



**June 6, 2021**  
**10:30 a.m.**

**PRELUDE**

**"Meditation"**

*William Foulkes Op. 133 No. 3*

*Linda Vollweiler, Organist*

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

**WELCOME**

**Don Canady**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Come, God. Come walk with your people,*

*For you are our strength and glory,*

***And we put our trust in you.***

*Come, God. Come walk behind us, beside us, before us,*

*For you are our shelter and direction,*

***And we put our trust in you.***

*Come, God. Come, seek and find and put us right,*

*For you are the light in our darkness,*

***And we put our trust in you.***

*Come, God. We know you are near.*

***Help us to praise and worship you.***

**\*OPENING HYMN**

**"God of the Sparrow"**

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*Sarah Wolf, Song Leader*

Due to COVID-19 and the threat of disease transmission through aerosolized particles that are expelled during singing, we will not be singing out loud during our service. You are invited to hum along if you would like, reflect on the lyrics, and let the music enhance your worship of God this morning.

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

***Holy God, we will be honest: this is really hard. All that we have been through over the last year plus has worn us down. We're losing patience, we're struggling to find hope, and we're losing our grip on faith. We're caught between the selfishness of wanting to do whatever we want without regard for others, and wanting to be helpful and generous. Please help us. Help us to lean on you and each other when things get hard and when we get depressed. Remind us every day that there is light at the end of the tunnel. Encourage our hearts, and help us to be your people, to the best of our ability, in these strange days. This we pray in the name of Jesus, who is with us always. AMEN***

**SILENT CONFESSION**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***God is gracious and merciful and knows our needs even before they reach our lips. Still, we engage in confession, admitting to God all that rests uneasily in our hearts.***

## \*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!***

In order to reduce the risk of disease transmission, please do not shake hands or hug people outside of your immediate family. Instead, maintain proper social distance, look someone in the eyes and hold their gaze. Share peace with them by holding your hand to your chest and bowing your head to them, or share some other appropriate sign.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***Guide us, O God,  
by your Word and Spirit,  
that in your light we may see light,  
in your truth find wisdom,  
and in your will discover your peace,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

## 1st SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 3:1-14

## ANTHEM

Shepherd's Song" from the Sixth Symphony     Ludwig van Beethoven  
Olivia Canady, piano

*(The Langenberg Legacy Funds provide scholarships for children of church members to take music lessons. During the summer, those children and youth provide special music during the service as a way of giving thanks to God.)*

## 2nd SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 1:1-31

## SERMON

"Old Turtle"

Don Canady

## \*HYMN

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

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## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***We come to you, God, as those who search for ways to love more wisely, more genuinely, more steadily. We believe our lives are based on the love of Christ, that from day to day we may be passionate and patient, faithful and forgiving, in loving one another and this world of many peoples. Through God's Spirit, we build our church into a living temple, a sign of Christ's presence on earth. We affirm in our faith Jesus Christ as our foundation. AMEN***

## OFFERING

***As stewards, by God's grace, we offer ourselves as we bring our offerings. God has promised to multiply our efforts to serve the world in Christ's name. May we be as generous as God has been toward us.***

## OFFERTORY

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

arr. Dale Wood

For the health and safety of our members, we will not pass a plate or collect gifts during the offering. You are invited to give by dropping your offering as you leave in the plates at the back of the sanctuary, dropping it in the outside locked tithing box located on the second brick column under the portico, mailing it in, or giving online: <https://fpchastings.org/give-online/>

## \*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***O God, we worship you with our offerings. May all the ministries and outreach of this church honor you and use well the resources you entrust to us. 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

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

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*(During the singing of the final hymn, we will take a second offering for Pentecost. A portion of the June Communion Offering will go to CASA. The congregation is invited to come down to the communion table and place their offering in the basket.)*

## \*BENEDICTION

***May the practice of faith define the person you are. And may the love of God shape the person you will become. Now and always, serve God with gladness. AMEN***

**\*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 Rondo"**

*Fenton Groden*

*(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 IN THE COMING WEEKS &  
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!**

**June 6 – Children's Book Sermon Series begins**

**June 27 – Go and Serve Sunday!**

**10:30 a.m. In-Person and Stay-at-Home worship**

**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.)*

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



**First Presbyterian Church of Hastings**  
**Sharing the love of Christ from the heart of Hastings since 1873**

**Head of Church:** Jesus Christ  
**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett  
**Director of Children & Family**  
**Ministries:** Stephanie Brader  
**Organist and Music Coordinator:** Linda Vollweiler  
**Calvin/Westminster Choir Director:** Linda Johnson  
**Praise/Alleluia Choir Directors:** Tim and Teresa Canady  
**Praise/Alleluia Bells Choir Director:** Dr. Susan Oliver  
**Accompanist:** Mary Plock  
**Scholar in Residence:** Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh

**Ministers:** Members of the Church  
**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Damen Jensen-Heitmann  
**Parish Associate:** Kili Wenburg  
**Chancel Choir Director:** Dr. Robin Koozer  
**Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster Bells Director:** Dr. Byron Jensen  
**Church Office Administrator:** Jean Matheny  
**Facilities Manager:** Tony Calhoun  
**Bookkeeper:** Deb Hamburger  
**Pastor Emeritus:** Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey

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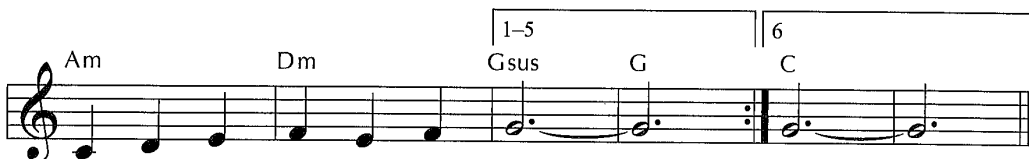
## God of the Sparrow



1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the  
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the  
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the  
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the  
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the  
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the



swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe  
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe  
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace  
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care  
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love  
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy



How does the crea - ture say Praise  
 How does the crea - ture cry Save  
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks  
 How does the crea - ture say Life  
 How does the crea - ture say Peace  
 How do your chil - dren say Home

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

Though a lack of punctuation makes this text appear freeform and the flowing tune enhances a sense of movement, each stanza here is firmly anchored by a final weighty word (praise, save, thanks, life, peace, home), a sign of God's eternal presence in an ever-changing world.

## Glory Be to the Father

581

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

The first system of the musical score is in 4/4 time, featuring a treble and bass staff in B-flat major. The melody in the treble staff begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and A4, then a half note G4. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords.

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

The second system continues the melody with a half note F#4, a quarter note E4, and a half note D4. The bass staff continues with harmonic support.

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

The third system features a half note C4, a quarter note Bb3, and a half note A3. The bass staff continues with harmonic support.

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

The fourth system concludes with a half note G3, a quarter note F#3, and a half note E3. The bass staff ends with a final chord and a fermata. A double bar line with repeat dots is at the end of the system.

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## I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

## Here I Am, Lord



1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who  
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will  
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est



made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.  
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

## Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

# 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

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# 726 Will You Come and Follow Me

## The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)  
 F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C

1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?  
 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?  
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?  
 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F

Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?  
 Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?  
 Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er be the same?  
 Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?  
 Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus) (A)  
 Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> Am7 B<sup>b</sup> Csus C

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at-tract or scare?  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"  
 Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"  
 and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"  
 through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"  
 Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

## **June 6, 2021**

**The radio broadcast** airs during the 10:30 a.m. service, simulcast on KICS 1550 AM and on 92.7FM, and is given in memory of Mary Jo and Frank Emmons.

**Flowers** are given in memory of Irma & Floyd Hansen; Beth Marvel Marti & Archie Marvel; Oline & Richard Marvel; Alice & Jack Marvel by family.

**Ushers May June Team #4:** George Howard-Captain, Susie Graham, Dixie McDonald, Gale McDonald, Ted Schroeder, Lori Schroeder

**Greeters June 6:** Georgie Evans and Jim & Kathy Duval

**June 13:** Ira & May Wierenga and Richard & Connie McClenahan

**Unstaffed Nursery** is available if needed. The television in the nursery has a live feed to the Sanctuary so you can still participate in the service from there.

**Need a ride to church on Sundays?** Request a ride by calling Deacon Moderator Kathy Reimer at 402-469-6437 or the church office at 402-462-5147.

### **Today's 10:30 "In-Person" 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. 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.
- 10:30 a.m. at College View live on Facebook in the small theatre room. Residents and their families are welcome

**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 In-Person and Stay-at-Home Church** The church counts on your giving to carry on its work. As you participate in 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/>

The church continues to play a vital role in responding to this virus. Thank you for your continued support and provision in this time.

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

Neal Riley

Lois Hafer

Gretchen Lainson

Rich Portwood

Gayle Fandry

Bev Stein

Jack Stinson (Julie Thomsen's dad)

Connie & Tom Kubicka (Chris Junker's parents)

Lanae Hall's mother

Melba Trehern (Lisa Unger's mom)

Chris Wheeler (Carol Wheeler's son)

Rev. Dr. Cheryl Ann Elfond

Go & Serve Team

Rachael Lay

Pam & Don Canady

Tommy Thomsen

Frank & Carol Medsker

The Tut Ruei 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.***

## This Week at FPC --- June 6, 2021— June 13, 2021

*Session has voted that all in-person meetings must use the following guidelines for the safety of our congregation and staff and to comply with the State-Directed Health Measures. 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).*

<b>TODAY 6/06</b>		<b>Go &amp; Serve Trip June 4-13</b>
	<b>10:00a-10:30a</b>	<b>Hands Around the World Store OPEN</b>
	<b>10:30a</b>	<b>Stay-At-Home and In-Person Worship Service</b>
	<b>11:30a-Noon</b>	<b>Hands Around the World Store OPEN</b>
<b>Mon, June 7</b>		<b>Go &amp; Serve Trip June 4-13</b>
		<b>“Monday Check-in”</b>
		Communication from Greg and Damen
	<b>7:00p-7:45p</b>	<b>Chorus of the Plains</b> Fellowship Hall
<b>Tues, June 8</b>		<b>Go &amp; Serve Trip June 4-13</b>
	<b>10:30a-11:30a</b>	<b>Staff Meeting</b> via Zoom Conferencing
	<b>12:00p-1:00p</b>	<b>Noon Bible Study</b> Zoom/Anderson
	<b>4:30p-5:30p</b>	<b>Mission</b> Zoom/Parlor
	<b>5:30p-6:30p</b>	<b>Congregational Life</b> Zoom/Fellowship Hall
<b>Wed, June 9</b>		<b>Go &amp; Serve Trip June 4-13</b>
	<b>12:00-1:00p</b>	<b>Noonday Bible Study</b> via Zoom Conferencing
	<b>6:30p-7:30p</b>	<b>Wood Carvers</b>
<b>Thurs, June 10</b>		<b>Go &amp; Serve Trip June 4-13</b>
	<b>5:00p-6:00p</b>	<b>Personnel</b> Zoom/Anderson Room
<b>Fri, June 11</b>		<b>Go &amp; Serve Trip June 4-13</b>
	<b>10:00-Noon</b>	<b>Mahjong Ladies</b> in Middle School Youth Room
<b>Sat, June 12</b>		<b>Go &amp; Serve Trip June 4-13</b>
<b>Sun, June 13</b>		<b>Go &amp; Serve Trip June 4-13</b>
	<b>9:30a-10:115a</b>	<b>Worship in Alexander Park</b>
	<b>10:00a-10:30a</b>	<b>Hands Around the World Store OPEN</b>
	<b>10:30a</b>	<b>Stay-At-Home and In-Person Worship Service</b>
	<b>11:30a-12:30p</b>	<b>Hands Around the World Store OPEN</b>

→ Please Note: There will be NO Activities in the PEACE CENTER June 1-June 18 as the floors in the hallways are being re-finished.



**The June Communion Offering is the** Pentecost offering, a portion of which will be donated to CASA. The local portion (40%) will go to CASA as a focus on our efforts to help improve the lives of young people in our community. The remainder of the offering (60%) will support at-risk youth through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.



**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.

The **PW Coordinating Team** will not meet in June or July. The next meeting will be August 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00.

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

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

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

Donations should be made out to PW and be sent to the church. There will be a table in the Memorial Room June 13 and 20.

The **PW sponsored Native American Book Study** is launching its next book study. Please register your plans to attend with Marilyn Stone ([mmstone52@att.net](mailto:mmstone52@att.net)).

- **June 7-*Standing in the Light: A Lakota Way of Seeing***  
Two 1-hour sessions will be held at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM discussing sections of the book.



**The Hands Around the World Store** has Café Justo coffee. Stop by the church office during the week to re-stock your supply at \$10 per bag. The store is open every Sunday morning for 30 min. at 10:00 & 11:30.



The next **Red Cross Blood Drive** is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 14, 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).



**1st Pres Pickleball Open Gym** has returned to the PEACE Center every Monday from 1:00-3:00. COVID rules will apply: masks required, 20 or fewer people, with social distancing observed.



**Want to help** run the tech booth? Contact Erik Nielsen for information. [kazgratz@gmail.com](mailto:kazgratz@gmail.com)



Want to volunteer at **United Harvest**? Please register on the United Harvest Facebook page. Shifts are 9:30-12:00 and 12:00-2:00.

June 19, 2021		
P, Q, R	May park and get number starting at:	9:45 AM
S, T, U	May park and get number starting at:	10:00 AM
V, W, X, Y, Z	May park and get number starting at:	10:15 AM
A, B	May park and get number starting at:	10:30 AM
C, D, E	May park and get number starting at:	10:45 AM
F, G, H	May park and get number starting at:	11:00 AM
I, J, K, L	May park and get number starting at:	11:15 AM
M, N, O	May park and get number starting at:	11:30 AM

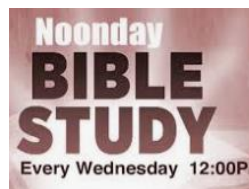




**Forum** Our regularly scheduled Adult Enrichment hour, known as Forum, has concluded for the summer. Previous Forums can be found on the church YouTube page

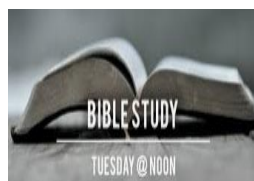
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCh5z--uePAXhoKVfay2w4g/videos>

**Heirs Apparent Adult Sunday School**, with Curtis Reimer leading, has concluded for the summer.



**Join us for Noonday Bible Study** via ZOOM on **Wednesdays** at noon with Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh as the leader. Beginning on June 9th, we will begin discuss a book by John Dominic Crossan that wrestles with seemingly opposite visions: one of a loving God, and one of a vengeful God. Crossan explains how Christians can better understand these passages in a way that enriches their faith. The intriguing title? *How to Read the Bible and Still be a Christian*. All are welcome. Invite friends!

Please contact Sharon Brooks for more information about connecting online and about obtaining a book at [sbbrooks52@gmail.com](mailto:sbbrooks52@gmail.com)



### **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.



**Work Shirts Needed for Proteus** There is a great need for long-sleeved work shirts for migrant workers this summer.

These shirts protect the workers from the sun and exposure to agricultural chemicals. While you are doing your spring cleaning, if you find long-sleeved shirts you are no longer using, please bring them and place them in the Donation Station in Fellowship Hall.

To participate in the distribution of the shirts to the workers in early July, please contact Denny Storer for details.



### **Presbyterian Camp Scholarships available!**

A Presbyterian Camp Scholarship is available for all Presbyterian sponsored camps including youth camps and family camps. An individual camper may receive one scholarship per calendar year that will cover up to ½ of the camping fees!

#### **Benefits of Christian Camping...**

- Campers can grow in their spiritual development in a fun, positive environment.
- Camp is an extension of your local church ministry program.
- Campers engage with others—building on the connectional strength of the reformed tradition.
- Child development experts believe that residential camp experiences help children and youth mature socially, emotionally, intellectually, morally and physically. This is supported by research conducted by the American Camp Association.

Please contact Stephanie at [stephanie@fpchastings.org](mailto:stephanie@fpchastings.org) for a scholarship request form or if you have any questions.