

PENTECOST



SUNDAY

(Stained glass window from St Aloysius' church in Somers Town, London)

Pentecost Sunday – May 31, 2020
First Presbyterian Church
Hastings, NE

PRELUDE

"Tongues of Fire"
(Pentecost Dance)

Plainchant/arr. Alfred V. Fedak

Linda Vollweiler, organist

(The prelude is an opportunity to worship God, a time of prayer, meditation, and reflection.)

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Damen Heitmann

Rushing Wind of the Spirit, breathe new life into us!

Blazing Flame of the Spirit, burn away our fears!

Comforting Presence of the Spirit, heal our wounds.

Let us prepare to worship and praise you, O Holy Spirit.

Spirit of God, come upon us this day and fill us with your love.

Make us people who will proclaim God's good news in all that we do.

*HYMN

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"
Robin & Ann Koozer, Song Leaders

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We aren't ready, Lord. It is easier for us to hide in the upper rooms of our lives, to let the world go by and not acknowledge your presence. But you have challenged us to come alive again with your love and words of healing mercy. Forgive our hesitant witness and our complacent spirits. Heal our fears and our wounds. Help us to be agents of healing and hope for others. Challenge and inspire us to overcome our feelings of inadequacy and remind us that you have called us beloved and have given us what we need to proclaim your Good News. Help us be Pentecost People. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Don't be afraid!

God's Holy Spirit brings us comfort and hope.

You are being prepared to serve God in some mighty ways.

Rejoice! God's Holy Spirit is with us always.

In the name of Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, you are forgiven and loved as God's own.

Alleluia! Amen!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory to God"

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Robin & Ann Koozer, Song Leaders

*PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, open our hearts and minds and souls to hear your word as if for the first time. May your Holy Spirit help us experience anew the surprise and joy that your presence in the Word can bring us. Amen.

1st SCRIPTURE READING – 1 Corinthians 12:1-13

ANTHEM

"Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit"

Traditional Spiritual

Robin Koozer, baritone; Linda Vollweiler, piano

2nd SCRIPTURE READING – Acts 2:1-21

MESSAGE "The Spirit brings the gift of understanding" Greg Allen-Pickett

HYMN "On Pentecost They Gathered" 289
Robin & Ann Koozer, Song Leaders

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From the PC(USA) "A Brief Statement of Faith")

We trust in God, the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit:

Justifies us by grace through faith,

Sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,

And binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage:

to pray without ceasing,

to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,

to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,

to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,

and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Spirit of the Living God" *arr. Robert W. Thygerson*

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" 606
Robin & Ann Koozer, Song Leaders

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, to you be the glory! We live to praise you; we trust your judgment; in all that we do, we seek to obey you. Receive our offerings; they are the gifts of your Spirit. You have wrought the wonders that accompany new life. We shall not shrink from giving you glory, for we are called by Christ to be stewards of what you create. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*HYMN "Spirit of the Living God" (We will sing 2 times through) 288
Robin & Ann Koozer, Song Leaders

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple,
The church is not a resting place, the church is a people.
I am the church; you are the church; we are the church together!
All who follow Jesus, all around the world, yes, we're the church together!

*POSTLUDE "Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers" *Johann Cruger/arr. Fedak*
Linda Vollweiler, organist
(The postlude serves as a musical blessing for worshipers as they transition out into the world.)

*(*Indicates the congregation shall stand as they are able.)*

COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK &
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

"Stay at Home" Traditional Worship Service (at least through June 30th)

Broadcast live

10:30 a.m. on Facebook at www.facebook.com/fpchastings
(Please note, you do not need a Facebook account to view the service.)

10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM

First Presbyterian Church of Hastings
Sharing the love of Christ from the heart of Hastings since 1873

Head of Church: Jesus Christ
Senior Pastor: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett
Director of Children & Family
Ministries: Stephanie Brader
Organist and Music Coordinator: Linda Vollweiler
Calvin/Westminster Choir Director: Linda Johnson
Praise/Alleluia Choir Directors: Tim and Teresa Canady
Praise/Alleluia Bells Choir Director: Dr. Susan Oliver
Accompanists: Mary Plock and Alice Throckmorton

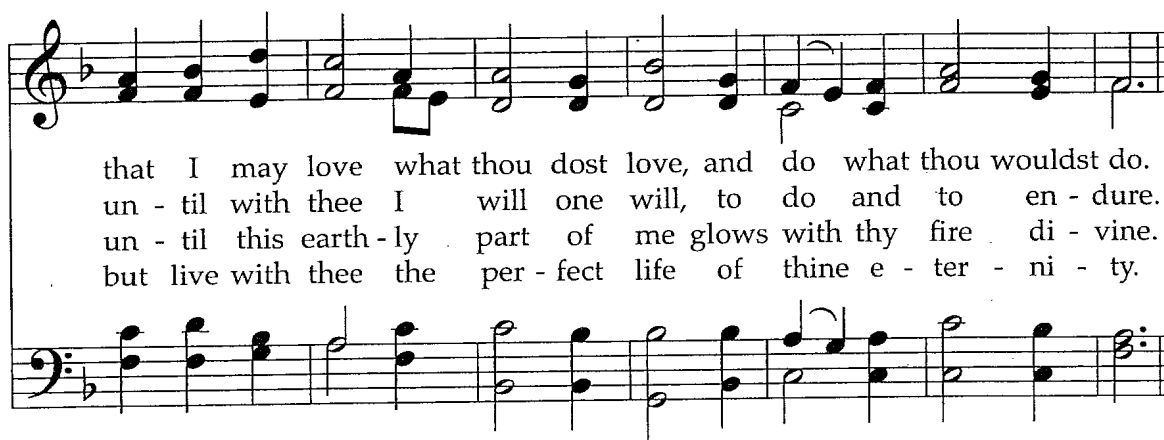
Ministers: Members of the Church
Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Heitmann
Parish Associate: Kili Wenburg
Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer
Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster Bells Director: Dr. Byron Jensen
Church Office Administrator: Jean Matheny
Facilities Manager: Tony Calhoun
Bookkeeper: Deb Hamburger

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey

Breathe on Me, Breath of God 286



1 Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life a - new,
2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,
4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,



that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.
un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

In both Hebrew and Greek, the words for "spirit" can equally well be translated as "breath" or "wind," so it is very appropriate to address the Holy Spirit as the "Breath of God." This tune by an English organist has become the customary one in North American hymnals.

TEXT: Edwin Hatch, 1878
MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

TRENTHAM
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Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
 B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
 2 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
 F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

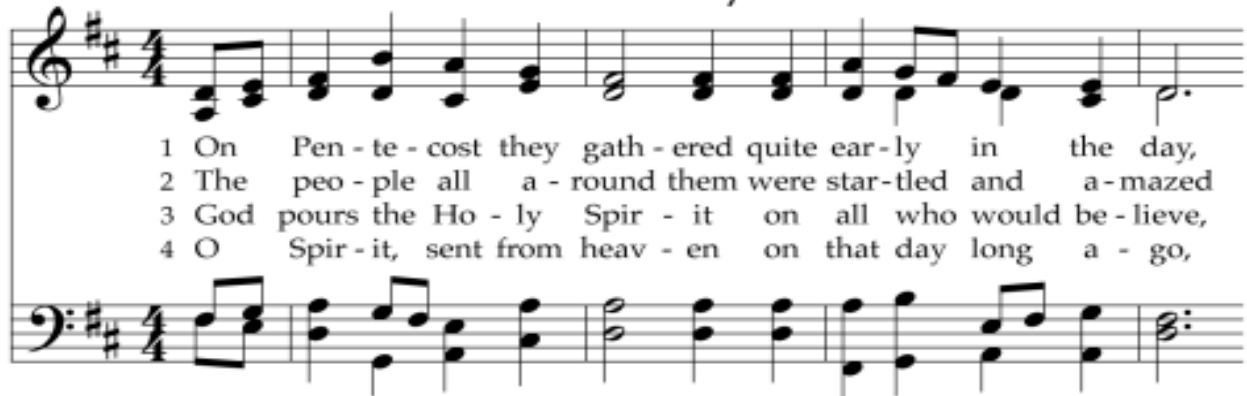
(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
 C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

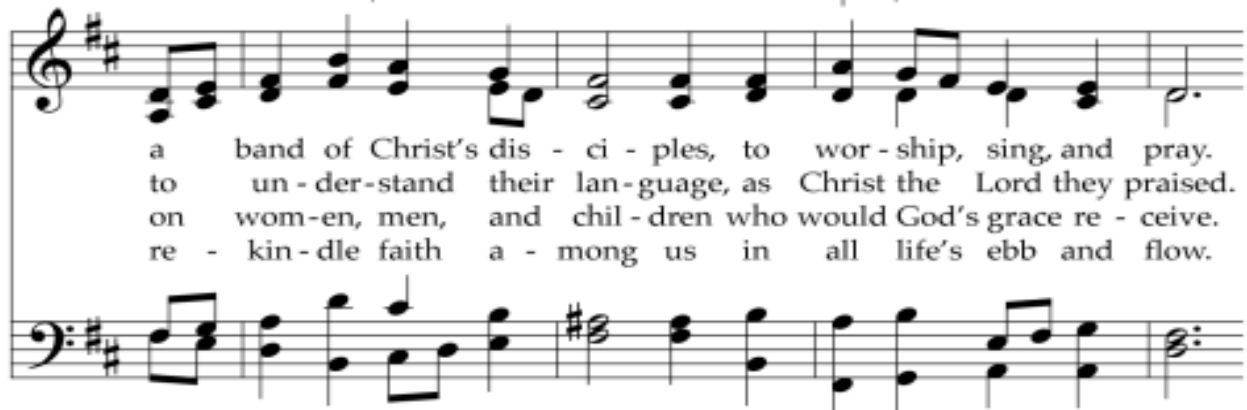
(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
 Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

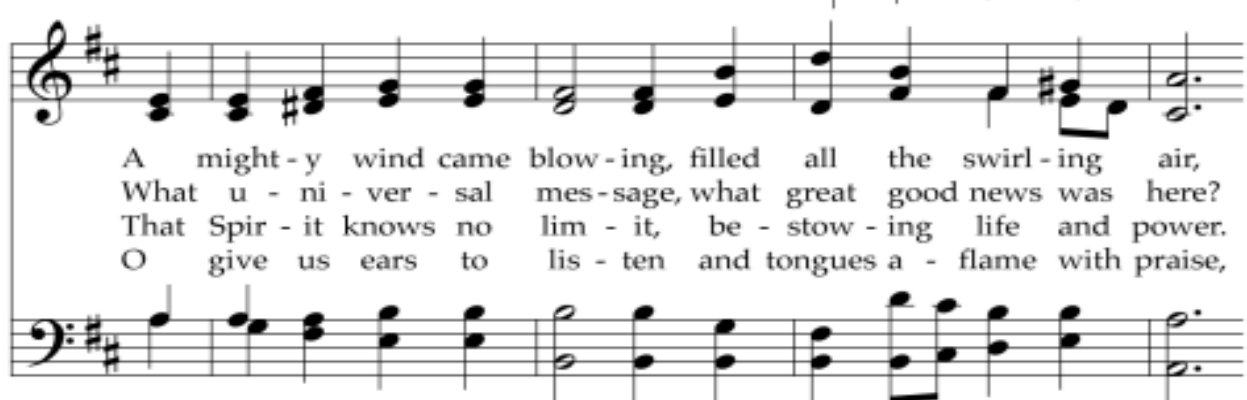
On Pentecost They Gathered



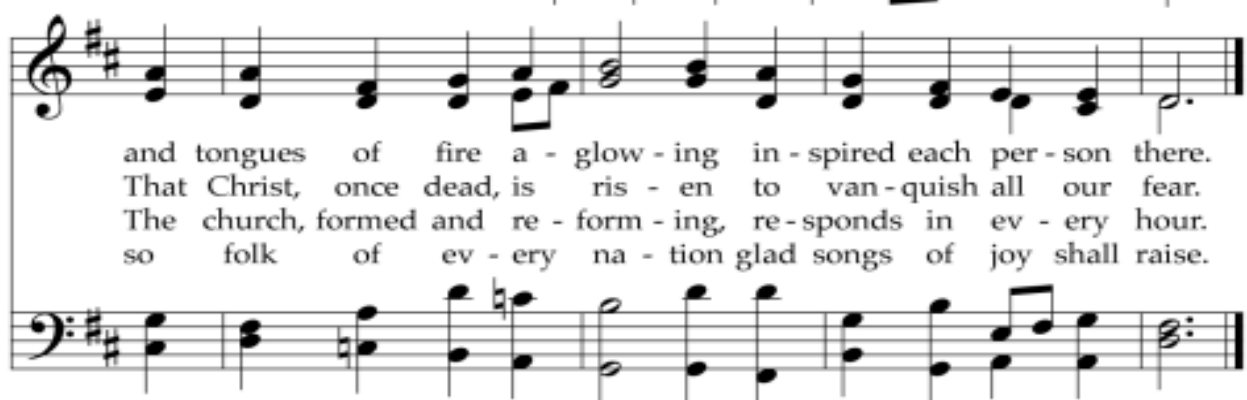
1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,
2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed
3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,
4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,



a band of Christ's dis - ci - ples, to wor - ship, sing, and pray.
to un - der - stand their lan - guage, as Christ the Lord they praised.
on wom - en, men, and chil - dren who would God's grace re - ceive.
re - kin - dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.



A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,
What u - ni - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?
That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.
O give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,



and tongues of fire a - glow - ing in - spired each per - son there.
That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.
The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.
so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.

This narrative and interpretive text was written to fill what the author perceived as an unfortunate gap in available hymns concerning the Holy Spirit in general and Pentecost in particular. The setting of a 17th-century German tune is from Mendelssohn's oratorio *Elijah*.

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Praise God, from Whom
All Blessings Flow
Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise *him, all crea-tures

here be-low; praise *him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise

Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

*Or "God"

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

OLD HUNDREDTH
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Spirit of the Living God 288

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

KOREAN

살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서
 살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서
 빛으시고 채우소서
 살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서

SPANISH

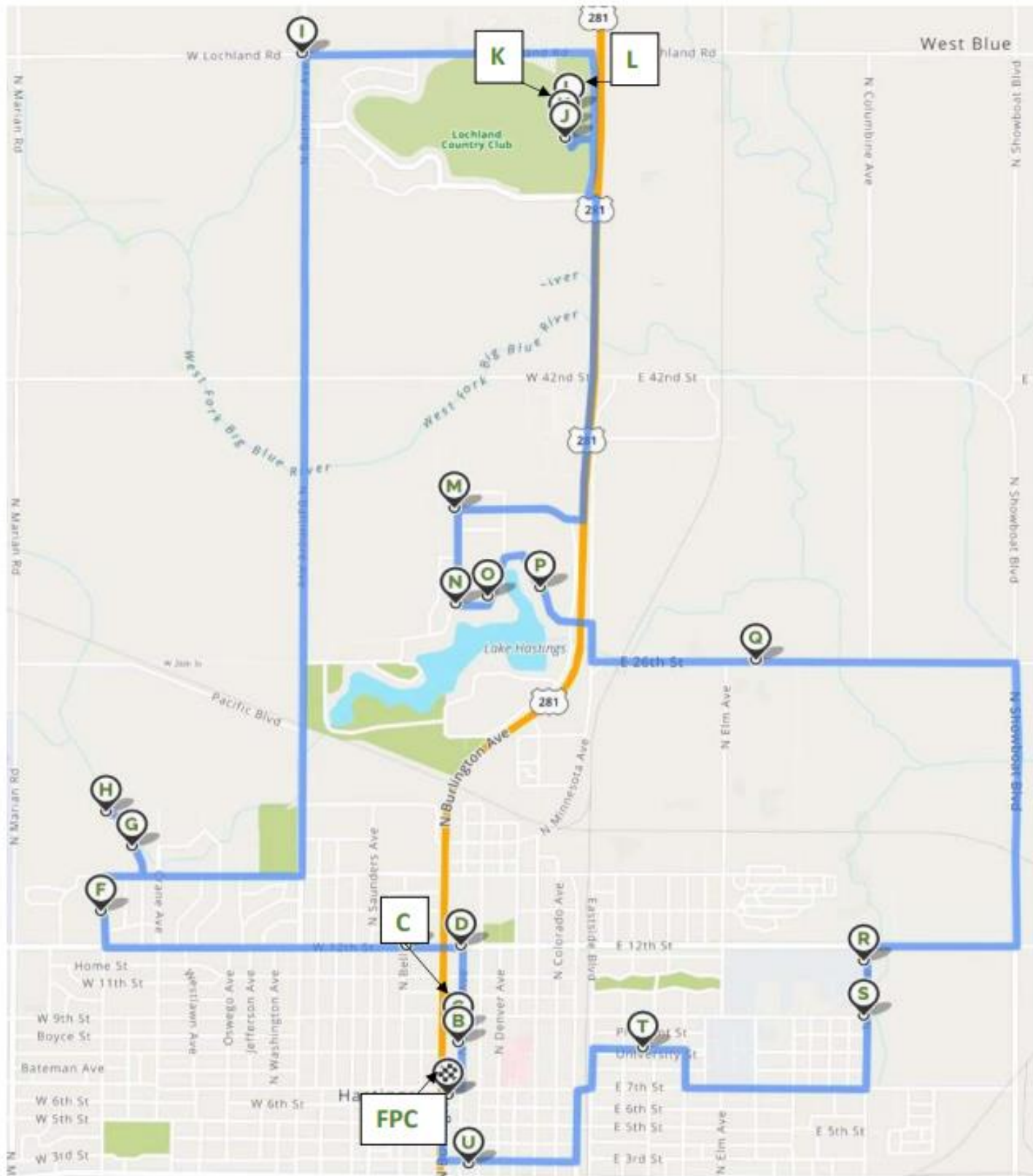
*Santo Espiritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.
 Santo Espiritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.
 Tóname, cámbiame, lléname, úsame.
 Santo Espiritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.*

Both the words and the music of this prayer-song were written by a Presbyterian minister from Tarboro, North Carolina. The words were initially inspired by Jeremiah 18:1-6; a friend helped him set them to music during an evangelistic meeting in Orlando, Florida, where the song was first sung.

Pentecost Parade

Map Letter	Name	
B	Jane and Dwight Marsh**	
C	Jan Ham	
F	Regency**	Jim & Mary Jeanne Cooke, Mary Lee Phelps, Don & Pam Canady, Carolyn Nowka, Sally Smith, Shirley Gass
G	Gary & Carol Grummert	
H	Frances Vineyard	
J	Anne Bohlke	
K	Norris Swan	
L	Pat Kelley	
O	Clyde & Katherine Sachtleben	
P	Rachael Lay**	
Q	Tom and Connie Kubicka**	
R	College View**	Dean & Verna Meyer, Julia McDougal, Eleanor Jorgenson, Sarah Jepson, Nyla Burling, Marilyn Nielson, JoAnn Finley
T	Gretchen Lainson	
U	Kensington	Dave Stewart, Norma Vineyard

**Video at this stop



May 31, 2020

The radio broadcast airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given in memory of Mary Jo and Frank Emmons

Flowers are given in memory of Irma & Floyd Hansen; Beth Marvel Marti & Archie Marvel; Oline & Richard Marvel; Alice & Jack Marvel by family.

Today'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.

A copy of any Sunday service is available on DVD disc upon request at no charge. Contact Jean in the office at 402-462-5147 or jean@fpchastings.org.



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 take time to

1. mail your donation in,
2. drop by the church and leave your offering in the new locked "tithing box" located on the second brick column under the portico.
3. sign up for electronic fund transfers,
4. 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.

<i>FPC Prayers for:</i>		
Jim & Mary Jeanne Cook	Kristine Cook (Katharine Davis' sister)	Gretchen Lainson
Alana DeBellis & family	Cale, Nobel, Zack Henderson	Janet Schawang
Jim Duval	Tom Kubicka (Chris Junker's Dad)	Tommy Thomsen
Cheryl Ann Elfond	Elaine Schumacher (Vicki Howard's Mom)	Mike Hahne & family
Irina Erickson's Mom	Melba Trehern (Lisa Unger's Mom)	Family of Judy Brown
Jim Hahne	Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)	Family of Celia Ganow
Jim Harrenstein	Family of Erv Siemoneit	Family of Jane Horton
Everly Hogan	Family of Georga Ochsner	Family of Ben Ore
Jeff Howard		
<i>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.</i>		



The next Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 7, 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.



Welcome to the newest member of our FPC Family! Ross and Melissa Struss officially joined the First Presbyterian Church family as members in February, but they have been participating in the life of the church for a year. Their firstborn, Jeremy Ryan Struss, was born 5/4/20. He weighed in at 8lbs even and was 21.5 inches. Mom and baby are both doing well! We are doing a **Meal Train** to help keep them well fed as they

adjust to being first time parents. Currently, there are two remaining dates open. <https://mealtrain.com/4lqmd2>

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.
- ♥ *Judy Brown*, who passed away April 18, 2020. A private family graveside service was held at Hanover Presbyterian Churchyard Cemetery, Glenvil, with Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett officiating. Memorials may be given to Nebraska Foundation for the Blind. Cards and memorials may be sent to Livingston Butler Volland Funeral Home.
- ♥ *Ben Ore*, who passed away April 21, 2020. Memorial services will be held at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the First Presbyterian Church.
- ♥ *Vonda Hahne*, who passed away April 8, 2020. Vonda was the wife of Mike Hahne. Services will be held at a later date. Memorials may be given to the family for a memorial to be established at a later date.
- ♥ *Erv Siemoneit*, who passed away May 3, 2020. Erv was the father of Sandy Siemoneit and Shirley Maul. Memorials may be given to Hastings Masonic Lodge #50.
- ♥ *Mary Jane Horton* who passed away May 22, 2020 at her home. Graveside services were held May 27, 2020 at Parkview Cemetery with Pastor Greg officiating. Memorials may be given to First Presbyterian Church.

This Week at FPC --- June 1 – June 7, 2020

Session has voted to suspend all in-person meetings through June 30 for the safety of our congregation and staff and 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.

Mon, Jun 1		“Monday Check-in” Communication from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen Sent via email and social media
Tues, June 2	10:30a-11:30a 12:00p-1:00p 5:30p-6:30p	Staff Meeting via ZOOM Conferencing Bible Study via ZOOM Conferencing WAM Meeting via ZOOM Conferencing
Wed, June 3	12:00p-1:00p	Summer Book Club via ZOOM Conferencing
Thurs, June 4		
Fri, June 5		“Friday Feature” Communication from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen Sent via email and social media
Sun, June 7	10:30a	“Stay at Home” Worship Service

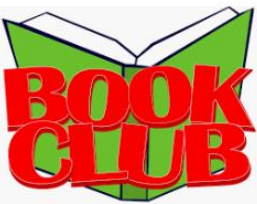


RELAY FOR LIFE, 25th year!
June 15-19, 2020
Join the FPC Virtual Team

Relay for Life has been a way for our church family to remember loved ones we have lost to cancer and to honor those who have survived. This year it will still happen, but because of the pandemic, it will look a bit different. We've gone virtual with our 2020 Relay for Life of Adams County June 15 - 19.

There are plans for a silent auction, a money raiser for American Cancer Society. Our First Presbyterian Church team can, with some help, donate an item for auction. An example would be a large basket containing many items from our Hands Around the World store. It will be posted on a Relay for Life site along with other team's donations for June 15 - 19.

A virtual Luminaria event may be an option later. More planning is happening now. As always, donations may be given online at www.Relayforlife.org or Facebook, Relay for Life of Adams County, NE, or collected in our church office.



Beginning Wednesday, May 13th at noon, Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh will guide a discussion of the book *Heaven and Hell: A History of the Afterlife* by Bart Ehrman.

Plans are to meet during the next 15 weeks, beginning with Zoom Conferencing and modifying interactions as physical distancing recommendations evolve.

Please feel free to obtain a copy of the book from your favorite vendor. Contact Sharon Brooks, sbbrooks52@gmail.com for more information on how to join the online conversations.



*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.*



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.

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

	June 20, 2020	
C, D, E	May park and get number starting	9:45 AM
F, G, H	May park and get number starting	10:00 AM
I, J, K, L	May park and get number starting	10:15 AM
M, N, O	May park and get number starting	10:30 AM
P, Q, R	May park and get number starting	10:45 AM
S, T, U	May park and get number starting	11:00 AM
V, W, X, Y, Z	May park and get number starting	11:15 AM
A, B	May park and get number starting	11:30 AM

**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 or
long-sleeved shirts for
Proteus, but please save
them for when we are!*