

# First Presbyterian Church

Greg Allen-Pickett, Senior Pastor

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## Home Page



Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:

Last week our beloved Office Administrator, Sarah Allen, shared that she has taken a new job. Her last day in the office will be Friday, August 26. Sarah has worked at First Presbyterian Church of Hastings for 13 months and has been a real gift to our church with her warm personality and willingness to pitch in and help wherever she is needed. While I am excited for her and this new opportunity she has, she will be very missed here at FPC Hastings. I give thanks to God for Sarah and the way that she has contributed to our church over the last 13 months! If you get a chance, please make sure you stop by and thank her before she leaves. The good news is that Sarah will continue to be an active member of First Presbyterian Church, so we will still get to see her on Sunday mornings and at church activities.

If you know of anyone who would make a good Office Administrator for our church, please share the opening with them. In the meantime, please pray for our church as we make this staff transition; change can be hard. We trust that God will provide us another excellent staff team member. Pray for the Personnel Committee, they will be assisting me in reviewing candidates, interviewing, and hiring the new Office Administrator. Pray for the volunteers that help to fill in to keep the church office running in the meantime. Pray for our church staff as we cover additional duties in this transition time and hopefully welcome a new colleague soon. And don't forget to say a prayer of thanksgiving for Sarah and the gifts and talents that she shared with us.

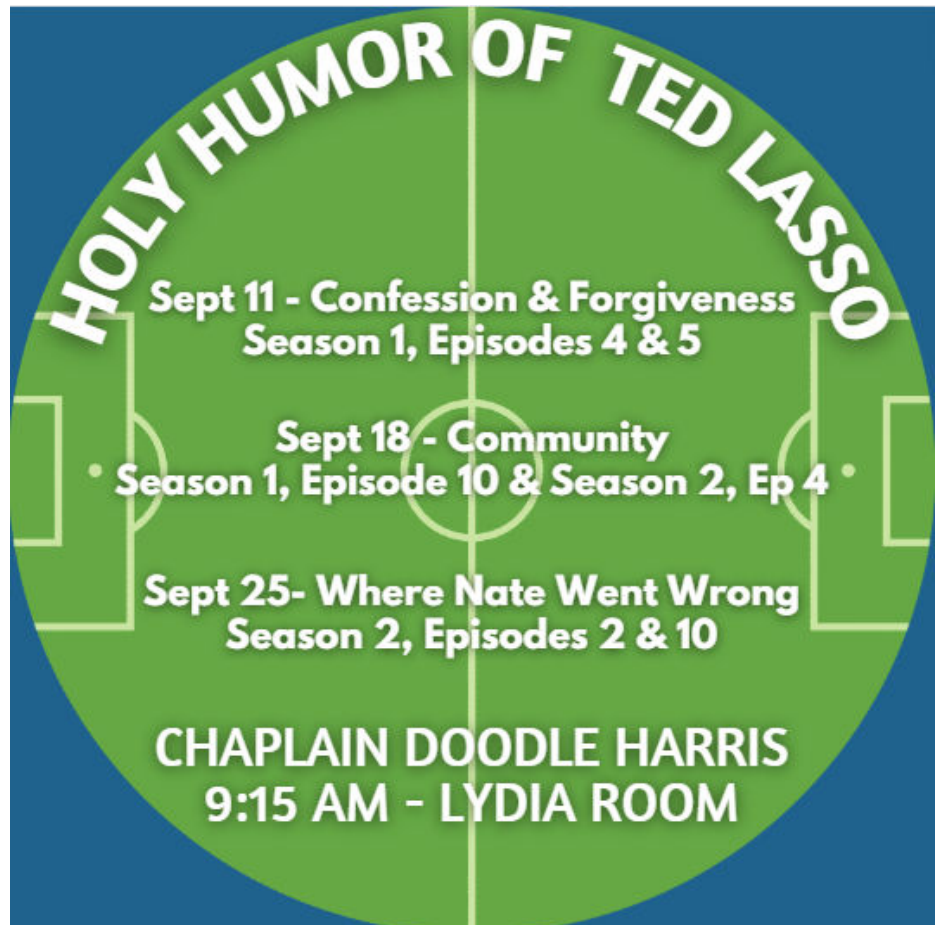
Your servant in Christ,  
Pastor Greg

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# TED LASSO TV SERIES FOUND ON APPLE TV

The series follows Ted Lasso, an American college football coach who is hired to coach an English soccer team in an attempt by its owner to spite her ex-husband. Lasso tries to win over the skeptical English market with his folksy, optimistic demeanor while dealing with his inexperience in the sport.

Join HC Chaplain Doodle Harris' Forum Series as she makes correlations between specific episodes and our lives as Christians.



~~GOING...  
GOING...  
GONE~~

**ONE  
MORE  
CHANCE**



*Worship in the Park*

**LAST CHANCE  
FOR THIS SUMMER!!**

**AUGUST 28**

**@ 8:30AM**





*Lois & John Meeske 9/4/1966*  
*Patti & Jim Deveny 9/22/1973*  
*Jane & Chuck Bauer 9/14/1980*  
*Shannon & Todd Welton 9/16/1989*  
*Jodie & Bruce Phelps 9/21/1989*  
*Becky & Mike Meyer 9/28/1991*  
*Stephanie & Doug Ourada 9/1/2001*  
*Hilarie & Tim Redline 9/22/2001*

*Linda & Jim Donohue 9/21/2002*  
*Susan & William Oliver 9/28/2002*  
*Susan Meeske & Brady Rhodes 9/5/2005*  
*Amy & Joe Black 9/3/2007*  
*Laurie & Kraig Lofquist 9/1/2007*  
*Sarah & Todd Allen 9/25/2016*  
*Jessica & Justin Klaassen 9/9/17*  
*Hannah & Damen Jensen-Heitmann*  
*9/6/2020*

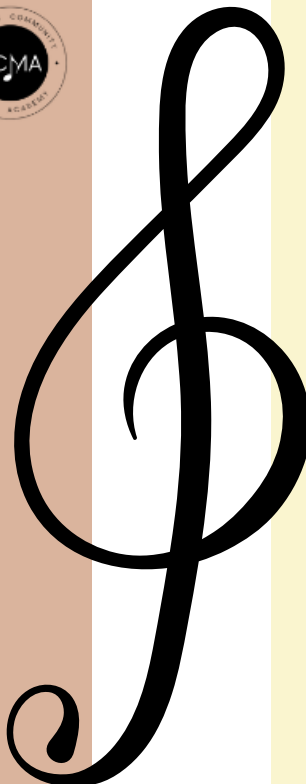
*Happy September*  
*Anniversaries*

Hastings Community  
Music Academy  
Presents:

An Evening with the  
Dallas Brass

Monday, September 12th  
6:00-7:00 PM  
First Presbyterian Church  
Desserts & Refreshments Provided

Free Event Open to the Public



Hastings Community  
Music Academy

## UKULELE FOR RETIREES

\*\*WEDNESDAYS, SEPT. 21, 28,  
OCT. 5, 12

\*\*11:00-11:45 AM

\*\*FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
621 N. LINCOLN AVE.

\*\*\$40 FOR 4 WEEKS

\*\*FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
AVAILABLE

\*\*UKULELES PROVIDED IF NEEDED

REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE:

\*\*HASTINGSMUSICACADEMY.COM

OR CONTACT HANNAH JENSEN-HEITMANN

\*\*PHONE: (402) 519-4711

\*\*EMAIL: MUSICACADEMYDIRECTOR@GMAIL.COM



# September Birthdays

Geraldine Carlson 9/1

Dalton Adam 9/2

Mary Crum 9/2

Mike Ziemba 9/2

Neil Riley 9/3

Daveta Brader 9/4

Tethloach Duang 9/4

Willis Horton 9/4

Peyton Mitchell 9/4

Hilarie Redline 9/4

Septer Duang 9/5

Kinnick Pumroy 9/5

Dave Glass 9/5

Pat Ochsner 9/5

Truman Welsch 9/6

Nyanhial Duang 9/6

Weston Mullen 9/7

Sung Shin 9/7

Mike Hogan 9/7

Joe Black 9/7

Bill Talbert 9/8

Constance Malloy 9/8

Sharon Harvey 9/8

Cheryl Schukei 9/9

Mary Olsen 9/9

Matthew Brooks 9/9

Caroline Echternach 9/9

Gary Anderson 9/10

James Ellerbee 9/11

Jane Foote 9/12

Cade Hemje 9/13

Cora Hemje 9/13

Neal Hoff 9/14

Kim Kern 9/14

Dixie McDonald 9/14

Cheryl Wray 9/14

Ronald Maul 9/15

Roger Schukei 9/16

Teresa Canady 9/16

Nadine Hunnicutt 9/16

Byron Jensen 9/16

Lennon Launchbaugh 9/16

Calvin Miller 9/16

Tim Canady 9/17

Karen Doerr 9/17

Sharon Talbert 9/18

Sarah Allen 9/19

Jeff Howard 9/19

Lori Schroeder 9/21

Jack Shardelow 9/22

Jim Hahne 9/22

Jane Marsh 9/22

Ted Schroeder 9/25

Porter Ourada 9/25

Shelby Rhodes 9/25

Tyler Lay 9/28

Jane Johnson 9/29

Addyson Hermes 9/30

Patrick Hickok 9/30

Francis Vineyard 9/30

Phil Odom 9/30

Carole Pedersen 9/30





## 2 GREAT OPPORTUNITIES PRESENTED BY THE PRESBYTERY OF CENTRAL NEBRASKA

Presbytery of Central Nebraska  
Phone: (308) 236-6996  
[www.centralnepresby.org](http://www.centralnepresby.org)



*You are cordially invited to a  
Commissioning Service for  
Rev. Doodle Harris  
as Chaplain at Hastings College  
French Memorial Chapel  
Hastings College  
4:00 p.m. Sunday, September 18th*

*Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett, Senior Pastor at 1st Presbyterian Church and Member  
of the Hastings College Board of Trustees will be preaching.*

*Those providing music include Dr. Amanda Boyd, soprano, Dr. Louie Eckhardt, trumpet,  
Linda Vollweiler, and the Hastings College Choir under the direction of Brett Epperson.*

*Immediately following the service there will be a reception in the narthex of the chapel.*

### Snacks for Hasting College Bible Study

This year, weekly Bible Studies and Monthly Movie chats will be provided to Hastings College and Employees through the Chaplain's office and new Chaplain Rev. Doodle Harris! However, Doodle needs your help! I am hoping churches in Central-Nebraska will consider providing snacks for these activities (because, let's face it, College Students love to be fed!). Please consider gathering snacks including small bags of popcorn or chips, cookies, sodas, waters, and candy (nothing that requires a microwave)! You can deliver these snacks directly to Hastings College chapel or make arrangements with Doodle for her to come pick them up (or meet me somewhere in between).

If gathering snacks is not ideal, consider making a donation! Amazon Cards, Walmart Cards, Target Cards are also fabulous for snacks! Checks can also be made payable to Hastings College with "Chapel Snacks" in the memo line. (A check for \$100 can feed them for a month!)

Checks and gift cards can be sent to:  
Hastings College  
Office of the Chaplain  
710 N. Turner Ave.  
Hastings, NE 68901

If you have any questions or would like to know other ways your church can be involved in collegiate ministry at Hastings College, reach out to Doodle:  
[doodle.harris@hastings.edu](mailto:doodle.harris@hastings.edu) use her cell: 412-638-6890.



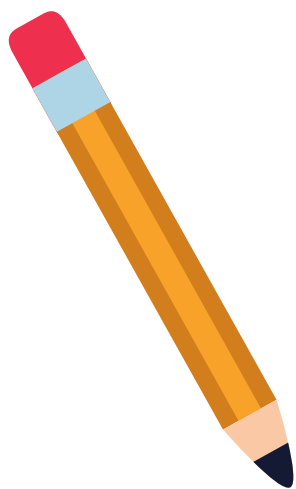
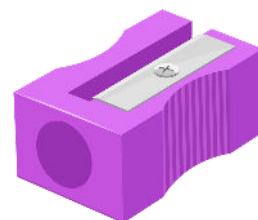
The PW Fall Gathering will be held in Holdrege this September. We will be assembling **CWS School Kits** again and are requesting donations for school supplies. There will be a table in the Memorial Room to bring your donations, and the list of requested items is below. Thank you!

ACCEPTING  
DONATIONS THRU  
SEPTEMBER 9



## Here's what you'll need

- One pair of blunt scissors removed from the package (rounded tip, only)
- Three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose-leaf or filler paper)
- One 30-centimeter / 12" ruler
- One hand-held pencil sharpener removed from the package
- One large eraser (no pencil cap erasers)
- Six new, unsharpened pencils with erasers (please remove pencils from the package)
- One box of 24 crayons (only 24)
- One 12"x14" to 14"x17" finished size cotton or lightweight canvas bag with handles (solid color or kid-friendly fabric, no logos, reusable shopping bags or backpacks)



## Special Prayers

Shirley Maul	Elaine Schumacher
Mary Lewis	Melba Trehern
Barry Thomson	Michael Hahne
Christian Fruehling	Cheryl Ann Elfond
Stephen Gass	Katie Reynolds & family
Bev Stein	Brad Davis
Greg Howard	Reta & Lowell Johnson
Jeni Howard	Jane Tushaus
Ramona Shetler	Carl Utley
Benjamin Franco & family	Dick Kleiber
Irina Belikova-Erickson	Anne Bohlke
Rich Portwood	
Shirley Gass	
Tarah Davis & family	
Dave Schawang	
Lanae Hall & family	

## In Loving Memory

Steven Kleiber, son of Pat & Dick Kleiber, who passed away on 8/6/22.

Georgie Evans who passed away on 8/4/22; memorial services will be held Saturday, September 10 @ 11:00am at FPC. Luncheon to follow in Fellowship Hall.



# Six individuals entering Hastings College Fine Arts Hall of Fame



This is the third class entering the Fine Arts Hall of Fame, which aims to recognize Hastings College alumni who are making a difference in their communities through their talents in fine arts.

Six individuals will be inducted to the Hastings College Fine Arts Hall of Fame during a ceremony held in conjunction with Hastings College Homecoming weekend, on Friday, September 23.

The event will be at the Jackson Dinsdale Art Center (700 E. 12th Street), with appetizers at 6:00 p.m. and the ceremony at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person and may be purchased at [hastings.edu/homecoming](https://hastings.edu/homecoming) or by contacting the Hastings College alumni office at 402.461.7363 or [alumni@hastings.edu](mailto:alumni@hastings.edu).



## WOOT WOOT!!

**Linda (Metzger) Johnson '79/'94 MAT** founded the South Central Children's Chorale in 1994 with Dr. Robin Koozer '76, a 2021 Fine Arts Hall of Fame inductee, and Julie Soderquist '92. The chorale was berthed following Johnson's thesis presentation on children's choirs for her master's degree in arts and teaching at Hastings College and includes students in fourth through eighth grades. She was also a director for the youth choirs at First Presbyterian Church in Hastings for 16 years.

Johnson received the Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year award in 2009 for her outstanding contributions, both in and out of the classroom. She served as a vocal music teacher at St. Michael's Elementary School for four years and Adams Central High School for 22 years before her retirement in 2020.





The game is usually played by four individuals. The object of play, similar to that of the [rummy](#) card games, is to obtain sets of tiles. There are three kinds of sets: *chow*, a run or sequence of three of the same suit in numerical order; *pung*, a sequence of three tiles of the same suit and rank, such as three dragons of the same colour or three identical winds; and *kong*, a *pung* plus the fourth matching tile. The winner is the first player to hold a complete hand—i.e., four sets and a pair of like tiles (a total of 14 tiles). The strategy of mah-jongg, like that of rummy, is both offensive and defensive: to complete a winning hand as quickly as possible, to block other players by not [discarding](#) tiles useful to them, and to build a high-scoring hand.

**FRIDAYS  
10:00  
TO NOON**

**@FIRST  
PRES  
CHURCH**

**OPEN TO THOSE WHO KNOW HOW TO  
PLAY OR THOSE WHO WANT TO  
LEARN HOW TO PLAY.**

# **MAH JONG LADIES**

**COVID-19 VACCINATION IS REQUIRED**



<b>Wednesday 24</b>	8:30-10:00am	Walkers (Wed-Thurs)	Heartwell Park
	12:00-1:00pm	Noonday Book Club	<a href="mailto:Sbbrooks52@gmail.com">Sbbrooks52@gmail.com</a>
	6:30-9:00pm	Woodcarvers	Lower-Level Church
<b>Thursday 25</b>	6:00-8:00pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7:00-8:00pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
<b>Friday 26</b>	10:00a-12:00pm	Mahjong Ladies	Church Room 111
<b>Sunday 28</b>	8:30-9:15am	Worship in the Park Last one for this summer	Alexander Park
	9:15-10:15am	Sunday School Orientation & Acolyte Training	Fellowship Hall
	10:00-10:30am	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	10:30-11:30am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio
	11:30a-12:00pm	HAW Store Open	Narthex
<b>Monday 29</b>	1:00-3:00pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	7:00-9:00pm	COTP Rehearsal	Choir Room
<b>Tuesday 30</b>	10:30-11:30am	Staff Meeting	Zoom
	12:00-1:00pm	Bible Study with Pastor Greg	Anderson Room
<b>Wednesday 31</b>	12:00-1:00pm	Noonday Book Club	<a href="mailto:Sbbrooks52@gmail.com">Sbbrooks52@gmail.com</a>
	6:30-9:00pm	Woodcarvers	Lower-Level Church
<b>Thursday September 1</b>	5:30-6:30pm	Christian Ed (Youth) Meeting	Parlor
	6:00-8:00pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7:00-8:00pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
<b>Friday 2</b>	10:00a-12:00pm	Mahjong Ladies	Church Room 111
<b>Sunday 4</b>		<b>Labor Day Weekend</b>	
		<i>No Sunday School No Early Service</i>	
	10:00-10:30a	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	10:30-11:30am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio
<b>Monday 5</b>	8:30-10:00am	Walkers	Heartwell Park
	1:00-3:00pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	7:00-9:00pm	COTP Rehearsal	Choir Room
<b>Tuesday 6</b>	10:30-11:30am	Staff Meeting	Zoom
	12:00-1:00pm	Bible Study with Pastor Greg	Anderson
	5:30-7:00pm	Worship Art & Music Meets	Anderson
	5:30-6:30pm	United Harvest Board Meets	PEACE NW Classroom
<b>Wednesday 7</b>	11:00-11:45am	PW Coordinating Team Meets	Library
	11:45a-1:30pm	PW Program and Lunch	Fellowship Hall
	12:00-1:00pm	Noonday Book Club	<a href="mailto:Sbbrooks52@gmail.com">Sbbrooks52@gmail.com</a>
	5:00-6:45pm	WNL Pre-K and Elementary	Fellowship Hall
	6:30-9:00pm	Woodcarvers Meet	Lower-Level Church
	6:45-7:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	7:30-8:15pm	Chancel Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room

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**fpc@fpchastings.org**

**Return Service Requested**

**Mail To:**

***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:** Rose Koepp  
**Organist and Music Coordinator:** Linda Vollweiler  
**Calvin/Westminster Choir Director:** Linda Johnson  
**Praise/Alleluia Choir Directors:** 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 Heitmann  
**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