



First Presbyterian Church of Hastings Easter Sunday - April 17, 2022

PRELUDE

“My Spirit Be Joyful” J.S. Bach/arr. Harry Herforth
The Cathedral Brass Quintet

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

INTROIT

“Easter Introit/Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

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The Cathedral Brass; and Chancel, Westminster, and Calvin Choirs, director Robin R. Koozer

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

Today we come to the tomb,

And discover that the stone has been rolled away!

The tomb is empty, Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We don't find Christ in the empty tomb; Christ is here among us,

Wherever two or more are gathered in his name.

In every act of compassion and love we show to the world,

Christ is present, resurrected and alive in us and in these acts of compassion and love! Come, let us worship our risen Christ!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, sometimes we choose darkness over light.

Sometimes we choose hatred and anger over love and joy.

Sometimes we choose to hold grudges rather than grant forgiveness.

Sometimes we choose to look away rather than respond to suffering around us.

Open us to your love, to your acceptance, to your forgiveness, to your peace; open us to one another and to the possibilities you have in store for us. Give us hope for the future and a passion for life here and now.

We pray in the name of the One who destroyed death, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Come into the light of God's love!

Christ is risen! Death has been swallowed up in victory!

Know beyond all doubt that God's love is always with you, surrounding you, leading you, comforting you. In the name of the risen Christ, we are forgiven and loved!

Alleluia! Amen!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory to God"

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*PEACE OF CHRIST

The congregation is invited to exchange signs of peace with one another using these traditional words that have been spoken by Easter Christians throughout the centuries:

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed!

(Greet others around you this morning with these words.)

SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

(Please pass the Friendship Pads and sign in to let us know you were here this morning. If you are a guest, please leave your email address and/or phone number.)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rose Koepp

(While the children come down, the congregation will sing "This Little Light of Mine.")

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

As your Word is read and proclaimed, O God, help us to listen with open ears, think with open minds, and trust with open hearts. May we be open to receive and share the life-giving love found in your Word. Amen.

1st SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 24:1-10

HANDBELL ANTHEM

"Christ Arose!"

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

Chancel Handbell Choir, director Byron Jensen

2nd SCRIPTURE READING – 1 Corinthians 15:1-4, 54-58

MESSAGE

"Victory!"

Greg Allen-Pickett

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Crown Him"

Dan Forrest

OFFERING

(The Special Offering this morning goes to the One Great Hour of Sharing to fund projects in the United States and around the world to support disaster relief and address root causes of hunger and poverty. If you wish to contribute to this, put your offering in the Special Offering envelopes found in the pews.)

OFFERTORY

"Exaltation"
Cathedral Brass

Brian Balmages

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy God, you shower us with gifts so abundant, we cannot measure them all. You give us life itself and embrace us with your love. Then you invite us to share your love with others. Bless these gifts that they may be used to show your love to those in need. In your generous name, we pray. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

*HYMN

“Thine Is the Glory”

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(During this hymn, if you would like to join the choir in singing “Hallelujah Chorus” from Handel’s *Messiah*, you are invited to come forward to the choir loft.)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“Hallelujah Chorus”

from G.F. Handel’s *Messiah*

The Calvin, Westminster and Chancel Choir and Members of the Congregation, director Linda Johnson

*POSTLUDE

“Toccata”

Widor

Linda Vollweiler, organ

(*Indicates the congregation shall stand as they are able.)

Special thanks to the Cathedral Brass Quintet for their worship leadership this morning:

Dr. Louie Eckhardt, trumpet | Erin Beave, trumpet | Amy Schneider, horn

Nathan LeFeber, trombone | Dan Sodomka, tuba

COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK &
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

8:30 – Contemplative Taizé-Style Service

9:15 – Sunday School for all ages

10:30 – Traditional Service

Rich Portwood

Mary Lewis

Joan Shaw

Stan Essink

Barry Thomson

Stephen Gass

Bev Stein

Greg Howard

Tommy Thomsen

Shirley Gass

Taralyn Davis and family

Jan Bolliger

Dave Schawang

Lanae Hall and family

Elaine Schumacher

Tut Ruei family



In Memory Of:

Frank Georgiana 2/19/22

Rachel Lay 3/5/22

Leila Merwin 3/20/22

Please Pray For:

Chris Wheeler

Cheryl Ann Elfond

Melba Trehern

Jenni Welsch

Bob Johnson

Brad Davis

Lois Hafer

Marie & Don Rasmussen

Carl Utley Michael Hahne

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

<p>Head of Church: Jesus Christ</p> <p>Senior Pastor: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett</p> <p>Director of Children & Family</p> <p>Ministries: Rose Koepp</p> <p>Organist and Music Coordinator: Linda Vollweiler</p> <p>Calvin/Westminster Choir Director: Linda Johnson</p> <p>Praise/Alleluia Choir Directors: Teresa & Tim Canady</p> <p>Praise/Alleluia Bells Choir Director: Dr. Susan Oliver</p> <p>Accompanist: Mary Plock</p> <p>Scholar in Residence: Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh</p>	<p>Ministers: Members of the Church</p> <p>Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Jensen-Heitmann</p> <p>Parish Associate: Kili Wenburg</p> <p>Bookkeeper: Deb Hamburger</p> <p>Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer</p> <p>Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster Bells Director: Dr. Byron Jensen</p> <p>Church Office Administrator: Sarah Allen</p> <p>Facilities Manager: Tony Calhoun</p> <p>Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey</p>
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VBS Pre-Registration is now available online! Scan this QR code with your phone camera or visit the church website to register online. Paper forms are available in the church office. Contact Rose if you have any questions: rose@fpchastings.org



SUN 4/17	8:30a-9:30a	Traditional Easter Service	Sanctuary
Easter Sunday	10:00a-10:30a	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
	10:30a-11:30a	Traditional Easter Service	Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio
	11:30a-12:00p	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
MON 4/18		<i>Church Offices Closed</i>	
	8:30a-10:00a	Walkers/Walkers Coffee	PEACE Gym/NW Classroom (M-Th)
	1:00p-3:00p	1 st Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
TUES 4/19	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting	Zoom
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study with Pastor Greg	Anderson Room/Zoom
	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	6:45p-7:45p	Deacons Meet	Anderson Room
	7:00p-8:00p	CCC Dog Obedience Class	PEACE NE Classroom
WED 4/20	9:30a-10:30a	PW Circles 1 & 2	Parlor
	12:00p-1:00p	Noonday Book Club	Zoom sbbrooks52@yahoo.com
	1:15p-2:15p	PW Circle 3	Library
	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
	4:00p-6:00p	WNL 1 st -5 th Grades	Fellowship Hall
	6:00p-6:45p	FPC Family Meal (All Welcome)	Fellowship Hall
	6:45p-7:45p	6 th -12 th Youth Groups	Youth Group Rooms
	7:45p-8:15p	Cal/West Choir Rehearsal	TBD
	8:15p-8:40p	Cal/West Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room
	6:30p-7:30p	1 st Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	6:30p-9:00p	Wood Carvers	Lower-Level Church
	6:45p-7:30p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	7:30p-8:15p	Chancel Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room
THURS 4/21	5:00p-7:00p	(Half hour earlier than usual) Session Meets	Anderson Room/Zoom
	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Folkloric Dance Class	PEACE NE Classroom
	7:00p-8:00p	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
FRI 4/22	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies	Church Room 111
SAT 4/23	9:00a-	PW Spring Gathering	Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary
SUN 4/24	8:30a-9:15a	Taizé Worship Service	Chapel
	9:15a-10:15a	New Forum: Ecotheology	Lydia Room
	9:15a-10:15a	Heirs Apparent	Anderson Room/Zoom
	9:15a-10:15a	Youth & Children Sunday School	Education Wing by Age
	10:00a-10:30a	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
	10:30a-11:30a	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio
	11:30a-12:00p	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
	11:30a-	Congregational Life Potluck	Fellowship Hall



The church will be closed Monday, April 18th in observance of Easter.

It's Up to You in 2022



"A Call to Serve"

You're Invited.....All are Welcome

May 6, 2022 Noon

**First St. Paul's Lutheran Church
501 N. Burlington Ave., Hastings**

Church Women United
Agreed to Differ, Resolved to Love, United to Serve

*Central Nebraska
PW Spring Gathering
Saturday, April 23, 2022*

Won't You Be My Neighbor & Being a Neighbor in Nebraska

Where: First Presbyterian Church, Hastings
621 N. Lincoln Ave
Hastings, NE 402-462-5147

When: 9:00am - 9:30am Registration
9:30am Opening Worship & Communion with
Pastor Damen Jensen - Heitmann, First Presbyterian Church
of Hastings

Registration/Deadline: April 19, 2022
402-462-5147 OR sarah@fpchastings.org

Cost: \$10.00 (cost includes registration and lunch)

Contacts: Nancy Grams: 402-462-4668; nancygrams@hotmail.com
Mary Fisk: 402-460-7880; maryjanefisk@gmail.com

Guest: Reverend Dr. W. Kirwin Stewart, Jr., First Presbyterian Church
of Holdrege will give the message on being a good neighbor.

*After lunch, join in the mission project of putting together
casseroles.*



Wear a cardigan and sneakers!

A graphic for an FPC Potluck event. It features a red and white checkered cloth on the left side. The text "FPC" is written in large, red, stylized letters, with "POTLUCK" written in smaller, red, block letters below it. To the right, the text "Sunday, April 24th immediately following 10:30 service Fellowship Hall" is written in black. Below this, the text "Congregation asked to bring food items based on the first letter of their last name:" is written in black. At the bottom, the text "A-G Salads & veggie dishes", "H-M Main dishes & entrees", and "N-Z Desserts" is written in black.

FPC
POTLUCK

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immediately following
10:30 service
Fellowship Hall**

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H-M Main dishes & entrees
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Ecotheology

A Three-Part Forum Series with

Dr. Dorothy Dean

April 24: Ecofeminist Theology

May 1: Theology & Animals

May 8: Christianity & The
Climate Crisis



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**WE ARE COLLECTING
LONG-SLEEVE SHIRTS TO HELP PROTECT
FARMWORKERS FROM PESTICIDE EXPOSURE
AND HEAT-RELATED ILLNESSES.**

**DROP OFF LOCATION
IN YOUR AREA:**



ORGANIZATION NAME:
First Presbyterian Church

ADDRESS:
Fellowship Hall

PHONE NUMBER/ CONTACT:

SHIRTS MUST BE:



- LIGHT COLOR
- NATURAL FABRIC
- LONG SLEEVE



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FARMWORKER
— AWARENESS WEEK —

In Memory of:

Easter Lilies 2022



Dennis Utter from Kathy Utter and family

Loved ones from Pat & Dick Kleiber

Jon Bohlke and Ardyce Bohlke from Anne Bohlke

Our parents, grandparents and Suzanne Harrenstein from Carol & Jim Harrenstein,
Kristan & Jesse Manske and Tracy & Kenny Brooks

Nicole Ashley Jensen, Bill Jensen, Claudina Jensen, Emory and Emma Holloway from
Deb & Byron Jensen and family

Kurt Anderson Unger and Lillie Bell Unger from Lisa Unger and Robert Unger

Loved ones from Sally Smith

Our parents and our grandson Charlie Fruehling from Ginny & Will Locke

Brandon Brader from Daveta & Dick Brader

Our parents from Marie & Don Rasmussen

Gretchen & Hal Lainson from the Hermes, Olsen, Bliss and Overmiller families

Frank Georgiana from Kay Georgiana and family

Judy Anderson and loved ones from the Hermann family

Alfred & Dorothy Friedewald and Ome & Honor Shoemaker from the Shoemaker/Friedewald family

Virginia & Byford Metzger and Billie & Art Johnson from Linda & Richard Johnson

Annabelle & Merle Hafer from their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren

Mary Lou & Boyd Leymaster from their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren

David E. Northrop, Frank W. Northrop and Michele L. Northrop from the Northrop family

In Honor of:

The FPC Staff and FPC Pastors from Rev. William & Janey Nottage-Tacey



A note of welcome and an invitation from Pastor Greg and the First Presbyterian Church Family:

We are so happy that you are here worshiping with us on Easter! Thank you for being here to share in this joyful celebration! We hope that you are inspired by this worship service and that it equips you to go out and share the love of the risen Christ in your family, your community, and the world!

We are a community that is deeply committed to sharing the **love of Christ** in Hastings and beyond, and we do that most effectively by seeking to serve those who are in need, both spiritually and physically.

Our church is actively engaged in **local ministry and mission** including the United Harvest Mobile Food Pantry, Open Table, and support of many local organizations including Habitat for Humanity, Encourage Advocacy Center, Revive Ministries, Crossroads Rescue Mission, and more. Every summer we offer a Vacation Bible School for the whole community. All of these activities and ministries provide **volunteer opportunities** for you to **share the love of Christ** and see where God is at work in Hastings!

We also participate in **national and global mission** through mission trips every year. These trips provide more opportunities for you to **share the love of Christ** and learn where God is at work around the world!

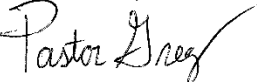
Our church seeks to engage our **hearts** and our **minds**, so we offer **amazing learning opportunities**. Come to **Sunday School** for all ages at 9:15am to hear engaging speakers and dig into the Bible to learn about what it means to you. During the school year, come to our “**Wednesday Night Live**” program for 5-12 year olds from 4-6:45pm for bible study, rec time, music and dinner. We also have an active **youth group** for 6th-12th graders from 6:45-7:30 every Wednesday night.

Do you like to make **music**? Come join our Chancel Choir, play in the handbell choir, or bring your kids to our children and youth choirs or handbell groups who all practice on Wednesday evenings.

Join us for **Sunday morning worship** at 8:30 for a contemplative “Taize-style” worship. Or join us at 10:30 for a traditional worship experience with our glorious Chancel Choir, organ music, and **engaging bible-based preaching**.

At First Presbyterian Church of Hastings, we are a **community of hope** where you will always hear a message of hope proclaimed. Come engage your **hearts, hands, and minds** and help us share the **love of Christ** in Hastings and beyond. Reach out to any of our staff or volunteers to ask about how to get involved, or you can email Pastor Greg at greg@fpchastings.org

In Christ,



First Presbyterian Church of Hastings Mission Statement

Welcoming all;
Living the love of God and neighbor;
Seeking to transform ourselves, our community, and our world to be more Christ-like through service, worship, prayer, education, and fellowship.