

October 21, 2018

PRELUDE "Come, Christians Join to Sing"

arr. Broughton

Organist Linda Vollweiler

WELCOME Damen Heitmann

INTROIT "Sing to the Lord a Joyful Song"

Hal H. Hopson

Calvin and Westminster Choir, Directed by Linda Johnson

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

We look around at one another, and what do we see?

We see fast friends and new neighbors.

We see the wisdom of ages past and the hope of years to come.

We see hands made rough from work. We see minds bursting with creativity.

We see hearts made light with joy. We see lives wounded with sorrow.

We see a desire for peace and a longing for meaning.

We see lives seeking to be continually shaped and formed by the love of God.

We see our fellow pilgrim, those who journey toward God with us.

\*HYMN

"Tú has venido a la orilla"

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#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

I confess, O God, that I am not the center of the universe. I'm not the most important driver on the road. I don't deserve to be the only customer in line. In truth, I'm not right all the time, and the world really should not be set up to cater to me. My needs are no more, and no less, important than those of my brothers and sisters. And yet I find myself being unwilling to listen, speaking over the top of others, and failing to live up to your ethic of love and compassion. Help me, O God, to restore you to your proper place; that my life may revolve around you, that my heart may be filled with your call, and that my days may be lived in your presence.

QUESTION AND SILENT CONFESSION

Around what does your "universe" revolve?

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The creator of the cosmos loves us.

God is distant as the farthest star and as close to us as breathing.

We are known. We are loved.

We are forgiven and restored.

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory Be to the Father"

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\*PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

(Greet one another by sharing the Peace of Christ with those around you.)

#### SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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

#### TIME WITH CHILDREN

(While the children come down, the congregation will sing "Jesus Loves Me")

**ANTHEM** 

"Sing to the Lord a New Song"

Sonja Poorman

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

As your word is read and proclaimed, let us perceive it beyond hearing, understand it beyond knowing, and cherish it beyond loving. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Psalms 104:1-9, 24, 35c

2<sup>ND</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Mark 10:35-45

MESSAGE

"Servant of All"

**HYMN** 

"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant?"

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## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostle's Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and life everlasting. Amen.

#### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Sue Medsker-Nedderman

(Over the next six weeks, we will hear a reflection from a member of our First Presbyterian Church Family on why they choose to be part of this community and why they choose to support the church with their time, talent and treasure.)

**OFFERING** 

\*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Let us, O God, be filled by the act of giving. Let us be restored through the act of giving ourselves away. Let the gifts we share with you and one another draw your Kingdom ever closer. May we join in your work everywhere and always. 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"

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\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE "Marche"

**Gordon Young** 

(\*Indicates the congregation shall stand as they are able.)

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

8:30 AM – CELEBRATE WORSHIP SERVICE 9:15 AM – SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES 10:30 AM – TRADITIONAL SERVICE



"The Gathering" Returns on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m. at *Prairie Loft*. Our theme this time around shall be "Regret and Contentment: Missteps, Mistakes, and Learning to Live With It". If you have a story you'd like to share, please contact Pastor Damen at dheitmann@hastings.edu

### 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 and Music Coordinator: Linda Vollweiler 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 Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster

Bells Director: Dr. Byron Jensen

**Church Office Administrator:** Jean Matheny

Facilities Manager: Tony Calhoun

#### October 21, 2018:

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

**Today's service will be broadcast live** on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/fpchastings">www.facebook.com/fpchastings</a> 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 Jean Matheny in the office at 402-462-5147 or <a href="mailto:jean@fpchastings.org">jean@fpchastings.org</a>.

**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.

**Flowers** are given in memory of Ruth and Hayes M. Fuhr by friends.

**October Communion Offering** goes to Peace and Global Witness featuring Hearts and Hands Against Hunger in Hastings who will receive 25% of the offering.

**Ushers (Team #2):** Al Meyer – Captain, Duane Huber, Steve Illingworth,

Brian Johnson, Laurie Johnson, Clyde Sachtleben,

Carter Wenburg

**Greeters:** Dan & Vera Zabloudil, and Gale& Dixie McDonald

Acolytes: Tristan Propp, Hazel Zajack
Nursery: Kim Bogan, Andrea Franzen,
Laura Peterson, Leah Ratzlaff

**FPC Prayers for:** Linda Voweiller Katharine Davis Judy Brown Elmer Heeren Zelma Fobben

Celia & Wayne Ganow Richard & Wanda Langer Kathy (& Steve) Illingworth

Mary Kay LaMaster Steve Thelen (Pamela Lay's brother-in law) Arlene Kort

Ramona Shetler Georgette Smidt (Ted Schroeder's sister) Carolyn Nowka & families

Brett & Dana Miller Daveta & Dick Brader Beth Utley

Brooks Borrell John Harrington Jeff & Ashley Hermann

## **October is Pastor Appreciation Month:**

Please pray for: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett, Rev. Damen Heitman

**The Adult Mission Team is traveling this week** to the sister cities of Agua Prieta, Sonora, and Douglas, Arizona. *Please pray for the team and their families:* 

Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett, Denny Storer, Jeni Howard, Margaret Marsh, Jeanne Hastings, Jan Ham, Sharon Brooks

## **Spirituality Lab Meets on Thursday**

This group learns and practices together a different form of prayer or meditation at each gathering. Join us to find the information and support you need for a more interesting and fruitful prayer life. 7:00-7:45 a.m., 2nd and 4th Thurs. of each month, Upper Room

### This Week at FPC --- October 22 – October 28, 2018

Mon, Oct. 22	5:30p-6:30p	<b>Foundation Board Meeting</b> in the Anderson Conference Room
	7:00p-9:00p	Boy Scouts Troop 200 in Scout Room
	7:30p-9:30p	<b>Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal</b> in Choir
		Room
Tues, Oct 23	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting CANCELLED
	12:00p-1:00p	<b>Bible Study</b> in Anderson Room
_	1:00p	Quilters meet in Annex
Wed, Oct 24	7:00a-8:00a	Bible at Breakfast in the Parlor
	4:00p-6:00p	Pre-K thru 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Study,
		Recreation Time, Choir/Bells (WNL)
	6:00p-6:45p	Family Meal Time (WNL)
		All are welcome!
	6:30p-8:00p	Wood Carvers meet in Church Basement
	6:45p-7:30p	Chancel Choir
	6:45p-7:30p	Calvin/Westminster Middle School
		and High School Choir (WNL)
		6 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> grades
	7:30p-8:15p	Chancel Bells
	7:30p-8:15p	Middle School (6th – 8th) Youth Group:
		WNL Bible Study and Fellowship
	7:30p-8:15p	High School (9th-12th) Youth Group:
		WNL Bible Study and Fellowship
Thurs, Oct 25	7:00a-7:45a	Spirituality Lab in the Upper Room
	6:00p-7:00p	<b>Spanish Class</b> in NW Classroom, Annex
Fri, Oct 26	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies in Youth Activity Room
Sun, Oct 28	8:30a-9:15a	Contemporary Style Worship
•	9:15a-10:15a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Traditional Worship Service
	7:00p-8:30p	The Gathering at the Prairie Loft

## Finding God, Even in Failure

Your perfect plan just turned into a disastrous disappointment. What are you supposed to do now? How do you pick yourself up and move forward when you really want to sit in the corner and cry? The *Heirs Apparent* adult Sunday School class will be looking at these questions and more in light of the life of the prophet Jeremiah. This new five-session series called "Fail: What to Do When Things Go Wrong" begins October 21. All are welcome to join together to study how Jeremiah persevered and trusted God during extremely trying times.

Sunday mornings, 9:15-10:15 a.m., Anderson Conference Room



# Don't miss your chance to be a part of our updated pictorial directory!! Final Sessions are TODAY!

The Congregational Life Committee has contracted with a local photographer who will take photos of our church families, provide rights to the digital version of these photos. To offset the cost of the photographer's services, a small donation will be asked of each participating household.

Sign up for a portrait sitting appointment in the Memorial Room TODAY.

## **Upcoming Forum Classes**

❖ October 28: 2018 General Assembly Update

General Assembly (GA) is the biennial gathering of commissioners from each of the 173 presbyteries of the PC(USA). Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, decisions are made at GA on behalf of the national church body. This Forum will provide a report on the notable items addressed at this summer's GA.

Presenters: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett, Sharon Rees

❖ November 4: Presbyterian Border Ministry

Frontera de Cristo is a Presbyterian border ministry located in the sister cities of Agua Prieta, Sonora, and Douglas, Arizona. At this Forum, Hastings FPC's delegation will share about their October visit to Frontera de Cristo.

*Presenters*: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett, Denny Storer, Jeni Howard, Margaret Marsh, Jeanne Hastings, Jan Ham, Sharon Brooks



