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First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, Nebraska 68901-5175
Vol. 22.15 Weeks Of: July 22 & July 29, 2018

Need a ride to church on Sundays? Request a ride by calling Deacon Moderator Dawna Whitcomb at [402-469-4805](tel:402-469-4805) or the church office at [402-462-5147](tel:402-462-5147).

The radio broadcast airs during Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. on KICS 1550 AM.

Sunday's service will be broadcast live on Facebook at 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, Sunday'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 the church office.

July Communion Offering goes toward Open Table

HOSPITAL REMINDER – Due to privacy regulations in place at the hospital, if you would like the church to know that either you or a family member will be hospitalized or have been admitted, please take a moment and call the church office at 402-462-5147. Remember... we don't always know what's happening unless you tell us!

The **CANINE CONGREGATION** will meet at the Hastings dog park, south of GSV, from 9:30 to (about) 10:30 am each Saturday this summer. This is a time for fellowship among dogs of FPC and their human stewards.

There is no cost and no need to make reservations. However, participants must adhere to park regulations dictated by the city of Hastings. See photo here:

<https://www.amazon.com/photos/share/QNpWiozzXNXs9WR7cmNB1wSl7ZgqukoOJoobZpHisoN>
Questions may be directed to Linda Cooke.



Join us for worship this summer at First Presbyterian Church of Hastings as we reflect on biblical, theological and sacred themes in popular music

June 3: "Sounds of Silence"

– Simon and Garfunkel

June 10: "A Change is Gonna Come"

– Sam Cooke

June 17: "Put on Your Sunday Clothes"

– Hello Dolly

June 24: "One Pair of Hands"

– Carroll Roberson

July 1: "Let's Just Have Supper"

– Nora Jane Struthers & Korby Lenker

July 8: "American Tune" – Paul Simon

July 15: "Awake my Soul" – Mumford & Sons

July 22: "Bishop and Jean Valjean Soliloquy"

– Les Miserables

July 29: "Viva la Vida" – Coldplay

August 12: "Teach Your Children Well"

– Crosby Stills and Nash

August 19: "If we are the body"

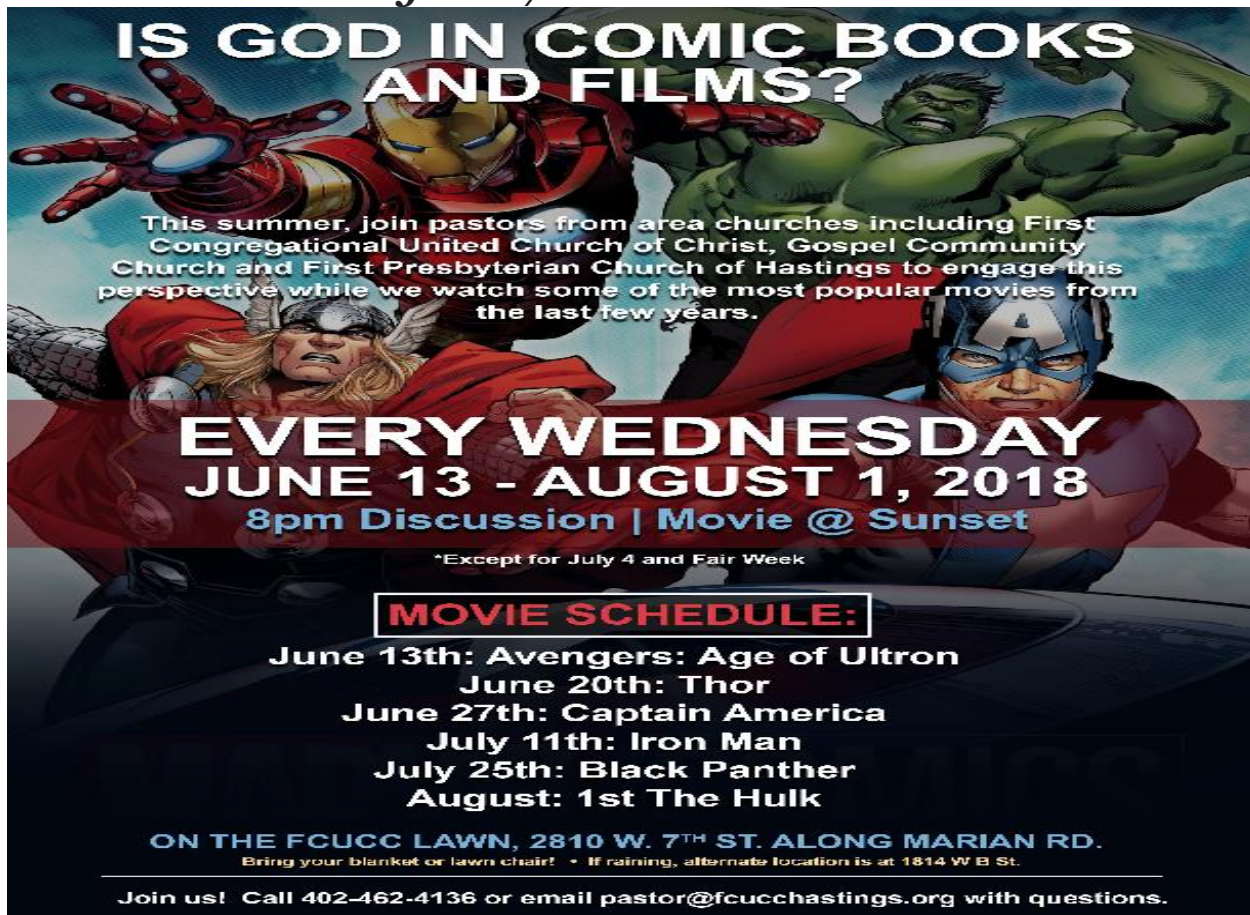
– Casting Crowns

August 26: "Blowin' in the Wind"

– Bob Dylan

September 2: "Show me the way" – Styx

*****The time has changed to 7:00 and will be shown inside the church!***



IS GOD IN COMIC BOOKS AND FILMS?

This summer, join pastors from area churches including First Congregational United Church of Christ, Gospel Community Church and First Presbyterian Church of Hastings to engage this perspective while we watch some of the most popular movies from the last few years.

**EVERY WEDNESDAY
JUNE 13 - AUGUST 1, 2018**
8pm Discussion | Movie @ Sunset

*Except for July 4 and Fair Week

MOVIE SCHEDULE:

June 13th: Avengers: Age of Ultron
June 20th: Thor
June 27th: Captain America
July 11th: Iron Man
July 25th: Black Panther
August: 1st The Hulk

ON THE FCUCC LAWN, 2810 W. 7TH ST. ALONG MARIAN RD.
Bring your blanket or lawn chair! • If raining, alternate location is at 1814 W B St.

Join us! Call 402-462-4136 or email pastor@fcucchastings.org with questions.

**Open Table Sack Lunch Assembly is Sunday, July 1st thru July 22nd, following Church.
Come join the fun of working together.**

Needed for July:

1. Early birds to arrive at 9:30 Sunday mornings to help set up the assembly.
2. People with trucks or large vehicles to help transport the sacks to Catholic Social Services following the assembly and possibly help with other food transportation through the month.
3. A few good cooks (or people who can follow directions) to assist in creating special meals on a Tuesday afternoon from 1:00 to 3:00 beginning July 10th through July 31st.
4. Volunteers to help serve the special meals on Wednesday morning or afternoon at the Catholic Social Service Office. This requires a background check and a brief online information course that Meg or Jeni can lead you through.
5. Last, but definitely not least, prayers and financial support.

If you have questions, you may call or text:

Jeni @ 402-469-1500 Meg @ 402-902-9330

With our Appreciation and Thanks,
Jeni, Meg, and Lily

Thank you to the Church from Lauren Canady

Thank you so much for your very generous gift. Being able to do the Children's Moment this past year has truly been a blessing. This experience helped me get to know my faith better, along as myself. I hope there is a continuance of "youth leading youth". It is such a wonderful experience. Thank you!

FPC: Exploring God's Mission Through Partnership
"Building relationships and understanding across borders."



FPC Hastings is sponsoring an adult exchange to one of our mission partners, Frontera de Cristo from October 20th to October 26th, 2018. Frontera de Cristo is a Bi-National Presbyterian Border Ministry.



Please pray for the team and the ministry. Deadline for registration was July 15.

Vacation Bible School makes a difference in lives around the world!

The children of VBS 2018 donated \$275.13 to Living Waters for the World. Because of their generosity, children and their families will have life-saving clean water to drink. The truth of that statement was made particularly evident during a visit with Cuban Water partners in September 2017.

Guines, Cuba, a community of 70,000 people, is located 51 kilometers southeast of Havana and was the site of a cholera outbreak in 2013. Abel Mirabal, pastor of The Presbyterian Reformed Church of Cuba in Guines, was visiting the U.S. as he received reports of casualties and sickness back home. He was deeply concerned, but also hopeful because his church had previously covenanted with Westminster Presbyterian Church of Minneapolis to install a Living Waters for the World water system that March. Pastor Mirabal recalled, "It was a reality that came at the best time. A blessing from God."

No one came to drink at first, so, Pastor Mirabal told volunteers to pray. Even so, they were not ready for what would happen one month later. 150 people started coming for water. The water system operators were working frantically to meet the need. Today, the system operators serve 300 people every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The church distributes 1,400 gallons each day they serve – purifying 710 gallons in the morning and 710 gallons in the afternoon. In all, they have provided over 750,000 gallons (and counting) of safe drinking water to their community!

Guines' story clearly illustrates how the generosity of others – your generosity – empowers international partners to save lives through clean water. I am sincerely grateful for your gift to Living Waters for the World and for your investment in the people we serve.

-Seth Guterman, President, Living Waters for the World Board of Directors

The 2018 Go & Serve Mission Trip (July 14-21) is here! Our intrepid group of faithful youth and sponsors are once again returning to Camp Courageous in Monticello, Iowa. The camp is a year-round respite care / recreational facility for individuals of all ages with disabilities.

During the week our youth will serve as partners to both campers and staff. We'll help with activities, form bonds with campers, and just generally love and serve anyone we come across. The heart of the gospel is to love our neighbors as ourselves. We're excited to meet some new neighbors and share in a week of their lives.

Please pray for us as we travel and during our week's sojourn in Iowa.

Youth

Allie Bauer	Lily Black
Avery Essink	Maggie Nielsen
Carter Wenburg	Meredith Brandt
Chase Johnson	Nina Meyer
Erikka Rhodes	Nyanhial Duang
Grace Canady	Nyaguor Duang
Grace Redinger	Sarah Spilinek
Lauren Canady	

Sponsors

Amy Black
Becky Meyer
Damen Heitmann
Nancy Grams
Tammie Nowka
Teresa Canady

"When working with your attorney to **update your will and estate plan**, please consider including a gift to the First Presbyterian Church Foundation. Your gift will enhance the work of this congregation for many years to come. Our Federal Identification Number is 47-0710307."

--Dave Dirks, Moderator of the Foundation



CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSETS??

The First Presbyterian Church Mission committee would love to receive your gently used winter coats for our coat drive that will be held in October. Coats of all sizes are needed for Men, Women and Children. (Adult XL and XXL are in high need) Donations accepted now through October at First Presbyterian Church, Hastings YMCA and Pershing

Orthodontics.

To date, over 150 coats have been collected. Thank you all for opening your hearts to help others in need for this much needed cause.



Calling all dancers, young, old, male, female. No matter what your skill level, if you want to make some new friends, get some exercise, and perform for various community groups such as migrant workers and Head Start kids, join our Mexican Dance troupe!

Taught by Tita Ruvalcaba, a member of the FPC Spanish class, the troupe will practice at the church Annex, Wednesday evenings at 7:00 starting on Wednesday, July 11.

Observers are welcome too!

From the Global Mission Committee –

Thank you to all who donated disposable diapers and wipes. Through your generosity, we were able to deliver 261 units to Catholic Social services during the month of July.



**American
Red Cross**

The July 2nd Blood Drive was a success! The blood drive goal was exceeded with a total 31 units of blood donated! Thank you to the many volunteers and individuals who gave.

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be Tuesday, September 4, from 12 noon – 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendar now! To donate or volunteer your time, please call Erica Brooks, FPC Parish Nurse, at **402-469-9285** or sign up at www.redcrossblood.org.

Calvin Crest Camp Conference & Retreat Center is celebrating 60 years of connecting with God and others in the majesty of his creation on August 25, 2018! This FREE event includes lunch, a T-shirt with reservation, special events, and live entertainment. Join us for a day full of family, friends, food and fun! From sand volleyball and tie-dye crafts to hayrack rides and hammocks, there's something for everyone in the family to enjoy! Learn more at www.calvincrest.org/funday

In Loving Memory of

- * **Peace "Penny" Lungren** passed away June 28, 2018 in Lawrence, KS (Penny authored the red booklet "Twenty-Five Years Past the Century Mark of First Presbyterian Church of Hastings, NE").
 - * **Shirley Johnston** passed away July 2, 2018 in Beatrice, NE
 - * **Irmise Heeren** passed away. Services will be held at First Presbyterian Church, Tuesday July 24 at 11:00 with luncheon to follow
 - * **Donald Whitcomb** passed away July 13, 2018. Services will be held at First Presbyterian Church Wednesday, July 18 at 10:30 with a luncheon to follow
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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Byron & Deb Jensen	07/01/1979
Tyler & Jamie Lay	07/05/2014
George & Jo Anderson	07/06/1974
Gary & Emily Johnson	07/08/2000
Tracy & Kenny Brooks	07/10/2010
Teri & Tam Nguyen	07/15/1980
Neal & Susan Hoff	07/16/1972
Tim & Teresa Canady	07/18/1998
Tommy & Dee Toms III	07/18/1998
Harold & Milrae Korb	07/24/2010
Dick & Pat Kleiber	07/25/1958
Jeff & Vicki Howard	07/26/1980
Doug & Marnie Soderquist	07/27/2012
Tom & Leah Ratzlaff	07/31/2004

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



07/01	Cal Johnson	07/17	Pam Lay
	Audrey Portwood	07/18	Annie Mitchell
	George White		Sharon Reicks
07/02	Brad Davis		Rachael Tut
	Cale Henderson		May Wierenga
	Pat Jacoby	07/19	Lois Hahne
	Jamie Lay		Steve Jurgena
	Jayden Propp		Susan Roberts
	Brent Sovereign	07/20	Charlie Stout
07/03	Wallace Dogbevia	07/21	Cathy Davis
07/04	Mike Meyer	07/22	Mark Hemje
	Seth Schwarz		Chelby Schlichtman
	Lincoln Welsch		Meg Stewart-Magee
07/05	Bailey Eckhardt		Harrison Welsch
	Julie McDougal	07/23	Jonathan Lainson
	Dave Schawang		Becky Matticks
07/06	Verna Meyer	07/24	Harrison Bishop
	Adam Welton		Mackenzie Heneger
07/08	Terry Beahm		Grace Redinger
	Tammie Nowka	07/25	Dave Fisher
	Eleanor Oliver		Laif Hultine
07/09	Martha Boyd		Don Rasmussen
	Connie Hultine	07/26	Dawn Baldwin
	Sara McPherson		Ashley Ehrich
	Paige Taylor		Kate Hemje
07/10	Bryant Allen		Linda Johnson
07/11	Chris Dinkler		Mary Lewis
	Tom Johnsen	07/27	Jean Koch
07/13	Kay Georgiana		Claire Lay
	Charles Hermes	07/28	Susan Benorden
07/14	Jessica Allen-Pickett	07/29	Lyndie Eddleman
	Mary Jeanne Cooke		Alex Ferguson
	Marc Hultine	07/30	Bob Boerigter
	Lynne Friedewald		Mary Seiler
07/15	Becky Foote	07/31	Stella Adam
07/16	Duane Huber		Mike Florek
	Michelle Kerr		
	Nkuma Uche		

Summer Food Service Program



Hey Kids and Teens...

Join us for Nutritious
Summer Meals at
No Charge



Power Panther
says, "Eat
Smart, Play
Hard."™

Where: Lincoln Elementary School
720 Franklin Avenue
Hastings, NE

When: May 29th – July 31st, 2018
No service on July 4th

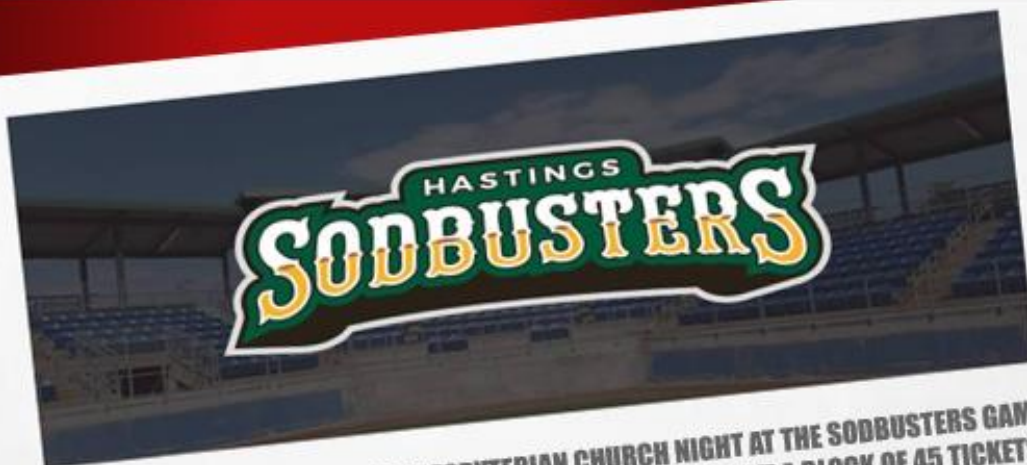
Meals and Times: Lunch served from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Days of the Week Meals are Served: Monday - Friday

Get Involved, for more information call: 402-461-7589

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NIGHT AT THE SODBUSTERS GAME
WE HAVE A BLOCK OF 45 TICKETS!**

DATE: AUGUST 5

TAILGATE SUPPER: 4:30

GAME TIME: 5:35PM

LOCATION: DUNCAN FIELD

COST: \$10

THE COST OF THE TICKET INCLUDES PRE-GAME TAILGATE MEAL.

**STOP BY THE CHURCH OFFICE TO BUY YOUR TICKET, OR BUY THEM IN THE MEMORIAL ROOM
AFTER WORSHIP STARTING ON SUNDAY JULY 8**

**COME OUT AND HAVE FUN WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY, AND
WATCH THE SODBUSTERS BEAT THE HORSEHEADS!**

OUR VERY OWN CHURCH CHOIR WILL BE SINGING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

AUGUST 5TH IS ALSO A FAN APPRECIATION NIGHT AS WELL!



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The newsletter seeks to inform, instruct and challenge its readers to become engaged in the ministry of FPC.

Articles will be accepted by the Friday prior to publication. Submissions may be edited for length and suitability. You may send articles to the church office: fpc@fpchastings.org or call 402-462-5147.

And God is able to provide you
with every blessing in abundance,
so that by always having enough
of everything,
you may share abundantly in
every good work.

-2 Corinthians 9:8