



WORLD **COMMUNION** SUNDAY

OCTOBER 4, 2020

First Presbyterian Church of Hastings

PRELUDE “All You Works of God, Bless the Lord” *Jamaican Folk Tune/arr. Behnke*
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

Led via video in Spanish by Rev. Gloria Ulloa, Presbyterian Church of Colombia
Then led in English for our congregation by Damen Jensen-Heitmann

We gather from the west to the east,

From the south to the north.

To celebrate the God of peace,

Who accompanies us in our acts of peace.

This God of peace accompanies us

In each and every circumstance around us. We praise God’s name! Amen!

*HYMN “Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts” 494
Small Choir Ensemble, Song Leaders

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faced with God’s goodness, we recognize our failings. In the knowledge of God’s mercy, we dare tell the truth about ourselves and our world. In the confidence of God’s children, let us confess our sins:

Gracious Lord, creator of this universe, in your generosity you have given us a world of abundance and diversity, yet we often live guided by greed and selfishness.

In Christ, you made us brothers and sisters and intended for us to be united, and yet we seek to separate ourselves from those who are different from us.

You gave us wisdom and creativity, but we have used those to try to outwit each other rather than care for one another.

You gave us laws to order our lives, but we have abused them to take advantage of others.

In all this, we have not lived according to your will. Forgive us, Lord, for daring to boast in our human achievements and for failing to recognize that you alone are worthy of praise. In your mercy, forgive us our sins.

SILENT CONFESSION

Question for contemplation: When have I allowed my own selfish interests to take priority over the needs of my community?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*God has accepted us simply because of our faith in Christ,
Through whom our sins are forgiven.*

*Rejoice, dear friends! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and loved!
Alleluia! Amen!*

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

*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

Led via video by Rev. Magdaléna Trgalová, Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren

Holy Spirit, grant us openness and give us understanding of what each one of us needs to receive through Holy Scripture. When we are facing a difficult choice between the easy and the right decision, help us to choose the narrow path. We also pray for all who are about to set on an adventurous journey of faith anywhere in the world. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – John 6:28-35

ANTHEM “Kuimba Asante (Sing Thanks!-Swahili) Dave and Jean Perry
Thank You: Japanese-Arigato, Russian-Spaciba, Spanish-Gracias, Swahili: Asante
Swahili: Sing-Kuimba, Praise-Sifa, Glory-Utukufu

*"O lift your voices in jubilant song to praise the Spirit who makes us one.
All children, in every land, lift your song in thanksgiving and clap your hands.
In every language, sing thanks to God, creator of us all;
God's grace and goodness we celebrate with voices great and small."*

Small Choir Ensemble: Linda Johnson, Susan Medsker-Nedderman (drums), Sarah Wolfe, Ann Koozer, Bonnie Grams, Carol Harrenstein, Richard Johnson, Tim Ellis, Patty Kingsley, Will Locke, Louie Eckhardt, James Holys; Robin Koozer, director; Linda Vollweiler, piano

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – 1 Corinthians 11:18-26

MESSAGE Living Love: Partaking and Sharing Greg Allen-Pickett

*HYMN “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love” 203

OFFERING

OFFERTORY “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” Robin Milford

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We stand in awe of your creation, magnificent Lord. We gaze at the autumnal leaves and the indicators of change that is coming. We begin to think about the winter ahead and make preparations for the differences that come with changing seasons. Help us to turn our hearts to you, Lord. Help us to continue to give generously of our gifts and ourselves so that all may come to know your love. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

This is the table to which Jesus invites us! Let us participate joyfully!

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(Video of these words being spoken in different Central and South American languages)

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 (First spoken in different languages via video, then shared in unison in English)

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 ANTHEM *Kumba ya (Come by here) African Folk Song/arr. Ken Neufeld*

"Come by here, my Lord, come by here.

Someone's cryin'; Lord, come by here.

Someone's prayin'; Lord, come by here.

Someone's singin'; Lord, come by here.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him, above, ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Come by here, My Lord. Oh Lord, come by here"

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN

“For Everyone Born” (vs. 1-3)

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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 "Siyahamba" (We Are Marching in the Light of God)
South African Freedom Song/arr. Behnke
 Linda Vollweiler, organist
 (The postlude serves as a musical blessing for worshippers 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!

10:30 am Stay-at-Home worship

Broadcast live on Facebook at www.facebook.com/fpchastings and on KICS 1550 AM
 (Please note, you do not need a Facebook account to view the service.)

11:30 am In-Person Worship in the Park in Alexander Park (bring your own chair and facemask)

First Presbyterian Church of Hastings ¶	
Sharing the love of Christ from the heart of Hastings since 1873 ¶	
Head of Church: Jesus Christ → → → →	Ministers: Members of the Church ¶
Senior Pastor: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett → → →	Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Jensen-Heitmann ¶
Director of Children & Family → → → →	Parish Associate: Kili Wenburg ¶
Ministries: Stephanie Brader → → → →	Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer ¶
Organist and Music Coordinator: Linda Vollweiler →	Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster ¶
Calvin/Westminster Choir Director: Linda Johnson →	Bells Director: Dr. Byron Jensen ¶
Praise/Alleluia Choir Directors: Tim and Teresa Canady	Church Office Administrator: Jean Matheny ¶
Praise/Alleluia Bells Choir Director: Dr. Susan Oliver	Facilities Manager: Tony Calhoun ¶
Accompanists: Mary Plock and Alice Throckmorton →	Bookkeeper: Deb Hamburger ¶
Scholar-in-Residence: Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh → →	Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey ¶

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts 494

1 Je - sus, thou joy of lov - ing hearts, thou fount of
 2 Thy truth un - changed hath ev - er stood; thou sav - est
 3 We taste thee, O thou liv - ing bread, and long to
 4 Our rest - less spir - its yearn for thee, wher - e'er our
 5 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay; make all our

life, thou light of all, from the best bliss that
 those that on thee call; to them that seek thee
 feast up - on thee still; we drink of thee, the
 change - ful lot is cast, glad when thy gra - cious
 mo - ments calm and bright. O chase the night of

earth im - parts we turn, un - filled, to heed thy call.
 thou art good, to them that find thee, all in all.
 foun - tain - head, and thirst our souls from thee to fill.
 smile we see, blest when our faith can hold thee fast.
 sin a - way; shed o'er the world thy ho - ly light.

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.

203 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Capo 3: (D) (A7)
Refrain F C7

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love; show

(D) (D/F#) (Em7) (A7) (D)
F F/A Gm7 C7 F *Fine*

us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from you.

(D) (Bm) (Em) (A)
F Dm Gm C

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
2 Neigh - bors are wealth - y and poor, var - ied in col - or and
3 These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should
4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, will - ing to wash oth - ers'

(D) (Bm) (Em7) (A7) (D)
F Dm Gm7 C7 F *to Refrain*

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
race; neigh - bors are near us and far a - way.
love; all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
feet; this is the way we should live like you.

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

For Everyone Born

E *Leader or All* A2

1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
 2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,
 3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
 4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,
 5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,

E A2 Bsus B

for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
 re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
 a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,
 to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,

F#m7 E/G# A2 Bsus

a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
 with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
 in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,

E Bsus E Bsus

for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,
 for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,
 for young and for old, the right to be - long,
 for just and un - just, a new way to live,
 for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,

Refrain B *All* E E/G# A2 Bsus B

and God will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and

E E/G# A2 Bsus B

joy, com - pas - sion and peace: yes,

C#m C#m/B A2

God will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,

Bsus B (E) *Fine* A2 E Bsus B

jus - tice and joy!

This hymn from a noted New Zealand hymnwriter affirms that God's hospitality transcends the barriers erected by human society and that we who have been created in God's image are called to live in ways that reflect our Creator's values: justice and joy, compassion and peace.

October 4, 2020

The radio broadcast airs during the 10:30 a.m. service on KICS 1550 AM and is given by Les and JoAnn Seiler.

Flowers are given in memory of our parents, Archie and Lucille Johnson on the anniversary of their wedding October, 6, 1940, by Brian and Laurie Johnson. Also, in memory of Dr. Robert Smith by the family.

Today's 10:30 "Stay at Home" Worship Service will be broadcast

- live on Facebook at www.facebook.com/fpchastings (You don't need an account.)
- 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.

<i>FPC Prayers for</i>		
Erica Brooks and family	Kristine Cook (Katharine Davis' sister)	Gretchen Lainson
Irina Erickson's Mom	Connie & Tom Kubicka (Chris Junker's parents)	Carol Medsker
Jim Harrenstein	Elaine Schumacher (Vicki Howard's Mom)	Tommy Thomsen
Everly Hogan	Melba Trehern (Lisa Unger's Mom)	Family of Irene Lindau
Jeff Howard	Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)	Family of Jim Cooke
Vern Kooy		

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.



Giving 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/>

The church continues to play a vital role in responding to this virus, just as we did with the flood relief efforts in Nebraska. Thank you for your continued support and provision in this time.

In Memory Of

- ♥ Rev. Dr. James Cooke, who passed away 09/05/2020. Graveside services were held on 09/11/2020 at Sunset Memorial Gardens Cemetery, with Pastor Greg officiating. Memorials may be given to First Presbyterian Church of Hastings, American Heart Association, or Hastings Area Habitat for Humanity. A memorial service will be held in the spring.
- ♥ Ben Ore, who passed away 04/20/2020. Memorial services will be held at First Presbyterian Church of Hastings at 2:00 pm on Saturday, 10/10/2020.

October Communion Offering will go towards the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

This Week at FPC --- October 5 – October 11, 2020

Session has voted that all in-person meetings must follow the following guidelines through October 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 the 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.

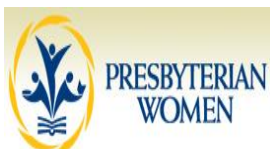
Mon, Oct 5	8:30a-9:30a 12:00p-1:00p 7:00p-8:00p	Walkers at the PEACE Center Memorial Committee in Fellowship Hall Scouts Troop 200 in NE Classroom/PEACE Center “Monday Check-in” Communication from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen
Tues, Oct 6	8:30a-9:30a 10:30a-11:30a 12:00p-1:00p 5:30p-6:30p	Walkers at the PEACE Center Staff Meeting via Zoom Conferencing Bible Study via Zoom Conferencing WAM via Zoom Conferencing/Anderson
Wed, Oct 7	8:30a-9:30a 10:00a-11:00a 12:00 1:00p 6:15p-7:00p 6:45p-7:30p 7:00p-8:00p 7:00p-8:00p	Walkers at the PEACE Center PW Coordinating Team in Fellowship Hall Noonday Bible Study via Zoom Conferencing Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal in Memorial Room Choir Small Ensemble Rehearsal Middle School Youth Group in Basement Youth Rm High School Youth Group in PEACE Center
Thurs, Oct 8	8:30a-9:30a 4:30p-5:30p 5:00p-6:00p 7:00p-8:00p	Walkers at the PEACE Center Mission in Parlor Personnel via Zoom Conferencing/Kessler Rm Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall
Sat, Oct 10	2:00p	Ben Ore Memorial Service in Sanctuary
Sun, Oct 11	9:15a-10:15a 9:15a-10:15a 10:30a 11:30a	Adult Ed Forum via Zoom Conferencing 19/20 Confirmation Class in Fellowship Hall “Stay at Home” Worship Service Worship in Alexander Park (NEW TIME)



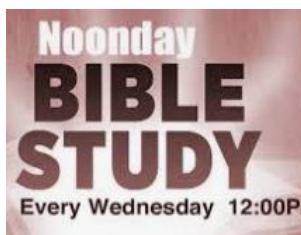
Forum Our regularly scheduled Adult Enrichment hour known as Forum meets most Sundays at 9:15. We won't be meeting in person just yet, but folks can join in the conversation live via Zoom. All Forum sessions will also be recorded and posted to the church's YouTube page so you can watch the session at any time. To join in for the discussion, please let the church office know, and we'll get you all set up!



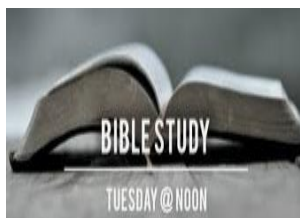
Heirs Apparent Adult Sunday School, with Curtis Reimer leading, is starting soon via ZOOM conferencing. Contact the church office to receive the invitation.



Presbyterian Women PW will NOT meet through the end of 2020. This means there will be NO Circle meetings and no monthly Luncheons.



Bible at Breakfast has a new time and name! Join us for Noonday Bible Study via ZOOM at noon with Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh as the leader. We will be looking at the Book of Revelation using the text *Revelation & the End of All Things* by Craig R. Koester. To join the study, contact sbbrooks52@gmail.com. All are welcome!



Tuesday Noon Bible Study with Pastor Greg

All are welcome to join this weekly study. The focus for the group discussion and study each week is on the verses to be used on Sunday during worship. The group gathers either by ZOOM Conferencing or in person in the Anderson Room. To join by ZOOM, contact the church office.



Update on Sunday School/Youth Group for the fall

Pre K-5th Grades: Families should have received a packet of materials in the mail to use as you follow along with video lessons to be posted weekly on our church website <https://fpchastings.org/children/>

6th-8th Grades Youth Group is meeting in-person on Wednesday evenings in the church basement youth room from **7pm-8pm**. All participants are asked to **wear a facemask**, and we will maintain proper distance from one another. We'll do our usual games, bible study, and fellowship sorts of things. A little Presbyterian 101 will be included for the first few weeks.

9th to 12th Grades Youth group is meeting in-person on Wednesday evenings in the PEACE Center youth room from **7pm-8pm**. All participants are asked to **wear a facemask**, and we will maintain proper distance from one another. We'll do our usual games, bible study, and fellowship sorts of things.

There will be no Sunday morning Sunday School or current 8th Grade Confirmation Class at this time. That may change in the coming months, but at least for September and October we will do without.

We are hoping this will become a meaningful learning experience for all. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions!

Love to Walk? During the spring through the early fall, we walk in the beautiful Heartwell Park, which provides about a one-mile loop – and second loops are available at no extra charge. The Walkers are your solution for getting those daily steps in from **8:30a-9:30a** Monday through Thursday.



Afterwards, we have fabulous Café Justo and good conversation, but, hey, that's the bonus option.

The First Presbyterian Church PEACE Center gym is a great place to walk during the winter months. (Group size limited to 15).

Interested? Call or text Denny Storer at 402 460 8804 for more information on how to join the group and gain access to the PEACE Center on days the weather does not cooperate to walk outside.



The **next Red Cross Blood Drive** is scheduled for **Friday, October 30, 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.



Sponsored by:
First United Methodist Church
First Presbyterian Church

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.

October 17, 2020		
P, Q, R	May park and get number starting	9:45 AM
S, T, U	May park and get number starting	10:00 AM
V, W, X, Y, Z	May park and get number starting	10:15 AM
A, B	May park and get number starting	10:30 AM
C, D, E	May park and get number starting	10:45 AM
F, G, H	May park and get number starting	11:00 AM
I, J, K, L	May park and get number starting	11:15 AM
M, N, O	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.



HASTINGS CROP HUNGER WALK

- 2pm Sunday, October 11, 2020. Heartwell Park
- Start and end at N. California Ave. in the park
- 25% raised goes to Hastings Middle School Food Pantry

Our CROP walk is virtual, but the need could not be more real. We will walk this year, but to keep everyone safe and healthy, we will walk either alone, with immediate family, or in small groups walking a safe distance apart at Heartwell Park. Look for our registration table in the park by N. California Ave.

Join Our First Presbyterian Church team - virtually - as we continue our shared commitment to stand up for the poor, the forgotten, those left behind. Access crophungerwalk.org/hastings to donate online or make a check to CWS/CROP and send or drop it by the church office or drop box. Even though we might not walk, we can “Walk in Spirit” and still support our Church World Service programs here and throughout the world.

Our church is moving to a new kind of church record-keeping solution called REALM.



It primarily serves the administrative needs of our staff, but it also offers some exciting opportunities to support the way you are involved in our church. *Not only will this improve work life for our ministry staff, it will make it easier for our church family to connect with each other, keep up with what’s going on, and grow as a connected community of believers.* Watch for more information coming soon!

**CLEANING OUT
YOUR CLOSETS??**



The First Presbyterian Church would love to receive your gently used winter coats for our coat distribution to be held October 17th in conjunction with United Harvest

Coats of all sizes are needed for Men, Women, and Children.

(Adult XL and XXL are in high need.)



Donations accepted now through October 14th.

Please bring your gently used coats to Sunday Worship in the Park or to the church office during the week.



LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

The Church and Anti-Racism

How First Pres and others joined in the work for justice



Forum: Sunday, October 4,
9:15 AM via Zoom

