

January 27, 2019 Third Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE "Dance Festiva" Paul McKlveen

Chancel Bells, Director Byron Jenson

WELCOME Greg Allen-Pickett

CHORAL INTROIT "Let Us Build a House – All Are Welcome" Marty Haugen

Chancel Choir, Director Robin Koozer

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 19)

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the earth proclaims his handiwork.

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;

The decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

The commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;

The ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. Come let us worship God!

*HYMN

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ever present One, you call us to be your presence, your body in this world, but too often we get caught up in the details and lose sight of the overarching mission you set before us.

We fracture into pieces. We go our separate ways, forgetting we need each other to be whole. You have given us your law to be our guide, but we turn our backs on what we see as rules and restrictions, fearful that we will not live up to your expectations.

Help us see with new eyes, and hear with the ears of our heart, the liberating spirit of the law that strengthens and revives and enables us to be and do all you call us to be and do. O God of liberation and justice, help us be faithful witnesses to your law of love and unity.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Spirit of God is upon us!

God has called us to bring good news and liberation to the poor and the suffering.

God's joy is our strength.

Through God we can do all things.

God's Spirit surrounds us with forgiveness and love.

Alleluia! Amen!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory to God"

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*PEACE OF CHRIST (Greet one another by sharing the Peace of Christ with those around you.) The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also with 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

Stephanie Brader

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy One, we thank you for the gift of the Bible, for its psalms and poems, stories and histories, teachings and prophecies. May the Holy Spirit which inspired these words also inspire our hearts today as we hear them read and proclaimed, and may our lives reflect the mission of Jesus. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING - Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

ANTHEM "We Will Be Your Church"

Tina English

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 4:14-21

SERMON "A Mission Statement"

*HYMN "Live into Hope" 772

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Brief Statement of Faith from the PC(USA), 1983
In life and in death we belong to God. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,

healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,

eating with outcasts,

forgiving sinners, and

calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

OFFERING (All loose coins in the offering plate will be donated to PC (USA) Hunger Fund.)

"Do Not Pass Me By" OFFERTORY

Chancel Choir

(In memory of Rogene Wenburg, former member of Chancel Choir)

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of life and of new life, bless these gifts that we have given that they may further your reign in this world. Amen.

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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service" *HYMN

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*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"Prelude" from Te Deum Linda Vollweiler, Organ

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

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

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

8:30 – Taizé Contemplative Style Worship Service with Communion 9:15 - Sunday School for all ages

10:30 - Youth Sunday! Worship led by our High School Youth with Communion

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-Tacev

Epiphany Sermon Series: A light for all the world!

"For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to all!" –Luke 2

Join us for an Epiphany Sermon Series as we learn how Christ shines as a light beyond his local context to the whole world, and how we are called to do the same!

1/6: "Outsiders Becoming Insiders" Matthew 2:1-12 1/13: "Saved to Serve the Whole World" Luke 3:15-22

1/20: "Jesus' first miracle" John 2:1-11
1/27: "A Mission Statement" Luke 4:14-21

2/10: "Called and Sent" Luke 5:1-11

2/17: "Fullness and Emptiness" Luke 6:17-26

2/24: "Unlimited Love" Luke 6:27-38 3/3: "Shine like Jesus!" Luke 9:28-43

<u>January 27, 2019:</u>

The radio broadcast airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given in memory of Charlie Frueling by Christian, Sarah, and Arich Frueling.

Today'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 - 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 in the office at 402-462-5147 or 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 of all departed parents and grandparents.

2019 Offering Envelopes are located on the glass shelf in front of the church office and on the welcome stand in the Memorial Room.

Ushers Today (Team #5): Ken Stein – Captain, Dale Behrens, Travis Feezell

Matt Fong, Julie Thomsen, Kathleen Nelson

Greeters Today: Carol Storer, Brian & Laurie Johnson

Acolytes: Norah Snell, Porter Ourada

Nursery: Kim Bogan, Andrea Franzen, Laura Peterson

FPC Prayers for: Andy Barrows

Jim Cooke Jim Harrenstein (Lynn passed away 1/11/19)

Ramona Shetler John Harrington Zelma Fobben

Sharon Harvey Dwight Marsh and family Kathy (& Steve) Illingworth

Jeff & Ashley Hermann
Steve Thelen (Pamela Lay's brother-in law)

Katharine Davis

Brooks Borrell(infant son of Kim & Judy Brown Jeremy Borrell, grandson of Bev & Ken Stein)

Weston Mullins

Talia & Wayna Canary Patty Siamonait and family

Celia & Wayne Ganow Betty Siemoneit and family

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 --- January 28, 2019 – February 3, 2019

Mon, Jan 28	1:00p-3:00p	Pickle Ball in FPC Annex		
, , , , , ,	5:30p-6:30p	Foundation Board in the Anderson Room		
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Dance Troupe in FPC Annex NW Classroom		
	7:00p-9:00p	Boy Scouts Troop 200 in Scout Room		
	7:30p-9:30p	Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal in Choir		
		Room		
Tues, Jan 29	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting		
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study in Anderson Room		
	1:00p	Quilters meet in FPC Annex		
Wed, Jan 30	7:00a-8:00a	Bible @ Breakfast in the Parlor Pre-K thru 5 th Grade Bible Study,		
	4:00p-6:00p			
		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 Middle School (WNL)		
		Westminster Choir		
	7:30p-8:15p	Chancel Bells		
	7:30p-8:15p	Middle School (6 th – 8 th) Youth Group:		
		WNL Bible Study and Fellowship		
	7:30p-8:15p	High School (9th - 12th) Youth Group:		
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Thurs, Jan 31	6:00p-7:00p	Spanish Class in Annex NW Classroom		
Fri, Feb 01	10:00a-12:00p			
Sun, Feb 03	8:30a-9:15a	Taizé Worship Service		
	8:45a-9:15a	Calvin/Westminster Bell Rehearsal		
	9:15a-10:15a	Sunday School-All Ages		
	10:30a	Traditional Worship Service		
		Youth Sunday		

Ushers and Greeters for 2019

The list of ushers and greeters and dates of service are now available in the Memorial Room and the glass shelf outside the church office. Please let the office know if you are unable to serve on a particular date and who will be filling in for you.

January Communion Offering goes to Healthy Beginnings

Healthy Beginnings offers help and encouragement for parents and families while lessening the opportunities for abuse and neglect.

Upcoming Forum Class

❖ February 3: Religious Experience Inside and Outside the U.S., Part II

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

Presenter: Bertha De Dios Salvador (Mexico)

❖ February 10: Being AWARE of our Children's Mental Health

Hastings is one of three sites in Nebraska participating in a new plan to focus on mental health and well-being for our children.

Presenters: Susan Lindblad and Donna Moss

Bible @ **Breakfast** Wednesday's at 7 a.m. We will be studying a series with Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh studying the development of the apocalyptic imagination in biblical history from First Kings, Chapters 1-8. It will begin with the early prophets like Amos, moving on through Enoch, the Dead Sea Scrolls, the Gospels and finally the Book of Revelation.

Heir's Apparent Adult Sunday School The current study is a six-week series, "Creed: What Christians Believe and Why." It looks at historic Christian faith and how the Apostle's Creed matters in lives today. The study asks questions such as: How does belief affect us? What is the source of our belief?

LANGENBERG LESSON SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Several years ago, through the generosity of the late Luella Langenberg, the LANGENBERG LESSON SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM was established to encourage the youth of our church in their musical pursuits.

- Parents of students in grades 1-12 may apply for up to \$250 per semester to offset the cost of private music instruction.
- Areas of study include: piano, voice, guitar, or any band/orchestral instrument.
- Grants are limited to one per child.
- Parents must be members of First Presbyterian Church and students must be active participants in the church choir/music program.

Application forms are available in the church office and on the church website.

- <u>DEADLINE FOR THE Spring 2019 GRANT PROGRAM IS February 1, 2019</u>.
- ALTHOUGH GRANTS ARE RENEWABLE, PARENTS MUST RE-APPLY EACH SEMESTER.



Presbyterian Women's (PW) luncheons. The next meeting will be February 6. Circle II will prepare the lunch. Circle III will do the devotions, centerpieces, etc.

The program will be about Hospice presented by Penny Price. To reserve your place, please give your reservations to the calling chairman for your circle or call the office.

✓ Circle I will meet February 20-9:30am

(Hostess-Lynette Krieger; Lesson Elaine Specht)

✓ Circle II will meet February 20–9:30am

(Hostess-Mary Jeanne Cooke; Lesson-Mary Lewis)

✓ Circle III will meet February 20 – 1:15 pm

(Hostess-Katharine Davis; Lesson-Jane Marsh)

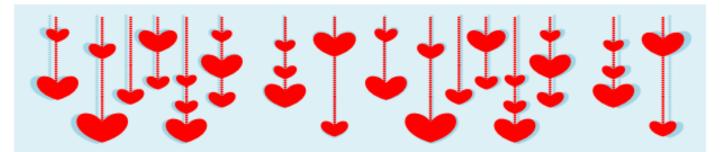


Photo Booth

Hannah Jensen on piano for listening pleasure Giveaways

Spaghetti or Cordon Bleu Dinners

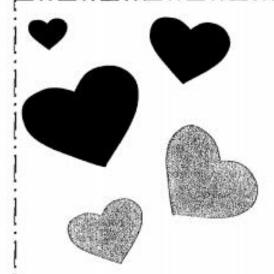
VALENTINE'S DINNER

February 14th, 2019
6 pm
First Presbyterian Church
Hastings
\$20 per person



JOIN US FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE NIGHT (PROCEEDS SUPPORT GO & SERVE YOUTH)! Space is limited: Reserve by Feb. 7th (can also contact office at 462-5147)

RESERVATION CONFIRMATION	ON:	
Reservation Last Name		
Number in Party		
# Chicken Cordon Bleu Dir	nners	
# Spaghetti/Meatball Dinn		
Total Due \$	Paid/Owes	



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(CHOICE OF A CROSS OR FLOWER)

All are welcome: Bring Family or friends who are non-members & ½ dozen cookies to share.

\$20.00 PER PERSON PER PROJECT

HOT COCOA AND COFFEE PROVIDED BY THE CHURCH

Free will donation for child watch-going towards youth mission trip.

February 17th

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

in Fellowship Hall

SIGN UP AT TABLE IN MEMORIAL ROOM OR OFFICE BY JANUARY 27. STARTING JANUARY 6, 2019.

Contact person Julie Thomsen 402.984.8754

