

First Presbyterian Church Hastings



April 14, 2019
Palm Sunday

PRELUDE

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”
Linda Vollweiler, Organ

arr. John Innes

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

CHORAL INTROIT/PROCESSION OF PALMS “Sing Hosanna in the Highest”

Alleluia Choir (grades 1-2) and Praise Choir (grades 3-5), Directed by Joy White
Alice Throckmorton, Accompanist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Damen Heitmann

The journey has been long and sometimes very difficult.

During this Lenten journey we have seen miracles and mysteries.

Now the Lord comes to us in victory.

Jesus rides into Jerusalem and into our hearts.

Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord’s Name!

Hosanna in the highest! Come let us worship God!

*HYMN

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, we can be a fickle people, quick to turn away. We are quick to flock to you when all is well, but we are prone to scatter when there is temptation, opposition, or criticism.

Too often we have kept silent before you, afraid to proclaim your praise.

It is easy to join the crowd as you ride triumphantly into Jerusalem—singing our joys and expectations, dancing our hopes and dreams.

It is far more difficult to stand by you as the crowd cries for your crucifixion. Forgive our weakness when we turn away.

Strengthen us for the week ahead as we relive your suffering and death, that we might stay beside you to the end. Give us the courage to shout our hosannas, not only today, but each and every day.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord is our strength and might.

Jesus is our salvation.

In Jesus our sins are forgiven.

In Jesus our cries are answered, Amen.

*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.)

BAPTISMS Madelynn Noel Gosda and Molly Marie Gosda
Parents: Heather and Rick Gosda

(While the family is coming up for the baptism and the children are coming to sit around the font,
the congregation will sing, “Jesus Loves Me.”)

BAPTISM QUESTION FOR THE CONGREGATION

Through the act of baptism, these children will be received into Christ’s church and this congregation has a role in their nurture. To that end, I ask the congregation, do you promise, with God’s help, to support and pray for these children and their parents? And, do you promise to love these children and to assist them in becoming faithful followers of Jesus Christ? If so, please respond by saying say, “We do.” ***We do.***

BAPTISM SONG “God Claims You”

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God comes into our presence every time we read the scriptures. May we sense God’s presence as we read them this morning and be open to how God may be speaking to us; and may these scriptures inspire us to have a lively and vibrant faith. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 19:28-40

ANTHEM “Sweet Hosannas Ring!” arr. Tammy Waldrop
Praise Bell Choir (grades 3-5), Directed by Susan Oliver

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 23:1-25 (CEB)

SERMON “God moves... to the cross”

*HYMN “A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd” (vs. 1-4) 200

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Rev. Julia Seymour)

***We believe in the God who is the pillar of fire and the pillar of cloud.
We trust in our Holy Parent who judges and shows mercy.
We hope in our Creator who is faithful to all that is seen and unseen.
We believe in the Jesus who rode in triumph into Jerusalem.
We trust in the Messiah who was crucified, died, and was buried.
We hope in the living Christ who walked out of the tomb.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, giver of faith and formation.
We trust in the Breath of Life who stirs, sustains, and sanctifies.
We hope in our Advocate who brings to us, and through us, the gift of
God’s peace for the world.***

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

OFFERTORY “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” *arr. David Paxton*

*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.

*HYMN “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” vs. 1-3 196

*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

*BLESSING RESPONSE “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”
Alleluia Bells (grades 1 & 2), Directed by Susan Oliver

POSTLUDE “Prelude and Fugue in F Major” *J. S. Bach*

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

COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP DURING HOLY WEEK!
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

Wednesday 4/17, 12pm: Soup Lunch and prayer service for our Farmers and Ranchers

Thursday 4/18, 7pm: Maundy Thursday Service with Communion and Foot Washing

Friday 4/19, 12pm and 7pm: Good Friday Service

EASTER SUNDAY

6:30am Easter Sunrise Service at Hastings College Football Stadium Press Box

7:00am Light Breakfast at Hastings College Football Stadium Press Box

No Sunday School

10:30am Easter Service

First Presbyterian Church of Hastings
Sharing the love of Christ from 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

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey

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

Bookkeeper: Deb Hamburger

April 14, 2019:

The radio broadcast airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given in memory of Lois and Lester Beahm by Cindy & Terry Beahm and family.

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 Joan Shaw at 402-460-8195 or the church office at 402-462-5147.

Flowers are given in memory of Henrietta Morhart/Frank Morhart/Doris Kovar Morhart/Dr. Louis J. Kovar.

2019 Offering Envelopes are located on the built in wood shelf in the hall by the church office and on the welcome stand in the Memorial Room.

Do you have students headed for college this fall? Check the Church website for the **2019 Binfield and Essex Scholarship applications. The deadline is April 22.**

April Ushers (Team #2): Al Meyer – Captain, Duane Huber,
Steve Illingworth, Brian Johnson, Laurie Johnson,
Clyde Sachtleben, Carter Wenburg
Greeters Today: Justin & Kili Wenburg, Carter and Selah
Acolytes: Grace Brader, Hazel Zajack
Nursery: Kim Bogan, Andrea Franzen, Laura Peterson, Abigail Shetler

April Communion Offering goes to Mentoring Works (formerly known as Big Brothers/Big Sisters) established in 1957 so that all children can achieve success in life.

FPC Prayers for:

Jim Cooke	Jim Harrenstein	Arlene Kort family
Katharine Davis	John Harrington	Sharon Harvey
Zelma Fobben	Jeff & Ashley Hermann	Levi Kaiser
Celia & Wayne Ganow	Steve Thelen (Pamela Lay's brother-in law)	Danna Wolford & family
	Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)	

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.



Hastings College Choir & Choral Union will present their Spring Concert TODAY at 3:00pm at First Presbyterian Church.

This Week at FPC --- April 15, 2019 – April 21, 2019

Mon, Apr 15	1:00p-3:00p	Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Dance Troupe in P.E.A.C.E. Center NW Classroom
	7:00p-9:00p	Scout Troop 200-Boys in Scout Room
Tues, Apr 16	7:30p-9:30p	Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal
	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study in Anderson Room
Wed, Apr 17	1:00p	Quilters meet in P.E.A.C.E. Center
	6:45p-7:45p	Deacons in Anderson
	5:30p-8:00p	Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	CANCELLED	Bible @ Breakfast in the Parlor
	9:30a	Circle I (Hostess-Jean Barber; Lesson-Peggy Thomson)
	9:30a	Circle II (Hostess-Gayle Fandry; Lesson-Mary Jeanne Cooke)
	12:00p	Soup Luncheon and Prayer Service for Farmers/Ranchers
	1:15p	Circle III (Hostess-Marie Rasmussen; Lesson-Sue Medsker-Nedderman)
	4:00p-6:00p	Pre-K thru 5th Grade Bible Study, Recreation Time, Choir/Bells (WNL)
	4:30p-5:30p	Grief Group in the Kessler Room
	6:00p-6:45p	WNL Family Meal Time <i>All are welcome!</i>
	6:20p-6:50p	WNL Calvin Middle School and Westminster High School Bells
	6:30p-8:00p	Wood Carvers meet in Church Basement
	6:45p-7:30p	Chancel Choir
	6:50p-7:30p	WNL Calvin Middle School and Westminster High School Choir
Thurs, Apr 18	7:30p-8:15p	Chancel Bells
	7:30p-8:15p	WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: Middle School (6th – 8th) Youth Group
	7:30p-8:15p	WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: High School (9th - 12th) Youth Group
	4:30p-5:30p	FPC/Pooh Corner Liaison in Anderson
	5:30p-6:30p	Session in Anderson
Fri, Apr 19	5:30p-8:00p	Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	6:00p-7:00p	Spanish Class in P.E.A.C.E. Center NW Classroom
	7:00p-8:00p	Maundy Thursday Service
	7:00p-9:00p	Scout Troop 200-Girls in Scout Rooms
	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies in Youth Activity Room
Sat, Apr 20	12:00p-1:00p	Good Friday Service
	7:00p-8:00p	Good Friday Service
Sun, Apr 21	9:30a	United Harvest P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	2:00p	Easter Egg Hunt in Alexander Park
	6:30a	Easter Sunrise Worship Service in the Hastings College Football Stadium/Lynn Farrell Arena Press Box
	7:00a	Breakfast in the HC Press Box
	CANCELLED	Sunday School (All Ages)
	10:30a	Traditional Easter Worship Service



God on the move!

A Lenten Sermon Series

Join us for the Season of Lent, Palm Sunday, Holy Week & Easter as we explore God's work through the travels, teachings, death & resurrection of Jesus

March 10: God moves... in the desert

Luke 4:1-13

March 24: God moves... over the fence

Luke 13:1-9

March 31: God moves... down the road

Luke 15:11-32

April 14: God moves... to the cross

Luke 19:28-40 (Palm Sunday)

April 18: God moves... showing us what love looks like

John 13:1-17, 31-35 (Maundy Thursday)

April 19: God moves... to the end

John 18:1-19:42 (Good Friday)

April 21: God moves... out of the tomb!

Luke 24:1-12 (Easter Sunday)

Heir's Apparent Adult Sunday School A new study series, "Joy Stealers: Overcoming Obstacles to Hope and Happiness" began April 7. Via streaming video and conversation, Pastor Rob Refroe offers five transformational decisions, with the help of the Holy Spirit, which will offer us a clearer path to joy. *Grab a cup of coffee and join us in the Anderson Conference Room in the Educational Wing at 9:15am.*



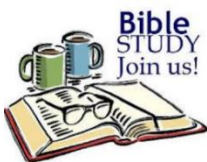
The Forum

❖ **April 28 "Mission & History of Pacha Soap** Pacha (rhymes with cha-cha) means "Earth" in Quechua, the language of the Peruvian people. When Andrew worked alongside them on a service project while a student at Hastings College, he began to wonder what he could do to help them develop a source of income.

The rest... is still making history.

Presenter: Andrew Vrbas

Knitters and Crocheters If you like knitting and/or crocheting, join us for our knitting/crocheting *fellowship group*, the **Knit Wits**. We meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, 7:00-8:00/8:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Bring whatever project you're currently working on, or stop in for pointers on how to get started. Join us for refreshments, fellowship, and fun!



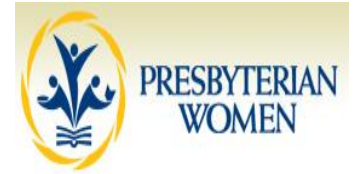
Bible @ Breakfast *Will not meet this week, 4/17. (Wednesday's at 7 a.m. in the Parlor)* The current study is the development of the apocalyptic imagination in biblical history. Our focus will be Isaiah 1-11. Come join this series with Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh studying from scripture in the Old and

New Testaments.

Hastings Food Pantry-Your Donation Needed On the first Sunday of every month, please bring items to place in the blue bins in the Memorial Room for the Hastings Food Pantry. Non-perishable foods and paper products are always needed to keep the Pantry resupplied. Deacons will deliver the items to the pantry supply center.

Presbyterian Women.

- ✓ Circle I will meet April 17-9:30am
(Hostess-Jean Barber; Lesson-Peggy Thomson)
- ✓ Circle II will meet April 17-9:30am
(Hostess-Gayle Fandry; Lesson-Mary Jeanne Cooke)
- ✓ Circle III will meet April 17 – 1:15 pm in the Library
(Hostess-Marie Rasmussen; Lesson-Sue Medsker-Nedderman)



VBS 2019 Monday, June 3- Thursday, June 6, 9:00am-12:00pm.



We are preparing for another great Vacation Bible School! This year, we are using Living Waters for the World's VBS curriculum: *Water All Around the World*. It is designed to enable children to understand the importance of access to clean water for health, and to



make them aware of the way in which this access (or lack of access!) affects the lives of children in other countries. It also teaches the value of water in our own lives.

2019 VBS Volunteer Sign-Up

It is our prayer that God has VBS in His plan for your life! We know Jesus will work through YOU at VBS. Would you prayerfully consider serving in VBS? Please register SOON as a volunteer at <https://fpchastings.org/children/>. Please contact Stephanie at stephanie@fpchastings.org or 402-462-5147 with any questions or if you'd like a printed registration form.

To register your child to attend VBS go to <https://fpchastings.org/children/> for the best week of the summer! **Early drop-off option at 8:00am by pre-registration ONLY. Everyone welcome! Ages pre-school (must be toilet trained) through 4th Grade.

Special Needs VBS 2019 will be held Tuesday, June 4 – Thursday, June 6 from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Our ecumenical Special-Needs VBS will be staffed by volunteer special education teachers and others familiar with children who have special needs...maybe even a teacher, para, or parent you know.

Registration is open to elementary-aged, special-needs children and siblings. Registration is limited so sign-up now at <https://fpchastings.org/children/> . Printed registration forms are available on the wood shelf in the hall by the church office. All registrations must be received before May 29.

Can't wait to see you there! For more information, e-mail stephanie@fpchastings.org or call Stephanie Brader, Director of Children & Family Ministries, at 402-462-5147.

Soup Group Lunchtime Conversations for Women has been cancelled for the rest of this semester.

Donations for Crimson Cupboard at Hastings College

LocalGlobal is a student-led service group at Hastings College. Our goals are to educate our campus about food insecurity and other issues of poverty; and to contribute to the needs of our community, state, country, and world. Food insecurity means a person doesn't know where their next meal is coming from or can't afford food for their next meal.

LocalGlobal is hosting a food drive for the month of April to collect donations for the *Crimson Cupboard at Hastings College*. The Crimson Cupboard is the college's food pantry for food insecure students. It has been a highly used resource this year and is running low on supplies. They are most in need of peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, canned vegetables, soup (canned or packaged), canned beans, canned meat, and any other nonperishable items. To help support this endeavor please drop items in the collection bin in the Memorial Room any time between now and April 28th. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Spirituality Lab Learn and practice together a different form of prayer or meditation at each gathering. Come find the information and support you need for a more interesting and fruitful prayer life. 7:00 a.m., in the Library (New Location).

❖ April 25: Prayer walking (using the labyrinth at Hastings College)

How do you understand the relationship b/w happiness and joy, and where do you find them in your life?



PLEASE JOIN US FOR an
EASTER EGG HUNT
Hosted By: First Presbyterian Church
Saturday, April 20 at 2:00pm
Located at Alexander Park
(Just north of First Presbyterian Church)
Alternate location in case of rain: First Presbyterian Church

Age Divisions: • Age 0-2 years • Age 3-5 years • Kindergarten-2nd Grade

****Please bring your own basket for collecting eggs and Candy.**

For more information contact Stephanie at
402-462-5147 or stephanie@fpchastings.org

The poster features a blue background with a green horizontal band in the middle. The text is in various colors: pink for the main title, purple for the date and location, and black for the details. At the bottom, there is a grassy field with three large Easter eggs (red, orange, and yellow) and two small yellow daisies.

Easter Vigil

April 19-21

Beginning after Good Friday
Evening Service until 6:30 a.m.
Easter Sunday

Please sign up for times in the
Memorial Room



EASTER LILIES

Easter lilies may be purchased in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The cost is \$12 each. Money raised over the cost will be donated to Adams/Clay County ARC (Advocate for the Rights of Citizens).

Lily in memory of:

Lily in honor of:

Given by:

I will take my Lily home after the Easter Sunday services: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I will leave my Lily at the church: ☐ Yes ☐ No

******(All lilies left will be delivered to a member of the church who is unable to attend services.)



CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSETS??



The First Presbyterian Church
and First United Methodist Church
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
these Hastings locations:

First Presbyterian Church,
First United Methodist Church, YMCA
and Pershing Orthodontics.

Thank you in advance!!



First Presbyterian Church, Hastings

April 14 – Palm Sunday

- ♥ 8:30 a.m. Celebrate Worship Service
- ♥ 9:15 a.m. Sunday School (All Ages)
- ♥ 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- ♥ 7:00 p.m. Church @ Campus (French Memorial Chapel)

April 17 – International Day of Farmers/Ranchers Struggles

- ♥ Noon Soup Luncheon & Prayer Service for Farmers/Ranchers
- ♥ WNL Activities as Scheduled

April 18 – Maundy Thursday

- ♥ 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

April 19 – Good Friday

- ♥ 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Service
- ♥ 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service
- ♥ 8:00 p.m. Easter Prayer Vigil (continues until 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunday)

April 20 – Easter Egg Hunt

- ♥ 2:00 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt at Alexander Park (North of the church)
- ♥ Easter Prayer Vigil (continues until 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunday)

April 21 – Easter Sunday

- ♥ 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Worship Service in the Hastings College Football Stadium/Lloyd Wilson Football Field Press Box
- ♥ 7:00 a.m. Breakfast in the HC Press Box
- ♥ No Sunday School (All Ages)
- ♥ 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service