



Eighth Sunday After Pentecost August 2, 2020

PRELUDE

“If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee”

arr. Paul Manz

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 145)**

Sara Babcock

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The LORD is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

God gives us spiritual food to nurture our souls.

The LORD is just in all the Lord's ways and kind in all his doings.

The LORD draws near to all who call on the Lord.

God fulfills the desire of all who love God and love one another.

Come, let us praise the LORD. May our worship here this morning bless

God's holy name forever and ever.

***OPENING HYMN**

“We Gather Here in Jesus' Name”

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Erika Nielson, Song Leader

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, bread of life and provider of all we need,

we are often content to rely on our own devices, our creativity, our cleverness. We congratulate ourselves for our accomplishments, yet we find that these achievements and acquisitions do not fill the deep hunger inside of us.

We long for the bread you alone can provide.

Forgive us, merciful God. Help us receive the blessings you offer, that we may be your bread for the world— blessed, broken for all.

SILENT CONFESSION

Questions for contemplation: How have I rejected the bread of life offered to me by God? When have I failed to share the bread of life with others?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news:

God's mercy is plentiful, and God's grace is abundant.

Receive the good news: for you, the bread of forgiveness is broken. God's steadfast gift of love and grace is poured out anew every day!

Alleluia! Amen!

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”**

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***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

***Almighty God, prepare us to discover your word for us today.
May your Word bring us peace, joy, and hope in the midst of chaos and
grief. May your Word help us recognize your steadfast presence with us
in the many fields of life through which we travel. Amen.***

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 22:14-20 (CEB)

ANTHEM “Miniature Sonatina” Joseph Küffner
Esther Allen-Pickett
(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 – 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (The Message)

MESSAGE “What Sustains You?” Greg Allen-Pickett
Part of the Summer Sermon Song Series with the song “Memories” played by Hannah Jensen

*HYMN “Let Us Break Bread Together” 525

OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Bread of the World” Jerry Van der Pol

*DOXOLOGY “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***We have been and will be fed with the bread of heaven and blessed by the
presence and peace of God. Receive these gifts we offer, gracious God, and
multiply them to meet the needs in your world. Inspire us to make our
very lives an offering so that we can be bread for the world. 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 "Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table!"

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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 "Trumpet Tune" Francesco Manfredini/arr. Wolff
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 August 31st)

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
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510 We Gather Here in Jesus' Name

Come, Share the Lord

Capo 3: (G) B \flat (D) F (Em7) Gm7

1 We gath - er here in Je - sus' name;
 2 He joins us here; he breaks the bread;
 3 We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing;

(D) F (Asus) Csus

his love is burn - ing in our hearts like liv - ing flame;
 the Lord who pours the cup is ris - en from the dead;
 we'll see the glo - ry of our Lord and com - ing King;

(A7) C7 (D) F (A) C (D) F

for through the lov - ing Son the Fa - ther makes us one:
 the one we love the most is now our gra - cious host:
 now we an - tic - i - pate the feast for which we wait:

(G) B \flat (D) F (Em) Gm (A) C (D) F *Fine*

come, take the bread; come, drink the wine; come, share the Lord.

(A7) C7 (D) F (G) B \flat (A7) C7 (D) F

(1) No one is a strang - er here; 7 ev - ery - one be - longs.
 (2) We are now a fam - i - ly, of which the Lord is head.

(G) B \flat (A7) C7 (D) F (Bm) Dm (Em7) Gm7 (Asus) Csus (A) C


Find - ing our for - give - ness here, we in turn for - give all wrongs.
 Though un - seen, he meets us here in the break - ing of the bread.

The center of this text recalls Christ's post-Resurrection meal at Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35), a reminder that the Risen Christ is in our midst when two or three gather in his name (Matthew 18:20) and share a foretaste of the Heavenly Feast (Matthew 26:29/Luke 22:18/Mark 14:25).

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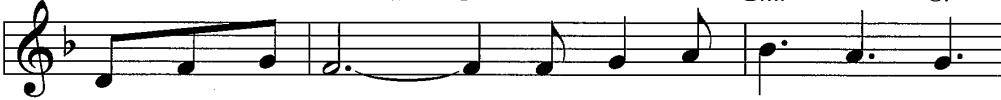
Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

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.

Let Us Break Bread Together 525

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees)

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer - cy on me. (on me)

This African American spiritual quite possibly reflects the circumstances of slaves attending early morning communion services in colonial Anglican churches, but its combination of hope ("rising sun") and supplication ("Lord, have mercy") speaks to many worshipers' experience.

606 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

506 Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table!

1 Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble! Hear the sto - ries
 2 Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble; an - cient fol - low -
 3 Their sad sto - ries are re - peat - ed in a thou - sand
 4 Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness, and pre - pare to

that they bring. Some are weep - ing; some are laugh - ing;
 ers ap - pear, saints con - fess - ing how they wres - tled
 dif - ferent ways, but they share one thing in com - mon:
 be sur - prised by the host whose hands are wound - ed,

some have songs they want to sing. Oth - ers ask why they're in -
 with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Pe - ter tells of his de -
 they all end in thanks and praise for the host who has in -
 who will o - pen wide your eyes when he bless - es bread and

vit - ed, bur - dened by the wrong they've done. Christ in - sists they
 ny - ing Christ was ev - er in his sight; Paul re - lates his
 vit - ed north and south and east and west to con - verge a -
 breaks it— truth and man - na from a - bove!—and then pass - es

all are wel - come. There is room for ev - ery - one.
 fruit - less ef - forts to ob - lit - er - ate the light.
 round this ta - ble, where all life is fed and blest.
 wine that wak - ens in your heart the taste of love.

This text celebrates the radical hospitality that characterizes Christ's welcome, which transcends time and reaches in all directions (Matthew 8:11/Luke 13:29). Saints of old are, like us, people in need of forgiveness, and the response to such pardon is "thanks and praise."

August 2, 2020

The radio broadcast airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given in memory of Hal Lainson by the Lainson family.

Flowers are given in memory of Bob & Tony Mays and also in memory of Jim McDougal by family and friends.

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.

FPC Prayers for

Alana DeBellis & Family
Jim Duval
Cheryl Ann Elfond
Irina Erickson's Mom
Jim Hahne
Jim Harrenstein
Everly Hogan

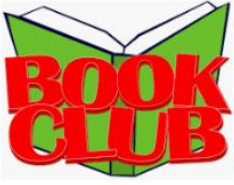
Kristine Cook (Katharine Davis' sister)
Cale, Noble, Zach Henderson
Connie & Tom Kubicka (Chris Junker's parents)
Elaine Schumacher (Vicki Howard's Mom)
Melba Trehern (Lisa Unger's Mom)
Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)
Jim & Mary Jeanne Cooke
Henry Black (Joe & Amy Black's son)

Gretchen Lainson
Tommy Thomsen
Mike Hahne & family
Jeff Howard
Carol Medsker
Megan Welton

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, September 1, 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.



Summer Book Club Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh has been guiding a discussion of the book *Heaven and Hell: A History of the Afterlife* by Bart Ehrman. Summer Book Club has been meeting since May 13th and will continue through August 29th via Zoom Conferencing at NOON. Please 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.

This Week at FPC --- August 3 – 9, 2020

Session has voted that all in-person meetings must follow the following guidelines through August 31 for the safety of our congregation and staff and to comply with the State-Directed Health Measures. 1.) 15 or fewer in attendance, 2.) 1 hour or less in length, 3.) Facemasks will be required, 4.) Social distancing of 6 ft. seating. All boards and committees will have to option to meet in person or continue to meet via conference call or some combination of both to be coordinated by the church staff representative.

Mon, Aug 3		“Monday Check-in” Communication from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen Sent out via email and social media
	12:00p-1:00P	Memorial Committee via Zoom Conferencing
Tues, Aug 4	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting via Zoom Conferencing
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study via Zoom Conferencing
	5:30p-6:00p	WAM in Fellowship Hall
Wed, Aug 5	11:00p-12:00p	PW Coordinating Team in Fellowship Hall
	12:00p-1:00p	Summer Book Club via Zoom Conferencing
Thurs, Aug 6		
Fri, Aug 7		“Friday Feature” Communication Sent out via email and social media
Sat, Aug 8		
Sun, Aug 9	9:00a	Worship in Alexander Park (pending approval)
Sun, Aug 9	10:30a	“Stay at Home” Worship Service



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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.

~~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.~~

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