

Palm Sunday Mobile Procession

Palm Sunday this year is going to look a little different than in the past but we're still excited to "gather" together and celebrate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem all those years ago. Since we are restricted from gathering in person due to the novel coronavirus pandemic, we've decided to host a mobile processional through the streets of Hastings. We encourage folks to join the processional in their vehicle of choice. That way we can make sure that we are adhering to the recommended social distancing guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and the newly issued Directed Health Measures for our region. Along the way we'll partake in prayers and devotions inspired by Palm Sunday and with the love of our neighbors in mind. We'll also partake in communion at the end of the service in our respective vehicles. Below please find step by step instructions for participating in our mobile processional and communion service.

A few notes:

- Please follow all traffic laws, signs and signals. Don't run red lights or roll through stop signs. You will arrive at each stop in the procession when you arrive, trust the timing of the Holy Spirit and follow the rules of the road.
- Please don't get out of your cars, or even park right next to one another with windows rolled down. We want to be leaders in practicing social distancing so that we can stop the spread of the disease and flatten the curve.
- If you need to go to the bathroom during the service, please drive home. You can continue to listen on the radio. The church will be locked, so you won't be able to get in there.
- The church van will be leading the way.
- Follow the directions and you'll be fine.

Mobile Processional: The Stops

- 1. Peace Center Parking Lot** - Arrive between 10:00am and 10:20am to receive your procession packet and proceed to the first stop by 10:30am
- 2. City Parking Lot** - Corner of Hastings Ave. and 4th Street
- 3. Mary Lanning North Parking Lot** - More details on exactly which lot this is will follow

4. **Tractor Supply/Dunham's Sports Parking Lot** - The lot in front of Tractor Supply and Dunham's
5. **Hastings High West Parking Lot** - The lot on the west side of the high school
6. **FPC Hastings Church and Peace Center Parking Lots** - You know these.

Mobile Processional: The Plan

1. Tune your **radio to KICS 1550 AM** to follow the service. This will work better for you than attempting to follow via the Facebook livestream.
2. Enter the **PEACE Center Parking lot via Lincoln Ave. between 10am and 10:20am**. Follow the signs through the lot to receive your Procession Packet. Your packet will include bulletins, palms, communion supplies, and other materials.
3. Turn right out of the east side of the PEACE Center lot (in front of the Methodist Church) and head south on Hastings Ave. Enter into the **City Parking Lot** on the corner of **Hastings Ave. and 4th Street**.
4. Wait patiently in your car for the service to begin. Reminder, you should be tuned in to KICS 1550 AM.
5. Follow along in your bulletin. From this location we will offer prayers on behalf of government officials and those in positions of civic leadership.
6. Once the prayer has concluded, **exit the lot on the NorthEast corner. Turn left onto Denver Ave and proceed North past 7th Street**. (The church van will be leading the way so you can always follow them.)
7. Enter into the **north most Mary Lanning Parking lot off of Denver Ave between 7th and 9th streets**. You'll be able to follow the church van into the lot. Take the second **parking lot entrance**. Follow the van through the lot. There will be an opportunity for vehicles to pass each other and wave with your windows rolled up. Find a lovely place to park and enjoy the service.
8. From this location we'll offer prayers on behalf of medical and healthcare workers, patients, and all those tasked with caring for others.

9. Exit the parking lot by **heading North on Denver Ave.** Again, you can follow the church van. Follow Denver north until you come to 12th Street.
10. Turn left onto 12th street.
11. Turn right onto North Hastings. Proceed north to 14th Street.
12. Turn left onto 14th street. Proceed west to Burlington Ave.
13. Turn right onto N. Burlington Ave.
14. Follow N. Burlington Ave north.
15. Turn right onto North Shore Drive. This intersection is marked by a stoplight.
16. Turn left on Osborne Drive E.
17. Turn into the **Tractor Supply Co./Dunham's Sports Parking Lot.**
18. From this location we'll offer prayers on behalf of all those affected by the economic impacts of the spread of the coronavirus.
19. Exit the parking lot the way you came in and return to N. Burlington Ave.
20. Turn left onto N. Burlington Ave. Follow N. Burlington Ave in a southward direction.
21. Turn right onto 14th Street. Follow 14th Street west to North Saunders Ave.
22. Turn right onto N. Saunders Ave.
23. Turn right into the **Hastings High School West Parking Lot.** Find a lovely spot.
24. From this location we will offer prayers on behalf of children, educators of all levels, and all those involved in the care and protection of children.
25. Exit the parking lot by heading south on Saunders Ave. Again, you can follow the church van.
26. Continue south on Saunders Ave until you reach 7th Street.
27. Turn left onto 7th Street. Proceed east.

28. Here you have a choice. You're heading back to **First Presbyterian** to join together for communion. You can either **park in the main church lot or in the PEACE Center lot.**

29. Once there wait to follow along with the communion liturgy and let us share communion with one another from the comfort of your own vehicle. Please don't exit your vehicles.

30. At the conclusion of the service you are invited to head home so that you can help stop the spread of the disease and flatten the curve.

31. Thank you for joining us and may peace be with you.

