall. Love and blessing to you all." – Kathy Illingworth*

### **Fourth Sunday Fellowship**

Today, hosted by the Trustees and the Mission Committee, enjoy a time of fellowship in the Memorial Room following worship.

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# ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT



## You shall be called repairers of the breach

— ISAIAH 58

Sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.



Text **SHARING** to 56512 to learn more about how your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference, or visit [www.pcusa.org/oghs](http://www.pcusa.org/oghs).



Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
**Presbyterian Mission**

Offerings for **One Great Hour of Sharing** will be accepted throughout the month of April.

**Bulletin Correction:** Soloist *Karli* Cabrera is soloist for today's offertory, not *Marlo*.

**Name Tags Are Here!**

Everyone who regularly worships at First Presbyterian (whether member or friend) has (or will have) a name tag stored in our beautiful new storage cabinet in the Memorial Room. If everyone wears their tags each week, we should soon know one another's names. *"No one is anonymous to God, and neither should we be to one another."* (Brian Johnson)

- THANK YOU to Brian and Laurie Johnson for building the storage piece.
- PLEASE return your tag to your assigned slot each week following worship.
- CONTACT Kili with any concerns (spelling, missing tag, slot assignment questions, etc.)

**Tacos and Fellowship: A Happy Combination!**

You are invited to our **Fifth Sunday Potluck** event following the 10:30 worship service on Sunday, **April 29**. All members and friends of FPC are encouraged to gather for this meal simply for the sake of spending time in one another's company, making new friends, and enjoying some tacos!

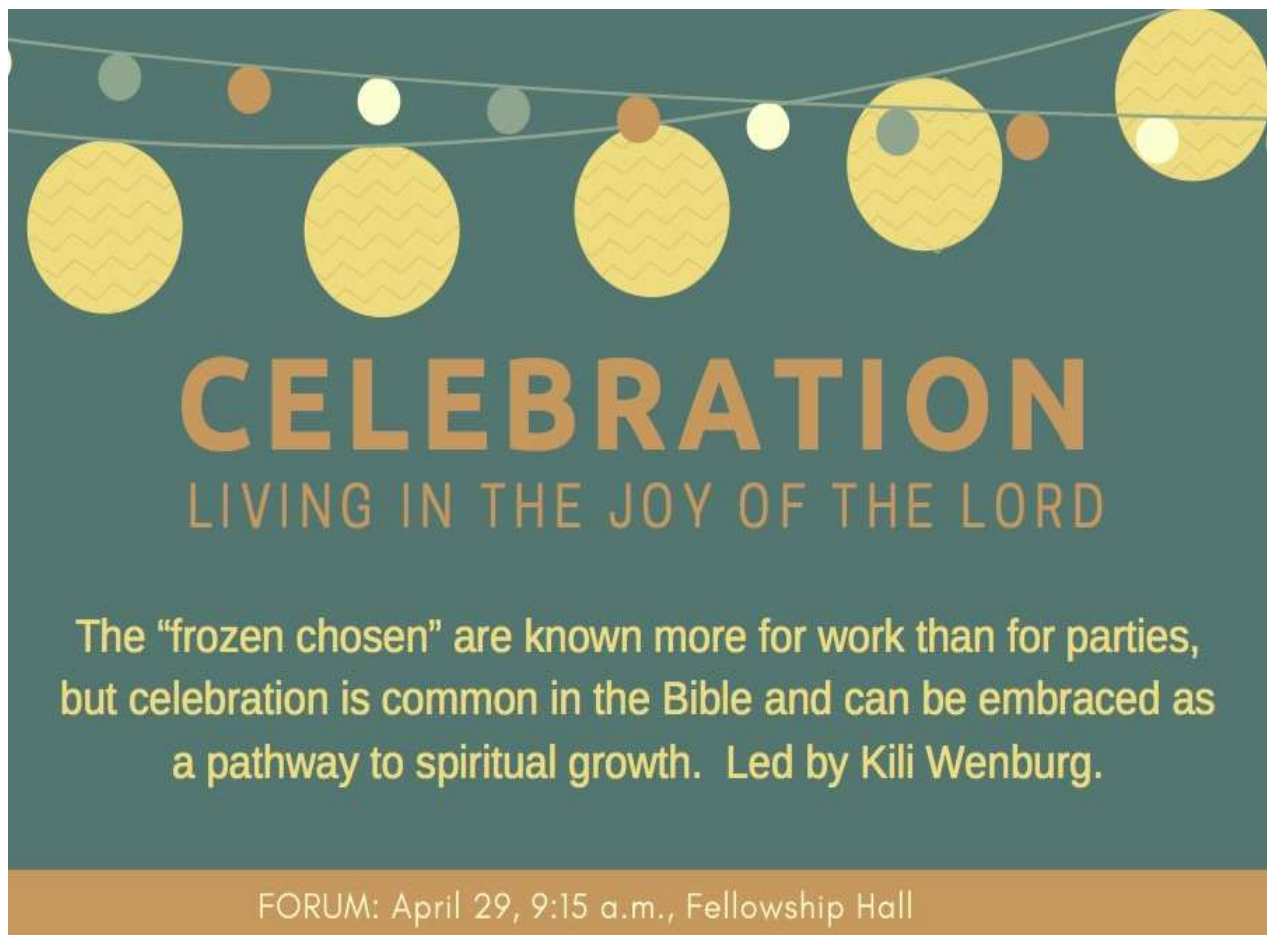
*Please consider contributing to the meal as follows (according to first letter of last name):*

**A-F:** taco shells, tortillas, or chips

**G-M:** seasoned chicken or beef for tacos

**N-R:** taco toppings (e.g. guacamole, salsa, sour cream, lettuce...)

**S-Z:** dessert



**2017/2018 Christian Education Volunteer Recognition, Sunday, April 29, 10:30 am worship**

## "Life as a Preacher's Kid During the War Years"

FORUM: May 6, 9:15 a.m.  
Fellowship Hall  
Jane Marsh, Presenter



World War II was a time of anxiety and sacrifice for many on the home front, but it was also a time of laughter, hope, and learning. Sharing both humorous and poignant anecdotes from her childhood in the war years, Jane Marsh will lead the Forum on May 6, providing a story-rich conclusion for our 2017-18 "Hear the Story, Share the Story, Live the Story!" theme.

### Special Attendance Recognition

Children who routinely attend Sunday School and Wednesday Night Live will get a chance at a worship leadership role. Each month, all children preschool thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade with 100% Sunday School or Wednesday Night Live attendance will be entered into a drawing. Two children will be chosen each month. The children will get a chance to extend their faith growth to others by choosing to serve in one of the following worship roles:

- Acolyte (if under 4<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Usher
- Music soloist
- Call to Worship leader
- Prayer leader
- Children's Moment leader or helper



### *Confirmation Cake Reception*

First Presbyterian Church

Memorial Room

Sunday, May 6

following the 10:30am service

During the month of March, twenty (20) children had 100% Sunday School attendance. Twenty-five (25) children had 100% Wednesday Night Live attendance. The two children whose names were drawn for March's recognition are Olivia Canady (Sunday School) and Moses Rhodes (WNL). Thanks be to God for our faithful attenders!





# Community Prayer Walk

## Joyce Schiffler Service Award

**Sunday, April 29, 2018 2:00pm-3:30pm**

### Details:

The Walk begins in front of St. Cecilia High School, park in StC parking lot.

Participants will walk together for 35-45 minutes in central downtown Hastings.

The Walk ends at the St. Cecilia Health Ministry Office, 200 yards from the StC parking lot.

Immediately after the Walk, the Joyce Schiffler Service To Others will be awarded at the St. Cecilia Health Ministry Office, 415 N. Kansas. Award given by Sunrise Rotary Club.

For those with **limited mobility**, a modified "Prayer Walk" will be set up at the Health Ministry Office, 415 N. Kansas. Handicapped parking and entrance is located on the west side of the building.

### **Walking together in groups, or as families, is a great way to participate!**

This Community Prayer Walk and Award commemorates

Joyce Schiffler

a well-known community walker, who lived a life of selfless service to others.

The Community Prayer Walk also:

- Promotes physical and spiritual activity.
- Encourages faith communities on their spiritual walk with God.
- Brings faith traditions together in prayer.
- Honors Joyce, who walked everywhere and inspired people to serve.

A collaboration between Rotary, First Presbyterian Church, St. Cecilia Health Ministry, and the Hastings Health Ministry Network.



Hastings Health Ministry  
Network



## Adult Sunday School interest survey

*\*Please check the boxes for items that would make you want to come to an adult Sunday School class.*

*\*If you feel neutral about an item, leave it blank.*

### ▪ **FORMAT**

- Location of class is not at the church (eg. at a coffee shop or Russ's)
- Class includes time for small talk
- Refreshments are served
- Class includes time for discussion of the topic
- Class meets only 3 or so weeks at a time and then takes a break
- There is reading or other suggested reflection between Sunday sessions
- Nothing is required of participants between Sunday sessions

### ▪ **CONTENT**

- Class is a serious Bible study
- Class studies/discusses a book (non-scriptural)
- Each week has its own topic
- Topics are addressed more deeply through a series of classes

### ▪ **PARTICIPANTS**

- Class is designated for people in your age range
- Class is only for women or only for men
- Class includes diversity of age, gender, and perspective

### ▪ **LEADER**

- Same leader each Sunday
- Variety of individuals take turns leading the class
- Class is led by an expert
- Class leader is similar in knowledge to class participants

### ▪ **OTHER**

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If you currently participate in adult Sunday School, why do you do so?

If you currently do not participate in adult Sunday School, what do you do instead from 9:15-10:15 on Sunday mornings?

Topics you'd be interested in addressing through an adult class:

Other comments about the adult education program?

How do you prefer to get info about upcoming classes? (Circle all that apply.)

Home Page  
Bulletin

Facebook  
Fliers on church doors

Weekly "Learn, Grow, Serve!" email Kili sends out  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Hastings College Spring Choir Concert**  
 (The College Choir, HC Singers, Men's Choir, and Spectrum)  
 will perform at FPC TODAY @ 6:00p.m.  
 Admission is free. A bake sale will follow. Everyone is welcome!

**This Week --- Apr. 23 – Apr. 21, 2018**

<b>Mon, Apr. 23</b>	<b>4:30p-5:30p</b>	<b>Pooh Corner Board Meeting</b> in Anderson Conf.
	<b>7:00p-9:00p</b>	<b>Boy Scouts Meet</b> in Scout Room
	<b>7:30p-9:30p</b>	<b>Chorus of the Plains Practice</b> in Choir Room
<b>Tue, Apr. 24</b>	<b>10:30a-11:30p</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b> in Pastor's Office
	<b>12:00p-1:00p</b>	<b>Bible Study</b> in Anderson Conference Room
	<b>1:00p</b>	<b>Quilters Meet</b> in Annex
	<b>4:00p-6:30p</b>	<b>Life Source Dance Class</b> in NE Classroom, Annex
	<b>6:30p-8:00p</b>	<b>Financial Peace University Class</b>
	<b>6:45p-7:45p</b>	<b>Deacons Meet</b> in Anderson Conference Room
	<b>7:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>CCC Dog Obedience Class</b> in NE Classroom, Annex
<b>Wed, Apr. 25</b>	<b>7:00a-8:00a</b>	<b>Bible@Breakfast</b> in the Parlor
	<b>12:00p-1:00p</b>	<b>Adult Education Committee Meeting</b> in the Parlor
	<b>4:00p-6:00p</b>	<b>WNL Activities</b> (Pre-K thru 5 <sup>th</sup> Grades)
	<b>6:00p-6:45p</b>	<b>WNL Family Time Meal</b> (All Ages Welcome!)
	<b>6:30p-8:00p</b>	<b>Wood Carvers Meet</b> in Basement
	<b>6:45p-7:30p</b>	<b>Chancel Choir Practice</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>Chancel Bells Practice</b>
	<b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>WNL Bible Study/Fellowship Jr./Sr. High</b> (6 <sup>th</sup> thru 12 <sup>th</sup> Grades)
<b>Thu, Apr. 26</b>	<b>6:30p-7:30p</b>	<b>Spanish Class</b> in NW Classroom, Annex
<b>Fri, Apr. 27</b>	<b>10:00a-12:00p</b>	<b>Mahjong Ladies</b> in Youth Activity Room
<b>Sat, Apr. 28</b>	<b>4:00p-5:00p</b>	<b>Life Source Dance Practice</b> in NE Classroom, Annex