



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF HASTINGS**
LIVING A LEGACY OF LOVE

Home Page Newsletter

Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:

This December I was overwhelmed by your generosity for our Reverse Advent Calendar project. For the fourth year, you have blessed our local ministry partners with your gifts. Thank you! Below is a report from the Mission Committee about the project:

This year during Advent and Christmas, our Committee on Local Mission and Social Witness held its fourth Reverse Advent Calendar Project, during which, in conjunction with devotionals and prayers, members of the congregation were encouraged to donate items from a “wish list” provided by each of the four agencies selected as partners this year.

Maryland Living Center, which serves young people who have aged out of foster care, requested household cleaning products. **Catholic Social Services**, which serves a variety of community members, including families with babies, requested cleaning products, toiletries, diapers, and baby wipes. **Hastings High School** collects toiletries, feminine hygiene products, and shelf-stable food for students in need. **Crossroads** serves people who are homeless or food insecure; they requested bedding, paper products, and household cleansers.

As usual, the members and friends of First Presbyterian Church responded in gracious generosity to their neighbors in need. Here is a rough accounting of what we collected and for whom:

| Maryland Living | Catholic Social | Hastings High | Crossroads |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Brooms & Pans - 15 | Shampoo & Conditioner - 61 | Toothbrush & Paste – 53 | Paper towels – 49 |
| Clorox wipes – 39 | Body wash – 18 | Toilet paper – 5 | Toilet paper – 45 |
| Dish soap – 35 | Razors – 56 | Feminine Hygiene – 70 | Pillows – 47 |
| Household cleaner – 49 | Baby Wipes – 59 | Acne Facewash – 39 | Twin sheets – 30 |
| Scouring pads – 25 | Diapers – 83 packages | Bodywash - 45 | Blankets – 57 |
| Cleaning sponges – 45 | A&D Ointment – 33 | Deodorant – 70 | Cough drops – 42 |
| Toilet bowl cleaner – 19 | Brooms & Pans – 15 | Mac & Cheese – 73 | Pine Sol - 22 |
| | Bleach - 34 | Peanut Butter & Jelly - 86 | |

The Mission Committee was overwhelmed by the generosity of our congregation, as were the recipients, each of whom received a van load or several car trunkfuls of advent gifts. We felt especially grateful to be able to respond right away to Crossroads’ needs, as a broken sprinkler system made their facility unsafe to heat, so more than eighty residents had to be evacuated to various local churches on Christmas night. We hope our gifts made that transition a little easier.

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor Greg

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Congregational Potluck

Sunday, February 5
following the 10:30am worship
service

| Last Name | Bring |
|-----------|-----------------|
| A-G | Dessert |
| H-M | Salad or Veggie |
| N-Z | Main Dish |

Scotland

June 15 – 24, 2023

Including an Optional Extension June 24 – 28

Especially designed for

**First Presbyterian
Church of Hastings**

Nebraska

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portal.myfaithjourneys.com

Group Number: 23035



The Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett
Tour Host

*We currently have 23 people
Registered for the trip.
There is still space
Available.*

***Deadline for registration
For the Scotland Trip
Is February 15, 2023.***

*We hope you will consider
joining us.*

*For more information visit:
<https://bit.ly/FPCHScotland>*

Thank you for the crockpot and clothes. I
really appreciate it.

John H.

Thank you for the clothing and warm socks.
I appreciate it.

Sharon R.



from Our Giving Tree Recipients

Thank you for the gifts. They
are greatly appreciated.
Paul

Thank you for the Christmas gifts.

Matt R.

Dear Gift
Giver

I really, really appreciate
the 2 gifts, that you have
given me. I like the color
of the top (I used to wear
this color in high school)
and it is really cute. You are
a Good Person, and no mat-
ter what life throws your
way, keep your head up and
stay strong! Remember the
LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST!!!

from

-Rebecca

Let Them Come to Me
 Access to Quality Child Care
 & Why It Matters For Everyone

Jan. 29
 Feb. 5
 Feb. 12



Lydia Room
 9:15 A.M.

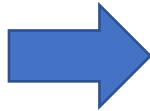
Feat. Wendy Gwenapp of NE Children & Families & The United Way

Forums


Current



Upcoming



**DOCTRINAL
 CONFESSIONS**



Dan Deffenbaugh - Lydia Room
 9:15 AM - Feb. 26, Mar. 5, 19, 26, Apr. 2

FEBRUARY USHERS AND GREETERS

USHERS: (Team #6) Captain – Jim Harrenstein, Andrew Barrows
 Lynne Friedewald, Chuck Shoemaker

| GREETERS | | | |
|----------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| FEBRUARY | MEMORIAL ROOM | MEMORIAL ROOM | NARTHEX |
| 5 | Jan Ham | Julie Thomsen | Susie Graham |
| 12 | Flossie Sanderson | | Pat & Dick Kleiber |
| 19 | Gifts of Women Sunday | | |
| 26 | Jane Foote | Mary Fisk | Bonnie & Kenton Grams |

January 29-February 3

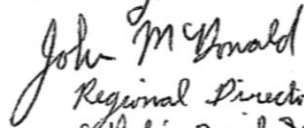
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| Sunday 1/29 | 9:15am-10:15am | Confirmation/Sunday School Hour | Various |
| | 10am-10:30am | HAW Store open | Narthex |
| | 10:30am-11:30am | Traditional Worship Service | Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio |
| | 11:30am-12:30pm | Annual Congregational Meeting | Sanctuary |
| | 5-7pm | Jr. High/Sr. High Youth Group | Various |
| Monday 1/30 | 1pm-3pm | 1 st Pres. Pickleball | PEACE gym |
| | 6-8pm | Mexican Folkloric Dance | PEACE NE Classroom |
| | 7-9pm | Chorus of the Plains rehearsal | Choir room |
| Tuesday 1/31 | 10-11am | Staff Meeting | In-person |
| | 12-1pm | Bible Study | In-person/Zoom |
| | 7-8pm | CCC Dog Obedience | PEACE NE Classroom |
| Wednesday 2/1 | 11-11:45am | PW Coord Team | Library |
| | 11:45am-1:30pm | PW Luncheon and Program | Fellowship Hall |
| | 11:55am | Noonday Book Club | Sbbrooks52@gmail.com |
| | 5-6:45pm | PreK-5 th grade WNL | Various |
| | 6:45pm | Chancel Choir | Choir Room |
| | 7:30pm | Chancel Bells | Bell Room |
| | 6:30-9pm | Woodcarvers | Basement |
| Thursday 2/2 | 6-8pm | Mexican Folkloric Dance | PEACE NE Classroom |
| | 7-8pm | Cub Scouts | Scout Room |
| Friday 2/3 | 10am-12pm | Church Women United | Parlor |
| | 10am-12pm | Mahjong Ladies | Room 111 |

Dear 1st Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for thinking of us and donating all those household items to Catholic Social Services for your Reverse Advent!

You all are a powerhouse of good in the community! Keep it up!

Know of our prayers for your church community.

Sincerely,

 John McDonald
 Regional Director
 Catholic Social Services

February 5-February 12

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|----------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Sunday 2/5 | 8:30am-9:15am | Taizé Service | Chapel |
| | 9:15am-10:15am | Confirmation/Sunday School Hour | various |
| | 10am-10:30am | HAW Store Open | Narthex |
| | 10:30am | Traditional Worship Service | Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio |
| | 11:30am | Congregational Potluck | Fellowship Hall |
| | 11:30-12pm | HAW Store Open | Narthex |
| | 5-7pm | Jr. High/Sr. High Youth Group | Various |
| Monday 2/6 | 1pm-3pm | 1 st Pres. Pickleball | PEACE gym |
| | 6-8pm | Mexican Folkloric Dance | PEACE NE Classroom |
| | 7-9pm | Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal | Choir Room |
| Tuesday 2/7 | 10-11am | Staff Meeting | In-person |
| | 12pm | Bible Study | Anderson Room |
| | 5:30pm-7pm | WAM Meeting | Anderson/ZOOM |
| | 7-8pm | CCC Dog Obedience | PEACE NE Classroom |
| Wednesday 2/8 | 11:55am | Noonday Book Club | Sbbrooks52@gmail.com |
| | 5-6:45pm | PreK-5 th grade WNL | Various |
| | 6:45pm | Chancel Choir | Choir Room |
| | 7:30pm | Chancel Bells | Bell Room |
| | 6:30pm-9pm | Woodcarvers | Basement |
| Thursday 2/9 | 5pm | Personnel Committee | As needed |
| | 6-8pm | Mexican Folkloric Dance | PEACE NE Classroom |
| | 6:30pm-8:30pm | Capital Campaign Meeting | Fellowship Hall |
| | 7-8pm | Cub Scouts | 7-8pm |
| Friday 2/10 | 10am-12pm | Mahjong Ladies | Room 111 |
| Sunday 2/12 | 8:30am-9:15am | Taizé Service | Chapel |
| | 9:15am-10:15am | Confirmation/Sunday School Hour | Various |
| | 10am-10:30am | HAW Store Open | Narthex |
| | 10:30am | Traditional Worship Service | Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio |
| | 11:30am-12pm | HAW Store Open | Narthex |
| | 5-7pm | Jr. High/Sr. High Youth Group | various |

Langenberg Lesson Applications for Spring 2023 are now available.

Parent(s) of students in grades 1-12 may apply for up to \$250 per semester to offset the cost of private music instruction. Applicable areas of study include piano, voice, guitar, or any band/orchestral instrument. Grants are limited to one per child. Parent(s) must be members of First Presbyterian Church and students must be active participants in the church choir/music program. Although grants are renewable, parents **MUST RE-APPLY EACH SEMESTER.**

Applications are available in the church office or on the church website and are **DUE APRIL 1, 2023**



Hastings College Chapel Presents Singer/Songwriter Emily Dunbar

Join the Hastings College Community in Calvin Memorial Chapel at 2:00 on Sunday, February 12th. This worship service is somewhere between a sing-a-long and a concert titled "All The Ways We Love" and is the perfect way to celebrate Valentine's Day! This event is appropriate for all ages



Emily Dunbar



Shirley Maul
Barry Thomson
Christian Fruehling
Stephen Gass
Bev Stein
Greg Howard
Irina Belikova-Erickson
Rich Portwood
Shirley Gass
Family of Sharon Harvey
Tarah Davis & family
Cheryl Ann Elfond
Brad Davis
Roberta Lloyd and family

Prayers for

Reta & Lowell Johnson
Carl Utley
BJ Pumroy & family
Elaine Schumacher
Melba Trehern
Family of Michael Hahne
Dave Schawang
Katie Reynolds & family
Jenni Bauer
Sally Smith
Don Rasmussen
Freddie Petersen
John Northrop
Jenni Welsch

In loving memory of

Sharon Harvey, who passed
away on 12/7/22
Michael Hahne, who passed
away on 12/20/22



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Return Service Requested

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
Organist and Music Director: Linda Vollweiler
Chancel Choir Director: Brett Epperson
Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster
Bells Director: Dr. Byron Jensen
Calvin/Westminster Choir Director: Linda Johnson
Praise/Alleluia Choir Directors: Tim and Teresa Canady
Praise/Alleluia Bells Choir Director: Dr. Susan Oliver
Accompanist and Music Coordinator: Mary Plock

Ministers: Members of the Church
Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Jensen-Heitmann
Director of Children & Family
Ministries: Rose Koepp
Church Office Administrator: Melissa Davis
Facilities Manager: Tony Calhoun
Bookkeeper: Deb Hamburger
Scholar in Residence: Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey