



**Eighteenth Sunday
After Pentecost
October 9, 2022
10:30am Service**

PRELUDE

“To God Be the Glory”
Organist Linda Vollweiler

arr. Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

INTROIT

“Alleluia! Amen!”
Calvin/Westminster Bells, director Dr. Byron W. Jensen

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 66)

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

Sing the glory of his name; give to God glorious praise!

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, O God!

Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard,

God has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip. Come, let us worship God!

*HYMN

“Make a Joyful Noise to God!”
Tyler Koepp, song leader

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient Lord, you know how easy it is for us to complain bitterly about all those things in our lives that are difficult. We focus on them as though they were the only things that ever happened to us, forgetting the many blessings that you have given to us and the opportunities you give us to serve you. We feel alienated--you call us beloved. We feel lost--you seek us. We feel broken and battered--your love is a healing balm. Forgive us when we forget those things. Help us to seek the welfare of our community and bloom where we are planted. Accept our prayer of confession of our failures and remind us to be grateful for your blessings, even in the midst of our challenges.

SILENT CONFESSION

Question for contemplation: When have I failed to recognize and celebrate God's blessings in my life and chosen negativity over gratitude?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Turn again to the Lord, for you are beloved of God.

We have been given many blessings!

Rejoice in God's love for you and believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory to God"

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*PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

(Greet one another by sharing the Peace of Christ with those around you.)

SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Jane Marsh

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Oh God, this morning may we look to your Holy Word in all the places we feel hemmed in and bound, exiled and isolated. Open our eyes to your presence. May your Word teach us to trust you and be grateful in the deepest parts of our being. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 17:11-19

ANTHEM

"Siyahamba"

South African Hymn

Calvin/Westminster Choir, director Linda Johnson

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – Jeremiah 29:1-7

SERMON

"Blooming where you are planted"

Greg Allen-Pickett

Stewardship Sermon Series: Sustaining Spiritual Practices

*HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (United Church of Canada “A New Creed, 1968”)

We are not alone; we live in God’s world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God’s presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

OFFERING *(All loose coins in the offering plate will be donated to the PC(USA) Hunger Fund.)*

OFFERTORY “Simple Gifts” *arr. Kenneth T. Kosche*
American Shaker melody

*DOXOLOGY “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” 606

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

In a world of goodness and struggle, we are grateful for your blessings, O God. May these gifts be sent into our community and into the world around us, that through these gifts, others may be able to join us in claiming the hope of your presence. Amen.

THE 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 “Praise Ye, the Lord, the Almighty” 35

*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

*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 “Rondeau No. 2 in D Major” *David Lasky*

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

COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP IN THE COMING WEEKS &
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16
8:30 am Contemplative Worship in the Chapel
10:30 am Worship in the Sanctuary

Stay-at-Home: Broadcast live on Facebook at 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 92.7 FM.

THE RADIO BROADCAST is given by Jo and Les Seiler

THE FLOWERS at the pulpit are given in memory of Frances and Clarence
Anderson/Mabel and Paul Robare by the Anderson family.

**Ushers for October: Team #2, Captain -Duane Huber, Steve Illingworth, Clyde
Sachtleben, Daveta Brader, Lois Hafer**

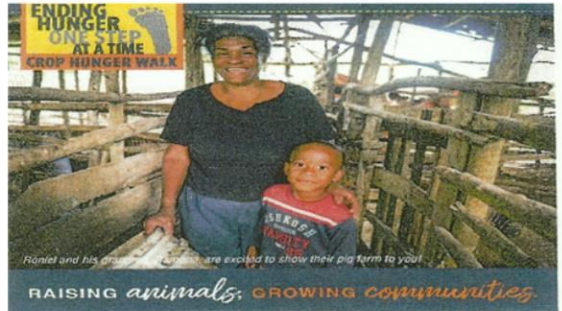
ACOLYTES Student Volunteers

Greeters for October

OCTOBER	MEMORIAL ROOM	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
2	Kili & Justin Wenburg		Cathy & John Pershing
9	Melissa Davis	Kim Creech	Laurie & Brian Johnson
16	Kathy & Curtis Reimer		Carolyn & Rich McKenzie
23	Jan Bolliger		Scott & Willie Kummer
30	Sarah Allen		Marnie & Doug Soderquist

To register, start a team, join a team, and/or
donate online, go to www.crophungerwalk.org
or donate in our church office. We have a First
Presbyterian Church team! Join in on the fun.
Plan to walk and donate. If you can't be there to
walk, your donations are appreciated.

Happening Today 



RAISING animals. GROWING communities.

"It is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil."
— ECCLESIASTES 3:13 NRSV

Hastings CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, October 9, 2022 at 2 pm
Around Heartwell Park
Register at N California Ave in the Park
25% raised goes to **The Salvation Army**

Sponsored by Church Women United 402-469-2638
CROPHUNGERWALK.ORG

Pastor Appreciation Month

THANK YOU
PASTOR GREG AND
PASTOR DAMEN
FOR ALL THAT YOU DO FOR OUR
CONGREGATION

WHO CAN BE SAVED?

Reflection on
Universal Salvation

With Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh
Lydia Room - 9:15 AM

Oct. 2, 9, 23, 30

Save the Date

LIVING HISTORY EVENT

Sunday, November 6, 2022

5pm- Dinner
6:15pm- Living History Event

Stay tuned for further details

FALL FORUM AT A GLANCE

Holy Humor of Ted Lasso Sept 11, 18, 25
HC Chaplain Doodle Harris explores theological concepts using the AppleTV comedy *Ted Lasso*

Oct 2, 9, 23, 30 **Salvation - Who's It For?**
Scholar in Residence Dan Deffenbaugh considers the question of salvation. Who's it for? How does it work?

The Once & Future Church Nov 6, 13, 20
Join in a series of discussions which focus on where the Church has been and where it might be going

Dec 4, 11 **'Tis the Season**
Artists in Residence Cathedral Brass lead reflection on the music of the advent.



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!!



October 15, 2022

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

New Member Class

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church or just want to find out more about us, a new members/inquirers class will be held on October 5, 12, and 19 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. It will include dinner. Call the church office at 402-462-5147 to register for the class.

Rebookulously Good Reads returns to explore the complicated and nuanced world of Gilead, Iowa! Back by popular demand is our Good Reads book club. Beginning in October you are invited to read *Lila* by Marilynne Robinson. *Lila* tells the story of the wife of Rev. John Ames (a minister in Gilead, IA) as she "struggles to harmonize the life of her makeshift family and their days of hardship with her husband's gentle Christian worldview, which paradoxically judges those she loves." If that doesn't sound like the set up to some interesting conversations, then I don't know what does.

As in years past our book club will use both pre-recorded and in person conversations. The pre-recorded conversations will feature English professors Constance Malloy and Jenni Welsch as well as Pastor Damen. Those conversations will be available for your listening/viewing pleasure on Oct. 6, 20, & Nov. 3. The in-person conversations will be hosted both at the church and via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays, Oct. 13, 27, & Nov. 10.

There are a few copies of the book available in the church office that are available on a first-come-first-served basis. You can look for more details to reveal themselves in the coming weeks!

REBOOKULOUSLY GOOD READS



A Faith & Spirituality Book Group

Sunday 10/9	8:30am-9:15am	Blessing of the Pets	Alexander Park
	9:15am-10:15am	Confirmation/Sunday School Hour	Various
	10:30am-11:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
	5pm-7pm	Jr High/Sr High youth group	various
Monday 10/10	12pm-1pm	Memorial Committee	Parlor
	1pm-3pm	1st Pres Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	2pm-3:30pm	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
	7pm-9pm	Chorus of the Plains	Choir Room
Tuesday 10/11	10am-11am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12pm-1pm	Bible Study	ZOOM/Anderson Room
	4pm-5pm	Global Mission Committee	ZOOM/Confirmation Room
	5:30pm-6:30pm	Congregational Life Committee	Parlor
	7pm-8pm	CCC Dog Obedience class	PEACE SE Class
	8:15pm-9:15pm	CCC Dog Obedience class	PEACE SE Class
Wednesday 10/12	12pm-1pm	Noonday Book Club	ssbrooks52@gmail.com
	2pm-3:30pm	Hearts & Hands Meal Packing	PEACE Center
		Preschool 5th WNL	CANCELLED/Fall Break
	6:45pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
	7:30pm	Chancel Bells	Bell Room
	6:30pm-9pm	Woodcarvers	Basement
Thursday 10/13	12:30pm-1:30pm	Dulcimer	Lydia Room
	5pm	Personnel Committee	As needed
	6pm-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	6:30pm	Rebookulously Good Reads	
	7pm-8pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 10/14	10am-12pm	Mahjong Ladies	Room 111
Saturday 10/15	9:30am-1pm	United Harvest	PEACE Center
Sunday 10/16	8:30am-9:15am	Taizé Service	Chapel
		Confirmation/Sunday School hour	CANCELLED/Fall Break
	10am-10:30am	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	10:30am-11:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
	11:30am-12pm	HAW Store Open	Narthex
		Jr High/Sr High Youth Group	CANCELLED/Fall Break

Prayers are Requested for the Following People



Shirley Maul	Reta & Lowell Johnson	
Mary Lewis	Jane Tushaus	In loving memory of
Barry Thomson	Carl Utley	
Christian Fruehling	Dick Kleiber	Georgie Evans,
Stephen Gass	Raelene (Gerdes) Falcon	who passed away on 8/4/22.
Bev Stein	Family of Anne Bohlke	
Greg Howard	Abby Pumroy	Steven Kleiber, son of Pat & Dick Kleiber
Ramona Shetler	Family of Verna Meyer	who passed away on 8/6/22.
Family of Mark Bliss	Lanae Hall & family	
Benjamin Franco & family	Elaine Schumacher	Mark Bliss, who passed
Irina Belikova-Erickson	Melba Trehern	away on 8/25/22
Rich Portwood	Michael Hahne	
Shirley Gass	Dave Schwang	Anne Bohlke, who passed
Tarah Davis & family	Katie Reynolds & family	away on 9/10/22
Cheryl Ann Elfond	Brad Davis	
		Verna Meyer, who passed
		away on 9/28/22



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

Head of Church: Jesus Christ
Senior Pastor: 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 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: Damen Jensen-Heitmann
Bookkeeper: Deb Hamburger
Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer
Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster Bells Director: Dr. Byron Jensen
Church Office Administrator: Melissa Davis
Facilities Manager: Tony Calhoun
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage Tacey