

# The Home Page

First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, Nebraska 68901-5175  
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## NOTABLE NOTES

Dear First Presbyterian Church family:

Our annual stewardship campaign will run October 20-November 10. The theme for the stewardship campaign this year is **“Supporting Something Special.”** That is precisely what your tithes and gifts to the church are doing: your gifts are supporting the special work that God is doing through First Presbyterian Church of Hastings!

You will be receiving a letter about the stewardship campaign in the mail, along with a pledge card and a “time and talent” sheet. We ask that you return the pledge card and the time and talent sheet to the church on Sunday, November 10, (or before that to the church office) where we will offer a prayer of thanksgiving and blessing over your commitments for 2020.

The past 12 months have been incredible in the life of First Presbyterian Church of Hastings. There is not enough room in this letter to share all of the amazing things that God is doing through our church, and we could not do it without you and your steadfast support. Thank you!

I am in touch with dozens of pastors around the United States. Many of whom are in churches that are struggling. They have shrinking membership, declining attendance, and frequent budget shortfalls. Those anecdotal stories from my clergy colleagues are also reflected in nationwide surveys. The Pew Research Center reports that Christians are declining, both as a share of the U.S. population and in total number. And church decline is particularly acute in the “mainline Protestant” churches, which includes our Presbyterian denomination.

Here at First Presbyterian Church of Hastings, we are living a different story! In the last 30 months we have added 86 new members to our church! Our attendance has been steadily growing year over year! Our budget has grown enough for us to hire a full-time associate pastor and we continue to expand and grow our programming, ministry, and mission to reach more people and touch more lives with the love and light of Christ! None of this would have been possible without your support.

**Something special** is happening at First Presbyterian Church of Hastings. We have entered a new chapter in the story of our church and the impact that our church has in the lives of our members and the life of our community. Our members report a sense of joy, connection, and a renewed commitment to serving God and serving others that extends beyond Sunday and is with them throughout the week. Our community is taking notice as we become known as “the church that feeds the hungry” through the multiple feeding ministries that we support. God is at work through this community of faith, and your support is vital for that work to continue to grow.

Did you know that nearly all of our annual operating budget for the church comes from your tithes and gifts? We don’t receive any money from the national denomination, and the endowments that our church is blessed with go to special projects, special music ministry, and maintenance of our facilities. So we rely on your generosity to run the many programs, ministries, and mission that make our church special.

We do our best to run a “tight ship” at First Presbyterian Church and to effectively steward the resources that God has given us through your tithes and gifts. The impact of your gift is multiplied through the faithful work of our staff and the countless hours that you volunteer to expand the impact of our church.

There is **something special** happening at First Presbyterian Church of Hastings, and you are part of that! We are graced with generous members who have supported this church through the years with the sharing of their time, talent, and treasure. Thank you for your faithful support. May we continue to be fearless in our generosity and remember the words of Jesus, “Where our treasure is, there our heart will be also.” Let’s invest our treasure into the ministry and mission of this church, let’s **support something special!**

Your Servant in Christ,



SUPPORTING SOMETHING

# SPECIAL

2020 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

### ***FPC Prayers for:***

Celia & Wayne Ganow	Zachary, Noble, Cale Henderson	Jane Horton
Norm Giesler	Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)	Jim Cooke
Gretchen Lainson	Kaela Pumroy and Family	Joan Shaw and Family
Jim Harrenstein	Family of Keith Meyer (brother of Al Meyer)	Jim Hahne
Darrel Lloyd	Linda & Terry Hall and Family	Alden Talbet (Bob's Dad)
	Nancy Grams and Family	Irina Erickson's Mom
	Kristine Cook (Katharine Davis' sister)	

*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.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Need a ride to church on Sundays?** Call Deacon Moderator Joan Shaw at [402-460-8195](tel:402-460-8195) or the church office at [402-462-5147](tel:402-462-5147). **The radio broadcast airs** during Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. on KICS 1550 AM.

### **Sunday's service will be broadcast:**

- live on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/fpchastings](http://www.facebook.com/fpchastings)
- on Channel 181 Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 a.m.
- at Good Samaritan Village, the service will be broadcast on Channel 3 on Sunday at 12:00 noon and on Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.

"When working with your attorney to **update your will and estate plan**, please consider including a gift to the First Presbyterian Church Foundation."

*--Dave Dirks, Moderator of the Foundation*

### ***HOSPITAL REMINDER***

Due to hospital privacy regulations, for the church to know that either you or a family member will be hospitalized or have been admitted, please take a moment and call the church office at 402-462-5147. Remember... we don't always know what's happening unless you tell us!

### **Hastings Food Pantry-Donations 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.

**A copy of any Sunday service** is available on DVD disc upon request at no charge. Contact the church office at [402-462-5147](tel:402-462-5147).

### **Dear Church Family,**

Our son, Brooks, was born on October 10, 2018. Three days after his birth he was diagnosed with Trisomy 21; Down Syndrome. He is a happy, strong, loving, unique individual and a true blessing to our family. He makes our lives better every day!

Brooks' Bookshelf was created in celebration of our amazing son. He is an inspiration to anyone who is lucky enough to know him! The bookshelf is a way to share the joy of reading and also spread the awareness of Down Syndrome. Bookshelves where children are welcome to take a book home will be located throughout our community!

Each bookshelf will include books of all interests with some specific books focused on kindness, compassion and a focus on individuals with unique differences. Books to range from picture/baby up to early readers.

Every story and every person is unique and beautiful. We hope that you'll find it in your hearts to donate a book or send a monetary donation to help us in this celebration.

A specific list of books related to our mission can also be found on Amazon, listed under Brooks' Bookshelf.

Kindly, Brooks Borrell & Family

**The Mission Committee** will be adding a donation tub to support this wonderful project to celebrate Brooks. The tub can be found in the Memorial Room.

The Mission Committee also delivered to Proteus for the migrant workers were 2 sweatshirts, 15 pairs of socks, t-shirts, ball caps, and 15 long sleeve shirts.

**October Communion Offering** is the Peace & Global Witness Special Offering. A portion of the offering will benefit peace ministries of the PCUSA and a portion of the offering will benefit Hearts and Hands Against Hunger of Hastings.

## Looking Ahead...

### **Guest Preacher on October 20**

On Sunday, October 20, Rev. Dr. Gary Eller will be guest preaching. He is a theological educator in both seminary and university settings. For the past eleven years, he has been president of the Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation in Nebraska. He is an ordained Presbyterian Church (USA) minister with decades of experience in congregations along with governing body responsibility at the local, regional, and national level. Rev. Eller visits more than 30 churches a year and he said, "There is something special happening here at First Presbyterian Church of Hastings." It will be exciting to hear a reflection on our beloved church from an outsider's perspective.

Rev. Eller will be kicking off our stewardship campaign with a sermon entitled, "Will our faith have children?" based on Luke 18:15-17. John Westerhoff's book *Will Our Children Have Faith?* is a classic running in the background of this sermon that urges adults to make provision for the generations to come after us. Those provisions include both teaching the faith and living the faith and includes the stewardship of resources. We hope you will join us to hear Rev. Eller on Sunday, October 20.



**On October 27 we will have guests joining us for worship!** Our Our Presbyterian mission worker from the US-Mexico Border, Mark Adams will be joining us along with Jocabed, the Mexican Coordinator of Frontera De Cristo and Carmina, a mission partner from Mexico who works with Café Justo. They will help lead worship at our 8:30 and 10:30 services and will join us for a potluck following the 10:30 service. Also, the Mexican folkloric dance troupe, Raices de mi Pueblo will be helping to lead at the 10:30 worship service.

If you would like to meet them and learn to cook authentic Mexican food, we will have an event in the Fellowship Hall on Friday, October 25 at 6pm. We will share recipes, cook, and eat a meal together. We hope you can join us!



**The next Red Cross Blood Drive** will be **Tuesday, January 6, 2020**, 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](tel:402-469-9285) or sign up at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).



## CROP Hunger Walk October 13

Hastings CROP Hunger Walk is sponsored by the local Church Women United with help from Hastings College. The walk event is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> year. It will start at Hazelrigg Student Union and will be in the Hastings College and Heartwell Park area Sunday, October 13, 2019, 1:30 to register and 2:00 to walk.

Crop Hunger Walks began in 1949 under the wing of Church World Services and for many years has raised funds to help provide food and water as well as resources that empower people to meet their own needs both locally and globally.

Twenty-five percent of our Hastings Walk fundraiser will be used locally to benefit our Hastings Crossroads Center Rescue Mission. First Presbyterian Church has a team in this event. Please join our team as you donate to this much needed fundraiser.

A table will be in the Memorial Room each Sunday until October 13 for your donations and will inform you of the walk event. Or you can donate in the church office. To donate or register online, go to [crophungerwalk.org](http://crophungerwalk.org), find Hastings CROP Hunger Walk, register, join a team, First Presbyterian Church, or start your own team. Follow the simple step-by-step instructions.

Join in on the fun. Plan to walk and donate. If you can't join us, donations are appreciated.



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

Sponsored by:  
First United Methodist Church  
First Presbyterian Church

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 free of charge. The institutions providing the food are equal opportunity providers.

October 19, 2019		
C, D, E	May park and get number starting at:	9:30 AM
F, G, H	May park and get number starting at:	9:45 AM
I, J, K, L	May park and get number starting at:	10:00 AM
M, N, O	May park and get number starting at:	10:15 AM
P, Q, R	May park and get number starting at:	10:30 AM
S, T, U	May park and get number starting at:	10:45 AM
V, W, X, Y, Z	May park and get number starting at:	11:00 AM
A, B	May park and get number starting at:	11:15 AM

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.



## Quilter's Paradise Sale

Zelma Fobben was an avid quilter who was always taking lessons and learning new techniques. She was one of the founders of the Hastings Quilter's Guild and PW Quilters. When she moved to Lincoln, she left behind a large collection of beautiful fabrics, books, patterns, and unfinished quilting projects which the Fobben family has graciously donated to the PW Quilters.

These items will be offered for sale  
PEACE Center on October 26  
North West Classroom  
10:00am until 4:00pm,  
Proceeds going toward PW Missions.

**FPC --- October 13, 2019 – October 26, 2019**

<b>Sun, Oct 13</b>	<b>8:30a-9:30a 9:00a-9:45a 10:30a</b>	<b>Taizé Contemplative Style Worship in the Chapel Sunday School Traditional Worship</b>
<b>Mon, Oct 14</b>	<b>6:00p-8:00p 6:30p-8:30p 7:00p-8:00p 7:30p-8:30p</b>	<b>Mexican Dance Troupe in PEACE Center Financial Peace University in the Parlor Scout Troop 200-Boys/Girls Chorus of the Plains</b>
<b>Tues, Oct 15</b>	<b>10:30a-11:30a 12:00p-1:00p 1:30p-4:00p 5:30p-8:00p 6:45p-7:45p</b>	<b>Staff Meeting Bible Study in Anderson Room Quilters meet in P.E.A.C.E. Center Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym Deacon Meeting in Anderson</b>
<b>Wed, Oct 16</b>	<b>9:30a-10:10a 9:30a-10:30a 9:30a-10:30a 1:15p-2:15p</b>	<b>HC Chapel at French Memorial Chapel Circle I Circle II Circle III NO WNL due to Fall Break</b>
	<b>6:30p-8:00p 6:45p-7:30p 6:30p-8:00p 6:45p-7:30p 7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>Wood Carvers meet in Church Basement Chancel Choir Wood Carvers meet in Church Basement Chancel Choir Chancel Bells</b>
<b>Thurs, Oct 17</b>	<b>7:00a-7:45a Noon-1:00p 4:30p-5:30p 5:30p-7:00p 5:30p-8:00p 6:00p-7:00p 6:00p-8:00p 7:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Retreat in the Real World in the Adult Ed Room Soup Group in the Library FPC/Pooh Corner Liaison Meeting in Anderson Session Meeting in Anderson Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym Spanish Class in P.E.A.C.E. Center, NW Classroom Mexican Dance Troupe in PEACE Center Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall</b>
<b>Fri, Oct 18</b>	<b>10:00a-12:00p</b>	<b>Mahjong Ladies in the Youth Room</b>
<b>Sat, Oct 19</b>	<b>9:30a-2:00p</b>	<b>United Harvest in the PEACE Center</b>



*A Pastor never gets to say "I'm off duty".  
Never gets to punch out at 5.  
Never gets to have a "normal" schedule.  
We don't know how many sleepless nights they spend on their  
knees praying for their church.  
How much opposition they face,  
How many family opportunities they miss to meet with hurting  
people.  
We can't carry their burden for them,  
but we can do what the Bible tells us to:  
Pray for them. Encourage them. Support them.  
By blessing them we will only be blessed in return.—Anonymous*

<b>Sun, Oct 20</b>	<b>8:30a-9:15a</b>	<b>Taizé Contemplative Style Worship in the Chapel</b>
		<b>NO-Sunday School due to Fall Break</b>
<b>Mon, Oct 21</b>	<b>10:30a</b>	<b>Traditional Worship Service</b>
	<b>5:30p-6:30p</b>	<b>Foundation Meeting</b> in Anderson
	<b>6:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in PEACE Center
	<b>6:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Pickle Ball</b> in PEACE Center
	<b>6:30p-8:30p</b>	<b>Financial Peace University</b> in the Parlor
	<b>7:00p-9:00p</b>	<b>Scout Troop 200-Boys/Girls</b>
	<b>7:30p-9:30p</b>	<b>Chorus of the Plains</b>
<b>Tues, Oct 22</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>1:30p-4:00p</b>	<b>Quilters</b> meet in P.E.A.C.E. Center
	<b>5:30p-8:00p</b>	<b>Pickle Ball</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	<b>7:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Knit Wits</b> in the Parlor
<b>Wed, Oct 23</b>	<b>7:00a-8:00a</b>	<b>Bible @ Breakfast</b> in the Parlor
	<b>9:30a-10:10a</b>	<b>HC Chapel at French Memorial Chapel</b>
	<b>4:00p-6:00p</b>	<b>Pre-K thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Study, Recreation Time, Choir/Bells (WNL)</b>
	<b>6:00p-6:45p</b>	<b>WNL Family Meal Time</b> <i>All are welcome!</i>
	<b>6:20p-6:50p</b>	<b>WNL Calvin Middle School and Westminster High School Bells</b>
	<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>6:50p-7:30p</b>	<b>WNL Calvin Middle School and Westminster High School Choir</b>
	<b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>Chancel Bells</b>
	<b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: <i>Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>) Youth Group</i></b>
	<b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: <i>High School (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>) Youth Group</i></b>
<b>Thurs, Oct 24</b>	<b>7:00a-8:00a</b>	<b>Retreat in the Real World</b> in the Library
	<b>5:30p-8:00p</b>	<b>Pickle Ball</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	<b>6:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in PEACE Center
	<b>6:00p-7:00p</b>	<b>Spanish Class</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center, NW Classroom
	<b>7:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Cub Scout Den Meeting</b> in Fellowship Hall
<b>Fri, Oct 25</b>	<b>10:00a-12:00p</b>	<b>Mahjong Ladies</b> in the Youth Room
	<b>4:00p-7:30p</b>	<b>Cooking with the Missionary's</b>
<b>Sat, Oct 26</b>	<b>8:00a-4:00p</b>	<b>Presbytery Meeting</b> in Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall
	<b>9:00a-4:00p</b>	<b>PW Fall Gathering</b> in the Chapel
	<b>10:00a-4:00p</b>	<b>Quilters Paradise Sale</b> in PEACE Center NW Classroom



**Moms of Hastings (formerly MOPS)** is a faith-based community of women striving to meet the needs of every mom from expectant moms to moms of adult children. Our group meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month during the school year. We embrace the joys of motherhood and encourage each other through the challenges.

*General Information for Moms of Hastings*

- ✓ Meeting dates – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month from September through May
- ✓ Time – 9:00am – 11:00am
- ✓ Location – First St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Hastings
- ✓ Cost - \$2 per meeting + \$10 yearly registration fee (confidential scholarships available). First meeting is free.
- ✓ Childcare provided (cost included in dues)
- ✓ Beverages provided at each meeting
- ✓ Breakfast provided at some meetings
- ✓ We will have a devotion each meeting. At some meetings, we will have a speaker or craft as well.

**2019-2020 Meeting Dates**

Location – First St. Paul’s Church in Hastings, NE  
*September 5, 19*  
 December 5, 19  
 March 5, 19

*October 3, 17*  
 January 2, 16  
 April 2, 16

Time – 9:00am to 11:00am  
*November 7, 21*  
 February 6, 20  
 May 7, 14



**Pickle Ball?** You are invited to come to the FPC P.E.A.C.E Center located at 7th and Lincoln Ave. every Tuesday, 5:30-8:00pm and Thursday, 5:30-8:00pm. Pickle Ball is a fun blend of ping pong, racquetball, and tennis. It is designed for all ages as a healthy activity for young and old alike. It is lower impact than tennis but just as fun! Equipment is available; you just need to show up!



**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.



**Habitat  
for Humanity®**

Applications are now being accepted for Habitat homes. The application is at the front desk at Head Start on Marian Rd. Please consider applying. Find attached flyers that you may share with others you feel would benefit or be interested.

Some of the qualifications are listed below:

- There must be a housing need: overcrowding, poor heating, unsafe/unsanitary conditions.
- You must have lived in the Hastings area for one year.
- You must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States.
- Your family income must be in the low to moderate rate. The expense of the home (rent, taxes, etc.) must not be more than 30% of your monthly Adjusted Gross Income and your Adjusted Gross Income should be in the 60-80% of the Hastings Median Income. (We will help figure that out)
- We will look at debt to income ratio when considering if the applicant can afford to make the monthly payments. We don't want to set anyone up to lose their home.
- Homes are not given for free, they are an interest free home loan held by Hastings Habitat for Humanity.
- While most of the labor is completed by volunteers, materials cost us and professional work like electricity and plumbing are hired out. Therefore Habitat homes are running approximately \$575-\$600/ month (utilities not included).
- You are required to complete 300 hours of "Sweat Equity" in the construction of your home (can assist with other houses and you can get friends and family to help you out as needed also)
- If approved for a home there is a required down payment of \$500 when notified of selection, you will continue to make monthly payments of approximately \$150.00 during construction and then a closing cost of approximately \$500 to apply to the legal closing costs.

**Hastings Area  
Habitat  
for Humanity®**

# Building Dreams Together

## Habitat Homebuyers

**Qualifications:**

- Applicants for a Habitat home must qualify based on need.

**Sweat Equity:**

- Homebuyers devote "sweat equity" hours to help build their home and others in the Habitat program.

**Mortgage:**

- Homebuyers pay an affordable no-profit mortgage, which is used to build more Habitat homes.

For a Homebuyers application call (402)462-4187 ext. 153

For more information about Hastings Area Habitat for Humanity or to volunteer call (402)462-5141





**The September Communion Offering** went to the Happy Nappy Project. This is what your donations made possible.

Thank you for your donations during September and in the months to come for this ongoing project.

The Mission Committee

**The 2019 Coat Drive Distribution** Event will be held in conjunction with United Harvest October 19 in the Memorial Room.

Thank you for your generous donations.

The Mission Committee

**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!!



### Presbyterian Women.



- ✓ Circle I will meet October 16-9:30am (Hostess-Jane Foote; Lesson-May Wierenga)
- ✓ Circle II will meet October 16-9:30am (Hostess-Laurie Johnson; Lesson-Betty Kooy)
- ✓ Circle III will meet October 16:15 pm (Hostess-Marie Rasmussen; Lesson-Sue Medsker-Nedderman)



**Soup Group for Women is Back** and will meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, 12:00-1:00pm in the Library. Bring a sack lunch if you wish for lunch and Fellowship.

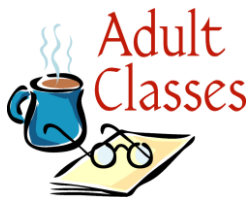


**Knit Wits.** Join us for our knitting/crocheting *fellowship group*, the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, 7:00-8:00/8:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Bring whatever project you're currently working on or stop in for pointers on how to get started. Join us for refreshments, fellowship, and fun!



**Forum Adult Sunday School Class** meets at 9:15am in the Adult Ed Room

- ❖ Oct 13: A Meal of Welcome – Mark and Aida Evans join us to share their experience of offering hospitality to migrant workers in Hastings, NE.
- ❖ No Sunday School Oct 20
- ❖ Oct 27: Ministry at the Border – Mark Adams, Miriam Maldonado, and Carmina join us from Frontera de Cristo and Café Justo in Agua Prieta, Mexico, to share about life and ministry on the U. S./Mexico border.

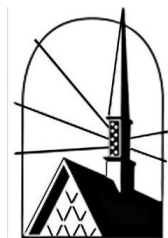


### Adult Classes

**Heirs Apparent Adult Sunday School Class** meets at 9:15am in the Anderson Room. This adult Sunday School class began on Sept 8<sup>th</sup>. The first study for the semester will be on Simon Peter. Grab a cup of coffee and join us.



**Bible @ Breakfast** meets every Wednesday at 7 a.m. in the Parlor. Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh will be leading a study on the “Rise of the Apocalyptic Imagination.” There is no specific study book designated at this point.



### Retreat in the Real World

You don't have to leave your home to experience the benefits of a retreat! Take your spiritual growth to the next level this fall by joining weekly with others learning to incorporate easy but focused spiritual practices into busy daily life. Led by Kili Wenburg, Thursday mornings in the Adult Ed room, 7:00-7:45am.

# New Members!

Here's a little more info about our new members. There's lots more we could share but the best way to learn more is simply to ask. Please greet our new members warmly and kindly. If you'd like to send them a note of welcome, their contact information is available in the office and will be in the directory app soon.



## **Burt John (BJ) and Kaela Pumroy**

BJ and Kaela recently moved to Hastings from the Washington DC area. BJ is the Director of Athletics at Hastings College. Kaela is self-employed as an accountant. Kaela spends time reading, walking, and she loves to travel. BJ also enjoys travel especially if it involves fishing. He also appreciates history and has been known to take in a few sporting activities. They are the parents of Kinnick and Maddux who are in 7<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade respectively.



## **Lisa Unger**

Born and raised in the state of Georgia, Lisa only recently discovered the joys of Nebraska. As the manager of Anderson-Unger farm in Doniphan, NE Lisa has truly come to embrace her new home. In her spare time, she enjoys farming (as you might expect), yard work, reading, and cooking.



## **HeatherMorgan Turner**

HeatherMorgan grew up in First Pres as a youth before her family moved away. She has returned to Hastings and works as an occupational therapist for Infinity Rehab. She enjoys reading (especially Harry Potter), movies, and traveling. She also relishes playing with her daughter Delilah who is currently in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

## **Zachary and Erin Runcie**

Zach and Erin recently moved to Hastings from Grand Island. Both are Hastings College alums and both teach in the Hastings Public School system. The family enjoys hanging out with one another and singing. Zach and Erin are the parents of Monroe (currently in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) and 3 year-old twins Pierce and Graham.



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<sup>5</sup> Trust in the Lord  
with all your heart  
and lean not  
on your own understanding:  
<sup>6</sup> in all your ways  
submit to him,  
and he will make  
your paths straight.

Proverbs 3:5-6