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

FROM PASTOR GREG

Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:

We are now 5 weeks into suspended in-person worship on Sunday mornings, as well as suspending most of our other in-person church activities. But that doesn't mean your church family is not busy. To be honest, your church staff is working harder than ever these days:

- Our Office Manager, Jean, is answering phones and emails and still coordinating all our church publications, mailings, and emails, which have more than doubled in this time so that we can stay in touch with you.
- Our Director of Christian Education, Steph Brader, is doing a weekly video and compiling resources for our church families to continue Christian education at home. She is also calling and checking in with all of our children.
- Pastor Damen has added radio broadcaster and podcaster to his regular duties along with some minor film- and sound-editing duties.
- I've become an expert in running video-conferencing and teleconferencing meetings as we continue the business of the church. I've also learned how to preach to a camera instead of real people and have been doing a lot more emailing and phone calling each week.
- We are beginning to get more requests for help for food, rent, utilities, and gas money as the unemployment numbers rise in our region. We have expanded the United Harvest Mobile Food Pantry ministry and are continuing to support our other local ministry partners in this work as we start doing our own direct aid.

I share all of this with you to remind you that the church is not closed. While our in-person activities are suspended, we are continuing to walk with our church members, grow in our faith and discipleship, and shine the love and light of Christ into our community and the world, now more than ever! For those of you who have continued to support the church with your prayers and your gifts in this time, THANK YOU! We are so grateful for your generosity and support.

Because many of our church members bring their offering checks in on Sunday or throughout the week and are now stuck at home, and because some of our church members have been furloughed, we have seen a significant drop in giving over the past month. If you and your family find that you need to decrease your giving in order to sustain yourselves, we understand and want you to tend to the needs of your family. And if you need help, please reach out to your church. We are here for you.

If you are in a position that you can still give to support the ministry and mission of the church, please do so. If you traditionally have brought your check in and dropped it in the offering plate or the church office, please mail it in. Or you can call the church office to set up direct giving from your bank account to save the cost of stamp. You can also give through our website at this link: <https://fpchastings.org/give-online/>

Last week, I read an article about church giving during a pandemic that was written by a pastor who is currently serving as a hospital chaplain. I'd like to share that with you (see next page).

Once again, thank you for all the ways that you support First Presbyterian Church. Your gifts sustain the ministry that the church is doing at this time; you are shining the love and light of Christ into our community and the world.

Your Servant in Christ, Pastor Greg

Why Giving to Your Church Right Now Might Be More Important than Ever

By: Rev. Erik Cooper

Perhaps I'm the right one to say this as I have no direct personal upside from the conversation. What I do have is a deep belief in God's Word, a love for the mission of God in the world, and a network of dear friends leading this charge in countries across the globe and in local congregations right here in my own community.

While I don't draw a paycheck from a church, I love the local Church and believe it is God's plan to embody and proclaim His Kingdom to the world. We can debate its many forms and expressions, whether it's a building, an organization, or just the people, but there's one thing I don't think should be debatable for Christians today: when we honor the Church, we're honoring God.

Like all of you, in the midst of this COVID-19 outbreak, I'm incredibly concerned about finances – my personal finances, my business's finances, and quite honestly, the financial position of all of you around me, as our economy is complex and intertwined. Those aren't just self-centered wrestlings.

And in the midst of these scary times, we are watching beautiful outpourings of generosity manifest in many different ways--families delivering food to their elderly neighbors, people donating and even making masks for front-line medical workers, NBA stars covering the lost salaries of arena workers. It is encouraging to see humans respond to the needs around them in times of crisis.

But during this unprecedented historical moment full of countless unknowns, I want to encourage all of us to continue giving to our local churches.

I'm going to step out on a limb here and risk sounding like some kind of manipulating televangelist, but the Church is not just some other nice charitable organization amidst a smorgasbord of philanthropic options. Something spiritually unique happens when you give to your church, something that goes far beyond just helping to pay pastors' salaries, building mortgages, and program costs.

"Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do," says the Lord of Heaven's Armies, "I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won't have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test! Your crops will be abundant, for I will guard them from insects and disease. Your grapes will not fall from the vine before they are ripe," says the Lord of Heaven's Armies. "Then all nations will call you blessed, for your land will be such a delight," says the Lord of Heaven's Armies.

—Malachi 3:9-12

Each time I get paid--whether my check is big or small, growing or shrinking--when I give the "first fruits" of that income to God through my local church, I am making a tangible declaration to my family and myself that God is my ultimate provider and the foundation of my trust.

I'm not talking about some kind of magic elixir here. Tithes and offerings aren't a snake oil that wards off economic collapse and physical sickness. In fact, suffering is part of the Christian experience. Jesus promised it (John 16:33).

But if money is a tangible representation of our lives, our work, our contribution to the world, then when I give the first portions of whatever I make to my church, I am declaring boldly that no matter what is going on around me, my ultimate hope and trust are rooted in Christ. No matter what happens, I am under the shadow of His wings. He is with me at all times and in all seasons. My God will supply all my needs according to His riches (Philippians 4:19). When the world is shaking, there is no place I would rather be.

In this terrifying time of uncharted financial waters, I just want to encourage you to keep giving to your local church. It's not magic. It doesn't mean you will be exempt from all the sinful effects of this fallen world. It's not a give-to-get-rich scheme. It's a declaration. Give joyfully as an outward expression of an inward commitment that Jesus is where your trust is firmly rooted in this tumultuous season.

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)	Family of Georga 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.



Sunday's service will be broadcast

- live on Facebook at www.facebook.com/fpchastings (You don't need to have an account to watch.)
- on the radio during Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. on KICS 1550 AM.
- 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." - 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!

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.

Thank You...

Dear Presbyterian Church: Thank you so much for the games and activities for our youth. This is such a blessing during this time! Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers.

Blessings – Jenifer Knush and residents of Maryland Living Center

Budget	Giving	PC(USA)	Communion
January 2020 Giving Update			
\$47,917	\$29,944	\$162	\$847
February 2020 Giving Update			
\$47,917	\$55,017	\$151	\$889
March 2020 Giving Update			
\$47,917	\$23,200	\$60	\$2,181



Looking for a way to give during our time of "Stay at Home" Church? The church counts on your giving to carry on its work. As you participate in "Stay at Home" Worship, please

mail your donation in, drop by the church office during the week, sign up for electronic fund transfers, or give on-line at:

<https://fpchastings.org/give-online/>

In the days and weeks to come, the church will continue to play a vital role in responding to this virus, just as we did with the flood relief efforts in Nebraska last year. Thank you for your continued support and provision in this time.

In Memory of

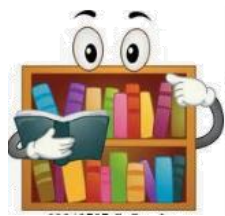
- ♥ Georga Ochsner who passed away April 17, 2020. A celebration of life service will be held at a later date. Memorials may be given to First Presbyterian Church. Cards and memorials may be sent to the funeral home.
- ♥ Judy Brown who passed away April 18, 2020. Services are pending.
- ♥ Ben Ore who passed away April 21, 2020. Services are pending.



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.



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 has 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.



There are two days in every week about which we should not worry, two days which should be kept free from fear and apprehension.

One of these days is Yesterday with all its mistakes and cares, its faults and blunders, its aches and pains.

Yesterday has passed forever beyond our control. All the money in the world cannot bring back Yesterday.

We cannot undo a single act we performed; we cannot erase a single word we said. Yesterday is gone forever.

The other day we should not worry about is Tomorrow with all its possible adversities, its burdens, its large promise, and its poor performance; Tomorrow is also beyond our immediate control.

Tomorrow's sun will rise, either in splendor or behind a mask of clouds, but it will rise. Until it does, we have no stake in Tomorrow, for it is yet to be born.

This leaves only one day. Today. Any person can fight the battle of just one day. It is when you and I add the burdens of those two awful eternities – Yesterday and Tomorrow – that we break down. It is not the experience of Today that drives a person mad; it is the remorse or bitterness of something that happened Yesterday and the dread of what Tomorrow may bring. Let us, therefore, live but one day at a time. -Anonymous

HASTINGS PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

Expanding what is possible for students, staff, and the District

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April 15, 2020

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Dear First Presbyterian Church Congregation,

Thank you for your generous donation to the Hastings Public Schools Foundation. I know you are asked to donate to many worthy causes on a regular basis, so I appreciate you finding a way to make your tax-deductible donation to the HPS Foundation a priority despite the many others asking for your assistance.

Your donation will be used to help us reimagine our garden space at Hastings Middle School as part of our Grow the Garden project. Michael Pollan, a professor at Harvard University and UC Berkeley sums up well one of the philosophies behind our desire to pursue a school and community gardening project. Pollan says, "The single greatest lesson the garden teaches is that our relationship to the planet need not be zero-sum, and that as long as the sun still shines and people still can plan and plant, think and do, we can, if we bother to try, find ways to provide for ourselves without diminishing the world."

The Middle School Garden will provide an opportunity to help our students understand the importance of being part of something larger than themselves; a neighborhood of gardeners and a community of friends relying on one another to make a difference in the world.

The enhanced learning opportunity your donation provides for students means a stronger group of people graduating from high school and heading out to do important work in our community and in our world.

The elevated teaching opportunities your donation provides means a more connected community of learning which helps to provide a more meaningful experience for students.

With your donation we will Grow the Garden, and we will continue to fulfill the Hastings Public Schools Foundation's mission of expanding what is possible for students, staff, and the District.

Gratefully yours,

Jessica McAndrew

Because you received no goods or services in exchange for your generous donation to the Hastings Public Schools Foundation, the entire amount is tax deductible as allowed by law. This letter serves as your receipt.

Check #: 996080

Date: 3-30-2020

Amount: \$2032

The HPS Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.



April 3, 2020

First Presbyterian Church
621 N Lincoln Ave
Hastings, NE 68901

To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you so much for your donation of a check for **\$1,263.00** to the **Food4Thought** food assistance program. Your donation was received in March of 2020.

Your support of our program means so much, as we rely solely on local grants and donations from individuals and community groups such as yours to provide the food we deliver each week. Without you, we could not send food home to the 105 families we currently serve.

I also wanted to use this letter as an opportunity to point out that we now have a **campus mailbox** (710 N. Turner Avenue, Box 7) and that we have changes to our student Leadership Team. Our new **Student Director** is **Hazel Ashton** (hazel.ashton@hastings.edu), and our **Volunteer Coordinator** is **Abby Kryzsko** (abby.kryzsko17@hastings.edu). Please make a note of these changes for your records.

We greatly appreciate your support of the work we do in the Hastings community.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Furrer, PhD
Food4Thought Faculty Sponsor
Professor and Chair, Department of Psychology and Sociology
sfurrer@hastings.edu, 402-461-7737

In accordance with the requirements outline in section 170(f)(8) of the IRS Code, no goods or services were given in consideration of this gift; therefore, the full amount of your gift, stated above, is tax deductible.

We gratefully accept donations any time of year!

Please send your tax-deductible donation to Food4Thought c/o Hastings College 710 N. Turner Ave, Box #7,
Hastings, NE 68901

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!!

*We are not ready to start
collecting coats, but please
save them for when we are!*

Looking Ahead...



The **next Red Cross Blood Drive** will be **Tuesday, May 26, 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.



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.

May 16, 2020		
A, B	May park and get number starting	9:45 AM
C, D, E	May park and get number starting	10:00 AM
F, G, H	May park and get number starting	10:15 AM
I, J, K, L	May park and get number starting	10:30 AM
M, N, O	May park and get number starting	10:45 AM
P, Q, R	May park and get number starting	11:00 AM
S, T, U	May park and get number starting	11:15 AM
V, W, X, Y, Z	May park and get number starting	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 we 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. For further information, contact Lanae Hall at phc2volunteers@gmail.com or 402-303-2333.



Presbyterian Women supports Healthy Beginnings with a special Mother's Day offering, Sunday, May 10.

Healthy Beginnings is a Mary Lanning Healthcare program established to help families at high risk, especially those struggling with financial shortages, homelessness, addiction issues, abuse and neglect, domestic violence, and health issues. Home visits are offered weekly for families prenatally and until the last child is three years of age.

Nurses are important to the program as they can educate for improved healthcare in the home and encourage families to establish a medical provider, limiting the use of Emergency Room for situations that would be better suited for a doctor's office.

Please keep in your prayers the hospital team members who work with Healthy Beginnings and the families they support.

Please make your donation checks out to Presbyterian Women and mail them to the church. A table will be set up in the Memorial Room when we are able to once again meet at the church.

Please note: The May luncheon has been cancelled.



2020 VBS Volunteers Needed

First Presbyterian Church--Hastings, NE

We are preparing for 2 amazing Vacation Bible School offerings again this year—our Traditional VBS and our Special-Needs VBS.

We are using Cokesbury's Knight of North Castle VBS. North Castle is hidden in a frozen land. The King's valiant Knights are on a quest in search of the King's Armor. But the armor isn't what they think it is.

Knights of North Castle VBS invites children to be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power.

They'll explore Old and New Testament stories and discover different pieces of protective armor—the Belt of Truth, the Breastplate of Justice, the Shield of Faith, and the Helmet of Salvation—at work in the lives of

familiar Bible characters, and they will explore how that armor works in their own lives as they follow and serve God.

Our Traditional VBS will be held **

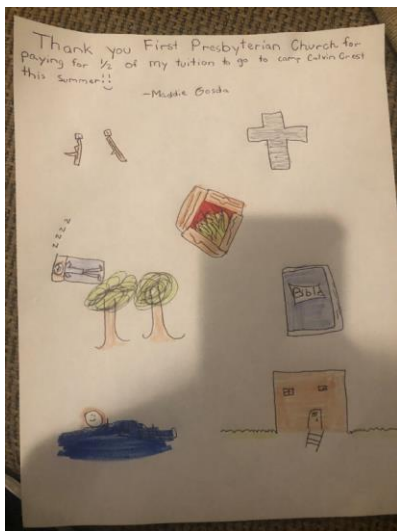
Monday, June 1- Thursday, June 4, from 9:00am-12:00pm

Our Special-Needs VBS will be held **

Monday, June 1 – Wednesday, June 3, from 1:00pm-3:00pm

It is our prayer that God has VBS in His plan for your life! We know Jesus will work through YOU at VBS. Would you prayerfully consider serving in VBS? Please register SOON as a volunteer at <https://fpchastings.org/children/>. Please contact Stephanie at stephanie@fpchastings.org or 402-462-5147 with any questions or if you'd like a printed registration form.

****Please Note** - the Session will be meeting on May 4 to review the situation and when it makes sense to resume in person church activities. They will also look at anything already on the schedule that may need to be moved including VBS dates.



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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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.

Every
breadwarmer
tells a *story*

Rural Bangladeshi artisan Ranu Paul relies on handcrafting to support herself and her family. Creating fair trade terracotta breadwarmers has allowed her to pay for her daughter's marriage and her son's education.



Even though the Hands Around the World Store is not open on a regular basis right now, you can always call the office to stop by and purchase more coffee or do some shopping by appointment.



Each
purchase is
powerful

Rural women in Bangladesh receive fair wages, freedom from exploitation, access to healthcare, and education for their children through fair trade.



Mark Your Calendar

Please check the calendar on the church website for the most accurate list of activities.

www.fpchastings.org

Sunday Worship services are currently limited to

“Stay at Home” worship at 10:30am.

Broadcast live

- ✓ 10:30 a.m. on Facebook at www.facebook.com/fpchastings
(You don't need a Facebook account to watch/listen.)
- ✓ 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM
- ✓ on Channel 181 Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.
- ✓ Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

What's Happening at FPC --- April 26 – May 9, 2020

Session has voted to suspend all in-person meetings through May 11 in order to comply with the State Directed Health Measures. All boards and committees will continue to meet via conference call to be coordinated by the church staff representative.

Sun, Apr 26	10:30a	“Stay at Home” Worship Service
Mon, Apr 27		“Monday Check-in” Communication from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen Sent out via email and social media
Tues, Apr 28	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting via Zoom Conferencing
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study via Zoom Conferencing
Wed, Apr 29	7:00a-8:00a	Bible at Breakfast via Zoom Conferencing
	9:30a-10:30p	Hastings College Chapel “Kid’s Corner” Communication from Stephanie Brader Sent out via email and social media
Thurs, Apr 30	7:00a-8:00a	Retreat in the Real World via Zoom Conferencing
Fri, May 1		“Friday Feature” Communication Sent out via email and social media
Sun, May 3	10:30a	“Stay at Home” Worship Service
Mon, May 4		“Monday Check-in” Communication from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen Sent out via email and social media
Tues, May 5	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting via Zoom Conferencing
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study via Zoom Conferencing
	5:30p-6:30p	WAM via Zoom Conferencing
	5:30p-6:30p	United Harvest Board via Zoom Conferencing
Wed, May 6	7:00a-8:00a	Bible at Breakfast via Zoom Conferencing
	9:30a-10:30p	Hastings College Chapel
	11:00-11:45p	PW Coordinating Team via Zoom Conferencing
		“Kid’s Corner” Communication from Stephanie Brader Sent out via email and social media
Thurs, May 7	7:00a-8:00a	Retreat in the Real World via Zoom Conferencing
	5:30p-6:30p	Christian Ed via Zoom Conferencing
Fri, May 8		“Friday Feature” Communication Sent out via email and social media

Happy Anniversary

05/02/2008	Kris & Shawn Norris	05/22/2010	Lori & Bert Wright
05/06/1972	Robert & Nancy Grams	05/24/1980	Rich & Karen Portwood
05/09/1969	LeRoy & Caroline Echternach	05/24/2003	Mary & Dick Plock
05/10/2003	Riley & Ashley Mullen	05/24/2015	Ross & Melissa Struss
05/14/1983	Mary Kay & Jim LaMaster	05/26/1973	Charles & Lois Hafer
05/18/1974	Chuck & Jeanne Hastings	05/27/1967	Don & Phyllis O'Dey
05/19/2001	Jeremy & Deborah Miles	05/27/2006	Carver & Billie Abbott
05/19/2007	Tyler & Stephanie Adam	05/28/1994	Christian & Sarah Fruehling
05/20/1988	Beth & Mark Funkey	05/29/2013	Jim & Kathy Duval
		05/31/1955	Mary Jeanne & Jim Cooke



Happy Birthday

05/02	Meyer, Lydia	05/11	Wolf, Sarah	05/24	Abbott, Morgan
05/03	Johnson, Tim	05/12	Kerr, Rob		Horton, Jane
	Washington-Dogbevia, Woodrena	05/13	Rhodes, Eldon		Nunley, Reid
05/04	Locke, Ginny		Miles, Jeremy		Damrow, Deborah
	Anderson, Mads	05/15	Babcock, Sara		Suck, Barb
	Sachtleben, Clyde	05/16	Price, Wihlma	05/25	Ziamba, Yvonne
05/05	Grimmett, Alexis	05/17	Kingsley, Lily	05/26	Adam, Lyla
	Boeve, Michael		Borrell, Kim		McDonald, Gale
	Canady, Shannon		Wissing, Chris	05/27	Johnsen, Molly
	Oliver, William		Oliver, Susan		Kleiber, Dick
	Hogan, Grady		Essink, Ashton		Graves, Jackson
05/06	Reimer, Ben	05/18	Canady, Olivia		Lofquist, Brooke
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through the resurrection
of Jesus Christ from the dead
⁴ and into an inheritance
that can never perish, spoil, or fade.

1 Peter 1:3-4