



February 7, 2021  
10:30 a.m.  
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE

"Let All Together Praise Our God"

J.S. Bach

Linda Vollweiler, Organ

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

WELCOME

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

OPENING QUESTIONS

*What has worn you down? What has revived you?*

INTROIT

"Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire"

Chancel Choir, directed by Robin Koozer (Pre-recorded 01/07/2018)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Greg Allen-Pickett

*The world often seems so unrelenting.*

***The news always churns. Family squabbles percolate persistently.***

*Our jobs overwhelm us. Our anxieties constantly nip and bite.*

***Illness threatens us and those we love. People suffer under the weight of poverty.***

*In the midst of these things and good deal more, we seek a type of sanctuary.*

***We long for a holy rest, a moment of deep peace with our God.***

*We gather in worship and in prayer to rest once more in the love of God.*

***We come together to be replenished and refreshed before moving out into the world again.***

\*OPENING HYMN

"Come and Find the Quiet Center"

Insert

Sue Medsker, Song Leader

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***We confess, O God, that we can't do it all. We can't please everyone. We can't be everywhere all the time. We are not perfect. We have limits. We are human. We can't even make it through without your love. We not only fail ourselves and disappoint our loved ones, but we also fail you. When we act out of jealousy, when we seek to belittle and demean, when we look on others with contempt in our hearts, we fall short of your command. Forgive us, O God. Refresh our hearts and renew our spirits. Help us to repent of our harmful ways and move more fully in the direction of your will.***

SILENT CONFESSION

*Question for contemplation: where is your spirit in need of renewal?*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*In Christ, our weary souls find mercy and rest.*

***In the forgiveness of God, our hearts rejoice.***

*Our sins are forgiven. We are restored.*

***Alleluia! Amen!***

## \*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory Be to the Father”

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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

### FINDING GOD IN ISOLATION – FIVE FOR FIVE

Kili Wenburg

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

*Do we, the members of the church, accept these peoples as deacons, elders, and trustees, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.***

*Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.***

***Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your servants whom you called through baptism as your own and marked as your own. Grant them the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Give them a spirit of truthfulness that they may show the compassion of Christ in the actions of daily living and rightly govern and minister to your people. Give them the gifts of your Holy Spirit to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision. In the walk of faith and for the work of ministry, give to your servants gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility, humor, courage, and an abiding sense of your presence. Amen.***

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***Come, O God, and sit beside us. Offer to us your word and understanding. Stir within us a fresh breath inspired by your truth. Amen.***

## 1<sup>st</sup> SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 40:21-31

## ANTHEM

"He Comes to Us"

Michael Burkhardt

Chancel Choir, directed by Robin Koozer (Pre-recorded 01/07/2018)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:29-39

## SERMON “Overwhelming Totality” or “Quite the Proclamation” or “Unending Mission”

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

## \*HYMN

“Restore in Us, O God”

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\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell.***

***The third day, he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence, he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.***

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Prayer"

W.D. Armstrong Op. 118 No.4

\*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***Into your hands and into the hands of your stewards, we place these gifts. May they be used to meet the needs of the world. May they bring hope to the suffering, comfort to the lost, and peace to all. Amen.***

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you all.

***And also with you.***

Let us give our thanks to God.

***It is right to give God 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

"May You Run and Not Be Weary"  
2X through

Insert

\*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**

**"Allegro"**

*G.F. Handel*

*Linda Vollweiler, Organ*

*(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!**

10:30 am Stay-at-Home worship

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

***First Presbyterian Church of Hastings***  
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# Come And Find The Quiet Center

BEACH SPRING 8 7 8 7 D


Traditional American melody  
Arr. Jack Schrader

Shirley Erena Murray, 1989


*Unison*




1. Come and find the qui - et cen - ter in the crowd - ed life we lead,  
2. Si - lence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,  
3. In the Spir - it let us trav - el, o - pen to each oth - er's pain,



Find the room for hope to en - ter, find the frame where we are freed:  
God it is who speaks and names us, knows our be - ing, touch - es base,  
Let our loves and fears un - rav - el, cel - e - brate the space we gain:



Clear the cha - os and the clut - ter, clear our eyes, that we can see  
Mak - ing space with - in our think - ing, lift - ing shades to show the sun,  
There's a place for deep - est dream - ing, there's a time for heart to care,



All the things that real - ly mat - ter, be at peace, and sim - ply be.  
Rais - ing cour - age when we're shrink - ing, find - ing scope for faith be - gun.  
In the Spir - it's live - ly schem - ing there is al - ways room to spare!

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## Glory Be to the Father

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Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

The first system of musical notation for 'Glory Be to the Father'. It consists of a treble and a bass staff in 4/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody in the treble staff begins with a quarter rest, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a half note B-flat4, a quarter note C5, a half note D5, a quarter note E-flat5, a half note F5, and a quarter note G5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

The second system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with a half note G5, a quarter note F5, a half note E-flat5, a quarter note D5, a half note C5, a quarter note B-flat4, a half note A4, and a quarter note G4. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

The third system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with a half note G4, a quarter note F4, a half note E-flat4, a quarter note D4, a half note C4, a quarter note B-flat3, a half note A3, and a quarter note G3. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The fourth system of musical notation. The treble staff concludes the melody with a half note G3, a quarter note F3, a half note E-flat3, a quarter note D3, a half note C3, a quarter note B-flat2, a half note A2, and a quarter note G2. The bass staff concludes the accompaniment with a final chord. The system ends with a double bar line.

# Restore in Us, O God

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Capo 1: (Em) (Bm7) (Em)(Bm7) (Em) (C) (Bm)  
Fm Cm7 Fm Cm7 Fm D<sup>b</sup> Cm

1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen-dor of your love;  
2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your power;  
3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy;  
4 Three - per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace,

(Am7) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Bm7) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m7 Fm B<sup>b</sup>m Cm Fm Cm7 Fm

re - new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.  
from fruit - less fear un - furl our lives like spring - time bud and flower.  
bap - tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.  
that we, when all our search - ing ends, may see you face to face.

This text reflects the historic understanding of Lent as a time to prepare catechumens for Baptism and penitents for reconciliation at the Easter Vigil. The first three stanzas address one of the three divine Persons, while the fourth stanza implores the help of the full Trinity.

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BAYLOR  
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## SERVICE MUSIC

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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



## May You Run and Not Be Weary 2281



WORDS: Paul Murakami and Handt Hanson (Isa. 40:31)

MUSIC: Paul Murakami and Handt Hanson

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PRINCE OF PEACE  
Irregular

### **February 7, 2020**

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

**Flowers** are given in memory of Ollie and George Anderson by the Anderson family.

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

- live on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/fpchastings](http://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](mailto:jean@fpchastings.org).





**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. Thank you for your continued support and provision in this time.



**Connecting with God and Each Other While We Worship Apart  
(Finding God in the Solitude of Covid Times/Five for Five)**

For many of us, attending church on Sunday mornings is our primary, if not only, means of connecting with our church family and with God. We give thanks for the technology and hard work of staff and volunteers who make it possible every week for us to worship "together apart," but it's not quite the same. Additionally, the uncertainty, isolation, stress, losses, and grief associated with living through a pandemic have created an increased need for the hope and security which can only be found in God. Because our familiar way of connecting with God (in-person worship) is not currently available, and because we all have more open calendars than ever before, this is the perfect time to learn new spiritual practices! God is just as present and available to us as ever before; it's just that we may need to learn new ways of seeking and finding God's presence in these new times. To that end, I will be creating short videos (90 seconds or so) each week, each of which will introduce a simple spiritual practice. Try these new practices for just 5 minutes a day, 5 days a week--5 for 5--and watch as your heart learns to recognize God in events, people, feelings, etc. as never before! The videos will be shown during Sunday worship and can also be found on the church YouTube page.

--Kili Wenburg, Parish Associate and Spiritual Director

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCh5z-uePAXhoKVfay2w4g/videos>

***FPC Prayers for***

Lois Hafer	Jack Stinson (Julie Thomsen's dad)	Henry Black
Cindy Pickett	Connie & Tom Kubicka (Chris Junker's parents)	Rachael Lay
Jeff Howard	Elaine Schumacher (Vicki Howard's mom)	Norris Swan and family
Gretchen Lainson	Melba Trehern (Lisa Unger's mom)	Tommy Thomsen
Carol Medsker	Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)	Craig and JoAnn Williams
Pastor Greg and family	The family of Rev. Roger Williams, (Colleen Schukei's dad)	Paul Nuss and Family
Eleanor Oliver	Rev. Cheryl Ann Elfond	Mary Jeanne Cooke
Lois Hafer	Jack Stinson (Julie Thomsen's dad)	Henry Black

***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.***

***In Memory Of***

- ♥ Nyla Burling, former Kenesaw resident, 103, who passed away 01/21/2021 at her home at College View in Hastings.

**February Communion offering is designated to the Salvation Army.**

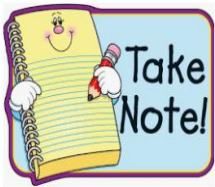


**Thinking of You Notes** With COVID-19 on the rise, a number of our retirement communities have closed to visitors again, which can lead to a sense of isolation. We want our members who live in these homes to know that they have a church family that loves them and is thinking about them. One way to do that safely is to send them cards. If you have a few moments, drop a card or note into the mail to help them feel connected and remembered. Please contact the church office for names and addresses. Even if you don't know them personally, a card or note can provide a real pick-me-up. Please join us in this important work.

### **This Week at FPC --- February 8 – February 14, 2021**

*Session has voted that all in-person meetings must follow the following guidelines through March 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 with 5 or fewer in attendance or continue to meet via conference call or some combination of both to be coordinated by the church staff representative.*

<b>Mon, Feb 8</b>		<b>“Monday Check-in” Communication</b> from Pastor Greg and Pastor Damen
<b>Tues, Feb 9</b>	<b>10:30a-11:30a</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b>
	<b>12:00p-1:00p</b>	<b>Bible Study</b> via Zoom Conferencing
	<b>4:30p-5:30p</b>	<b>Mission</b> via Zoom Conferencing
	<b>5:30p-6:30p</b>	<b>Congregational Life</b> via Zoom Conferencing
	<b>6:00p-7:00p</b>	<b>Trustees</b> via Zoom Conferencing
<b>Wed, Feb 10</b>	<b>12:00p-1:00p</b>	<b>Noonday Bible Study</b> via Zoom Conferencing
	<b>5:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>Confirmation Class</b>
	<b>7:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> Grade In-Person Youth Group</b> Church youth room
	<b>7:00p-8:00p</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Grade In-Person Youth Group</b> PEACE Center youth room
<b>Thurs, Feb 11</b>	<b>5:00p-6:00p</b>	<b>Personnel</b> via Zoom Conferencing
<b>Sun, Feb 14</b>	<b>10:30a</b>	<b>“Stay at Home” Worship Service</b>
<b>Mon, Feb 15</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>PRESIDENTS DAY</b>



#### **Notes for your Information:**

1. The 2021 Offering Envelopes are in the Church Office, stop in and pick one up!
2. The 2021 Jan/Feb/March Daily Bread Devotions have arrived; both large print and regular print.
3. Stephanie Brader, Director of Education for Children and Youth is in need of magazines with “lots” of pictures such as advertisements or in articles for use in Sunday School curriculum.



**The Hands Around the World Store** has ordered more coffee. Stop by the church office to re-stock your supply at \$10 **per** bag.

The Store will be OPEN TODAY, Sunday, 02/07, 03/21, and 03/28 from 1:00p-2:00p. Covid rules will apply of masks required, 15 or fewer people with social distancing observed.



The next **Red Cross Blood Drive** is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 30, 2021** 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 or sign up at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).



Interested in volunteering at **United Harvest?** Please register on the United Harvest Facebook page. Volunteer shifts are 9:30-12:00 and 12:00-2:00.

February 20, 2021		
C, D, E	May park and get number starting at:	9:45 AM
F, G, H	May park and get number starting at:	10:00 AM
I, J, K, L	May park and get number starting at:	10:15 AM
M, N, O	May park and get number starting at:	10:30 AM
P, Q, R	May park and get number starting at:	10:45 AM
S, T, U	May park and get number starting at:	11:00 AM
V, W, X, Y, Z	May park and get number starting at:	11:15 AM
A, B	May park and get number starting at:	11:30 AM

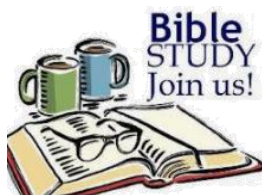


**Presbyterian Women PW** will not meet until further notice. This means there will be no Circle meetings and no monthly luncheons. Members will receive monthly packets.

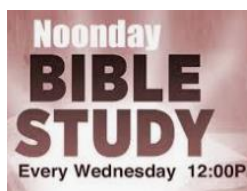


**Forum** Our regularly scheduled Adult Enrichment hour, known as Forum, meets most Sundays at 9:15. We won't be meeting in person just yet, but folks can join in the conversation live via Zoom. All Forum sessions will also be recorded and posted to the church's YouTube page so you can watch the session at any time. To join in for the discussion, please let the church office know, and we'll get you all set up! The next class begins 02/21/2021 with a 6-part study on the Isenheim Altarpiece led by Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh.

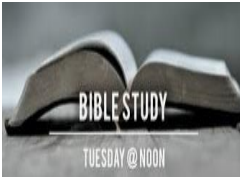
If you want to go back and watch a previous Forum, it can be found on the church YouTube page <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCh5z--uePAXhoKVfay2w4g/videos>



**Heirs Apparent Adult Sunday School**, with Curtis Reimer leading, meets via Zoom most Sunday mornings at 9:15am. Heirs Apparent is doing study entitled *Dream Big: know what you want, why you want it, and what you're going to do about it* by Bob Goff. We will continue meeting via zoom. To join this study, please email Curtis at [teece4@gmail.com](mailto:teece4@gmail.com) or call the church office to get the Zoom link.



**Bible at Breakfast has a new time and name! Join us for Noonday Bible Study** via ZOOM on **Wednesdays** 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](mailto: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.



**PreK-5<sup>th</sup> Grades:** Families will receive packets 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/>

**6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grades:** We will be hosting in-person 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Group on Wednesday evenings beginning on **February 3**. We'll plan to meet 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.

**9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades:** We will be hosting in-person 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Group on Wednesday evenings beginning on **February 3**. We'll plan to meet 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.

**In-Person Confirmation Class** for the current 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will be on Wednesday evenings beginning on **February 3**, from 5:00pm to 7:00 pm at the church confirmation room. Dinner will be served and provided by one of the participating youth's family. All participants are asked to **wear a facemask** when not eating, and we will maintain proper distance from one another.