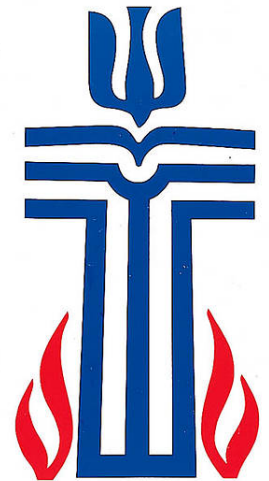
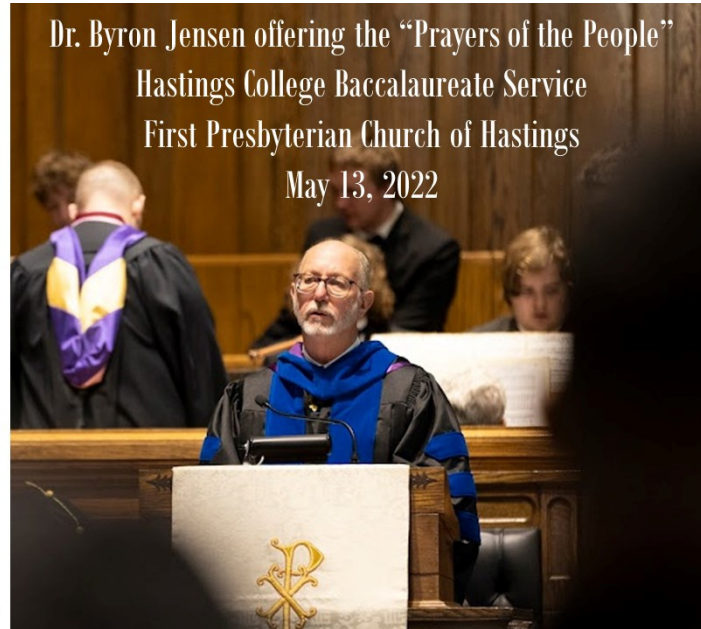


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DAMEN JENSEN-HEITMANN, ASSOCIATE PASTOR

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Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:

First Presbyterian Church of Hastings hosted the Hastings College Baccalaureate service on Friday, May 13 in our sanctuary. This is the worship service that is held at the beginning of the graduation weekend festivities. I was asked to preach at the service and I invited Dr. Byron Jensen to offer the "Prayers of the People." As most of you know, Byron is the handbell choir director here at First Presbyterian Church and he is also a professor of music at Hastings College. He retired at the end of this academic year and was honored by the college with an Honorary Doctorate degree. Here at First Presbyterian Church, we are incredibly proud of Byron! We are profoundly grateful for his service to Hastings College and the church. If you see Byron, please congratulate him on his retirement, his Honorary Doctorate, and thank him for his years of faithful service.

Byron wrote the prayer below for the baccalaureate service. It is beautiful and thoughtful, so I wanted to share it with our First Presbyterian Church family. May you be as blessed by this prayer as the students and their families were at the worship service:

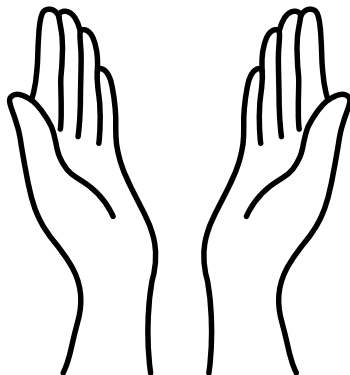
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Our most heavenly and gracious Lord; we are here tonight to celebrate this graduating class, to give thanks to an honored faculty, and to recognize the untiring effort of staff whose work behind-the-scenes often goes unnoticed. We are gathered in the Church that has guided the history, rigor, expectation, and has been the spiritual soul of Hastings College since it was formed in 1882. Even now, nearly a quarter into the 21st century, we remain connected to our nineteenth century brethren who envisioned a college in south central Nebraska, where education and perseverance could make a positive impact on the world. As the Hastings College Alma Mater chimes: "Dear Friends, again we sing, in voices loud and strong": let us lift our voices in celebrating the accomplishments of these graduates, and send them forward with our prayers to continually make this a better world whether in their own neighborhood and community, or more globally reaching beyond borders and politics.

Dear Lord, we know that we face uncertainty in today's world. Let these graduates face that uncertainty with a desire to help those who are less fortunate. We know that instability is as quick as the next news feed on our phones. Let these graduates overcome that instability with creative thinking, compassion, and energy to see their good deeds completed. And we know Lord, that sometimes asking difficult questions invites angst and impedes progress. Please provide these graduates the courage to ask difficult questions, and to engage in civilized discourse so that all may feel progress towards a better society, and ultimately, to experience Your peace that passes all understanding. Amen.





Living Waters for the World

Living Waters for the World (LWW) **trains volunteers** to establish and lead water mission teams that partner with communities to **implement and operate** sustainable water purification systems and health education programs.

LWW Networks come alongside water teams and partners throughout every phase of a water project. They provide essential support for **sustainable** water systems that produce **clean water for a generation**.



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June 5 service will be held at Brickyard Park,
no service in the Sanctuary that day,
HAW Store will not be open.

Summer Fellowship Opportunities:

Jr. High Boys-

When: Every Thursday in June and July from 10:30-11:30am

Where: Lake Hastings (We will meet at the church and drive the van to the lake together)

What to expect: Damen Jensen-Heitmann and a yet to be determined adult will be facilitating a time of fellowship and outdoor activities.

Bring a water bottle and a friend or two!

Jr. High Girls-

When: Every Thursday in June and July from 10:30-11:30am

Where: The Blue Moon

What to expect: Rose Koepp and a yet to be determined adult will be facilitating a safe space to come learn and grow alongside your peers. We will be discussing topics relevant to Jr. high girls and engaging in conversations about life.

Feel free to bring a friend and snack money if you'd like to purchase coffee/soda/snacks!

Sr. High-

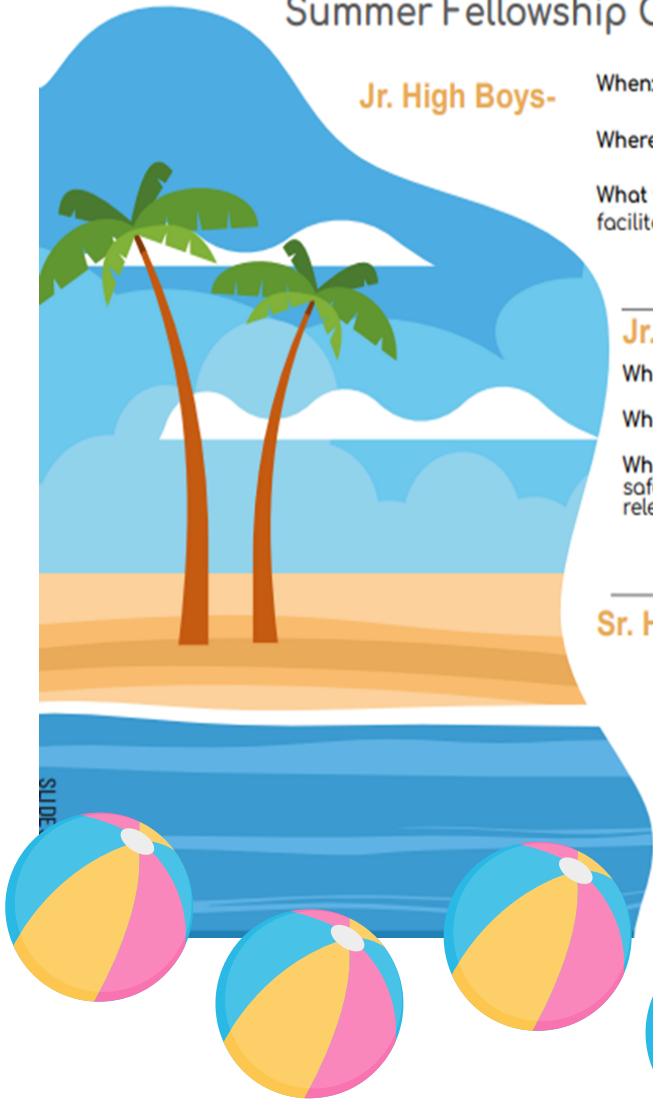
When: Sundays June 12th, June 26th, and July 10th; 6-8pm

Where: Locations TBD -we will post on Facebook and it will be in your monthly newsletter.

Why: To spend time together in fellowship with our peers.

What to expect: Dinner, games/ movies/ group activities, and good conversation!

Feel free to bring a friend!



Vacation Bible School



Join us for a Food Truck Party VBS where we will explore what it means for God to "give us our daily bread" and learn how to turn to God in prayer for our daily needs. Together with the Top Chef and DJ Cupcake, students will learn key truths that make up the common meal-time prayer:

DATE: Monday, June 27th – Wednesday, June 29th

TIME: 8:30 am – 11:30 am

**WHERE: First Presbyterian Church
621 N Lincoln, Ave**

AGES: *Pre-School – 6th grade

(This is the grade they are entering in August 2022)

***Preschoolers MUST be potty trained**



May 15, 2022

Dear Friends at First Pres. Hastings ~

My husband, Hal, and I had the pleasure to watch your Sunday service on May 1st when our granddaughter, Norah Snell, was confirmed. It was a beautiful service, and we were very impressed with the statements of faith presented by the confirmands. The enclosed check is given in honor of Norah and in appreciation of all who made the day possible. She had a very positive experience as evidenced by



the fact that she never fussed or complained about getting out of bed on confirmation class mornings. 😊 Thank you to the adults who taught the class and guided these young people on their faith journeys. Hal and I love to visit your church when we are in town - we attended when we were Hastings College students in the mid-1960's. (Yes - we're old.) →

Again, thank you. We would have attended the service in person, but we were in Tennessee on family business. God bless ~
Betty Anne and Hal Thaut
Members of First Presbyterian in Beatrice



Make a difference in the lives of others! Do you enjoy visiting, providing companionship or just spending time with someone? How about playing bingo or cards? Are you a Veteran? Or maybe just a listening ear?

Can you give a few hours a month to our hospice patients? If so, please consider becoming a hospice volunteer and "Be the reason someone smiles today."

AseraCare Hospice needs hospice volunteers to provide support and companionship to hospice patients and their families. Anyone 16 years or older, is encouraged to join our hospice team!

For more information, please call Keely Wennekamp-Volunteer Coordinator at 308-384-1080 or email keely.wennekamp@amedisys.com.



If you wish to have a loved one's name added to or removed from the prayer list, please call the church office at 402-462-5147



Due to medical and hospital privacy regulations, in order for the church to know if you or a loved one has been admitted, we ask that you please call the church office to let us know. Please keep in mind, we can't always know what is happening unless you keep us informed.

402-462-5147



SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2022
7:30 PM | \$10.00 PER PERSON
CHORUS OF THE PLAINS
OLD FASHIONED CABARET

Entertaining music will be performed by both the Chorus and featured quartets.

Tickets available at www.thelarkdowntown.com or at the door the night of the event.





LEGACY BIG BAND

In the park

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 @7PM
Chautauqua Pavilion, Free and Open to the Public

Enjoy an evening outdoors with live music from the '40-'60s era performed by local musicians, ranging from trumpets, saxophones, a rhythm section and more.

Bring your seating, concessions are provided by the Scottish Rite. Dre's Food Truck available for purchase.

Sponsored by:





**GREAT
MUSIC
AHEAD**



First Presbyterian Church of Hastings
Jazz Sunday
June 12, 2022

*Music by the
John Mills
Jazz Band
with Hastings
College Alums*



First Presbyterian Church of Hastings

invites the community to the:

Food Truck



ROUNDUP!

PEACE Center Parking Lot

6th and Lincoln

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!!!!!

Wednesday, June 8: 5pm-8pm

Join us for fun, fellowship, and food! There will be lots of seating, yard games, and music!

FEATURING:



PRAYERS FOR:

Bob Johnson
Mary Lewis
Joan Shaw
Barry Thomson
Stephen Gass
Bev Stein
Greg Howard
Ramona Shetler
Jeni Howard

Irina Belikova-Erickson
Rich Portwood
Taralyn Davis family
Stan Essink
Dave Schawang
Elaine Schumacher
Melba Trehern
Chris Wheeler
Cheryl Ann Elfond
Tut Ruei family

Brad Davis
Jenni Welsch
Carl Utley
Marie & Don Rasmussen
Michael Hahne
Lanae Hall family
Shirley Gass
Anne Bohlke
Nancy Grams

IN MEMORY OF:

Jim Wray 4/29/2022
Tommy Thomsen 5/12/22

5.29.22

SUN 5/29	10:00a-10:30a	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
	10:30a-11:30a	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Radio/Facebook
	11:30a-12:00p	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
MON 5/30	8:30a-10:30a	Walkers/Walkers Coffee	PEACE Gym/NW Classroom (<i>Mon-Thurs</i>)
	1:00p-3:00p	1 st Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
TUES 5/31	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting	Zoom
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study w/Pastor Greg	Anderson Room/Zoom
	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	7:00p-8:00p	CCC Dog Obedience	PEACE NE Classroom
WED 6/1	12:00p-1:00p	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
	6:30p-7:30p	FPC Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	6:30p-9:00p	Wood Carvers	Lower-Level Church
THURS 6/2	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	10:30a-11:30a	Jr. High Girls Fellowship	Blue Moon Downtown
	1:00p-2:00p	Jr. High Boys Fellowship	Lake Hastings (meet at church first)
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7:00p-8:00p	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
FRI 6/3	9:30a-11:30a	Church Women United	Parlor
	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies	Church Room 111
	4:00p-6:00p	History Presentation Committee Meets	Kessler Room
SUN 6/5	10:30a-11:30a	Pentecost in the Park	Brickyard Park
MON 6/6	8:30a-10:00a	Walkers/Walkers Coffee	PEACE Gym/NW Classroom (<i>Mon-Thurs</i>)
	1:00p-3:00p	1 st Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
TUES 6/7	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting	Zoom
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study w/Pastor Greg	Anderson Room/Zoom
	5:30p-7:00p	WAM Meeting	Anderson Room
	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
WED 6/8	12:00p-1:00p	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
	5:00p-7:00p	Food Truck Party	PEACE Parking Lot (open to community)
	6:30p-7:30p	FPC Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	6:30p-9:00p	Wood Carvers	Lower-Level Church
THURS 6/9	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	10:30a-11:30a	Jr. High Girls Fellowship	Blue Moon Downtown
	1:00-2:00p	Jr. High Boys Fellowship	Lake Hastings (meet at church first)
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom

	7:00p-8:00p	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
FRI 6/10	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies	Church Room 111
SAT 6/11	8:00a-6:00p	Presbytery Youth Event	Lower-Level Church
	12:00p-3:00p	Tommy Thomsen Celebration of Life	Fellowship Hall
	7:00pm	Legacy Big Band Performance	Chautauqua Park
	7:30pm	Chorus of the Plains Performance	The Lark

SUN 6/12	10:00a-10:30a	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
	10:30a-11:30a	Jazz Sunday Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Radio/Facebook
	11:30a-12:00p	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
	6:00p-8:00p	High School Fellowship	Pastor Greg's House



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