

First Presbyterian Church Hastings



November 6, 2022
Twenty-Second
Sunday after
Pentecost

PRELUDE

“The Church’s One Foundation”

arr. John Innes

Linda Vollweiler, Organist

(The prelude is an opportunity to worship God, a time of prayer, meditation, and reflection.)

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

CHORAL INTROIT

“Gratitude”

Alex Geubert

Chancel Bells, director Dr. Byron W. Jensen

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 145)

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

We will extol you, our God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

Every day we will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; God’s greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall laud your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

The LORD watches over all who love him.

Our mouths will sing the praise of the LORD

We will bless God’s holy name this morning and forever!

*HYMN

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” (vs. 1-2, 4)

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful God, we come before you with many issues on our hearts. We get frustrated and angry at the way things are going wrong in the world instead of noticing and being thankful for what is going right. We want your immediate intervention, and when we don’t see things happening the way we think they should be, we are quick to dismiss you and any thought of your presence. Help us stop our selfishness and our quick anger. Turn our groaning into gratitude. Forgive us for our pettiness and our stubbornness. Bring us back to you, O Lord. Help us shout your praises and live lives of joyful service. For we ask these things in Jesus’ name.

SILENT CONFESSION & QUESTION FOR CONTEMPLATION

How can I focus on the good instead of the bad and be grateful instead of bitter?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Long ago Jesus said to his disciples, “You did not choose me, but I chose you!”

Jesus speaks these words to us today.

Jesus chose us, Jesus loves us, and Jesus forgives us.

He invites us to share his great work of love. Alleluia! Amen!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory to God”

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

The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

(Please pass the Friendship Pads, and sign in to let us know you were here this morning.)

BAPTISM

Benjamin Franco

Parents Allison Kern and Raul Franco

BAPTISM QUESTION FOR THE CONGREGATION

Through the act of baptism, this child will be received into Christ’s church, and we all have a role in his nurture. To that end, I ask the congregation, do you promise, with God’s help, to support and pray for this child and his parents? And do you promise to love this child and to assist him in becoming a faithful follower of Jesus Christ? If so, please respond by saying, “We do.” ***We Do.***

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived of
the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.
The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into
heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe
in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life
everlasting.***

BAPTISM SONG

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION “O Word of God Incarnate”

Mendelssohn

*O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky:
we praise you for the radiance that from the hallowed page,
a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.*

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 19:1-10

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Immortal Love”

Hatch

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

SERMON

“Gratitude and Exultation!”

Greg Allen-Pickett

Sustaining Spiritual Practices Stewardship Sermon Series

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND PLEDGE CARDS

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

OFFERTORY

“If Ye Love Me”

Tallis

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERINGS AND PLEDGE CARDS

O God, inspire in our hearts a deep sense of gratitude, and move us to share our time, talent, and treasure. Lead us to give as we have received—abundantly, generously, and joyfully—that our common ministry may continue to bear witness to your unfailing grace. Accept and bless these gifts and pledges offered for the mission and ministry of First Presbyterian Church of Hastings. Give us courage, insight, and grace to use these gifts to build a future with hope! Amen!

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN

“Give Thanks, O Christian People”

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*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Allegro”

arr. Diane Bish

(The postlude serves as a musical blessing for worshipers as they transition out into the world.)

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

Sunday November, 13
8:30 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.

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THE RADIO BROADCAST is given in memory of Herb and Alice Braum and Rev. Kenneth and Alice Locke by Ginny and Will Locke.

THE FLOWERS are given in memory of Herb and Alice Braum and Rev. Kenneth and Alice Locke by Ginny and Will Locke/ In memory of Lynn Throckmorton by her family.

Ushers for November: (Team #3) Captain – Dave Fisher, Andrew Barrows, Phil Odom, Rich Portwood, Doug Soderquist.

ACOLYTE Vivian Fong

GREETERS for November

NOVEMBER	MEMORIAL ROOM	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX	NARTHEX
6	Kili & Justin Wenburg	C.L. Wimer	Linda & John Carllson	
13	Connie & LaVern Franzen			
20	May & Ira Wierenga		Sue Medsker	
27	Jane & Chuck Bauer		Erica & Brent Brooks	

Greeters- We are in need of greeters for the following services in November and December: November 13 (10:30am) and December 24 (5:30pm & 7:30pm) and December 25 (10:30am). Please let Melissa know in the church office (402) 462-5147 if you are able to help. Thank you!

FLOWER & RADIO MEMORIALS - There are openings throughout the year for both flower and radio memorials. Please contact Melissa in the office or Mary Olsen (402) 462-2811 molsen@charter.net). Donations are greatly appreciated.



Hands Around the World Store Christmas Fair Trade Sale Saturday, November 26, 10am-2pm, In the Memorial Room

All of our products come from artisans who live in poor areas around the globe. Handcrafts for sale include baskets, scarves, woolen hats and mittens, jewelry, table linens, holiday decorations, gourmet chocolates, spices, tea, coffee and much more. Your purchase helps to lift disadvantaged artisans, farmers, and their families out of poverty. Each month, a portion of revenue goes to our local mission, United Harvest, helping to support our community.

Sustaining Spiritual Practices

Join us for a stewardship sermon series exploring spiritual practices that will sustain you in your faith journey and daily living.

10/9: Blooming
(Jeremiah 29:1-7)

10/23: Tithing & Celebrating
(Deuteronomy 26:1-11)

10/30: Remembering
(Ephesians 1:11-18)

10/16: Persisting
(Luke 18:1-8)

11/6: Gratitude
(2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12)



Prayers for

Shirley Maul
Mary Lewis
Barry Thomson
Christian Fruehling
Stephen Gass
Bev Stein
Greg Howard
Ramona Shetler
Family of Dora Horsley
Irina Belikova-Erickson
Rich Portwood
Shirley Gass
Tarah Davis & family
Cheryl Ann Elfond
Brad Davis

Reta & Lowell Johnson
Jane Tushaus
Carl Utley
Dick Kleiber
Family of Anne Bohlke
BJ Pumroy & family
Family of Verna Meyer
Lanae Hall & family
Elaine Schumacher
Melba Trehern
Michael Hahne
Dave Schawang
Katie Reynolds & family
Family of Phyllis Waltemath
Family of Bob Johnson



In loving memory of

Anne Bohlke, who passed
away on 9/10/22
Verna Meyer, who passed
away on 9/28/22
Bob Johnson, who passed
away on 10/22/22
Dora Horsley, who passed
away on 10/27/22
Phyllis Waltemath, who passed
away on 10/31/22

Sunday 11/6	8:30-9:15am	Taizé Service	Chapel
	9:15-10:15am	Confirmation/Sunday School	Various
	10am-10:30am	HAW Store open	Narthex
	10:30-11:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
	11:30am-12pm	HAW Store open	Narthex
	3-4pm	Louie Eckhardt Recital	Sanctuary
	Living History Event 5pm- Dinner (Fellowship Hall) 6:15pm-Program (Sanctuary)		
	5-7pm	Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group	Hastings College
Monday 11/7	1-3pm	1 st Presbyterian Pickleball	PEACE gym
Tuesday 11/8	10-11am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12-1pm	Bible Study	ZOOM/Anderson
	4pm	Global Mission Committee	Confirmation room
	5:30pm	Congregational Life meeting	Parlor
	5:45pm	Trustees Meeting	Anderson Room
	7-8pm	CCC Dog Obedience Class	PEACE NE Class
	8:15-9:15pm	CCC Dog Obedience Class	PEACE NE Class
Wednesday 11/9	11:55am	Noonday Book Club	sbbrooks52@gmail.com
	5-6:45pm	PreK-5 th grade WNL	various
	6:45-7:45pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
	6:30pm-9pm	Woodcarvers	Basement
	7:30-8:30pm	Chancel Bells	Bell Room
Thursday 11/10	12:30-1:30pm	Dulcimer	Lydia Room
	5pm	Personnel Committee	As needed
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-8pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 11/11	10am-12pm	Mahjong Ladies	Room 111
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Lessons and Carols Service at Hastings College- Members of First Presbyterian Church are invited to the Hastings College Service of Lessons and Carols on Wednesday morning, December 7th 9:30am. This service will have your favorite Christmas readings as well as performances by the Hastings College Handbell Choir and the Hastings College Choir! This event is free at French Memorial Chapel on the Hastings College Campus.

REBOOKULOUSLY GOOD READS



A Faith & Spirituality Book Group

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-serve basis. You can look for more details to reveal themselves in the coming weeks!

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

2 PM - 5 PM

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First Presbyterian Church

Hanging of The Greens

Sunday, November 20
11:30am

All are welcome



What has been?



What shall be?

The Once
& Future
Church



1st Pres Forum
Nov. 6, 13, 20



Rev. Polly Deppen-Williams
Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett
Rev. Shelli Latham



Lydia Room - 9:15 AM



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

HANDS AROUND THE WORLD STORE CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE



**SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 26, 2022
10:00AM-2:00PM**



The beautiful and unique handcrafted items in our store are made and produced by artisans and farmers from around the world. By purchasing their works, you are helping support their families and provide hope for their future. Each month, a portion of revenue goes to the local mission, United Harvest, helping to support our local community.

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Fundraiser



Food4Thought Fundraiser - Thank you FPC for hosting a Food4Thought Chili Dinner and Trivia Fundraiser on Friday evening, Dec. 2nd! Everyone is invited! Cost is \$20 per adult and \$10 for students. Trivia Teams have 8 people each! Get your teams together early and let Chaplain Doodle Harris know who is on your team by e-mailing her at doodle.harris@hastings.edu!

Don't have a team? No problem! Just come on the 2nd and we'll find you a table of friends! Doors open at 5:30. Dinner starts at 6:00 and Trivia begins at 6:30! There will be prizes for the winners! Please let Doodle know if you have any questions!

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Head of Church: Jesus Christ
Senior Pastor: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett
Organist and Music Coordinator: Linda Vollweiler
Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer
Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster Bells Director: Dr. Byron Jensen
Calvin/Westminster Choir Director: Linda Johnson
Praise/Alleluia Choir Director: Teresa Canady
Praise/Alleluia Bells Director: Dr. Susan Oliver
Accompanist: Mary Plock

Ministers: Members of the Church
Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Jensen-Heitmann
Director of Children's & Family Ministries: Rose Koepf
Church Office Administrator: Melissa Davis
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Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey