

Third Sunday After Pentecost June 30, 2019

PRELUDE "Laudamus" arr. Jerry Van Der Pol

Linda Vollweiler, Organist

(The prelude is an opportunity to worship God, a time of prayer, meditation, reflection, and expectation.)

WELCOME Damen Heitmann

INTROIT "We Are One in The Spirit" Go & Serve Folks

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The call of God comes to us all.

Young and old, man and woman, we are all invited.

We are called to the table to join in the fellowship.

We are asked to share in the work of love.

We are summoned to be agents of God in the world.

We are bidden to follow in the ways of Christ.

*HYMN "Here in This Place" 401

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, O God, that we are not often our best selves. We fall short of the tasks for which our hearts were created. We shrink when our voices are needed. Our vision gets obscured by greed and ambition. Our lives get cluttered with anger and rage. Though we catch glimpses and live out your gospel in glorious moments, we are yet human. We are yet inclined to jealousy, to envy, to holding a grudge. Forgive us, O God, and renew our hearts. Draw us into your presence and inspire us yet again to live lives worthy of the calling we have received. Heal us and let us be sent out once more. Amen.

QUESTION AND SILENT CONFESSION

What worthwhile things have you been doing?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We are treasured by God.

The heart of God rests with us.

The whole world is God's heart.

We are forgiven and loved.

*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

SPECIAL MUSIC Lucy Nielsen

(The Langenberg Legacy Funds provide scholarships for children of church members to take music lessons. During the summer, those children and youth provide special music during the service as a way of giving thanks to God.)

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 – Matthew 16:24-26

SAYING NO TO YOURSELF

Meredith Brandt, Avery Essink, Nyanhial Duang

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – Ephesians 4:1-6

LIVING A WORTHY LIFE

Hannah Hafer, Chudier Duang, Carter Wenburg

*HYMN

"Here I Am, Lord"

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are called to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be God's servants in the service of others, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory. We are promised forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, God's presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in God's realm, which has no end.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

arr. Earl Roland Larson

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Accept these gifts, O God. We offer them in thanksgiving for the gift of grace you have given us. May they bring hope to the suffering, peace to the lost, and joy to all. May they be used to further your work in the world. Amen.

3rd SCRIPTURE READING – Matthew 6:19-21

TREASURES I'VE RECEIVED

Grace Canady, Eric Brader, Grace Redinger

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.

"The Summons" *HYMN 726

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE Recessional on "Sagina"

Jon Spong

(You are invited to remain seated during the postlude and listen reverently as a way to end your time of worship. The postlude serves as a musical offering sending people out into the world, urging the transition from service in the sanctuary to service in the community and throughout God's world.)

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

This service was organized and prepared by members of the Go & Serve 2019 Team. Though some couldn't be here today, we thank and commend all of the members for the work they did on behalf of God's Kingdom on this year's trip. If you see any of the following folks, please thank them for their loving acts of kindness. Students: Eric Brader, Meredith Brandt, Grace Canady, Chudier Duang, Nyaguor Duang, Nyanhial Duang, Avery Essink, Hannah Hafer, Chase Johnson, Abigail Kerr, Summer Parnell, Grace Redinger, Sarah Spillinek, and Carter Wenburg. Sponsors: Tammie Nowka, Michelle Kerr, Jason Hafer, and Damen Heitmann.

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

10:30 - Traditional Worship 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

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

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey

FPC Prayers for:

Celia & Wayne Ganow The Family of Laurie Loftquist Nancy Ziemba and family Family of Susie Frerichs Steve Thelen (Pamela Lay's brother-in law) The Family of Lois Hahne

Georgia Ochsner Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son) Don Canady

Jim Harrenstein The Family of John Harrington Kay Georgiana and family Starla Rethorst Russel Hilger (Ashley Mullen's father) Darleen Howard 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.

June 30, 2019:

The radio broadcast airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given in loving memory of Frank W. Northrop by the Northrop 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 loving memory of Frank W. Northrop by the Northrop family.

June Ushers (Team #4): George Howard - Captain, Susie Graham, Dixie McDonald,

Gale McDonald, Ted Schroeder, Lori Schroeder

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

Matt Fong, Julie Thomsen, Kathleen Nelson

Greeters Today: Jill Kramer, Erin Gastmann

Acolytes: Laura Kate Oliver, Moses Rhodes

Nursery: Kim Bogan

July Communion Offering is Project Homeless Connect, Hastings - a one-day, one-stop event July 24th (10-4pm) where individuals and families who are homeless or near homeless can receive a variety of immediate, on-site services and support. Connecting those in need to medical services, free clothing, a hot meal, and much more.

In memory of...

- ❖ John Harrington passed away June 10, 2019. Memorial services will be held at 11:00am, July 5, 2019 at First Presbyterian Church with a luncheon to follow at Lochland Country Club.
- * Robert C. Jones, Sr. passed away June 6, 2019. Services were held June 13, 2019.
- ❖ Susie Frerichs passed away June 14, 2019. Memorial Service will be held at 2:00pm on July 12, 2019 at Trinity Presbyterian Church, in Kearney, NE.

PLEASE NOTE...

> THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY, JULY 4 FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY.

This Week at FPC --- July 1, 2019 – July 7, 2019

Mon, July 1	12:00p-6:00p	Red Cross Blood Drive
, e	1:00p-3:00p	Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	7:30p-9:30p	Chorus of the Plains
Tues, July 2	10:30a-11:30a	NO Staff Meeting
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study in Anderson Room
	1:30p-4:00p	Quilters meet in P.E.A.C.E. Center
	5:30p-8:00p	Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	5:30p-6:30p	United Harvest Board Meeting in Kessler
Wed, July 3	6:30p-9:00p	Wood Carvers
Thurs, July 4	8:30a-4:30p	The Office will be Closed for the
		Independence Day Holiday
	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
Fri, July 5	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies in the Youth Room
	11:00a	John Harrington Memorial Service
Sat, July 6	9:00a	Scout Troupe 200 Parking Lot Sale at the
		PEACE Center
Sun, July 7	10:30a	Traditional Worship Service
	11:30 a	Open Table Lunch Assembly in Fellowship Hall

Long-Sleeved Work Shirts Needed for Proteus These shirts protect the migrant workers from the summer sun and exposure to agricultural chemicals. If you have long-sleeved shirts you are no longer using, please donate them in the specially marked tub outside the Hands Around the World store. Distribution will be in early July. To date, 62 shirts have been delivered.





Summer Book Club will meet on *Wednesdays, July 17-August 21* at noon in the Anderson Conference Room. We will discuss David Galston's book "Embracing the Human Jesus: A Wisdom Path for Contemporary Christianity."

Summer Sermon

May 26: Jesus is Just Alright - Doobie Brothers

June 2: Fight Song - Rachel Platten

June 16: /still haven't found what I'm looking for - U2

June 23: To Sir, With Love - Lulu

July 7: Coming to America - Neil Diamond

July 14: Shine - Collective Soul

July 21: Man in the Mirror - Michael Jackson

July 28: This is me - Greatest Showman (Musical)

August 4: One Voice - Wailin' Jennys

August 11: /Hope - Dixie Chicks

August 25: Come from Away (Musical)
September 1: Better Boat – Kenny Chesney

September 8: Beautiful Messes - Hilary Scott

August 18: Bridge Over Troubled Waters - Simon and Garfunkel

Open Table Sack Lunch Assembly begins Sunday, July 7th, following Church, and continues the whole month.

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 tables.
- 2. Volunteers to stay after church to assemble the sack lunches.
- 3. 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.
- 4. A few good cooks (or people who can follow directions) to assist in creating special meals on Monday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:00 beginning July 8th.
- 5. Volunteers to help serve the special meals on Tuesday mornings or afternoons 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.
- 6. Last, but definitely not least, prayers and financial support.

With our Appreciation and Thanks, Jeni, Meg, and Lily If you have questions, you may call or text: Jeni @ 402-469-1500 or Meg @ 402-902-9330



Sara Babcock, Young Adult Volunteer

Sara Babcock has been accepted into the PC(USA) Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) Program. The program is an

ecumenical, faith-based **year of service** for young people (ages 19–30) in sites across the United States and around the world. YAVs accompany local agencies working to address root causes of poverty and reconciliation. Alongside this work, volunteers explore the meaning of their Christian faith and accountability to their neighbors in community with peers and mentors. She will do her year of service in Washington D.C.

Sara was confirmed in our church as a youth. Following her graduation from Kalamazoo College, MI, with a degree in history, Sara moved back to the Hastings/Grand Island area and has been attending services here. She presented information to our mission committee about her decision to commit to this program and also briefly shared this information with our congregation during the church service on June 16th.

Although YAVs receive a modest stipend and shared housing benefit, they are required to raise \$2,000 by July. Sara would like to stay connected and communicate with our congregation from Washington DC about what she is doing and learning from this experience.

Please keep Sara in your prayers. If you would like to support her year of service through a financial donation, you can send a check to (be sure to include her name):

National Capital Presbytery 11300 Rockville Pike, Suite 1009 Rockville, MD. 20852

Or you can follow this link and click on Support Sara.

https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/yav/yav-new/sara-babcock/





First Presbyterian Church-Hastings has an "APP" for you!

Our directory of names, contact information and corresponding family photos is ready for you to create your login at

http://instantchurchdirectory.com. You can use the email address from your 2018 listing to gain access because only members will be able to create a login and load an app on their phones.

An additional set of information under the Groups tab is forthcoming. It will include lists of members in each of the boards, committees, and organizations that are a part of the life of our congregation.



The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be **Monday**, **July 1, 2019**, 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.

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!!

