

*First Presbyterian  
Church Hastings*



**Reign of Christ Sunday  
November 25, 2018**

PRELUDE "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" arr. Anthony Giamanco  
Pianist Mary Plock

WELCOME Damen Heitmann

INTROIT "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" George Job Elvey  
Chancel Choir, Directed by Dr. Robin Koozer

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Greg Allen-Pickett

*We gather here to be drawn back together.  
**Pulled in so many directions we are like taffy stretched too thin.**  
We seek to be drawn back to our best selves.  
**We seek to be drawn back to one another.**  
We long to be reformed and reshaped.  
**We long to be cast once more in the shape of God.***

\*HYMN "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" 267

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***We confess, O God, that we reject your rule. We've crafted our own set of guidelines and they seem sufficient; or at least they are easier. We also, O God, have set aside your wisdom. Our own self-serving insights are a bit more palatable. Though, to be fair, we can't say they've always led to great results. We've turned our hearts away from you because we thought they'd be filled with feasts and fine clothing, with trinkets and trends, with power and prestige. Forgive us, O God, the daily little coups which we attempt. Have mercy for the moments when we stand in allegiance not with you but with the ways of the world.***

QUESTION AND SILENT CONFESSION

*What rules your heart?*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*We are one in our iniquity.  
**We are one in our restoration.**  
We are forgiven by God.  
**Alleluia! Amen.***

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Santo, Santo, Santo”

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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.)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Maryland Center

TIME WITH CHILDREN

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

ANTHEM

“In Dulci Jubilo” (In Quiet Joy)

Gordon Young

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.***

1<sup>ST</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – 2 Samuel 23:1-7

2<sup>ND</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – John 18:33-38

MESSAGE

HYMN

“Joy to the World”

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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.***

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Simple Gifts"

American Folk Tune, arr. John Carter

\*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***May these gifts, O God, be put into action. Let them be used. Let them be spent. Let them build up, piece by piece, your beloved realm. Let them help to create your kingdom here on earth.***

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 "Come, Great God of All the Ages" 309
- \*CHARGE AND BLESSING
- \*Benediction Response "We All Are One in Mission" 733  
Verse 3
- \*POSTLUDE "Rock Medley" arr. Marilyn Ham

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

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

8:30 A.M. – Taize' Style Service  
9:15 A.M. – Sunday School, All ages  
10:30 – 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 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  
**Parish Associate and Spiritual Formation:** Kili Wenburg

**Ministers:** Members of the Church  
**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Damen Heitmann  
**Interim Director of Adult Education & Fellowship:** Sharon Brooks  
**Chancel Choir Director:** Dr. Robin Koozer  
**Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster Bells Director:** Dr. Byron Jensen  
**Church Office Administrator:** Jean Matheny  
**Facilities Manager:** Tony Calhoun  
**Pastor Emeritus:** Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey



**November 25, 2018:**

**The radio broadcast** airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given by Jo 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 Jean Matheny in the office at 402-462-5147 or [jean@fpchastings.org](mailto:jean@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.

**Flowers** are given in memory their parents by Marie and Don Rasmussen.

**December Communion Offering goes to Maryland Living Center**

The Communion Offering for December will help our neighbors at Maryland Living Center, just across 7th Street. The Maryland Center is a transitional home for homeless youth, ages 16-21. The program there provides guidance for functioning in community life, taking advantage of educational opportunities, preparing for employment and a career, and enhancing individual independent living. As a part of the transition, Maryland helps with apartment start-up items such as: towels, cleaning supplies, laundry baskets, small trash cans, and shower curtains. If you have any of these items, please bring them to a corner of the Memorial Room during December. If you have any gently-used furniture, please contact the Maryland Living Center at 402-834-3180.

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

**Greeters:** Richard & Connie McClenahan, Anne Bohlke

**Acolytes:** Corle' Hall, Shannon Canady

**Nursery:** Kim Bogan, Andrea Franzen, Laura Peterson

**FPC Prayers for:**

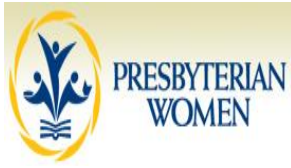
Judy Brown	Family of Jack Osborne	Sharon Harvey
Celia & Wayne Ganow	Elmer Heeren	Katharine Davis
Mary Kay LaMaster	Richard & Wanda Langer	Zelma Fobben
Ramona Shetler	John Harrington	Kathy (& Steve) Illingworth
Brett & Dana Miller	Georgette Smidt (Ted Schroeder's sister)	Arlene Kort
Georgie Evans	Linda Vollweiler	Carolyn Nowka
Steve Thelen (Pamela Lay's brother-in law)	Brooks Borrell (infant son of Kim & Jeremy Borrell, grandson of Bev & Ken Stein)	Beth Utley
		Jeff & Ashley Hermann

*Please let us know if you would like to be added to, or removed from, the prayer list by calling the church office at 402-462-5147.*

**This Week at FPC --- November 26 – December 2, 2018**

<b>Mon, Nov 26</b>	<b>6:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in FPC Annex NW Classroom
	<b>7:00p-9:00p</b>	<b>Boy Scouts Troop 200</b> in Scout Room
	<b>7:30p-9:30p</b>	<b>Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal</b> in Choir Room
<b>Tues, Nov 27</b>	<b>10:30a-11:30a</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b>
	<b>12:00p-1:00p</b>	<b>Bible Study</b> in Anderson Room
<b>Wed, Nov 28</b>	<b>1:00p</b>	<b>Quilters</b> meet in Annex
	<b>7:00a-8:00a</b>	<b>Bible at Breakfast</b> in the Library
	<b>9:30a-10:30a</b>	<b>Circle II</b> meet in the Library <i>(Hostess-Shirley Gass, Lesson-Alice Throckmorton)</i>
	<b>1:15p-2:15p</b>	<b>Circle III</b> meet in the Library <i>(Hostess-Mary Northrup, Lesson-Jo Seiler)</i>
	<b>4:00p-6:00p</b>	<b>Pre-K thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Study,</b> <b>Recreation Time, Choir/Bells (WNL)</b>
	<b>6:00p-6:45p</b>	<b>Family Meal Time (WNL)</b> All are welcome!
	<b>6:30p-8:00p</b>	<b>Wood Carvers</b> meet in Church Basement
	<b>6:45p-7:30p</b>	<b>Chancel Choir</b>
	<b>6:45p-7:30p</b>	<b>Calvin/Westminster Middle School</b> <b>and High School Choir (WNL)</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> grades
	<b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>Chancel Bells</b>
<b>Thurs, Nov 29</b>	<b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>) Youth Group:</b> <b>WNL Bible Study and Fellowship</b>
	<b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>High School (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) Youth Group:</b> <b>WNL Bible Study and Fellowship</b>
	<b>7:00a-7:45a</b>	<b>Spirituality Lab</b> in the Upper Room
	<b>6:00p-7:00p</b>	<b>Spanish Class</b> in FPC NW Classroom
	<b>7:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Cub Scout Den Meeting</b>
<b>Fri, Nov 30</b>	<b>10:00a-12:00p</b>	<b>Mahjong Ladies</b> in Youth Activity Room
	<b>9:00a-3:00p</b>	<b>Drop &amp; Shop</b>
<b>Sun, Dec 2</b>	<b>9:00a-Noon</b>	<b>Hanging of the Greens</b>
	<b>8:30a-9:30a</b>	<b>Taize' Service</b>
	<b>9:15a-10:15a</b> <b>10:30a</b>	<b>Sunday School-All Ages</b> <b>Traditional Worship Service</b>

*Don and Marie Rasmussen are the proud Grandparents of twin granddaughters born Monday to parents Jayson and Abbi Stoddard. Don and Marie are also celebrating their 67<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this week. In celebration of their anniversary, Don and Marie are providing cookies following church today.*



**DECEMBER 5, 2018 LUNCHEON**

**PROGRAM: Adams Central High School Madrigals**

**Directed by Linda Johnson**

Prepare Lunch, Kitchen Helpers - Circle 1

Set Tables, Centerpieces, Devotions, Nametags, Cashier, Huger Cups - Circle 2

**Presbyterian Women's (PW) luncheons** are at 11:45 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. A program and short business meeting follow the luncheon. All women of the church are welcome and encouraged to come for all or part of the meeting. Call your reservation to your circle telephone chairperson or to the church office by the Monday preceding the PW meeting.

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### **Presbyterian Women Luncheon in Minden**

You are invited to attend a Holiday Thanksgiving Luncheon hosted by Westminster United Presbyterian Women of Minden on Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 p.m. at the church on 109 N. Colorado Ave, Minden. Call 308-832-2170 with reservations.

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**Did you miss the photo sessions for the new pictorial directory? NO PROBLEM!**

You can still be included in the new directory! Just email your snapshot to [kili@fpchastings.org](mailto:kili@fpchastings.org). Horizontal orientation preferred. Please, no copyrighted photos. Digital pictures are preferred, but we can scan a hard copy, if digital is not an option

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### **Meal Train for Kim, Jeremy, Briella and Brooks Borrell!!**

Dear First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, NE family: We are so excited to welcome the newest member of our church family, Brooks! Mom is Kim Stein Borrell, Dad is Jeremy Borrell and Brooks' sweet big sister is Briella. Sign up on Facebook to bring the family a meal or go to the following link [www.mealtrain.com/trains/2orko8](http://www.mealtrain.com/trains/2orko8)

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### **Upcoming Forum Classes**

❖ December 2: Religious Experience Inside and Outside the U.S.

The practice and experience of any given religion can vary widely from place to place. In this Forum, immigrants to the U.S. will compare their religious experiences before and after coming to the U.S.

*Presenters:* Irina Belikova-Erickson (Russia), Bertha De Dios Salvador (Mexico)

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### **Spirituality Lab**

Learn and practice 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.

❖ November 29: Centering Prayer

*7:00 a.m., The Upper Room Classroom (upper level Memorial Room)*



## Hastings Food Pantry Donations

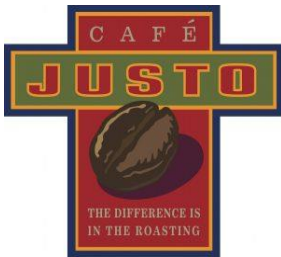
During this time of the year, donations of paper products, soup, pasta, and canned fruit are much appreciated. The Food Pantry has been in operation since 1982 as an all-volunteer organization providing Hastings and the surrounding area with emergency provisions. The first Sunday of each month is a great time to fill up our boxes in the Memorial Room.

## Hanging of the Greens

Beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, *December 1*, we will gather to enjoy preparing to welcome everyone to First Presbyterian Church with traditional wreaths and strings of lights. Bring a snack to share!

## Hands Around the World Store Christmas Fair Trade Sale

**Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, @ 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**



All our Fair Trade products come from artisans who live in poor areas around the globe. Purchasing their goods helps them to feed their families, allows them to send their children to school, and helps improve their lives by becoming economically self-sufficient. Handcrafts for sale include: baskets, scarves, woolen hats and mittens, holiday decorations, gourmet chocolates, spices, teas, coffee, and much more. Purchasing products from the store also supports our

local mission, United Harvest. We give \$100. from the store, each month, to this outreach, which helps to feed those in need in our community.

## Homemade Cinnamon Rolls



## Go & Serve Fundraiser

This year we are offering something new. You can pick up a pan of 6 baked fresh rolls OR you can request to have your rolls frozen and you can bake when you would like!

**\*\*If you request yours to be frozen, you will get a package of 6 rolls along with a bag of frosting.**

**\*\*All orders will be ready for pick up in the Church kitchen Sunday December 16th.**

**\*\*If you can not make that date let us know and we can make other arrangements.**

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**6 Cinnamon Rolls \$12 (one pan). Total number of pans \_\_\_\_\_**

**Baked \_\_\_\_\_ or Frozen \_\_\_\_\_**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_**

First Presbyterian Church  
**Holiday  
Drop & Shop**

Drop off your children  
while you do your holiday shopping.

**Drop off  
children at  
Main  
Entrance  
(south doors)**

**Bring  
your  
friends!**

Ages 3-11  
(Must be potty trained)

**Saturday, Dec. 1**  
**Full day:** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Half day:** 9 a.m. to noon  
or Noon to 3 p.m.

Lunch provided for all.

**Full Day:** \$50  
**Half day:** \$30

10% off for additional children  
from same family

**Activity stations:**

- **Make a Gift: Additional charge**
- **Movie & popcorn**
- **Make an ornament/advent calendar**
- **Reindeer Games in gym**
- **Karaoke/Dance Party**



- **Yoga**
- **Nails by Nina**
- **Snowy Science Lab**
- **Slime Make & Take**

- **Photo Booth**
- **Lego Creation**
- **Scavenger Hunt**
- **Plus, more!**

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone numbers \_\_\_\_\_

Reserve space by e-mailing the total number of kids to [holidaydropandshop2018@gmail.com](mailto:holidaydropandshop2018@gmail.com)  
by November 28.

## GO & SERVE

### **Bid Board donations needed**

Each year, the senior high youth group of First Presbyterian Church has the opportunity to go on a Go & Serve Mission trip. The goal of this trip is to engage the students in service projects that work toward the betterment of our community, our state, our nation, and its people. In June of 2019, the group will travel to Hazard, Kentucky and will work on new home construction and/or home repair through the "Hammerin' in the Hills" program.

To help offset the costs of taking trips to various destinations across the country, we hold an annual silent auction (Bid Board). This year our silent auction will be held December 2-16. We are always looking for items to put up for auction and are hoping you can help with a NEW or GENTLY USED donation. A few popular items from the past include: themed gift baskets, gift certificates, child care, yard services, fine art.

Please deliver your donations to the designated cart in the church's common office area **before Sunday, December 2**. Also, please fill out the following form and attach it to your donation.

Item/Service being donated: (please, new or gently used)

Donated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_