

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost August 11, 2019

PRELUDE

"Grand Choeur" Linda Vollweiler, Organist

Cesar Franck

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

WELCOME Damen Heitmann

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Greg Allen-Pickett

We gather in this space to renew our commitment to one another.

We gather to rededicate our hearts to a hope that is beyond us.

We come here to once again seek out the vision of the world made right

Of lives made whole, of relationships restored, of hunger satiated.

In this moment we pull ourselves back towards God and trust that we will be met, that we will be embraced, and that we will be moved by God.

We gather here to renew our commitment to one another, to the world, and God our loving creator.

*HYMN

"We Gather Together"

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, O God, to a certain kind of inertia which keeps our hearts and our lives stuck just where they are. Fear of seeming foolish holds us from reaching out to our neighbors. Dread of vulnerability prevents us from offering an apology. Insular thinking halts us from truly listening to one another. In short, we get held in place by our own inertia. A host of things keep us from living more fully in your peaceable kingdom. Give us, O God, the push we need to move from our places of complacency and into your hopeful vision for the world.

SILENT CONFESSION

Question for Contemplation: What stops you from moving in an ever more loving direction?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers let us share the good news.

We are known. We are loved.

Brothers and sisters let us believe the good news.

In God we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory Be to the Father" (refrain only)

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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

(While the children are coming down to the front, we will sing "Jesus Loves Me.")

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God open our hearts, incline our ears, restore our vision so that we may perceive and embrace the word you have prepared for us this day. Amen.

1st SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 11:1-9

SPECIAL MUSIC

Hannah Hafer

(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)

2nd SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 2-3

SERMON

"Hoped For"

"I Hope" by The Dixie Chicks (see insert for the lyrics)
Performed by Hannah Jensen

HYMN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

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

OFFERTORY

"He Leadeth Me"

William Bradbury/arr. Gordon Young

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. 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.

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BLESSING RESPONSE

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Insert

*POSTLUDE

"Voluntary"

Charles Zeuner

(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.)

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

9:15am-10:15am – Sunday School for all ages 10:30am – Traditional 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
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey

Ministers: Members of the Church

Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Heitmann

Parish Associate and 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 Bookkeeper: Deb Hamburger

<u> August 11, 2019:</u>

Don Canady	FPC Prayers for:	Family of Susie Frerichs			
Celia & Wayne Ganow	Eric Smith	Family of Lois Hahne			
Norm Giesler	Russel Hilger (Ashley Mullen's father)	Family of John Harrington			
Jim Harrenstein	Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)	Family of Darleen Howard			
Darrel Lloyd	Frank and Kay Georgianna	Family of Delores Levander			
Starla Rethorst	Jim Cooke Gretchen Lainson	Family of Galen Finley			
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.					

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 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 Anna and Milferd Swedlund by the family.

August Ushers (Team #6): Jim Harrenstein – Captain, Chanda Essink, Lynne

Friedewald, Paul Nuss, Chuck Shoemaker, Eric Brader

Greeters Today: Julie Thomsen, Ted & Lori Schroeder

Acolytes: Corlé Hall, Campbell Schukei

Nursery: Kim Bogan, Andrea Franzen, Laura Peterson, Abigail Shetler

August Communion Offering is Food4Thought, a non-profit food assistance program run by Hastings College students and assisted by campus and community volunteers. Each week, volunteers pack and deliver bags of food to Hastings Public elementary schools. These bags are then sent home on Fridays with students whose families qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program. Currently, Food4Thought provides supplemental meals designed to feed a family of six for two days to over 100 local families.



Coming Soon to a Church Near You! More details to follow!

- Pres Fest/Kirkin' O' Th' Tartan-September 15
- Fall Forum Classes-September 8
- ➤ Heir's Apparent Adult Sunday School Class-September 8
- ➤ Bible at Breakfast-September 11
- Soup Group for Women-September 5
- > Retreat in the Real World-September 12

This Week at FPC --- August 12, 2019 – August 18, 2019

Mon, Aug 12	7:30p-9:30p	Chorus of the Plains	
Tues, Aug 13	10:30a-11:30a	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-6:30p	Trustees meet in Anderson	
	5:30p-6:30p	Congregational Life Meeting in Parlor	
	5:30p-8:00p	Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym	
Wed, Aug 14	12:00p-1:00p	Summer Book Club in Anderson	
	6:30p-9:00p	Wood Carvers	
Thurs, Aug 15	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, Aug 16	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies in the Youth Room	
Sat, Aug 17	9:30a-2:00p	United Harvest	
Sun, Aug18	10:30a	Traditional Worship Service	

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be Tuesday, September 3, 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.

Summer Book Club meets weekly on Wednesday's, July 17 through August 21 at noon in the Anderson Room. We will discuss the book Embracing the Human Jesus: A Wisdom Path for Contemporary Christianity by David Galston.





Are You Ready for Calvin/Westminster Handbells?

Calvin/Westminster Handbells is for students in grades six through twelve. It is led by Byron Jensen who has a bell choir program at Hastings College and also directs the Chancel Bells. Ideally, students should have some music reading ability, but anyone willing to work at **RINGING** should have some music read ringing handbells is welcome.

NEW THIS YEAR is that CW Bells will be open to beginning adult players. If there is enough interest, perhaps a beginning bell choir for adults could find a different time. If you have an interest in learning, please contact Byron at bjensen@hastings.edu.

CW Bells meets every Wednesday evening from 6:20 until 6:50. (From there, the CW students attend choir rehearsal.) Questions? Contact Byron Jensen

New Member Class Coming in September Interested in joining First Presbyterian Church or simply curious about what membership might mean? You are invited to attend our three-session New Member course, which will cover Presbyterian history and theology, as well as local structures and involvement opportunities. Classes will



take place from 5:00-6:30pm on three Wednesdays, September 11, 18, and 25, in the Adult Ed Classroom (by the church office). Each session includes complimentary meal and child care. Contact the church office to RSVP.



Coming this Fall! Financial Peace University

Dave Ramsey created Financial Peace University nearly 25 years ago after learning how to pay off debt, save and spend wisely, and build wealth. Today,

millions have used the same principles to transform their lives. You shouldn't feel overwhelmed and powerless over your money. You can be in control of your money and Nine Week Class: September 9 - November 4, 2019 vour future.

> Monday's at 6:30pm – 8:00pm Cost: \$129.99

Register at: www.fpu.com/1093853 Questions? Call Deb Johnson at 402-469-5847

Go & Serve Informational Meeting: With the approach of a new school year comes the approach of another program year for Go & Serve. We're already starting to gear up for next year's adventure, so if you are a parent of a child (or are a child) in 9th-12th grade, please join us for an informational meeting following worship on Sunday, August 25. We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall for about 30 minutes and share a little bit about what we have up our sleeves for Go & Serve 2019-2020. See you there!





GREETINGS MY FRIENDS AND FELLOW **MUSICIANS!**

As August begins and the end of summer vacation becomes dayby-day closer, I invite you to the CHANCEL CHOIR rehearsal of

the year...(yes, it has to happen...ready or not ,...come





Fellowship with fellow vocalists, come join us! Plan to be in the FPC Choir Room (still located in the basement) on Wednesday, August 21st at 6:45 p.m.!

Robin Koozer, Director, Chancel Choir

Summer Sermon Son

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

September 1: Better Boat - Kenny Chesney September 8: Beautiful Messes - Hilary Scott

August 18: Bridge Over Troubled Waters - Simon and Garfunkel



Wednesday Night Live Family Time

Do you have the gifts and talents to serve as a Wednesday Night Live (WNL) Table Parent during our Family Time meals?

The goal of WNL Family Time is to provide a joyous, crossgenerational celebration of personhood over a shared meal as we experience being the family of God. The role of the table parent is as follows:

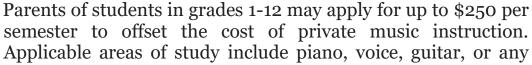


- Arrives before 5:55 pm and stays through dinner at approximately 6:45 pm.
- Maintains order and carries on a joyous "family" conversation at the table.
- Works on building relationships with the youth/children assigned to the table.
- Supervises serving and cleaning up the tables.
- Helps the youth/children be responsive to the leadership of the Dinner Dean.
- Participates in and encourages all members of the table to engage in family fun time.
- Serves as a friend to each young person outside of WNL.
- Prays regularly for each person at his/her table.

Is God calling you to serve as a WNL Table Parent?

Please prayerfully consider this opportunity. Our first WNL for the 2019/2020 ministry year will be August 21. Questions? Contact Stephanie by phone, 402-462-5147 or by email, stephanie@fpchastings.org.

Langenburg Lesson Program You are invited to participate in a very exciting program offered by the First Presbyterian Church, Hastings. Several years ago, through the generosity of the late Luella Langenberg, a program was established to encourage the youth of our church in their musical pursuits.





band/orchestral instrument. Grants are limited to one per child. Parents must be members of FPC, and students must be active participants in the church choir/music program.

Application forms will be available in the church office and on the church website starting August 12, 2019. DEADLINE FOR THE FALL 2019 GRANT PROGRAM IS OCTOBER 1, 2019. ALTHOUGH GRANTS ARE RENEWABLE, PARENTS MUST REAPPLY EACH SEMESTER. Questions? Call the church office at 402-462-5147. We hope you will consider taking advantage of this wonderful program!



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. Go to http://instantchurchdirectory.com. You will 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.





Third Saturday of the Month Annex Building Lincoln and 7th St. Hastings

Sponsored by: First United Methodist Church First Presbyterian Church

August 17, 2019				
V, W, X, Y, Z	May park and get number starting at:	9:30 AM		
A, B	May park and get number starting at:	9:45 AM		
C, D, E	May park and get number starting at:	10:00 AM		
F, G, H	May park and get number starting at:	10:15 AM		
I, J, K, L	May park and get number starting at:	10:30 AM		
M, N, O	May park and get number starting at:	10:45 AM		
P, Q, R	May park and get number starting at:	11:00 AM		
S, T, U	May park and get number starting at:	11:15 AM		

A mobile pantry is a traveling food pantry that delivers food to families in need through a one day distribution. Our goal is to provide food where there is a high need, but resources are limited. The mobile food pantry is available to all <u>free of charge</u>. The institutions providing the food are equal opportunity providers.

Those interested in receiving food should bring boxes or bags. Those interested in volunteering with the event should simply show up on the date of the next distribution and check in at the volunteer sign-in table. Volunteer shifts are 9:30-12:00 and 12:00-2:00.

Plastic bags can be brought to the church office and donated to the cause.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE KICK-OFF

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM FELLOWSHIP HALL

9:15-9:30: All gather in the Fellowship Hall. Sunday School & Wednesday Night Live (WNL) teachers' introductions (cookies, coffee, and juice will be served)

9:30-10:15: Age 3 thru 12th-grade students will proceed to their classrooms with their teachers for Sunday School. Parents/Guardians will remain in Fellowship Hall for a Parent Information/Registration Meeting.

I Hope Dixie Chicks

Sunday morning, I heard the preacher say Thou shall not kill

I don't wanna hear nothing else about killing

And that it's God's will

'Cause our children are watching us They put their trust in us They're gonna be like us So let's learn from our history And do it differently

I hope for more love, more joy and laughter

I hope we'll have more than we'll ever need

I hope we'll have more 'happy ever after' I hope we can all live more fearlessly And we can lose all the pain and misery I hope, I hope

Oh, Rosie; her man - he gets too rough That's all she can say: is he's a good man

He don't mean no harm He was just brought up that way

But our children are watching us
They put their trust in us
They're gonna be like us
It's okay for us to disagree
We can work it out lovingly

I hope for more love, more joy and laughter

I hope we'll have more than we'll ever need

I hope we'll have more 'happy ever after' I hope we can all live more fearlessly And we can lose all the pain and misery I hope, I hope

There must be a way to change what's going on

No, I don't have all the answers

I hope for more love, more joy and laughter

I hope we'll have more than we'll ever need

I hope we'll have more 'happy ever after' I hope we can all live more fearlessly And we can lose all the pain and misery I hope, I hope

I hope, I hope, I hope

Source: LyricFind

Songwriters: Martha Maguire / Natalie Maines / Kevin (keb'

Mo') Moore / Emily Robison

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Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth,
And let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth,
The peace that was meant to be.

With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; Let this be the moment now. With every step I take, Let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment And live each moment In peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth, And let it begin with me.