



June 7, 2020

PRELUDE

“Toccata in D Major”

Johann Krieger

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 (Psalm 8)**

Damen Heitmann

O LORD, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established,

What are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have crowned us with glory and honor.

You have given us dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under our feet,

O LORD, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Come let us worship our majestic God, who goes to the ends of the earth for us, loves us, and cares deeply for us!

***OPENING HYMN**

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

611

Erika Nielsen, Song Leader

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess this day, O merciful God, that we have not always acted in just ways nor sought justice for our friends and neighbors. We have found it easy to turn our backs on problems rather than seeking to be a solution to them. We have heard of the many ways in which you have demonstrated peace with justice through the ministries of your Son, yet we have given only sporadic attention to them. Forgive us, Lord. Heal our selfishness and brokenness. Cause us to be witnesses to your great love as shown to us in Jesus Christ.

SILENT CONFESSION

Question for contemplation: When have I run from God?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This is the good news: Christ died for us that we might have life.

We are called to give our lives to ministries of compassion, justice, and peace.

In the name of the compassionate, justice-seeking, peacemaking Christ, we are forgiven and loved!

Alleluia! Amen!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me” 582
Erika Nielsen, Song Leader

*PEACE OF CHRIST *(Greet one another by sharing the Peace of Christ with those around you.)
 The Peace of Christ be with you!
 And also with you!*

SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
*As your word is read and proclaimed, let us perceive it beyond hearing,
 understand it beyond knowing, and cherish it beyond loving. Amen.*

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Hebrews 13:1-3, 13

ANTHEM “Shout to the Lord” *Darlene Zschech*
Erika Nielsen, vocals; Erik Nielsen, piano
(The Langenberg Legacy Funds provide scholarships for children of church members to take music lessons. During the summer, those children and youth provide special music during the service as a way of giving thanks to God.)

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – John 6:1-14

MESSAGE “Stone Soup & Feeding the 5,000: Stories of Abundance and Generosity”
Greg Allen-Pickett

*HYMN “All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly” 509
Erika Nielsen, Song Leader

OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace” *arr. Douglas Wagner*
(Prayer of St. Francis)

*DOXOLOGY “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” 606
Erika Nielsen, Song Leader

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
*Lord, bless these gifts that they may be used for ministries of compassion.
 Bless these people gathered here, bringing their gifts and their lives in
 service to you. For we offer ourselves and our gifts to you. Amen.*

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
 The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN

"I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table"

Erika Nielsen, Song Leader

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*BENEDICTION

*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

"Prelude" from "Te Deum in D Major" *Marc-Antoine Charpentier*

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

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey

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

611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-flect thy rays;
 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.

Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pen-ing to the sun a - bove,
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.
 Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way.
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
 Ev - er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife.

Giv - er of im - mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re-joice in thee.
 Joy - ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J. C. F. von Schiller's poem, "An die Freude" (To Joy), as the final movement of the composer's *Ninth Symphony*. The author, a prominent Presbyterian pastor and author, wrote the words with this tune in mind.

582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B \flat F B \flat F B \flat 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 \flat E \flat B \flat 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.

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509

1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

The United Church of Canada minister who wrote this text was introduced to shape note tunes at the 1990 Hymn Society conference in Charleston, South Carolina. Afterwards she vacationed with friends nearby and worked out this text while humming this tune as she walked up and down the beach.

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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
LM

770 I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

1 I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble;
 2 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus;
 3 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers;
 4 Here all the world will find a wel - come;
 5 We're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey;

I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble, Al - le - lu - ia.
 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus, Al - le - lu - ia.
 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers, Al - le - lu - ia.
 here all the world will find a wel-come, Al - le - lu - ia.
 we're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey, Al - le - lu - ia.

I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble; I'm gon - na
 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus; I'm gon - na
 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers; I'm gon - na
 Here all the world will find a wel - come; here all the
 We're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey; we're gon - na

eat at the wel - come ta - ble, Al - le - lu - ia.
 eat and drink with my Je - sus, Al - le - lu - ia.
 join with sis - ters, broth - ers, Al - le - lu - ia.
 world will find a wel - come, Al - le - lu - ia.
 feast on milk and hon - ey, Al - le - lu - ia.

The image of a great feast showing God's welcome of all people was part of Jewish tradition (Isaiah 25:6-9) and underlies Jesus' parable of the Great Banquet (Luke 14:15-24). Such equality remains as unknown to many people today as it was to the slaves who created this spiritual.

June 7, 2020

The radio broadcast airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given in memory Frank W. Northrop by the Northrop Family.

Flowers are given in memory of Rev. & Mrs. Christian Walter and Louise C. Walter.

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.

Jim & Mary Jeanne Cooke

Alana DeBellis & Family

Jim Duval

Cheryl Ann Elfond

Irina Erickson's Mom

Jim Hahne

Jim Harrenstein

Everly Hogan

Jeff Howard

FPC Prayers for:

Kristine Cook (Katharine Davis' sister)

Cale, Nobel, Zack Henderson

Tom Kubicka (Chris Junker's Dad)

Elaine Schumacher (Vicki Howard's Mom)

Melba Trehern (Lisa Unger's Mom)

Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)

Family of Erv Siemoneit

Family of Georga Ochsner

Gretchen Lainson

Tommy Thomsen

Mike Hahne & family

Family of Judy Brown

Family of Celia Ganow

Family of Jane Horton

Family of Ben Ore

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.



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.

In Memory of

- ♥ *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 8 – June 14, 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 8		“Monday Check-in” Communication from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen Sent via email and social media
Tues, June 9	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting via ZOOM Conferencing
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study via ZOOM Conferencing
	5:30p-6:30p	Congregational Life via ZOOM Conferencing
	6:00p-7:00p	Trustees via ZOOM Conferencing
Wed, June 10	12:00p-1:00p	Summer Book Club via ZOOM Conferencing
Thurs, June 11	4:30p-5:30p	Global Mission -via ZOOM Conferencing
	5:00p-6:00p	Personnel via ZOOM Conferencing
Fri, June 12		“Friday Feature” Communication from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen Sent via email and social media
Sun, June 14	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.

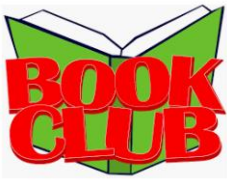
There are plans for a silent auction, a money raiser for American Cancer Society. Our First Presbyterian Church team can donate an item for auction. It will be posted on a Relay for Life site as other team’s donations for June 15 - 19. A virtual Luminaria event may be an option later. More planning is 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.



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.

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, via Zoom Conferencing. Pick up 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.



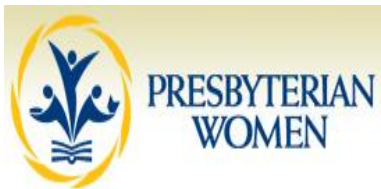
Third Saturday of the Month
Annex Building
Lincoln and 7th St. Hastings

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.

	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

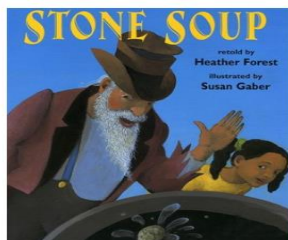
Those interested in receiving food should bring boxes or bags. Those interested in volunteering with the event should simply show up on the date of the next distribution and check in at the volunteer sign-in table. Volunteer shifts are 9:30-12:00 and 12:00-2:00. Plastic bags can be brought to the church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



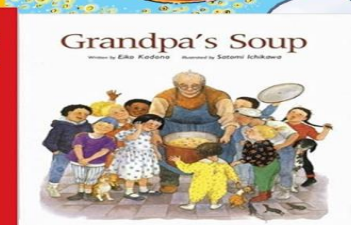
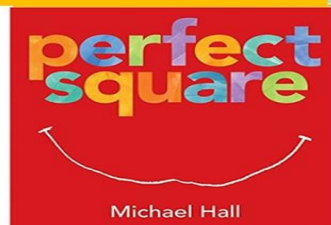
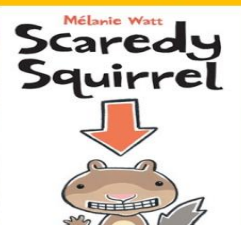
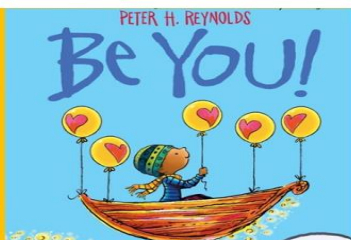
The **PW Father's Day** Offering this year will go to *The Guatemala Network of Living Waters for the World*. Please send your checks to the church made out to Presbyterian Women.

More than half of Guatemala's population lives below the poverty level, with nearly a quarter living on less than \$2/day. Many people lack a source of safe drinking water, which has a multiplying impact on poverty. Currently, there are over 210 Living Waters for the World filtration systems installed across Guatemala, providing each of the surrounding communities with an opportunity to live longer, more healthful lives because they are finally free of water-borne illness and disease.

The Guatemala Network of Living Waters for the World helps to support teams that go to Guatemala to install waters systems and provides ongoing support to those systems through local in-country staff. Pastor Greg has served on the US board of Living Waters for the World for the past six years. He also serves on the Guatemala Board of Living Waters for the World.



*Children's Books
Summer Sermon Series!
June 7 - July 12, 2020
First Presbyterian Church of Hastings*



Gilead Gleanings: A First Pres Summer Reading Project

Gilead Gleanings

FIRST PRES SUMMER READING

Join Pastors Greg and Damen as they read their way through the novel *Gilead* by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Marilynne Robinson

Podcast Discussions

June 26
July 10
July 24

Zoom Chats

July 2
July 16
July 30

Written as a letter from a father to a son, *Gilead* recounts the memories of Congregationalist minister John Ames. The novel contains insights into faith and the human condition.

What are you doing this summer? Why not join pastors Greg and Damen (as well as a few other notable guests) as they read through *Gilead* by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Marilynne Robinson?

Set in Gilead, Iowa, the novel takes the form of a letter written from a Congregationalist minister to his son. The touching book reveals much about the human condition and the heart of faith. It is sure to tell us as much about ourselves as the characters it contains.

In addition to securing a copy of the book and reading along, folks can join in the fun by listening to three podcast conversations which will be released on June 26, July 10, and 24. In those podcasts, the pastors and guests will discuss the book and how they find it relating to the world around them. There will also be open

conversations (hosted via ZOOM), which readers and join and discuss. Those open conversations will take place July 2, 16, and 30.

There will be a few copies of the book available in the church office, though we sadly cannot buy a copy for everyone. Be on the lookout for more information and track down your reading glasses now!

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!