

# The Home Page

First Presbyterian Church, Hastings, Nebraska 68901-5175  
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## *NOTABLE NOTES*

FROM PASTOR GREG

Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:

It was just one year ago that we suspended our In-Person worship and started to do everything remotely due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We were in the middle of the Season of Lent and all of us were reeling from the news of what was happening in our community, our nation, and our world.

Your church staff members were sitting in our virtual staff meeting over the now ubiquitous Zoom and we were trying to figure out what to do. So much of our life as a family of faith was built around meeting in-person and now we had to figure out what it meant to “be the church” outside of our sanctuary and without the benefit of in-person gathering and fellowship. I always knew we had amazing staff members at our church, but it was during those first few weeks of the pandemic that I developed an even deeper appreciation for our staff team. Without skipping a beat, everyone pivoted and started to dream of ways to help our church thrive in this new environment.

Together we dreamed up the “Palm Sunday Procession” that would allow us to gather at a safe distance in our cars and drive around to different symbolic locations in our community to pray for those impacted by COVID-19. The parade route took us to a City of Hastings parking lot where we prayed for government and leaders; to the Mary Lanning parking lot where we prayed for health care workers; to the high school parking lot where we prayed for educators and students; and to a business parking lot where we prayed for business and industry. This was just one of dozens of creative ideas that your church staff came up with in those first weeks of the pandemic, and they have continued throughout the year.

Here we are one year later. Our shared life together still looks different, but things are slowly returning some semblance of a new normal. I continue to be amazed by the creativity and commitment of our church staff, along with so many volunteers, who all helped to keep our church thriving in the midst of this pandemic.

As we approach Palm Sunday and Holy Week this year, I am delighted to share with you how we will be celebrating in 2021! We will observe Palm Sunday on March 28. Worship will be offered both In-Person and Stay-at-Home. If you’d like to join us In-Person, please click on this link and fill out the form to RSVP: <https://bit.ly/FPCH-Res328> This will allow us to estimate the number of people attending and provide for social distancing. Face masks are required and there will be no congregational hymn singing In-Person. We will be celebrating a baptism on Palm Sunday! And for those who come in-person, each seat will be preset with a palm branch to wave. You can also join us for Stay-at-Home worship on Facebook Live or listen on the radio.

Holy Week will include Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services offered both In-Person in our sanctuary and Stay-at-Home via Facebook Live.

Easter Sunday will be an incredible celebration this year! Due to the social distancing guidelines, we knew we couldn’t fit enough people safely in our sanctuary. So we are partnering with Hasting College to hold our Easter Service in the Lynn Farrell Arena! This arena has a capacity of more than 3,000, so we will have plenty of room for social distancing. Because of the larger and well-ventilated space, we will also be joined by our combined Chancel and Calvin/Westminster Youth Choirs as well as the Cathedral Brass. Together, as a family of faith, we will boldly proclaim “Christ has Risen! Christ has Risen Indeed!” Thanks to our amazing volunteer technology team, this service will also be streamed live and broadcast over the radio for those who cannot join us in-person.

It has been a challenging year for all of us. As we approach Holy Week once again, my prayer is that each of you will find a way to stay connected with one another and your family of faith. We hope that you can join us for our upcoming services either In-Person or Stay-at-Home. And I would ask that you join me in a prayer of thanksgiving for our incredible church staff and volunteers who have worked so hard to help keep us connected to one another and to our shared faith in Jesus Christ over this past year. May this upcoming Holy Week provide us an opportunity to continue in our discipleship journey together with Christ from the cross, to the grave, to the glorious resurrection!

Your servant in Christ, Pastor Greg

### ***FPC Prayers for:***

|                  |   |                            |
|------------------|---|----------------------------|
| Lois Hafer       | Jack Stinson (Julie Thomsen's dad)            | Rev. Dr. Cheryl Ann Elfond |
| Cindy Pickett    | Connie & Tom Kubicka (Chris Junker's parents) | Rachael Lay                |
| Jeff Howard      | Elaine Schumacher (Vicki Howard's mom)        | Norris Swan                |
| Gretchen Lainson | Melba Trehern (Lisa Unger's mom)              | Tommy Thomsen              |
| Carol Medsker    | Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)           | Karen Doerr and family     |
|                  | JoAnn Williams and Family                     |                            |

***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.***



### **Sunday's 10:30 In-Person and Stay at Home Worship Service is broadcast**

- live on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/fpchastings](http://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. simulcast on KICS 1550AM and 92.7FM
- 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.

"When working with your attorney to **update your will and estate plan**, please consider including a gift to the First Presbyterian Church Foundation." - Moderator of the Foundation

### ***HOSPITAL REMINDER***

Due to hospital privacy regulations, for the church to know that either you or a family member will be hospitalized or have been admitted, please take a moment and call the church office at 402-462-5147. Remember, we don't always know what's happening unless you tell us!

**A copy of any Sunday service** is available on DVD upon request at no charge. Contact the church office at [402-462-5147](tel:402-462-5147).

**Birth Announcements** If you would like a rose on the pulpit to celebrate the birth of a new child in your family, please notify the office.



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

**The April Communion Offering will go SASA**, which is a crisis center whose mission is to be a source of help, hope, safety, and inspiration to survivors of domestic and sexual violence.

## Dear First Presbyterian Church,

We want to send a note to thank you for the generous donation of 5 bags of groceries given to the Hastings Food Pantry on March 1<sup>st</sup>. What a wonderful donation! So many people will be blessed with your giving. This gift helps so much, especially during this time of pandemic. We appreciate it so much!

It's only because of the donations of caring people like you that we are able to meet the needs of the hungry in our community.

Since 1982 the Hastings Food Pantry, an all-volunteer organization, has been privileged to serve Hastings and the surrounding area with emergency food. Again, we thank you for joining us in our efforts.

God bless in all you do!

-Hastings Food Pantry Board of Directors

## Dear First Presbyterian Church Family,

Thank you so very much for all the cards I received in honor of my 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. I couldn't believe the number of cards I received. It warmed my heart! -Joyce Harrenstein

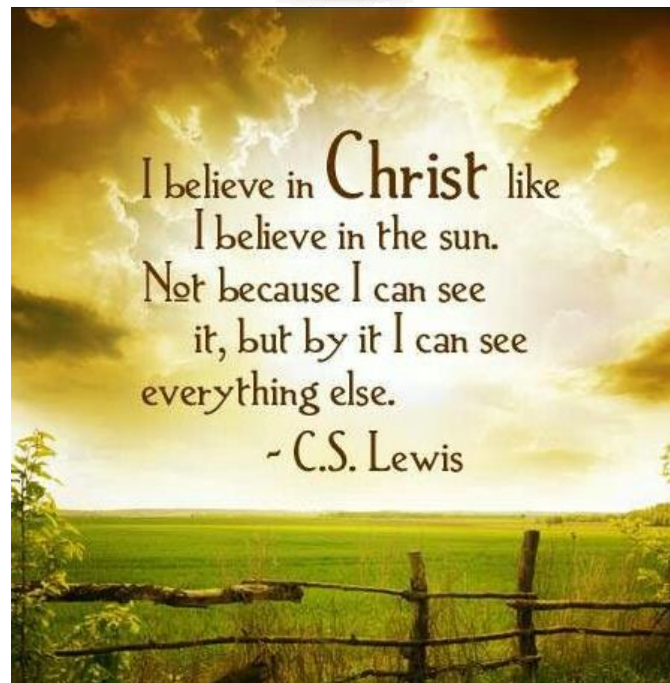


### FRAUD ALERT

If you receive an email or a text message that looks like it is from Pastor Greg, Pastor Damen, or one of the other church staff asking you to buy gift cards, please ignore it and report it to the church office. The phone number and email address will be incorrect.

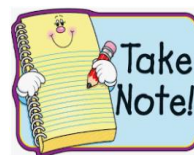
Someone is sending these emails and text messages masquerading as Pastor Greg stating that he is visiting someone in the ER or the hospital and needs help to order or purchase a gift card. Pastor Greg will never ask a church member to purchase a gift card by sending you an email or text message, so please don't respond. Always pay attention to the return email address and check it for accuracy. Thank you.

*Pastor Greg's email is [greg@fpchastings.org](mailto:greg@fpchastings.org).*



### Notes for your Information:

1. The 2021 Offering Envelopes are in the Church Office. Stop in and pick one up!
2. The 2021 April/May/June Daily Bread Devotions have arrived, both large print and regular print.



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

**Brooks' Bookshelf** is a way to share the joy of reading and also spread the awareness of Down Syndrome. Bookshelves, where children are welcome to take a book home, will be located throughout our community!



Each bookshelf will include books of all interests with some specific books focused on kindness, on compassion, and on individuals with unique differences. Books to range from picture/baby up to early readers.



Every story and every person are unique and beautiful. We hope that you'll find it in your hearts to donate a book or send a monetary donation to help us in this celebration.

Check out our Amazon wish list under Brooks' Bookshelf and other places to donate on our website at [brookssbookshelf.org](http://brookssbookshelf.org)

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram!

-Kindly, Brooks Borrell & Family

### FPC has a medical equipment library



from which members can borrow equipment that they need on a temporary basis. These items will include walkers, bath chair, crutches, toilet riser, knee scooter, etc. If

you have any equipment cluttering your basement that you would like to donate or if you have a temporary need for such an item, please contact


Erica Brooks  
at [ericalynn128@gmail.com](mailto:ericalynn128@gmail.com).



### 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. If you have a few moments, drop a card or note into the mail to help them feel connected and remembered. 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.



**EASTER LILIES**

Easter lilies may be purchased in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The cost is \$12 each. Money raised over the cost will be donated to Adams/Clay County ARC (Advocate for the Rights of Citizens).

Lily in memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Lily in honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

I will take my Lily home after the Easter Sunday services: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I will leave my Lily at the church: ☐ Yes ☐ No

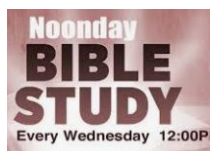
\*\* (All lilies left will be delivered to a member of the church who is unable to attend services.)



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



**Heirs Apparent Adult Sunday School**, with Curtis Reimer leading, meets via Zoom most Sunday mornings at 9:15am. We began the current study on 02/21/2021 using the book *Visioneering* by Andy Stanley, which is based on the book of Nehemiah in the Old Testament. 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 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 at any time!



## **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.



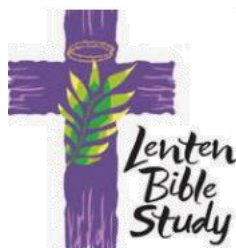
**Forum** Our regularly scheduled Adult Enrichment hour, known as Forum, meets most Sundays at 9:15. We won't be meeting in person just yet, but folks can join in the

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 current class began on 02/21/2021 with a 6-part study on the Isenheim Altarpiece led by Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh and will go through 03/28/2021.

Previous Forums, can be found on the church YouTube page

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

## **Lenten Discussion Groups**



Everyone in our church family should have received a copy of the Lenten devotional entitled "That They May All Be One: The First Stitches." This devotional will lead readers through a series of reflections and activities

designed to enable them to take first steps toward living with a greater sense of unity with those around them—even those with whom they sincerely disagree! This process will be greatly enhanced by sharing and discussing with others what one is learning through this Lenten journey. Thus, you are encouraged to consider joining one of the three discussion groups that will be meeting weekly over the next four weeks. All three groups will be available both in person and via Zoom. Contact the church office to get the link for the meeting of your choice.

**Fridays** at 8 AM in the Lydia Room and via Zoom (led by Kili)

~~February 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2~~

~~**Sundays** at 12 PM in the Lydia Room and via Zoom (led by Pastor Damen)~~

~~February 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28~~

**Tuesdays** at 12 PM in the Anderson Room and via Zoom (led by Pastor Greg)

~~February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30~~



## **Update on Sunday School/Youth Group**

**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 8th Graders is being held on Wednesday evenings from 5:00-7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner is provided. All participants are required to wear a facemask when not eating and must maintain proper social distancing.

**COMING SOON!**

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](tel:402-469-9285) or sign up at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).



## 1st Pres Pickleball Open Gym

The Monday afternoon 1st Pres Pickleball returned to the PEACE Center as of Monday, March 22nd from 1:00-3:00.

COVID rules will apply: masks required, 20 or fewer people with social distancing observed.



**Are you interested in helping** to run the camera, sound board, T.V. on Sunday mornings? Erik Nielson will be training new volunteers. Let

him know you want to help. Email Erik at [kazgratz@gmail.com](mailto:kazgratz@gmail.com)



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



*Easter Vigil*  
*April 2-4*  
*Beginning after Good Friday*  
*Evening Service*  
*Until 7:00 a.m. Easter*  
*Sunday*

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Please sign up for times in  
the Memorial Room or on  
line at  
[2021 Easter Vigil Sign Up Sheet.docx](#)



| April 17, 2021 |                                      |          |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| I, J, K, L     | May park and get number starting at: | 9:45 AM  |
| M, N, O        | May park and get number starting at: | 10:00 AM |
| P, Q, R        | May park and get number starting at: | 10:15 AM |
| S, T, U        | May park and get number starting at: | 10:30 AM |
| V, W, X, Y, Z  | May park and get number starting at: | 10:45 AM |
| A, B           | May park and get number starting at: | 11:00 AM |
| C, D, E        | May park and get number starting at: | 11:15 AM |
| F, G, H        | May park and get number starting at: | 11:30 AM |



## 2021 VBS

### Children & Volunteer Registration

We'd love for you to join us for VBS 2021! First United Methodist Church and First Presbyterian Church are coming together to host a 3-day, outdoor VBS. At Discovery of Adventure Island VBS children will explore the ways God's great light shines in the world, and shows everyone how they can reflect that light in their own lives.

**DATE:** Tuesday, June 1 through Thursday, June 3

**TIME:** 9:00 am - 12:00 pm (volunteers will be needed 8:45am - 12:15pm)

**WHERE:** Masonic Temple grass lot at the corner of 6th Street and Hastings Avenue (will be outside)

**COVID PRECAUTION:** At this time, masks will be required

**CHILDREN & VOLUNTEERS:** Please register SOON via the First Presbyterian Church website <https://fpchastings.org/2021-vbs/> or by direct link:

- Children: <http://bit.ly/HastingsVBS>
- Volunteers: <http://bit.ly/HastingsVBSVolunteer>

Please contact Stephanie at [stephanie@fpchastings.org](mailto:stephanie@fpchastings.org) or 402-462-5147 with any questions.



*Check the calendar on the church website for the most accurate list of activities. [www.fpchastings.org](http://www.fpchastings.org)*

**Broadcast live In-Person and Stay at Home Sunday Worship at 10:30**

- ✓ 10:30 a.m. on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/fpchastings](http://www.facebook.com/fpchastings) (FB account not needed)
- ✓ 10:30 a.m. service simulcast on KICS 1550AM and 92.7FM
- ✓ on Channel 181 Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.
- ✓ Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

**What's Happening at FPC --- March 28 – April 10, 2021** *Session has voted that all in-person meetings must use the following guidelines for the safety of our congregation and staff. 1.) 20 or fewer in attendance, 2.) No time limit, 3.) Facemasks will be required, 4.) Social distancing of 6-ft. seating. All boards and committees 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).*

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| <b>Sun, Mar 28</b>  | <b>9:15a-10:15a</b><br><b>9:15a-10:15a</b><br><b>10:30a</b><br><b>12:00p-1:00p</b><br><b>1:00p-2:00p</b>   | <b>Heirs Apparent Adult S.S.</b> via Zoom Conferencing<br><b>Forum Adult S.S.</b> via Zoom Conferencing<br><b>Palm Sunday Stay-At-Home and In-Person Worship</b><br><b>Lenten Discussion Group</b> -Lydia Rm/Zoom<br><b>Hands Around the World Store OPEN</b>  |
| <b>Mon, Mar 29</b>  | <b>1:00p-3:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b>   | <b>"Monday Check-in" Communication</b> from Greg and Damen<br><b>1st Pres Pickle Ball Open Gym</b><br><b>Scout Troop 200</b> in Scout Room   |
| <b>Tues, Mar 30</b> | <b>10:30a-11:30a</b><br><b>12:00p-6:00p</b><br><b>12:00p-1:00p</b>   | <b>Staff Meeting</b> via Zoom Conferencing<br><b>Red Cross Blood Drive</b><br><b>Lenten Discussion Group</b> -Lydia Rm/Zoom  |
| <b>Wed, Mar 31</b>  | <b>12:00 1:00p</b><br><b>5:00p-7:00p</b><br><b>6:00p-7:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-7:30p</b><br><b>7:00p-7:30p</b><br><b>7:30p-8:15p</b> | <b>Noonday Bible Study</b> via Zoom Conferencing<br><b>Confirmation Class</b><br><b>Chancel Choir</b> in Sanctuary<br><b>Chancel Bells</b> Upstairs Ed Wing<br><b>6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade In-Person Youth Group</b> Church youth room<br><b>9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade In-Person Youth Group</b> PEACE Center youth rm |
| <b>Thurs, Apr 1</b> | <b>6:00p-7:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b>   | <b>Calvin/Westminster Choirs</b> in Fellowship Hall<br><b>Mexican Dance Class</b> -NE Classroom/PEACE Center<br><b>Maundy Thursday Service</b> in Sanctuary  |
| <b>Fri, Apr 2</b>   | <b>7:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>8:00a-9:00a</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b><br><b>8:00p-12:00a</b>  | <b>Cub Scouts</b> Fellowship Hall<br><b>Lenten Discussion Group</b> Lydia Rm/ZOOM<br><b>Good Friday Service</b> in Sanctuary<br><b>Easter Prayer Vigil</b> in Chapel   |
| <b>Sat, Apr 3</b>   | <b>12:00a-12:00a</b>   | <b>Easter Prayer Vigil</b> in Chapel   |
| <b>Sun, Apr 4</b>   | <b>12:00a-7:00a</b><br><b>9:00a-10:00a</b><br><b>10:30a</b>  | <b>Easter Prayer Vigil</b> in Chapel<br><b>All Choirs at HC/Lynn Farrell Arena</b><br><b>Easter Stay-At-Home/In-Person Worship at HC/Lynn Farrell Arena</b>  |
| <b>Mon, Apr 5</b>   | <b>8:30a-4:30p</b><br><br><b>1:00p-3:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b>   | <b>EASTER MONDAY – OFFICE CLOSED</b><br><b>"Monday Check-in" Communication</b> from Greg and Damen<br><b>1st Pres Pickle Ball Open Gym</b><br><b>Scout Troop 200</b> in Scout Room   |
| <b>Tues, Apr 6</b>  | <b>10:30a-11:30a</b><br><b>12:00p-1:00p</b><br><b>5:30p-6:30p</b>  | <b>Staff Meeting</b> via Zoom Conferencing<br><b>Noon Bible Study</b> Zoom/Anderson<br><b>WAM</b> Zoom/Fellowship Hall   |
| <b>Wed, Apr 7</b>   | <b>10:00a-11:00a</b><br><b>12:00 1:00p</b><br><b>5:00p-7:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b>   | <b>PW Coordinating Team</b> in Fellowship Hall<br><b>Noonday Bible Study</b> via Zoom Conferencing<br><b>Confirmation Class</b><br><b>Chancel Bells</b> Upstairs Ed Wing   |
| <b>Thurs, Apr 8</b> | <b>5:00p-6:00p</b><br><b>6:00p-7:00p</b><br><b>7:00p-8:00p</b>   | <b>Personnel</b> Zoom/Anderson<br><b>Mexican Dance Class</b> -NE Classroom/PEACE Center<br><b>Cub Scouts</b> Fellowship Hall   |
| <b>Sun, Apr 11</b>  | <b>9:15a-10:15a</b><br><b>9:15a-10:15a</b><br><b>10:30a</b>  | <b>Heirs Apparent Adult S.S.</b> via Zoom Conferencing<br><b>Forum Adult S.S.</b> via Zoom Conferencing<br><b>Stay-At-Home and In-Person Worship Service</b>   |

# HOLY



# WEEK

First Presbyterian Church, Hastings

2021

## March 28 – Palm Sunday

- ♥ 10:30 a.m. In-Person and Stay-at-Home Worship Service

**In-Person:** Please click on this link and register <http://bit.ly/FPCH-Res328> or call the church office: 402-462-5147. If we hit the maximum capacity of 120 family units/individuals, you will be added to the reservation list for the following week.

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

Worship Service can also be heard live on the radio simulcast on KICS 1550 AM and on 92.7FM

## March 31 – Wednesday of Holy Week

- ♥ 5:00 p.m. In-Person Confirmation class will meet as scheduled
- ♥ 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir in the sanctuary
- ♥ 7:00 p.m. Middle School and Senior High In-Person Youth Group will meet as scheduled.
- ♥ 7:00 p.m. Chancel Bells in Upstairs Ed Wing
- ♥ 7:30 p.m. Calvin/Westminster Choirs in Fellowship Hall

**April 1 – Maundy Thursday:** A service that reflects on Christ's command to "Love one another as I have loved you." It includes communion and an optional foot-washing ritual.

- ♥ 7:00 p.m. In-Person and Stay-at-Home Worship

**In-Person:** Just come to the church sanctuary, no need to register.

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

**April 2 – Good Friday:** A service that reflects on the Passion narrative of Christ's trial, crucifixion, and burial.

- ♥ 7:00 p.m. In-Person and Stay-at-Home Worship

**In-Person:** Just come to the church sanctuary, no need to register.

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

## April 2 Good Friday – April 4 Easter Morning: Prayer Vigil

Starting at 8pm on Good Friday through sunrise on Easter Morning, we will hold an Easter Prayer Vigil in the Chapel or from home. Individuals or families can sign up for 1 hour time slots. Prayer resources will be available in the chapel and on-line. We hold vigil during the time between Christ's death and resurrection, praying for ourselves, our community, and our world.

Prayer Vigil Signup: [2021 Easter Vigil Sign Up Sheet.docx](#)

## April 4 – Easter Sunday

- ♥ 10:30 a.m. In-Person and Stay-at-Home Easter Worship Service

**In-Person:** For our Easter service, which typically has 400-600 people in attendance, we knew we couldn't fit in our sanctuary due to the social distancing guidelines. So, we are partnering with Hastings College and ***our Easter service will be held in the Lynn Farrell arena.*** It will include our Chancel Choir, the Cathedral Brass, and many of the other elements that we love about Easter. As the arena seats almost 4,000, there will be plenty of space for social distancing and masks will be required.

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

Worship Service can also be heard live on the radio simulcast on KICS 1550 AM and on 92.7FM.



# Happy Anniversary

|           |                       |           |                              |
|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| 4/26/1975 | Colleen & George Adam | 4/11/1987 | Todd & Tammy Lay             |
| 4/29/1989 | Sandra & Dave Dirks   | 4/19/2008 | Margaret Marsh & Joe Stewart |
| 4/6/2002  | Jodi and Danny Graves | 4/8/1978  | Belinda & Paul Nuss          |
| 4/21/1979 | Judy & Marty Hoch     | 4/26/1975 | Mary & Jorn Olsen            |
| 4/2/1983  | Marcia & Mike Hogan   | 4/21/2012 | Clyde & Katherine Sachtleben |
|           |                       | 4/21/1973 | Vera & Dan Zabloudil         |



# Happy Birthday

|     |                         |      |                     |      |                     |
|-----|-------------------------|------|---------------------|------|---------------------|
| 4/3 | Brett Erickson          | 4/9  | Dennis McPherson    | 4/18 | Evelyn Smidt        |
|     | Jacob Shin              |      | Cathy Pershing      | 4/20 | Robert Grams        |
| 4/4 | Wendy Propp             |      | John Pershing       |      | Belinda Nuss        |
| 4/6 | Andrea Franzen          | 4/11 | Mattie Eddleman     | 4/22 | Kenny Graham        |
|     | Kenton Grams            |      | Carolyn Miller      | 4/21 | Kathy Warriner      |
|     | Will Locke              | 4/12 | Carol Medsker       | 4/22 | Jenni Bauer         |
|     | Norma Saathoff          |      | Sarah Nottage-Tacey |      | Walker Hermann      |
|     | Ruth Swingle            |      | Tom Portwood        | 4/24 | Norah Snell         |
|     | Kevin Turner            | 4/13 | William Hermes      | 4/27 | Thomas Kerr         |
| 4/7 | Michael Brooks          |      | Kevin Junker        | 4/26 | Brett Miller        |
| 4/8 | Irina Belikova-Erickson | 4/15 | Harold Korb         |      | Elaine Specht       |
|     | Barb Harrington         |      | Monroe Runcie       | 4/27 | Dave Johnson        |
|     | Doug Ourada             | 4/16 | Collin Hermes       |      | Curtis Reimer       |
| 4/9 | Launa Epp               | 4/17 | Jaxen Mitchell      | 4/29 | Kristan Harrenstein |
|     | Anne Halbert            | 4/18 | Dean Meyer          | 4/30 | Julia Reimer        |

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