

The Home Page

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

FROM PASTOR GREG

Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:

I want to update you on the precautions we are taking related to Coronavirus and the Flu Season, beginning with advice from Jesus to his disciples on the night he was arrested, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

God has promised us peace and encouraged us to not be afraid. We must not let fear lead us as we respond to the world around us. That doesn't mean that we bury our heads in the sand and pretend as if nothing were happening; however, if we free ourselves from fear, we are able to respond with logic and love. My hope is that our church, and all of our members, will accept the peace that Christ offers us and respond to the world around us with logic and love.

To that end, here are the proactive steps we are taking for disease transmission prevention as we continue to be a place of warm welcome, hospitality, and love:

- We have changed the "Passing of the Peace" and discouraged handshaking
- Pastors Greg and Damen are no longer shaking hands before and after service when greeting church members
- We will not pass the offering plates through the pews; instead, they will be set up in the back of the church at the end of each center aisle; now is a great time to set up online giving through the website <https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=9ce5ed95-8620-4c9e-89e4-f4eb536fb0dd>
- We will not pass the "Friendship Pads"
- We have ordered new touchless soap dispensers for all the bathrooms
- We have put up signs in all the bathrooms reminding people to wash their hands for 20 seconds
- We have ordered hand-sanitizing stations
- Our custodial staff is taking extra care wiping down surfaces with recommended products
- Should it become necessary, we will change how we serve communion
- If you have any flu-like symptoms, we kindly ask that you stay home and listen to our worship service on the radio, watch our livestream on Facebook, or watch one of our weekly television broadcasts

These are all proactive steps we can take that are recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Your staff team is monitoring the CDC recommendations daily and is in direct contact with South Heartland District Health Department. We will continue to follow their guidelines and recommendations, and we will do everything we can to keep you updated. One recommendation above and beyond the CDC guidelines that I will make is to pray! Please be in prayer for all who are impacted by disease and for all the healthcare workers and custodial staff that are working hard to slow the spread of the disease.

Should it become necessary to cancel Sunday morning worship services due to a recommendation to not hold public gatherings, we will still offer services over the radio and on our Facebook Livestream, as well as our two weekly television broadcasts.

Friends, it's hard to know what direction this will go. A natural response to the unknown is fear. But we are not people of fear; we are people of hope. May we be driven by hope, logic, and love as we respond, seeking to continue our call to welcome all, live love, and transform lives.

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Greg

FPC Prayers for:

Jim & Mary Jeanne Cooke	Melba Trehern (Lisa Unger's Mom)	Alana DeBellis & family
Jim Duval	Tom Kubicka (Chris Junker's Dad)	Family of Celia Ganow
Cheryl Ann Elfond	Kristine Cook (Katharine Davis' sister)	Ben & Joyce Ore
Jeff Howard	Irina Erickson's Mom	Jane Horton
Jim Hahne	Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)	Georga & Duane Ochsner
Everly Hogan	Jack Stinson (Julie Thomsen's Dad)	Gretchen Lainson
Janet Schawang	Elaine Schumacher (Vicki Howard's Mom)	Jim Harrenstein

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
- 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."

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

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).

Birth Announcements If you would like a rose on the pulpit to celebrate the birth of a new child in your family, please notify the office.

Mission Committee Update -305 diapers and wipes were delivered to Catholic Social Services on Feb. 27, to the delight of many toddlers... They also delivered 13 shirts to Proteus on March 4.

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 items ranging from sweaters and lonely gloves to neck ties and 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.



Help Us Celebrate...

Joyce Harrenstein is turning 99 years old on March 14th. Please help us honor her with a card shower. Cards can be sent to 2525 S Wabash Ave; Hastings, Ne 68901

March Communion Offering goes to the Hastings Public Middle School Garden. The "Grow the Garden" campaign hopes to raise \$75,000 to create a community garden in a 42' geodesic greenhouse at Hastings Middle School. The project will help students learn the value of sustainable agriculture, science, and food. Much of the project's produce from the garden will go to food-insecure families in Hastings.

February 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 preschool thru 8th grade with 100% Sunday School or Wednesday Night Live attendance will be entered into a drawing. One child will be chosen each month. The child will get a chance to extend their faith growth to others by choosing to serve in one of the following worship roles:

- Acolyte (if under 4th grade)
- Usher
- Music soloist
- Call to Worship leader
- Prayer leader
- Children's Moment leader or helper

During the month of February, eight (8) children had 100% Sunday School attendance. Twenty-four (24) children had 100% Wednesday Night Live attendance. The child's name that was drawn for February's recognition is Truman Welsch. Thanks be to God for our faithful attenders!



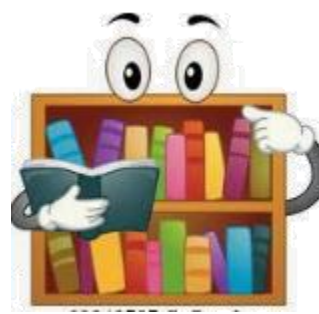
FRAUD ALERT



If you receive an email or a text message that looks like it is from Pastor Greg, Pastor Damen, or one of the other church staff

asking you to buy gift cards, please ignore it and report it to the church office. The phone number and email address will be incorrect.

Someone is sending these emails and text messages masquerading as Pastor Greg stating that he is visiting someone in the ER or the hospital and needs help to order or purchase a gift card. Pastor Greg will never ask a church member to purchase a gift card by sending you an email or text message, so please don't respond. Always pay attention to the return email address and check it for accuracy. Thank you.



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 Follow us on Facebook & Instagram!

-Kindly, Brooks Borrell & Family



FPC is starting a medical equipment library

from which members can borrow equipment that they need 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.



A group of computer engineers, highly established in their careers, got together to visit their old university professor. Conversation soon

turned into complains about stress in work and life.

Offering his guests coffee, the professor went to the kitchen and returned with a large pot of coffee and an assortment of cups, some ordinary looking, some expensive, some exquisite. He told them to help themselves to hot coffee.

When everyone had a cup of coffee in their hands, the professor said: "If you noticed, all

the nice looking expensive cups were taken up, leaving behind the plain and cheap looking ones.

"While it is normal for you to want only the best for yourselves, that is the source of your problems and stress. What all of you really wanted was coffee, not the cup, but you consciously went for the best cups and worse, you were eyeing each other's cups."

"Now if life is coffee, then the jobs, money, and position in society are the cups. They are just tools to hold and contain Life, but the quality of Life doesn't change. Sometimes, by concentrating only on the cup, we fail to enjoy the coffee in it."

So the moral of this story is: don't let the cups drive you, enjoy the coffee instead.

-Anonymous

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.



HELP Hearts & Hands Against Hunger reach their goal of packing 125,000 meals in ONE DAY!

Gather at the First Presbyterian Church Peace Center

Bring your

FAMILY, FRIENDS, YOUTH GROUP, BIBLE STUDY GROUP, BOY SCOUTS, GIRL SCOUTS, 4-H CLUB, SPORTS TEAM, HIGH SCHOOL CLUB
ALL are WELCOME!

SUNDAY, March 29, 2020 1:00pm – 6:00pm

First Presbyterian Church PEACE Center

THREE packing sessions to choose from:

1:00-2:30pm

2:45-4:15pm

4:30-6:00pm

To get more information and sign up go to: https://hearts_hands_thrivent_2020.eventbrite.com

Or call: **Hearts & Hands Against Hunger of Hastings at 402-460-8627**

A partnership with Hearts & Hands Against Hunger and Thrivent



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

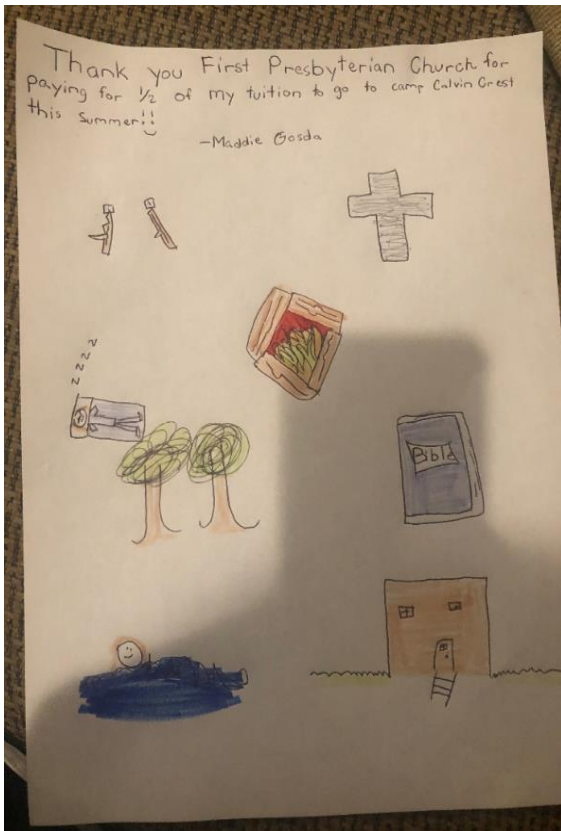
Those interested in receiving food should bring boxes or bags. To volunteer, simply show up on the date of the next distribution and check in at the volunteer sign-in table. Volunteer shifts are 9:30-12:00 and 12:00-2:00. Plastic bags can be brought to the church office and donated to the cause.



PEOPLE HELPING COMMUNITIES
BY
PROVIDING HOPE AND COMPASSION

People Helping Communities by Providing Hope and Compassion, or PHC2, formerly known as Project Homeless Connect. We've made a few changes this year, not just in name only, and are excited for what blessings this new year will bring! The first annual PHC2 event will be June 25 this year, at First St Paul's Lutheran Church as in the past, and invite you to mark

your calendars with this volunteer opportunity! Volunteer registration is now open at phchastings.org If you have any questions about PHC2 or ways to help, please contact us either by responding to me at this email or to Tina Winchell at phchastings@gmail.com in order to arrange a time. As well, I would be happy to provide a brief descriptive statement and volunteer form to share in your church bulletins or newsletters, if you'd like. For further information, contact Lanae Hall at phc2volunteers@gmail.com or 402-303-2333.



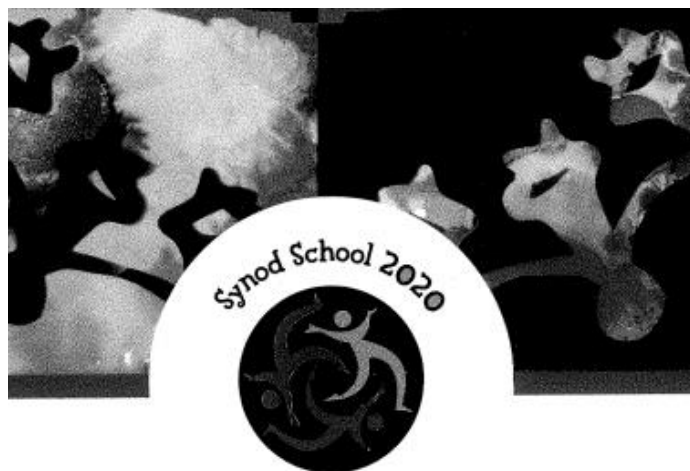
Register NOW for 2020 Summer Camp--3rd through 12th Grade, PLUS Intergenerational & Family camps for adults/children age 5-12! Highlands Presbyterian



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 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.



What Shall We Tell Them?

July 26-31, 2020

Buena Vista University, Storm Lake, Iowa

Purpose

Synod School is a learning and personal enrichment experience for people of all ages. We seek to create an environment of hospitality, healing, and hope. The week is designed for laity and clergy, and individuals and families. Classes and activities are available for adults, youth, and children.

Come...

- to participate in a unique experience of Christian community as we worship, study, play, and live together;
- to grow in faith through action, relationships, and a centering of the spirit;
- for continuing education, for a special family experience, or for individual growth;
- to take it all in, then return home to share and serve.

Synod School Theme: What Shall We Tell Them?

"We will tell the coming generation the glorious deeds of God, and God's might, and the wonders that God has done." Psalm 78:4

What does this look like when we can't assume people know our language and history as a Church? The changing context around us raises questions about how to be faithful in this time and age, in a world that is changing constantly. How do we talk about God? Where, when, why and how do we tell our stories? What stories do we tell?

For additional information contact

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800-328-1880 or 651-357-1140
Fax: 651-357-1141
www.lakesandprairies.org
Facebook Group: "Synod School: Is
this heaven? No, it's Iowa!"

Synod School is a leadership development ministry of the Synod of Lakes and Prairies of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) with support from the Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation.

Easter Prayer Vigil

April 10-12

Beginning after Good Friday
Evening Service until 6:30 a.m.
Easter Sunday

Please sign up for times
in the Memorial Room

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



Watch for more information in the coming months!

SAVE THE DATE

VBS

TRADITIONAL

JUNE 1-4

9:00-12:00

SPECIAL NEEDS

JUNE 1-3

1:00-3:00

Please Join Us for an **EASTER EGG HUNT**

Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 am

Located at Alexander Park

(just north of First Presbyterian church)

Alternate location in case of rain: First Presbyterian Church PEACE Center Gym

Age Divisions: • Age 0-2 years • Age 3-5 years • Kindergarten-2nd Grade

****Please bring your own basket for collecting eggs.**



**For more information contact Stephanie at
402-462-5147 or stephanie@fpchastings.org**



Mark Your Calendar

What's Happening at FPC --- March 15 – March 28, 2020

Sun, Mar 15	8:30a-9:30a	Contemplative Taizé-Style Worship with Communion in the Chapel
	9:15a-10:15a	No Youth Sunday School
	10:30a	Traditional Worship
Mon, Mar 16	8:15a-9:15p	Walkers in PEACE Center
	1:00p-3:00p	Pickle Ball in PEACE Center Gym
	1:00p-4:00p	Food from the Heart Food Prep
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Dance Troupe in PEACE Center
	7:00p-8:00p	Scout Troop 200
	7:30p-8:30p	Chorus of the Plains
Tues, Mar 17	8:15a-9:15p	Walkers in PEACE Center
	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-8:00p	Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	6:45p-7:45p	Deacons in Anderson
Wed, Mar 18	7:00a-8:00a	Bible @ Breakfast in the Parlor
	8:15a-9:15a	Walkers in PEACE Center
	9:30a-10:10a	HC Chapel at French Memorial Chapel
	9:30a-10:30a	Circle I
	9:30a-10:30a	Circle II
	1:15;-2:15p	Circle III
	4:00p-6:00p	Pre-K thru 5 th Grade Bible Study, Recreation Time, Choir/Bells (WNL)
	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 (6th – 8th) Youth Group</i>
Thurs, Mar 19	7:00a-8:00a	Retreat in the Real World in Lydia Room
	8:15a-9:15a	Walkers in PEACE Center
	12:00p-1:00p	Soup Group in the Library
	5:00p-6:00p	Grief Group in Lydia Room
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Dance Troupe in PEACE Center NE Classroom
	6:00p-7:00p	Spanish Class in PEACE Center NW Classroom
	7:00p-8:00p	Cub Scout Pack Meeting in Fellowship Hall
Fri, Mar 20	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies in the Youth Room
Sat, Mar 21		UNITED HARVEST
Sun, Mar 22	8:30a-9:15a	Contemplative Taizé-Style Worship with Communion in the Chapel
	9:00a-9:45a	Sunday School All Ages
	10:30a	Traditional Worship Service

Mon, Mar 23	8:15a-9:15a	Walkers in PEACE Center
	1:00p-3:00p	Pickle Ball in PEACE Center Gym
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Dance Troupe in PEACE Center
	7:00p-9:00p	Scout Troop 200-Boys/Girls
	7:30p-9:30p	Chorus of the Plains
Tues, Mar 24	8:15a-9:15a	Walkers in PEACE Center
	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-8:00p	Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
Wed, Mar 25	5:30p-7:00p	Session Meeting in Anderson
	7:00p-8:30p	Knit Wits in Parlor
	7:00a-8:00a	Bible @ Breakfast in the Parlor
	8:15a-9:15a	Walkers in PEACE Center
	9:30a-10:10a	HC Chapel at French Memorial Chapel
	4:00p-6:00p	Pre-K thru 5th Grade Bible Study, Recreation Time, Choir/Bells (WNL)
	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
Thurs, Mar 26	7:30p-8:15p	Chancel Bells
	7:30p-8:15p	WNL Bible Study and Fellowship: <i>Middle School (6th – 8th) Youth Group</i>
	7:00a-8:00a	Retreat in the Real World in the Lydia Room
	8:15a-9:15a	Walkers in PEACE Center
	5:00p-6:00p	Grief Group in Lydia Room
	5:30p-8:00p	Pickle Ball in P.E.A.C.E. Center Gym
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Dance Troupe in PEACE Center
Fri, Mar 27	6:00p-7:00p	Spanish Class in P.E.A.C.E. Center, NW Classroom
	7:00p-8:00p	Cub Scout Pack Meeting in Fellowship Hall
	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies in the Youth Room
Sat, Mar 28		
Sun, Mar 29	1:00p-6:00p	Hearts and Hands Against Hunger Packing Event



**St. Mark's Episcopal Pro-Cathedral
422 N Burlington Ave, Hastings**

**Please join us on the following Wednesdays during Lent from
12:05 p.m. to 12:30 p.m., for a Lenten message followed by lunch
served in our undercroft.
\$4.00 Lunch**

March 4th

The Very Rev. Katie Hargis
St. Mark's Episcopal Pro-Cathedral
Lunch by St. Mark's

March 11th

Pastor Damen Heitmann
First Presbyterian Church
Lunch by the Presbyterian Women

March 18th

Pastor Greg Lindenberger
First United Methodist Church
Lunch by FUMC Women

March 25th

Rev. Andy Springer
Good Samaritan Village
Lunch by Good Sam

April 1st

Pastor Jessica Palys
First Congregational United Church of Christ
Lunch by FCUCC



**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



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 from the app store.



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 1st & 3rd 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.



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

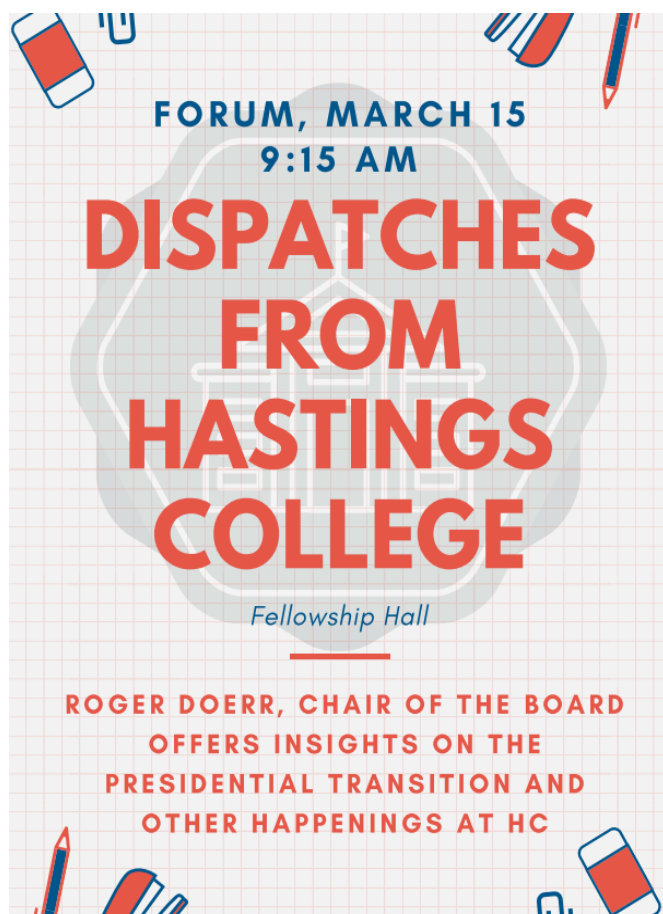


Bible @ Breakfast meets every Wednesday at 7 a.m. in the Parlor. Come join us for coffee, conversation, and study.



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

- ❖ *March 15 Dispatches from Hastings college, with Roger Doerr presenting*
- ❖ *March 29 A chat about all things Presbyterian with Co-Moderator of the PCUSA, Elder Vilmarie Cintron-Olivieri*



**YOU'VE
GOT
QUESTIONS**

ELDER VILMARIE CINTRON-OLIVIERI, CO-MODERATOR OF THE PCUSA

A CHAT ABOUT ALL THINGS PRESBYTERIAN

FORUM,
MARCH 29
9:15 AM



**SHE'S
GOT
ANSWERS**



Soup Group for Women meets the 1st and 3rd 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 next luncheon will be April 1, 2020. Please RSVP to your Circle calling chairman and to the Office by March 30th. The program will be given by Susan Kloke 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 March 18-9:30am in the Parlor
(Hostess: Elaine Specht & May Wierenga, Lesson: Flossie Sanderson)
- ✓ Circle II will meet March 18-9:30am
(Hostess: Sally Smith, Lesson: Betty Kooy)
- ✓ Circle III will meet March 18-1:15 pm in the Library
(Hostesses: Nancy Grams, Lesson: Sue Medsker-Nedderman)

Gift of the Heart Kits



Clean up Bucket

5-gallon bucket with resealable lid
5 scouring pads
7 sponges, assorted sizes
1 scrub brush
5 dust masks
50 clothespins
Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.
1 box dry laundry detergent, 50-78 oz.
1 pair work gloves
2 pair latex gloves (like Playtex®)
1 liquid concentrated household cleaner (like Lysol®), 12 oz.*

1 bottle liquid disinfectant dish soap (like Dawn®), 25 oz.*
1 pkg. cleaning towels (18 reusable, like Easy Wipes®)
24-count roll heavy-duty trash bags (33-45 gallon)
1 bottle insect repellent, 6-14 oz.* (drops or lotion, not aerosol)
**liquids in plastic bottles only

Send only new, unopened materials. Pack items securely in the plastic bucket; seal lid with packing tape. Ship each bucket in a separate box. Value \$56

Presbyterian Women and Church Women United are collecting 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.

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¹² “Even now,” declares the LORD.

“Return to me with all your heart,
with fasting and weeping and mourning.”

¹³ Rend your heart and not your garments.

Return to the LORD your God,
for he is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and abounding in love,
and relents from ending calamity.

¹⁴ Who knows?

He may turn and relent
and leave behind a blessing—grain offerings
and drink offerings for the LORD your God.

Joel 2:12-14