

First Presbyterian Church

GREG ALLEN-PICKETT, SENIOR PASTOR

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Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:

What a blessed season of graduations we are celebrating this May! I love this transitional time as our young people and their families reflect back on all of their successes and the hard work that it has taken to get them to this day, while they also look forward to what the future may hold. In theological terms we call this a “liminal space.” Think of it like a door frame with one foot in and one foot out.

Our shared faith history gives us a lot of examples of liminal spaces and how we can use those to reflect and stretch towards the future. The Israelites spent 40 years wandering in a liminal space between their enslavement in Egypt and the arrival to the promised land. In this season of Easter, we celebrate the liminal space between Jesus’ resurrection and his ascension. Jesus spent weeks in this liminal space walking around and continuing to teach and reinforce his message of love and grace to his disciples before he ascended into heaven to leave that mission to his followers, which includes us!

Our graduates now stand in a liminal space as they move from one season of their life to the next. Some families may be also standing in a liminal space as they prepare to be empty nesters. My hope is that we can fall back on the stories of our faith when we find ourselves in these liminal spaces. May we find comfort and hope from the communion of saints who have come before us and stood in these liminal spaces. And may we be inspired to continue to live our faith boldly as we step across the threshold into something new.

I had the privilege of offering the closing blessing to the Hastings College graduates this year at their graduation ceremony on May 14. I shared one of my favorite benedictions that comes from the Benedictine community that reminds us to find blessings in strange places and to hold out hope as we step out into the world. I hope you find this meaningful as well:

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May God bless you with discomfort... at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart

May God bless you with anger... at injustice, oppression, and conflict so that you may work for justice, freedom, and peace.

May God bless you with tears... to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, and violence, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain into joy.

And may God bless you with enough foolishness...

To believe that you can make a difference in the world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done. To bring kindness, light and love to the world. Amen

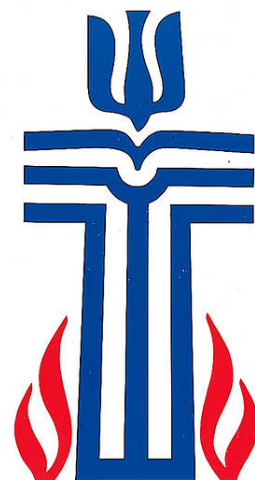
Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor Greg

Prayers for

Rich Portwood
Shirley Gass
Taralyn Davis & family
Dave Schawang
Elaine Schumacher
Jenni Welsch
Carl Utley
Joan Shaw
Ramona Shetler
Bob Johnson
Melba Trehern
Jeni Howard
Chris Wheeler
Cheryl Ann Elfond
Anne Bohlke
Tut Ruei & family
Brad Davis
Lanae Hall & family
Bev Stein

Mary Lewis
Stan Essink
Barry Thomson
Selah Wenburg & family
Stephen Gass
Michael Hahne
Tommy Thomsen
Irina Belikova-Erickson
Marie & Don Rasmussen
Greg Howard
Jim Wray's family
Tommy Thomsen's Family



In Memory of

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



PW-

FATHER'S DAY OFFERING



JUNE 12 & JUNE 19
IN MEMORIAL ROOM

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**.



A MINISTRY OF THE SYNOD OF LIVING WATERS,
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

PW- MOTHER'S DAY CARDS 2022

GIVEN BY IN MEMORY OF

- May & Ira Wierenga: our mothers, Anna Wierenga and Edna Lewis
- Carol & Jim Harrenstein: our mothers, Ethel Johnson and Joyce Harrenstein
- Kathy & Bob Amyot: Lorraine Coyle
- Charlie & Lois Hafer: our mothers, Annabelle Hafer and Mary Lou Leymaster
- Linda & Richard Johnson: our mothers, Virginia Metzger and Billie Johnson
- Sharon Brooks: mother, Florene Behl
- Susie Graham: my mother, Betty Dorrance
- Cheryl & Ed Lockwood: Olive Koepke and Olive Lockwood
- Becky & Mike Meyer & family: Shirley Spence Sheppard Reed
- Katharine Davis: my mother, Myrtle Glaum
- Nancy Grams: my mother, Isabel Perrie
- Phyllis O'Dey: my mother, Leona Porter

GIVEN BY IN HONOR OF

- Chanda & Stan Essink & family: Kathy Essink, Gail Dreher and Pam Witte
- Mary Fisk: Renee Miller and Victoria Nieves
- Nan Huey & Sue Medsker: Carol Medsker
- Calvin Nedderman: Robyn Nedderman
- Max Nedderman: Madeline Weiland
- Bianca, Meghan & Morgan Kyle: Carol Kyle
- Joy White: mom, Shirley Johnson
- Kathy & Bob Amyot: Louise Amyot and Marion Belhumeur
- Becky & Mike Meyer: Verna Meyer

CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSETS???



The First Presbyterian Church would love to receive your gently used winter coats for our coat drive that will be held in October.

Coats of all sizes are needed for Men, Women and Children.

(Adult XL and XXL are in high need)



Donations accepted now through October at these Hastings locations:

First Presbyterian Church,
Pershing Orthodontics.

Thank you in advance!!

BE PART OF SOMETHING BIG. GIVE BLOOD.

Blood Drive First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 24, 2022
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

For an appointment, contact Erica @ 463-0402



Stick to it! Come to give May 20-31 for an exclusive 20-oz. Red Cross aluminum water bottle and sticker set, while supplies last. You can customize your bottle to show your donor pride and stay hydrated for your next donation.



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:

"God is Great, God is Good,

Let us thank God for our Food!

By God's Hands, we all are Fed!

Give us, Lord, our Daily Bread!"



To Register: Scan this QR code with the phone on your camera or go to our website www.fpchastings.org

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**

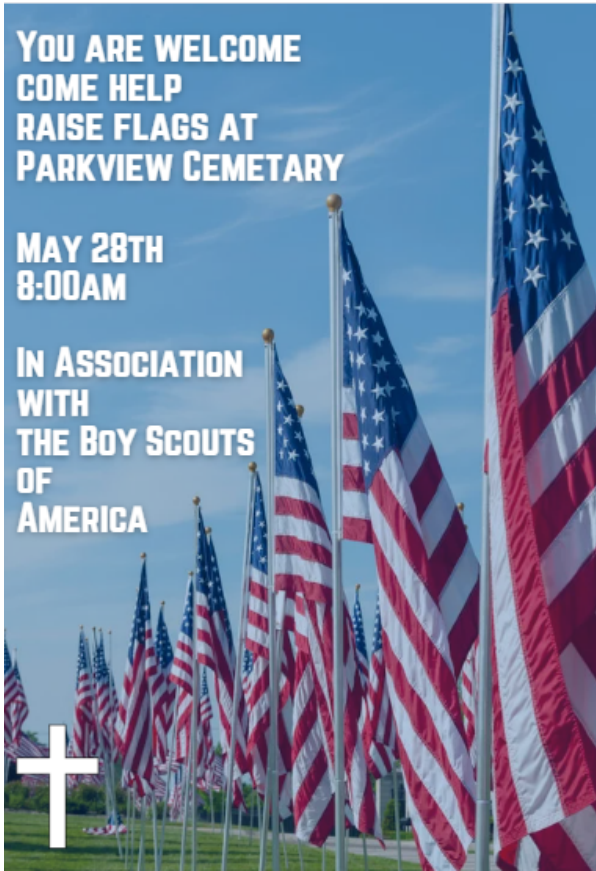
[Student Registration Form](#)



**YOU ARE WELCOME
COME HELP
RAISE FLAGS AT
PARKVIEW CEMETARY**

**MAY 28TH
8:00AM**

**IN ASSOCIATION
WITH
THE BOY SCOUTS
OF
AMERICA**



Happy Anniversary

Norma & Francis Vineyard 6/16/1951

Cheryl & Ed Lockwood 6/6/1970

Lynette & Paul Krieger 6/2/1973

Mary & Jerry Seiler 6/26/1976

Bonnie & Kenton Grams 6/11/1977

Diane & Doug Phelps 6/24/1978

Bev & Ken Stein 6/22/1979

Joyce & Thomas Moore 6/30/1979

Michelle & Rob Kerr 6/12/1993

Erica & Brent Brooks 6/14/1997

Ginny & Will Locke 6/3/1961

Mary & Jim Lewis 6/27/1964

Connie & LaVern Franzen 6/7/1964

Sandra & CL Wimer 6/24/1967

Sharon & John Brooks 6/1/1980

Linda & Dave Cooke 6/23/1984

Kathy & Curtis Reimer 6/10/1989

Chanda & Stan Essink 6/2/2000

Jamie & Patrick Hickok 6/8/2002

Katie & Sung Bong Shin 6/30/2007

Kristen & Louie Eckhardt 6/19/2010

Lindsey & Ethan Stout 6/2/2012

Peter Lainson 6/1
Cathy Mitzelfelt 6/2
Dick Christensen 6/3
Ashley Hermann 6/4
Wanda Williams 6/4
Pamela Lainson 6/6
Norma Vineyard 6/6
Bev Stein 6/6
Dave Cooke 6/8
Jeni Howard 6/8
Andrew Barrows 6/8
Alexis Longshore 6/9
Genna Little 6/10
Shawn Norris 6/10
Joyce Ore 6/10
Deb Johnson 6/10
John Carlsson 6/12
Kaleena Fong 6/12
Riky Nielsen 6/12

Laurie Lofquist 6/13
Charlie Hafer 6/13
Tenley Hermann 6/14
Janna Johnson 6/14
Bruce Phelps 6/14
Kris Norris 6/15
Lajeane Boehler 6/16
Courtney Junker 6/16
Everly Hogan 6/16
Nathan Kerr 6/16
Lorri Oakeson 6/16
Eric Brader 6/18
Amanda Turner 6/18
Sally Smith 6/18
Leah Ratzlaff 6/18
Ian Erickson 6/18
Judy Hoch 6/19
Keira Erickson 6/21
Rebecca McPherson 6/21

Bob Amyot 6/22
Neil Kerr 6/22
Doug Oakeson 6/23
Claire Schwarz 6/23
Jan Schawang 6/24
Connie Hansen Golter 6/25
Tom Kreager 6/25
Jim Boeve 6/26
Carol Harrenstein 6/26
Jill Kramer 6/26
Colleen Schukei 6/26
Rory Stout 6/26
Jim Lewis 6/27
Julia Rippe 6/27
Kelsey Kamarad 6/28
Jodie Phelps 6/28
Diane Christensen 6/29
Ruth Nielsen 6/30
Gabriel Snell 6/30

**Happy
June
Birthday**



Hastings Multicultural Association & Hastings YWCA invite you to attend and hear

guest speakers

Ella and Sam Rathod share their personal story and experiences to promote understanding, acceptance and tolerance of different cultures.



**Tuesday, May 24th
12:00pm-1:00pm
at the YWCA**



**Anne Bohlke has a new address:
Blue Hill Care Home
414 N. Willson St. Room # 408
Blue Hill, NE 68930**

She would love cards and visitors



SUN 5/15	8:30a-9:15a	Taizé Worship	Chapel
	9:15a-10:15a	Heirs Apparent	Anderson Room/Zoom
	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 5/16	4:30p-7:30p	Private Event	Fellowship Hall
	8:30a-10:30a	Walkers/Walkers Coffee	PEACE Gym/NW Classroom (Mon-Thurs)
	1:00p-3:00p	1 st Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
TUES 5/17	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
	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
	6:45p-7:45p	Deacons Meet	Anderson Room
	7:00p-8:00p	CCC Dog Obedience	PEACE NE Classroom
	9:30a-10:30a	Circles 1 & 2 Meets	Lynette Krieger's Home
WED 5/18	12:00p-1:00p	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	1:15p-2:15p	PW Circle 3 Meets	Library
	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
	6:30p-9:00p	Woodcarvers	Lower-Level Church
	6:30p-7:30p	1 st Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
THURS 5/19	5:30p-7:30p	Session Meets	Anderson Room
	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
FRI 5/20	7:00p-8:00p	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies	Church Room 111
	4:00p-9:00p	SHDHD Outreach Meeting	PEACE NE Classroom
SAT 5/21	9:30a-1:00p	United Harvest	PEACE Parking Lot

SUN 5/22	8:30a-9:15a	Taizé Worship <i>(Last one until fall)</i>	Chapel
	9:15a-10:15a	Heirs Apparent	Anderson Room/Zoom
	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
	1:00p-3:30p	NE Ambassadors of Music Meeting	Fellowship Hall
MON 5/23	8:30a-10:00p	Walkers	PEACE Gym
	1:00p-3:00p	1 st Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
TUES 5/24	10:30a-11:30a	Staff Meeting	Zoom
		<i>No Bible Study Today</i>	
	12:00p-6:00p	Red Cross Blood Drive	Fellowship Hall
	11:45a-1:15p	Habitat for Humanity Meets	TBD
	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	7:00p-8:00p	CCC Dog Obedience Class	PEACE NE Classroom
	12:00p-1:00p	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
WED 5/25	2:00p-3:30p	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
	6:30p-7:30p	1 st Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	6:30p-9:00p	Wood Carvers	Lower-Level Basement
	6:00p-8:00p	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
THURS 5/26	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7:00p-8:00p	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies	Church Room 111
SUN 5/29	9:15a-10:15a	Heirs Apparent	Anderson Room/Zoom
	10:00a-10:30a	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room
	10:30a-11:30a	Traditional Service	Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio
	11:30a-12:00p	HAW Store Open	Between Narthex/Memorial Room



****REGISTRATION Packet****

PW Synod Gathering

June 16-19, 2022

Hilton Garden Inn

1132 Larsen Park Rd

Sioux City, Iowa 51106

**PW: Better Together
Tied Together With Love
Ecclesiastes 4:12 (NIV)**



**PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN**

A cord of three strands is not easily broken

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

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

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