



# The Home Page

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

### FROM PASTOR GREG

Mount of Beatitudes in Israel

Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:

Over the past few weeks in worship we have been studying the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus' famous words from chapters 5-7 of the Gospel of Matthew. On our trip to the Holy Land in October, we had the chance to visit the site where it is believed that Jesus shared this sermon. Our group read part of the Sermon on the Mount and then shared communion in a garden on the site; it was a powerful and moving experience.

Back here in Hastings, on Sunday, February 2, our youth reflected on the Beatitudes, the first 12 verses of the Sermon on the Mount. Their message was about what it means to be "blessed" in a worldly sense and what it means to be "blessed" as a disciple of Jesus Christ. They cleverly and poignantly contrasted the blessing of great shoe laces with the blessing of helping people in need. They did a faithful job reminding us that our blessings are based in practicing our faith through living the values of compassion, justice, mercy, and love.

On Sunday, February 9, we continued our study of Jesus' words in the Sermon on the Mount, focusing on chapter 5, verses 14-16: *"You are the light of the world... Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."* Our call to be light in a world of darkness is a strong one. My prayer is that both individually and collectively, we can continue to shine light into the darkness.

As the Sermon on the Mount continues in Matthew, it becomes even more convicting. In chapter 5, verse 22, Jesus tells us that holding anger against someone makes us liable to judgment and then goes on to remind us that insulting and demeaning others is completely antithetical to the Christian faith and not acceptable behavior for the people of God.

Jesus continues in verses 38-39, *"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also."* Rather than hit back with equal or greater ferocity when we have been struck, as Christians, we are called to deescalate. This is not easy advice to follow, but Jesus couldn't be any clearer.

How are we supposed to treat our enemies? In addition to deescalating, Jesus offers us this challenge in verses 43-44, *"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."* Of all of Jesus' words in the Sermon on the Mount, these may be the most challenging ones for me to follow. First of all, I would like to think that I don't have any enemies, but if I am being honest with myself, I probably do. Second, loving our enemies and praying for those who persecute us takes all the fruits of the spirit and then some: joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control, patience, strength, wisdom, courage, and a wellspring of compassion. Sometimes those values are hard to muster for people who have hurt me or hurt those I love. One way I do this is to remind myself that everyone I meet is made in the image of God. By looking at everyone, even my enemy, as a child of God, I can begin to embrace the words of Jesus.

No one ever said that following the commands of Jesus would be easy. But just imagine what the world would look like if everyone did. Let's start with ourselves as we seek to build a beloved community of Jesus followers. Then our light will shine in the darkness, and people will come to know God's love through us.

Your Servant in Christ, Pastor Greg



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

|                         |   |   |
|-------------------------|---|---|
| Jim & Mary Jeanne Cooke | Kristine Cook (Katharine Davis' sister) |   |
| Jim Duval               | Irina Erickson's Mom                    | Family of Virginia Malouf                           |
| Cheryl Ann Elfond       | Jane Horton                             | Family of Linda Johnson                             |
| Celia & Wayne Ganow     | Jeff Howard                             | Family of Tracy Pettit                              |
| Jim Hahne               | Gretchen Lainson                        | Family of Al Behl                                   |
| Jim Harrenstein         | Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)     | Family of Richard Viglicky                          |
| Everly Hogan            | Georga & Duane Ochsner                  | Family of Zelma Fobben                              |
| Janet Schawang          | Jack Stinson (Julie Thomsen's Dad)      | Family of Norm Giesler<br>(father of Melissa Davis) |

***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).

### **Dear Congregation of First Presbyterian Church,**

We wish to express our gratitude to each of you for the amazing donation of very-needed items that your congregation collected and gave to SASA Crisis Center. Many of the items you provided are the little necessities to which our clients otherwise do not have access, like name-brand laundry soap and AA batteries.

Recently, a client requested diapers for her two-year-old son. We also provided her with a care-package of items from your donation, including baby wipes, an item of which we frequently run out. Upon receiving the wipes, the clients stated, "Oh, my, gosh, I haven't had any wipes since the last ones you gave me (in July)!" Her level of genuine excitement is difficult to explain adequately. How often we forget how much the little things matter.

We just wanted to share with you that seemingly simple gestures make a big difference! Thank you again so much for your generosity and the work that went into such a successful collection drive. Your congregation's efforts have been such a blessing!

-The Advocates and Board of Directors  
at SASA Crisis Center

### **FPC Mission Committee Update**

- ❖ Jan 24<sup>th</sup>: 183 diapers went to Catholic Social Services.
- ❖ Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>: 47 pairs of socks went to Proteus. As you can imagine, they were all very happy to receive these donations.

**Dear First Presbyterian Church,**

We wanted to send a note to thank you for your generous donation of 7 bags of groceries given to the Food Pantry on January 30<sup>th</sup>. What a tremendous donation! So many people will be blessed with your giving. It is going to such a wonderful cause as it is helping the needy people in our community! It is only because of the donations of caring people like you that we are able to meet the needs of the hungry in our community.

God bless in all you do!

-Hastings Food Pantry Board of Directors

**Dear Church,**

The Friday Mahjong Group wants to thank the First Presbyterian Church for the use of the Youth Room each week. It is a great place to meet every Friday, especially during the winter.

**Dear Church Family,**

Thank you so very much for your prayers, and many kindnesses during this time as we grieve the loss of our mother and grandmother, Virginia. We are so thankful we had her as long as we did, as she recently celebrated her 100th birthday. Blessings to those of you who provided memorials as they will help many who need it. Pastor Damen, your service was absolutely amazing. Very

impressive and appropriate honoring Ginny. Truly awesome, my friend.

Personally, I can't say enough of my appreciation to those who shared time stopping to visit me and offering gifts of food, love, compassion, and conversation. It is wonderful knowing just how blessed I am having all of you wonderful sisters and brothers in my life as a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Thanks again, and may God share his blessings on all of you.

-Monte Malouf Jr. and family.

**Lost and Found Reminder**

Did you know the church has a lost and found area?

In fact, there are two places to look! We have things from sweaters and lonely gloves to neck ties to glasses. Please check the Lost and Found by the Pop Machine and also check the wood shelf in the hallway by the office. I will be sorting through it soon and either discarding or donating.



**February Communion Offering** goes to Scouting as it celebrates its anniversary. Scouting has been part of First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, for over a hundred years, and during that hundred years, the emphasis has been on teaching communication, service, citizenship, and leadership. By providing a place for the Scouts to meet, FPC has supported the program. The commitment of adult leaders from the community and the Troop's outreach to youth across the community make it an ongoing successful mission of FPC. The Scouts typically fund their own program and conduct fundraisers to support service projects. However, the cost of Scouting has increased dramatically in the past few years, making it difficult to keep the program affordable for all youth. We sincerely appreciate your support through your donations to the February Communion Offering.

**January Special Attendance recognition**

Children who routinely attend Sunday School and Wednesday Night Live will get a chance at a worship leadership role. Each month, all children in preschool thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade with 100% Sunday School or Wednesday Night Live attendance will be entered into a drawing. One child will be chosen each month. The children will get a chance to extend their growth in faith to others by choosing to serve in one of the following worship roles:

Acolyte (if under 4<sup>th</sup> grade)  
Call to Worship leader

Usher  
Prayer leader

Music soloist  
Children's Moment  
leader or helper

During the month of January, sixteen (16) children had 100% Sunday School attendance. Nineteen (19) children had 100% Wednesday Night Live attendance. The child's name that was drawn for January's recognition was Esther Allen-Pickett. Thanks be to God for our faithful attenders!





**Brooks's 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's 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, on compassion, and 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.

Check out our Amazon wish list under Brooks's Bookshelf and other places to donate on our website at [brookssbookshelf.org](http://brookssbookshelf.org) Follow us on Facebook & Instagram! -Kindly, Brooks Borrell & Family



**FPC is starting a medical equipment library** where members can borrow equipment that is needed on a temporary basis. These items will include walkers, bath chair, crutches, toilet riser, knee scooter, etc. If you have any equipment cluttering your basement that you would like to donate or if you have a temporary need for such an item, please contact Erica Brooks at [ericalynn128@gmail.com](mailto:ericalynn128@gmail.com).

## Looking Ahead...



The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be **Monday, March 30, 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).



### Hastings College Choir In Concert

The Hastings College Choir, under the direction of Dr. Fritz Mountford, will perform a variety of Choral Music. The concert will be held at First Presbyterian Church, Sunday evening, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 6:00 p.m.



### Church Camp

**Register NOW for 2020 Summer Camp--3<sup>rd</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, PLUS Intergenerational & Family camps for adults/children age 5-12!** Highlands Presbyterian Camp & Retreat Center Summer Camp brochures are now available on the wood shelf next to the church office door. Scholarship Applications are also available. Please contact Stephanie at [stephanie@fpchastings.org](mailto:stephanie@fpchastings.org) with any questions.

Benefits of Christian Camping...

- Campers can grow in their spiritual development in a fun, positive environment.
- Camp is an extension of your local church ministry program.
- Campers engage with others—building on the connectional strength of the reformed tradition.
- Child development experts believe that residential camp experiences help children and youth mature socially, emotionally, intellectually, morally and physically. This is supported by research conducted by the American Camp Association.



**Sponsored by:**  
First United Methodist Church  
First Presbyterian Church

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

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.

|               | March 21, 2020                       |          |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| S, T, U       | May park and get number starting at: | 9:45 AM  |
| V, W, X, Y, Z | May park and get number starting at: | 10:00 AM |
| A, B          | May park and get number starting at: | 10:15 AM |
| C, D, E       | May park and get number starting at: | 10:30 AM |
| F, G, H       | May park and get number starting at: | 10:45 AM |
| I, J, K, L    | May park and get number starting at: | 11:00 AM |
| M, N, O       | May park and get number starting at: | 11:15 AM |
| P, Q, R       | May park and get number starting at: | 11:30 AM |

Those interested in receiving food should bring boxes or bags. To volunteer, 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.



## What's Happening at FPC --- February 16 – February 23, 2020

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| Sun, Feb 16  | 8:30a-9:30a            | Contemplative Taizé-Style Worship with Communion in the Chapel                                     |
|              | 9:15a-10:15a           | Sunday School All Ages   |
|              | 10:30a                 | Traditional Worship  |
| Mon, Feb 17  | <del>8:30a-4:30p</del> | PRESIDENT'S DAY  |
|              | 8:15a-9:15p            | CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED   |
|              | 1:00p-3:00p            | Walkers in PEACE Center  |
|              | 1:00p-4:00p            | Pickle Ball in PEACE Center Gym  |
|              | 6:00p-8:00p            | Food from the Heart Food Prep  |
|              | 7:00p-8:00p            | Mexican Dance Troupe in PEACE Center   |
|              | 7:30p-8:30p            | Scout Troop 200-Boys/Girls   |
| Tues, Feb 18 | 8:15a-9:15p            | Chorus of the Plains   |
|              | 10:30a-11:30a          | Walkers in PEACE Center  |
|              | 12:00p-1:00p           | Staff Meeting  |
|              | 1:30p-4:00p            | Bible Study in Anderson Room   |
|              | 5:30p-8:00p            | Quilters meet in P.E.A.C.E. Center   |
|              | 6:45p-7:45p            | Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym   |
| Wed, Feb 19  | 8:15a-9:15a            | Deacon Meeting in Anderson   |
|              | 7:00a-8:00a            | Walkers in PEACE Center  |
|              | 9:30a-10:10a           | Bible @ Breakfast in the Parlor  |
|              | 9:30a-10:30a           | HC Chapel at French Memorial Chapel  |
|              | 9:30a-10:30a           | Circle I   |
|              | 1:15p-2:15p            | Circle II  |
|              | 4:00p-6:00p            | Circle III   |
|              |                        | Pre-K thru 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Study, Recreation Time, Choir/Bells (WNL)                   |
|              | 5:00p-6:00p            | New Member Class in Youth Room, Lower Level  |
|              | 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   |
|              | 7:30p-8:15p            | Chancel Bells  |
|              | 7:30p-8:15p            | WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: <i>Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>) Youth Group</i> |

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| <b>Thurs, Feb 20</b>                     | <b>7:00a-8:00a</b><br><b>8:15a-9:15a</b><br><b>12:00p-1:00p</b><br><b>5:00p-6:00p</b><br><b>5:30p-6:30P</b><br><b>5:30p-8:30p</b><br><b>6:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>6:00p-7:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>10:00a-12:00p</b> | <b>Retreat in the Real World</b> in Adult Ed Classroom<br><b>Walkers</b> in PEACE Center<br><b>Soup Group</b> in the Library<br><b>Grief Group</b> in Lydia Room<br><b>Session in KESSLER ROOM (this meeting only)</b><br><b>Pickle Ball</b> in PEACE in Center Gym<br><b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in PEACE Center NE Classroom<br><b>Spanish Class</b> in PEACE Center NW Classroom<br><b>Cub Scout Pack Meeting</b> in Fellowship Hall<br><b>Mahjong Ladies</b> in the Youth Room |
| <b>Fri, Feb 21</b><br><b>Sat, Feb 22</b> |   |   |
| <b>Sun, Feb 23</b>                       | <b>8:30a-9:15a</b><br><br><b>9:00a-9:45a</b><br><b>10:30a</b><br><b>2:00p-5:00p</b><br><b>6:00p</b>   | <b>Contemplative Taizé-Style Worship with Communion in the Chapel</b><br><b>Sunday School All Ages</b><br><b>Traditional Worship Service</b><br><b>Scouting-Pine Wood Derby Races</b> in PEACE Center<br><b>Hastings College Choir Concert</b>  |
| <b>Mon, Feb 24</b>                       | <b>8:15a-9:15a</b><br><b>1:00p-3:00p</b><br><b>6:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-9:00p</b><br><b>7:30p-9:30p</b>  | <b>Walkers</b> in PEACE Center<br><b>Pickle Ball</b> in PEACE Center Gym<br><b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in PEACE Center<br><b>Scout Troop 200-Boys/Girls</b><br><b>Chorus of the Plains</b>   |
| <b>Tues, Feb 25</b>                      | <b>8:15a-9:15a</b><br><b>10:30a-11:30a</b><br><b>12:00p-1:00p</b><br><b>1:30p-4:00p</b><br><b>5:30p-8:00p</b><br><b>5:30p-6:30p</b><br><b>6:00p-7:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:30p</b>   | <b>Walkers</b> in PEACE Center<br><b>Staff Meeting</b><br><b>Bible Study</b> in Anderson Room<br><b>Quilters</b> meet in P.E.A.C.E. Center<br><b>Pickle Ball</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym<br><b>Congregational Life Meeting</b> in the Parlor<br><b>Trustees Meeting</b> in the Anderson Room<br><b>Knit Wits</b> in Parlor   |
| <b>Wed, Feb 26</b>                       | <b>7:00a-8:00a</b><br><b>8:15a-9:15a</b><br><b>9:30a-10:10a</b><br><b>4:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>6:30p-8:00p</b>   | <b>Bible @ Breakfast</b> in the Parlor<br><b>Walkers</b> in PEACE Center<br><b>HC Chapel at French Memorial Chapel</b><br><b>NO WNL Activities</b><br><b>Wood Carvers</b> meet in Church Basement   |
| <b>Thurs, Feb 27</b>                     | <b>7:00a-8:00a</b><br><b>8:15a-9:15a</b><br><b>5:00p-6:00p</b><br><b>5:30p-8:00p</b><br><b>6:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>6:00p-7:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>10:00a-12:00p</b>  | <b>Retreat in the Real World</b> in the Adult Ed Room<br><b>Walkers</b> in PEACE Center<br><b>Grief Group</b> in Lydia Room<br><b>Pickle Ball</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym<br><b>Mexican Dance Troupe</b> in PEACE Center<br><b>Spanish Class</b> in P.E.A.C.E. Center, NW Classroom<br><b>Cub Scout Pack Meeting</b> in Fellowship Hall<br><b>Mahjong Ladies</b> in the Youth Room   |
| <b>Fri, Feb 28</b><br><b>Sat, Feb 29</b> |   |   |





# Let's Roll



*With First Presbyterian Church*

**Sunday, March 29**

**1:30 pm – 4:00 pm**

Skate Island, Grand Island

Rides available – Drivers needed

Admission \$5.50 – Skate rental \$1

Need More Information??

Contact Julie Thomsen

© 402-984-8754

EVERYONE WELCOME



## SAVE THE DATE

### VBS

TRADITIONAL

JUNE 1-4

9:00-12:00

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SPECIAL NEEDS

JUNE 1-3

1:00-3:00

Watch for more information in the coming months!



# Caring Voices Hospice Music Ministry

*Helping people at the end of life to navigate  
the natural process of dying with dignity and serenity.*

Our mission is to bring peace, comfort, solace and enjoyment  
through singing for those receiving hospice care,  
their loved ones, and caregivers.



**To schedule a singing  
visit, contact**

**Tom Michalek**

**402-699-2342**

**CaringVoicesHastings@  
gmail.com**

**We love because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19**



### **2020 Offering Envelopes Are Now Available**

They can be found on the wood shelf in the hall outside the office as well as on the Welcome Stand in the Memorial Room.



**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>. Use the email address from your 2018 listing to gain access. Only members will be able to create a login and load an app on their phones.



**Pickle Ball?** You are invited to come to the FPC P.E.A.C.E Center located at 7th and Lincoln Ave. 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!



**Food from the Heart Program** The women of our church have started a mission of giving to our friends and families. 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. To let Nancy Grams know you are coming to help prepare the casseroles or if you have any questions, call or text at 402-705-8179. 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.



### **Shop Hands Around the World for your Fair-Trade Items**

Our products come from artisans who live in poor areas around the globe. Purchasing their goods helps them to feed their families, send their children to school, and improve their lives by becoming economically self-sufficient. Handcrafts include baskets, scarves, jewelry, woolen hats and mittens, holiday decorations, gourmet chocolates, spices, teas, coffee, and more. Purchasing products from the store also supports our local mission, United Harvest. We give \$100.00 from the store each month to this outreach, which helps to feed those in need in our community. We are open from 9:00-12:00 every Sunday.



**Donation Station Has Moved** Looking to donate items to Hastings Food Pantry, Happy Nappies, Pine Ridge, Brooks's Bookshelf, and/or SASA? The Mission committee has moved the ongoing 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.





## Adult Bible Studies

**Heirs Apparent Adult Sunday School Class** meets at 9:15am in the Anderson Room. Grab a cup of coffee and join us.



**Bible @ Breakfast** meets every Wednesday at 7 a.m. in the Parlor. Come join us for coffee, conversation, and study.



**Forum Adult Sunday School Class** meets at 9:15am as scheduled in the Lydia Room (Formerly the Adult Ed Room).

❖ February 16: Faith & Suffrage; Dr. Catherine Biba: "Who is a True Woman? Gender Roles and the Battle for Women's Suffrage" The seventy-year campaign for the right to vote often centered less on Constitutional or political issues, and more on the question of what women should or should not do on the basis of their sex. Both pro-suffrage and anti-suffrage activists invoked common tropes of womanly or ladylike behavior as they attempted to carry their point, citing nature, the Bible, and American social mores as support for their views.



**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. 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 March luncheon will be Sermons a la Carte at St. Mark's Episcopal. The next luncheon will be April 1, 2020. Please RSVP to your Circle calling chairman and to the Office by March 30<sup>th</sup>. The program will be given by Susan Klope on "Angel Gowns"

- Circle I will prepare lunch and provide kitchen helpers.
- Circle II will set tables, provide centerpieces, devotions, nametags, Hunger Cups, and act as Cashiers.
- ✓ Circle I will meet February 19-9:30am in the Parlor  
(Hostess: Darlene Payne and Jane Bauer, Lesson: Peggy Thomson)
- ✓ Circle II will meet February 19-9:30am in the home of Susie Graham  
(Hostess: Susie Graham, Lesson: Joy White)
- ✓ Circle III will meet February 19-1:15 pm in the Library  
(Hostesses: Katharine Davis, Lesson: Kathy Reimer)

**Presbyterian Women and Church Women United** are collecting the following items for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Emergency Cleanup Buckets. Information can be found at the table in the Memorial Room. Questions? Call Nancy Grams for the answers.

#### **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Emergency Cleanup Buckets**

##### **Supplies needed:**

- ☐ One five-gallon bucket with resealable lid (If bucket has been used, clean well but do not use if it has held chemicals of any kind.)
- ☐ Four scouring pads
- ☐ Seven sponges, including one large
- ☐ One scrub brush
- ☐ Eighteen reusable cleaning towels (e.g. Handi Wipes or Easy Wipes)
- ☐ One 50 oz. or two 25 oz. bottle(s) of liquid laundry detergent
- ☐ One 16-28 oz. bottle of liquid disinfectant dish soap
- ☐ One 12-16 oz. bottle of household cleaner that can be mixed with water
- ☐ (no spray bottles)
- ☐ One package of 48-50 clothespins
- ☐ Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.
- ☐ Five dust masks
- ☐ Two pairs heavy-duty, waterproof dishwashing gloves (latex-free, non-surgical)
- ☐ One pair work gloves, cotton with leather palm or all leather
- ☐ 24-28 heavy duty or contractor type 30-45 gallon trash bags on a roll and removed from carton
- ☐ One 6-9 oz. bottle of non-aerosol insect repellent

All cleaning items must be new— all liquid items must be capped and securely tightened. Place all items into the bucket, making sure they are packed securely to avoid damage during shipment. Snap the lid on tight and seal with packing tape.

Value: \$75

Processing Fee: \$3 per kit

\*Do not enclose money inside the kits or shipping boxes.

Please bring the buckets to First Presbyterian Church of Hastings by March 22, 2020. They will be donated to the distribution center in Lincoln.



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## Happy Anniversary

|            |                           |            |                           |
|------------|---------------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| 03/06/2003 | Mark & Dianne Scheidegger | 03/19/1983 | Chris & Janna Johnson     |
| 03/08/2014 | Jeff & Ashley Hermann     | 03/20/1982 | Brian W. & Laurie Johnson |
| 03/13/1971 | Eldon & Cathy Mitzelfelt  | 03/22/1980 | Jim & Carol Harrenstein   |
| 03/13/2005 | Douglas & Diana Sabadu    | 03/30/1996 | Terry & Linda Hall        |
| 03/19/1972 | George & Joy White        |            |                           |



## Happy Birthday

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|-------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-----------------|
| 03/01 | Sandy Siemoneit | 03/12 | Danny Graves      | 03/23 | Ruth Tut        |
|       | John Meeske     |       | Maggie Nielsen    | 03/24 | Cindy Springer  |
|       | Lois Meeske     | 03/13 | Kirk Dielman      |       | Kelley Swanson  |
|       | Isabel Lay      |       | Joshua Brooks     | 03/25 | Kaylee Baldwin  |
|       | Lam Dieth       | 03/14 | Joyce Harrenstein |       | Mary Boerigter  |
| 03/02 | Cheryl Lockwood | 03/15 | Linda Donohue     |       | Dayna Grimmatt  |
|       | Tony Eddleman   |       | Tommy Thomsen     | 03/26 | Nathan Halbert  |
| 03/03 | Joan Shaw       |       | Jennifer Boeve    |       | Henry Little    |
| 03/04 | Kim Hermann     |       | Darlene Payne     |       | Jenni Welsch    |
| 03/05 | Peggy Thomson   | 03/16 | Tyson Schroeder   | 03/27 | Erik Nielsen    |
|       | Alli Gustafson  | 03/17 | Shirley Maul      |       | Grace Canady    |
|       | Audrey Miller   | 03/18 | Kathleen Nelson   | 03/28 | Allison Kern    |
| 03/06 | Annie Davis     |       | Cole Shardelow    |       | Frank Georgiana |
|       | Carver Abbott   |       | Jessica Springer  |       | Stacy Eddleman  |
| 03/07 | Todd Welton     |       | Douglas Sabadu    |       | Ignatius Ewool  |
| 03/08 | David McCarthy  | 03/19 | Suzan Hall        |       | Arich Fruehling |
| 03/09 | Evelyn Viglicky |       | Bill Boyd         |       | Erlene Gessford |
|       | Lesla Cropley   | 03/20 | Ryan Bauer        | 03/29 | Erin Runcie     |
| 03/10 | Henry Black     |       | Delilah Turner    |       | Glenn Hunnicutt |
|       | Justin Stein    |       | Tyler Musgrave    |       | Libby Knapple   |
|       | Les Seiler      | 03/21 | Irene Lindau      | 03/30 | Ben Pehl        |
|       | Beth Funkey     |       | Eden Dieth        |       | Olivia Knoedler |
|       | Stan Essink     | 03/22 | Stephanie Adam    | 03/31 | Deb Freeburger  |
| 03/11 | Amy Black       |       | Mark Zajack       |       | Hannah Jensen   |
|       | Mimi Webster    |       | JoAnn Finley      |       | Maryann Shorey  |
|       | Phyllis O'Dey   | 03/23 | Samuel Reimer     |       |                 |



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as you trust in him,  
so that you may overflow with hope  
by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13