

# The Home Page

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

## FROM PASTOR GREG

Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:

What a month it has been in the life of our church!

- On October 2 our children made communion bread as part of our Wednesday Night Live programming.
- On October 4 we sent a group of 36 pilgrims to the Holy Land.
- On October 6 we connected with our pilgrims and did a joint worship and communion service with them thanks to technology and a lot of hard work from our technology team. We also shared the bread made by our children and were blessed with beautiful music by our Chancel Choir.
- On October 13 we celebrated “Hastings College Sunday” with a visit from The Hastings College Choir, HC President Feezell, with Pastor Damen preaching a beautiful and meaningful sermon. Our connection with the College remains strong.
- On October 15 we had a Middle School Lock-In where the kids stayed overnight in the church with 3 brave adults. As part of their time, they helped set up for the Coat Giveaway scheduled for the next day.
- On October 16 we gave away more than 300 winter coats from our Memorial Room at the same time that we did the United Harvest Mobile Food Pantry distribution in the PEACE Center, feeding more than 500 families in our community. The team of volunteers for both events was huge and amazing.
- On October 17 we had a meaningful worship service where we welcomed back the Holy Land Pilgrims. Rev. Gary Eller from the Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation was a guest preacher, and he asked us, “Will our faith have children?” as he reminded us that there is something special happening at our church.
- On October 25 our mission partners from the US-Mexico border arrived and taught a cooking class in our kitchen where we prepared enough food for 100 people.
- On October 26 we hosted the Presbytery meeting and the Presbyterian Women. Many volunteers from our church turned out to provide incredible hospitality. We served the food we had cooked the night before.
- On October 27 we had a glorious Sunday worship service that included our Children’s and Youth Choirs and a visit from the Mexican Folkloric Dance Troupe that our church helps support. Our mission partners from Mexico shared what God is doing on the US-Mexico border and the ways we are connected through faith and love to our sisters and brothers there.
- On October 27 following worship, we had a potluck that maxed out the capacity of our fellowship hall. We shared food, fellowship, and fun together as an extended family of faith that included our mission partners and the Mexican Folkloric Dance Troupe.

Wow! What an active family of faith! These are just some of the many things that have happened this month in the life of our beloved church. If you helped support any of these activities by volunteering, THANK YOU! If you came and participated in any of these activities, THANK YOU! If you have given money to support these ministries, THANK YOU!

The theme of our Stewardship Campaign this year is “Supporting Something Special.” As you can see by the incredible variety of activities and ministries in the list above, God is doing something special at First Presbyterian Church.

We can’t do it without your faithful support and the commitment of your time, talent, and treasure. We are asking that you turn your pledge cards and “Time and Talent” sheets for 2020 on or before Sunday, November 10. You can bring them by the office this week or bring them to the church on Sunday when we will be doing a blessing and dedication of the pledges. Those cards will help us estimate the budget for the next year and will allow us to continue to grow in mission and ministry as the body of Christ.

Thank you for all you do to support this beloved family of faith. I am looking forward to another amazing year of ministry with you!

Your Servant in Christ,                      Pastor Greg

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

Janet Schawang	Zachary, Noble, Cale Henderson	Jane Horton
Celia & Wayne Ganow	Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)	Jim Cooke
Norm Giesler	Jeff Howard	Joan Shaw and Family
Gretchen Lainson	Cheryl Ann Elford	Jim Hahne
Jim Harrenstein	Family of Lee Kreager	Alden Talbert (Bill's Dad)
Darrel Lloyd	Kristine Cook (Katharine Davis' sister)	Irina Erickson's Mom
	Mary Jeanne Cooke	Kathy Reimer

*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 Donation Station located in Fellowship Hall 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).

### **Brooks' Bookshelf**

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

**Dear Church Family,** I am so thankful for my Presbyterian family these past weeks. The cards, texts, visits and flowers delivered by deacons Lorna and Lindsay. A special thank you to Pastor Greg for everything he did for a family he had never met. Lastly to the food from the heart group and Mary Fisk for the delicious casserole. My heart is full knowing that I have such a loving church family. God bless you all. -Joan Shaw

**November Communion Offering** will go to CASA, which is an acronym for Court Appointed Special Advocates who report to the court on behalf of a child who has been a victim of abuse or neglect.

### Global Witness and Mission Committee

The mission committee would like to thank all those who donated to the coat give away. This project would not be successful without the support of donating coats and time. Collecting 380 coats was a huge success this year. All but 80 coats were distributed in October. The remainder will be available to those in need at the November United Harvest Food Distribution. The middle school youth worked hard the night before organizing the coats and deserve a huge thank you. We are all learning that pulling together as a team provides a great impact. Thanks to all. There is something special happening at First Presbyterian Church.

## Looking Ahead...



### ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS CORNER

**The Christmas Season is rapidly approaching! Mark your calendar with these special church family events!**

- ♥ **Hanging of the Greens** – Saturday, November 23 @ 9:00am
- ♥ **Christmas Caroling** – Date and Time to be Determined
- ♥ **First Sunday of Advent** - December 1
- ♥ **Second Sunday of Advent** - December 8
- ♥ **Third Sunday of Advent** - December 15
- ♥ **Children's Christmas Program** – December 15, 10:30 Service
- ♥ **Fourth Sunday of Advent** - December 22
- ♥ **Christmas Eve Services** December 24th
  - 2:00p at College View Retirement Home
  - 5:30 Family Service
  - 7:30 Traditional Service
  - 11:00 Evensong Service in the Chapel



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.

November 16, 2019		
F, G, H	May park and get number starting at:	9:30 AM
I, J, K, L	May park and get number starting at:	9:45 AM
M, N, O	May park and get number starting at:	10:00 AM
P, Q, R	May park and get number starting at:	10:15 AM
S, T, U	May park and get number starting at:	10:30 AM
V, W, X, Y, Z	May park and get number starting at:	10:45 AM
A, B	May park and get number starting at:	11:00 AM
C, D, E	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.



**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).





### Go & Serve Cinnamon Roll Sales

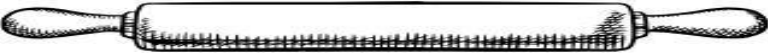
As chili season gets underway and out-of-town company season approacheth, it's time to turn your attention to cinnamon rolls! For some (Damen), it's never not time to think about cinnamon rolls. The Go & Servers will once again be embarking on their cinnamon roll fundraiser. Let your hearts rejoice!

To place an order, please complete the form below and return it to the church office or place it in the box on the table in the office workroom. However, there are **a few**

**changes** this year, so please take note.

- 1) All of the cinnamon rolls **will be frozen** so that you can bake them whenever you'd like. They bake easily at home, and this simplifies the process for us.
- 2) We're doing two pick-up Sundays. Please indicate on the form when you'd like to pick-up your rolls. If you'd like your rolls by **Nov. 24**, then you must turn in the form by **Nov. 15**. If you'd like your rolls by **Dec 15**, then you must turn the form by **Dec. 6**.
- 3) The cost of the rolls is \$12 per pan, and they come 6 rolls to a pan. Included with each pan is a bag of frosting.

You can pay when you pick up your rolls. With your support, Go & Serve continues to play a vital role in the faith formation of our senior high students. Thank you for all you do on behalf of our youth!




GO & SERVE CINNAMON ROLL FUNDRAISER

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_


Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Pick-Up Date (circle one):      Nov. 24      must turn in form by Nov. 15  
    Dec. 15      must turn in form by Dec. 6

Number of Pans: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (\$12 per pan, 6 rolls per pan)



Thank you for your support of Go & Serve!





## Go & Serve Bid Board Donations Needed



Each year, the senior high youth group of First Presbyterian Church has the opportunity to go on a Go & Serve mission trip. the goal of the this trip is to engage students in service projects that work toward the betterment of others while strengthening their own faith.

To help offset the costs of taking trips to various destinations we hold an annual silent auction (Bid Board). This year our silent auction will be held December 1-15. We are always looking for items to put up for auction and are hoping you can help with a **New or Gently Used** donation. Popular items from the past include: themed gift baskets (movie night, animal lover, game night, etc.), gift certificates, professional services, child care, and yard assistance.

Please deliver your donation to the designated cart in the church's common office area **before Sunday, December 1**. Also, please fill out the following form and attach it to your donation.

**New/Gently Used** Item Being Donated

\_\_\_\_\_

Donated By: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**FPC --- November 10, 2019 – November 23, 2019**

<b>Sun, Nov 10</b>	<b>8:30a-9:30a</b> <b>9:00a-9:45a</b> <b>10:30a</b>	<b>Taizé Contemplative-Style Worship in the Chapel</b> <b>Sunday School</b> <b>Traditional Worship</b>
<b>Mon, Nov 11</b>	<b>1:00p-3:00p</b> <b>6:00p-8:00p</b> <b>7:00p-8:00p</b> <b>7:30p-8:30p</b>	<b>Pickle Ball</b> in PEACE Center Gym <b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in PEACE Center <b>Scout Troop 200-Boys/Girls</b> <b>Chorus of the Plains</b>
<b>Tues, Nov 12</b>	<b>10:30a-11:30a</b> <b>12:00p-1:00p</b> <b>1:30p-4:00p</b> <b>5:30p-8:00p</b> <b>5:30p-6:30p</b> <b>5:30p-6:30p</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b> <b>Bible Study</b> in Anderson Room <b>Quilters</b> meet in P.E.A.C.E. Center <b>Pickle Ball</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym <b>Congregational Life</b> in Parlor <b>Trustees</b> in Anderson
<b>Wed, Nov 13</b>	<b>7:00a-8:00a</b> <b>9:30a-10:10a</b> <b>4:00p-6:00p</b>  <b>6:00p-6:45p</b>  <b>6:20p-6:50p</b>  <b>6:30p-8:00p</b> <b>6:45p-7:30p</b> <b>6:50p-7:30p</b>  <b>7:30p-8:15p</b> <b>7:30p-8:15p</b>  <b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>Bible @ Breakfast</b> in the Parlor <b>HC Chapel at French Memorial Chapel</b> <b>Pre-K thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Study, Recreation Time, Choir/Bells (WNL)</b> <b>WNL Family Meal Time</b> <i>All are welcome!</i> <b>WNL Calvin Middle School and Westminster High School Bells</b> <b>Wood Carvers</b> meet in Church Basement <b>Chancel Choir</b> <b>WNL Calvin Middle School and Westminster High School Choir</b> <b>Chancel Bells</b> <b>WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>) Youth Group</b> <b>WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: High School (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>) Youth Group</b>
<b>Thurs, Nov 14</b>	<b>7:00a-7:45a</b> <b>4:30p-5:30p</b> <b>5:00p-6:00p</b> <b>5:30p-8:00p</b> <b>6:00p-7:00p</b> <b>6:00p-8:00p</b> <b>7:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Retreat in the Real World</b> in the Adult Ed Room <b>Mission</b> meeting in Parlor <b>Personnel</b> meeting in Kessler <b>Pickle Ball</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym <b>Spanish Class</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center, NW Classroom <b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in PEACE Center <b>Cub Scout Den Meeting</b> in Fellowship Hall
<b>Fri, Nov 15</b>	<b>10:00a-12:00p</b>	<b>Mahjong Ladies</b> in the Youth Room
<b>Sat, Nov 16</b>	<b>9:00a-2:00p</b>	<b>United Harvest Food Distribution</b>

<b>Sun, Nov 17</b>	<b>8:30a-9:15a</b> <b>9:00a-9:45a</b> <b>10:30a</b>	<b>Taizé Contemplative-Style Worship in the Chapel</b> <b>Sunday School</b>
<b>Mon, Nov 18</b>	<b>1:00p-3:00p</b> <b>2:00p-4:00</b> <b>6:00p-8:00p</b> <b>7:00p-9:00p</b> <b>7:30p-9:30p</b>	<b>Traditional Worship Service</b> <b>Pickle Ball</b> in PEACE Center Gym <b>Food from the Heart Prep</b> in the Kitchen <b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in PEACE Center <b>Scout Troop 200-Boys/Girls</b> <b>Chorus of the Plains</b>
<b>Tues, Nov 19</b>	<b>10:30a-11:30a</b> <b>12:00p-1:00p</b> <b>1:30p-4:00p</b> <b>6:45p-7:45p</b> <b>5:30p-8:00p</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b> <b>Bible Study</b> in Anderson Room <b>Quilters</b> meet in P.E.A.C.E. Center <b>Deacons</b> meet in Anderson <b>Pickle Ball</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
<b>Wed, Nov 20</b>	<b>7:00a-8:00a</b> <b>9:30a-10:10a</b> <b>9:30a-10:30a</b>  <b>9:30a-10:30a</b>  <b>1:15p-2:15p</b>  <b>4:00p-6:00p</b>  <b>6:00p-6:45p</b>  <b>6:20p-6:50p</b>  <b>6:30p-8:00p</b> <b>6:45p-7:30p</b> <b>6:50p-7:30p</b>  <b>7:30p-8:15p</b> <b>7:30p-8:15p</b>  <b>7:30p-8:15p</b>	<b>HC Chapel at French Memorial Chapel</b> <b>Circle I</b> (Hostess-Peggy Thomson; Lesson-Lynette Kreiger) <b>Circle II</b> (Hostess-Mary Fisk; Lesson-Gayle Fandry) <b>Circle III</b> (Hostess-Carol Wheeler; Lesson-Jo Seiler) <b>Pre-K thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Study, Recreation Time, Choir/Bells (WNL)</b> <b>WNL Family Meal Time</b> <i>All are welcome!</i> <b>WNL Calvin Middle School and Westminster High School Bells</b> <b>Wood Carvers</b> meet in Church Basement <b>Chancel Choir</b> <b>WNL Calvin Middle School and Westminster High School Choir</b> <b>Chancel Bells</b> <b>WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>) Youth Group</b> <b>WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: High School (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>) Youth Group</b> <b>Retreat in the Real World</b> in the Adult Ed Room <b>Soup Group</b> in the Library <b>Pickle Ball</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym <b>Session</b> in Anderson <b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in PEACE Center <b>Spanish Class</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center, NW Classroom <b>Cub Scout Pack Meeting</b> in the Parlor <b>Mahjong Ladies</b> in the Youth Room
<b>Thurs, Nov 21</b>	<b>7:00a-8:00a</b> <b>12:00p-1:00p</b> <b>5:30p-8:00p</b> <b>5:30p-6:30p</b> <b>6:00p-8:00p</b> <b>6:00p-7:00p</b> <b>7:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Hanging of the Greens</b>
<b>Fri, Nov 22</b>	<b>10:00a-12:00p</b>	
<b>Sat, Nov 23</b>	<b>9:00a</b>	



**Many hands make light work! We need you!**  
**Bring a snack to share.**



**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.



### **Food from the Heart Program**

The women of our church have started a mission of giving to our friends and families. This mission is called Food from the Heart. Our plan is to get together on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of each month at 2:00pm. We will prepare the food for casseroles to be placed in the church freezers. Everything will be ready to go when volunteers arrive. It would be nice to have 5-6 people help prepare the meals.

This idea came to me through the thoughtful gifts of foods to use at a time of need. I thought this is something our church should do. Let's share our food and our hearts.

The finished casseroles in the freezer are for anyone to take and give away. Feel free to share with non-members also. We care about everyone, so enjoy.

To let Nancy know you are coming to help prepare the casseroles or if you have any questions, call or text Nancy Grams at 402-705-8179



### **Donation Station Has Moved**

Looking to donate items to Hastings Food Pantry, Happy Nappies, Pine Ridge, Brooks' Bookshelf, and/or SASA? The Mission committee has moved the on-going collection tubs for these projects into the **Fellowship Hall**. If you stop by to take a look, you'll find clearly marked bins with lists of the items for which these agencies are looking. Thank you for your continued support of these vital ministry partners.





**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**  
ALL EVENTS ARE FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

<p><b>MON // NOV. 11</b></p> <p><b>Train the Trainers //</b> For Service Providers Help &amp; Support Immigrant Populations</p> <p><b>10 am - 12 pm</b> Hastings Public Library 314 N. Denver Ave.</p>	<p><b>TUE // NOV. 12</b></p> <p><b>Let's Go Luna! //</b> Showing, Free Pizza &amp; Kids Activities</p> <p><b>5:30 pm</b> Hastings Museum 1330 N Burlington Ave.</p>	<p><b>WED // NOV. 13</b></p> <p><b>Raices de mi Pueblo //</b> Folkloric Dance Performance</p> <p><b>4:30 pm</b> CCC- Hall Student Union 550 S. Technical Blvd.</p>
<p><b>THU // NOV. 14</b></p> <p><b>Raices de mi Pueblo //</b> Folkloric Dance Class</p> <p><b>4:30 pm</b> CCC- Dawson Gym 550 S. Technical Blvd.</p>	<p><b>FRI // NOV. 15</b></p> <p><b>Cultural Connect Luncheon //</b></p> <p><b>11:30 am</b> YWCA of Adams County 2525 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.</p>	<p><b>Connecting Across Beliefs //</b> Interfaith Conversation by Tri-Faith Initiative</p> <p><b>7:00 pm</b> YWCA of Adams County 2525 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.</p>
<p><b>SUN // 11/17</b></p> <p><b>Hastings Cultural Festival //</b> <b>10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!</b></p> <p><b>FREE &amp; OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!</b> Explore different tastes from cultures represented in OUR COMMUNITY</p> <p><b>1-4 pm</b> Kiewit Gymnasium 715 E. 7th Street</p>		<p><b>SAT // NOV. 16</b></p> <p><b>Cultural Connect Poetry Slam //</b> Nebraska Writers Collective Poetry Slam Contest</p> <p><b>7:00 pm</b> First Street Brewing Co. 119 N. Saint Joseph Ave.</p> <p> FOR MORE INFO CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: #HASTINGSCULTURALCONNECT</p>

## Cultural Connect

Our mission committee has been involved with several community organizations in planning a week of activities to connect people across cultures and beliefs. This week will culminate with the Hastings Cultural Festival at Hastings College. We are very fortunate to have speakers from the Tri-Faith Initiative in Omaha lead conversations about connecting across beliefs on Wednesday, November 13th at 7:00pm. The Tri-Faith Initiative is unique in the world. Here is a brief description from their website.

“The Tri-Faith Initiative fosters empathy, invites understanding, and advances common action between people of diverse faiths through the shared efforts of intentionally co-located congregations of the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim faiths and an interfaith center on one campus.”



**Soup Group for Women** meets 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!

**Presbyterian Women** meet for food, fellowship, and programs the first Wednesday of the month at 11:45am in Fellowship Hall.



- The next luncheon will be December 4. Please RSVP to your Circle calling chairman and to the Office by December 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- The program will be Jon Marquez and the Hastings High School Choir
- Circle II will prepare lunch and provide kitchen helpers. Circle III will set tables, provide centerpieces, devotions, nametags, Hunger Cups, and act as Cashiers.

- ✓ Circle I will meet November 20-9:30am (Hostess-Peggy Thomson; Lesson-Lynette Kreiger)
- ✓ Circle II will meet November 20-9:30am (Hostess-Mary Fisk; Lesson-Gayle Fandry)
- ✓ Circle III will meet November 20-1:15 pm (Hostess-Carol Wheeler; Lesson-Jo Seiler)





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

- ❖ Nov 10: Project Sunflower - Project Sunflower was established in 2019 by Kelly Bonifas. The non-profit assists patients and caregivers affected by Alzheimer's and other dementia related illnesses. Kelly will join us to talk about her own experience with Alzheimer's and how her project works in the world. (see flyer below)



**Heirs Apparent Adult Sunday School Class** meets at 9:15am in the Anderson Room. 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.

*Project Sunflower*  
*Forum, November 10*  
*9:15am*  
*Together, standing tall to find the sunlight*

*Project Sunflower assists patients and caregivers affected by Alzheimer's and other dementia related illnesses.*

*Founder, Kelly Bonifas will join us to share how this project started and how it graces the lives of others.*

The flyer has a purple background. At the top, there are two yellow sunflowers. In the center, the text "Project Sunflower" is written in a large, black, cursive font. Below it, "Forum, November 10" and "9:15am" are written in a smaller, black, cursive font. Underneath that is the phrase "Together, standing tall to find the sunlight" in a black, cursive font. At the bottom, there is a large, detailed illustration of a sunflower with a dark brown center and yellow petals, growing from a mound of brown soil with green grass. On either side of the sunflower, there are two columns of text in a black, cursive font. The left column says "Project Sunflower assists patients and caregivers affected by Alzheimer's and other dementia related illnesses." and the right column says "Founder, Kelly Bonifas will join us to share how this project started and how it graces the lives of others."

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<sup>17</sup>Though the fig tree does not bud  
And there are no grapes on the vines,  
Thought the olive crop fails  
And the fields produce no food,  
Though there are no sheep in the pen  
And no cattle in the stalls,  
<sup>18</sup>Yet I will rejoice in the Lord,  
I will be joyful in God my Savior.

Habakkuk 3:17-18