



***July 2, 2023***

**PRELUDE**

**“Prelude Selections”**

**Cathedral Brass**

Louie Eckhardt, trumpet; Tim Farrell, trumpet; Amy Schneider, horn; Nathan LeFeber, trombone;  
Dan Sodomka, tuba

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

**WELCOME**

**Greg Allen-Pickett**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 80)**

*We will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;*

***We will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations!***

*We declare that your steadfast love is established forever;*

***Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.***

*Happy are those who know the festal shout;*

***Happy are those who walk in the light of the Lord!***

*For you are the glory of our strength and love; by your favor our horn is exalted.*

***Come, let us worship our loving, faithful, and glorious God!***

**\*HYMN**

**“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”**

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Linda Vollweiler, Organist

Rikki Nielsen, Song Leader

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

***Wise and loving God, you know how we are. We rush around, and now we are exhausted. We don't think we have the time or energy to do what our faith requires of us: to love you and love one another with our whole hearts. Forgive us, Lord, when we have focused so much time on things that don't matter and have not sought your restoring love. Be with us. Give us peace. For we ask these things in Jesus' Name.***

## SILENT CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Come to the Lord, all of you.*

***There is healing and rest in the love of the Lord.***

*We are given love and peace by God. We are offered grace and forgiveness.*

***Let us accept it for ourselves and share it with others!***

***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

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***God of mercy, your faithfulness to your covenant frees us to live together in the security of your powerful love. May we respond to your gracious promises and love by living in faith and obedience, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.***

## SCRIPTURE READING – 1 Corinthians 13:1-7,13

## MESSAGE

“Love in its many forms and splendor!”

Greg Allen-Pickett

## \*HYMN

“Love Divine, All Love Excelling”

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## SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

## STATEMENT ON THE GIFT OF MARRIAGE

## PRAYER

Gracious God, you are always faithful in your love for us.

Look mercifully upon Mac and Maggie who have come seeking your blessing.

Let your Holy Spirit rest upon them so that, with steadfast love, they may honor the promises they make this day, through Jesus Christ our Savior. ***Amen.***

## DECLARATIONS OF INTENT

## AFFIRMATIONS OF THE FAMILIES

Do you give your blessing to Maggie and Mac and promise to do everything in your power to uphold them in their marriage?

***We give our blessing and promise our loving support.***

## AFFIRMATION OF THE CONGREGATION

Will all of you witnessing these vows do everything in your power to uphold Mac and Maggie in their marriage? ***We will.***

## VOWS

## EXCHANGE OF RINGS

## PRAYER

Eternal God, without your grace no promise is sure. Strengthen Maggie and Mac with patience, kindness, gentleness, and all other gifts of your Spirit, so that they may fulfill the vows they have made. Keep them faithful to each other and to you. Fill them with such love and joy that they may build a home of peace and welcome. Guide them by your Word to serve you all their days.

Help us all, O God, to do your will in each of our homes and lives.

Enrich us with your grace so that, supporting one another, we may serve those in need and hasten the coming of peace, love, and justice on earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF MARRIAGE

## CHARGE AND BLESSING OF THE COUPLE

## OFFERING

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

You can give this morning by putting your offering in the offering plates that will be passed through the pews during the offertory, or you can scan the QR code or give online: <https://fpchastings.org/give-online/>

First Presbyterian  
Church



Donation QR Code

## OFFERTORY

"Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral"

*Richard Wagner  
arr. Jack Gale*

## \*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***Most generous God, you have blessed us with love and gifts to serve and share. May the offerings we present today, and our lives, be used to further your Kingdom and build your beloved community. 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

(We will take communion this morning by intinction. Come down the aisle, receive a piece of bread, and dip it in the cup. If you would prefer not to dip the bread in the cup, you can pick up a cup on the communion table. Ushers will bring communion around to those with limited mobility and the sound crew.)

\*HYMN

"Come Sing, O Church in Joy!"

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## BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

"Oh! Had a I Jubal's Lyre" *G.F. Handal/arr. Lictmann*  
"Canzona per sonare No. 2" *R. Wagner/arr. Gale*

COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK AND  
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

9:00AM – INFORMAL WORSHIP IN ALEXANDER PARK  
10:30 AM – TRADITIONAL WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY

The 10:30 service is also broadcast live on KICS 1550 AM streamed live at:

[www.facebook.com/fpchastings](http://www.facebook.com/fpchastings)

(Please note, you do not need a Facebook account to view the service.)

**THE RADIO BROADCAST** is given by First Presbyterian Church.

**THE FLOWERS** are given in memory of Raymond A. and Ruth Watson by family.

**USHERS July (Team #5)** Captain – Ken Stein, Matt Fong, Kim Creech

### July Greeters

JULY	MEMORIAL ROOM	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
2	Teresa Luther	Erin Gastmann	Kay Georgiana
9	Daveta & Dick Brader		Paula Crozier
16	Jill Kramer	C.L. Wimer	Lesa & Steve Cropley
23	Jan Ham		Karen & Roger Doerr
30	Help Needed		Melissa Davis

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**Tailgate**

**HASTINGS SODBUSTERS**

**Sunday, July 16**  
**5:30pm cookout at Harms Park**  
**6:35pm first pitch @ Duncan Field**  
**\$5.00/ticket (includes meal)**  
**Tickets available at church starting June 25 and in the office**

**SODBUSTERS & Tailgate**

The poster features a large wooden baseball bat diagonally across the center. Several circular photos of team members and families are arranged around the bat. The text is in various colors and fonts, including blue, red, green, and black. The Presbyterian Church logo is visible in the top left and bottom left corners.



# ★ CAR SHOW ★

to support



Wednesday  
July 12, 2023

All Makes & Models Welcome  
Show 6:00p-9:00p

*Freewill Donations for  
car entries and floats*

621 N Lincoln Ave, Hastings

Hosted by

*First Presbyterian  
Church Hastings*



# ★ CAR SHOW ★

## Volunteers Needed

The Mission Committee is looking for a few volunteers to help serve root beer floats at the car show (July 12th) as well as a few to help at the check-in desk. If interested, please reach out to Sarah Allen (402) 885-0682

*Thank you*

**Open Table  
Sack Lunch Program**

***One sack lunch, per person, per day, no questions asked.***

Join our congregation in fellowship and service as we celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup> year of support for the Open Table Sack Lunch Program. For those of you who are new to our church or community, the Open Table Sack Lunch Program is a community-wide program through which Catholic Social Services provide free daily sack lunches Monday through Friday from 1:00 to 5:00 pm to anyone who asks. Beginning Sunday, July 9th, we will be assembling 1,000 lunches during the last four Sundays of July in Fellowship Hall preceding or immediately following the Sunday worship services. This tradition in our church has been a blessing for the people receiving the lunches and the people preparing them.

**Volunteer opportunities for 2023 include:**

**Sundays (Always fun).**

**Early Bird Assembly:**

9:45 to 10:30 after early service

**Group Assembly:**

11:30 to 12:30 after second service

**12:15 to 12:45** Transporting sandwiches and sacks to Catholic Social Services on Sunday following assembly.

**Weekdays or Saturdays:**

**Friday:** Pick up loaves of bread from Russ's IGA and transport to Fellowship Hall (Volunteers call or text Meg, 402- 902-9330)

**Saturday:** Pick up meat from Custom Pack and put in refrigerators at church. (Volunteers call or text Jeni, 402-469-1500)

**Donations of cash or food are also welcome.**

**Prayers!**

***Thanks for your generous and enthusiastic support of this ongoing mission.***

***Mission Committee***

**July Communion Offering**

Our Communion Offering in July will be directed to assist public school staff to respond to occasional student needs for articles of clothing. Kids' Klost is a collection of items for primarily elementary, and middle school students.



THE CHURCH OFFICES WILL  
BE CLOSED  
TUESDAY, JULY 4  
IN RECOGNITION OF  
INDEPENDENCE DAY.  
WE WILL BE BACK OPEN ON  
WEDNESDAY AT 8:30AM.

SATURDAY JULY 15, 5-7:00PM  
FELLOWSHIP HALL

## SUMMER MOVIE CLUB

FOR INCOMING K-5



We will be watching and doing a Bible study related to:

**RAYA AND THE LAST DRAGON**

**PIZZA AND POPCORN PROVIDED**

BRING A PILLOW AND BLANKET

CONTACT ROSE WITH QUESTIONS 402-462-5147



### *Please pray for*

Pam Canady	Brad Davis
Ashley Ibach	Elaine Schumacher
Vicki Howard	Dave Schawang
Reta & Lowell Johnson	Renee Miller
Carl Utley	Rich Portwood
Barry Thomson	Shirley Gass
Stephen Gass	Don Rasmussen
Rich Reimer & family	Audre Zaroban
Greg Howard	Katharine Davis
Ken Fisk	Cheryl Schukei
Mary Wolf	Carter Johnson
Marie Rasmussen	family of Shirley Maul
Pamela Lainson & family	Tarah Davis & family
Everest Beacon (Zabloudil)	family of Lisa Moser



### *In memory of*

Shirley Maul, who  
passed away on 5/18/23



The 150th Anniversary Committee  
invites you to

## *Christmas in July*

Sunday, July 9th  
(at both services)

WE WILL BE OFFERING FOR SALE A LIMITED NUMBER  
OF CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS.

These ornaments have been transformed from forgotten pieces of stained glass from the church basement into beautiful pieces of art, designed and created by Brian Johnson.

The cost for each ornament is \$20.



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### **USHER NEEDED**

We are in need of an additional Usher for the month of July. Please let Melissa know in the Church Office if you are able to help out. Thank you!

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<b>Sunday 7/2</b>	10am-10:30am	HAW Store open	Narthex
	10:30am	Worship Service-Maggie Koozer & Mac Rundle Wedding	Sanctuary
	11:30am-12pm	HAW Store open	Narthex
<b>Monday 7/3</b>	10am-11am	Staff Meeting	In person
	1-3pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Pres. Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm-3:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-9pm	Chorus of the Plains	Choir Room
<b>Tuesday 7/4</b>	Church Offices Closed- Independence Day		
<b>Wednesday 7/5</b>	12-1pm	Noonday Book Club	<a href="mailto:Sbbrooks52@gmail.com">Sbbrooks52@gmail.com</a>
	6:30pm-9pm	Woodcarver's meet	Basement
<b>Thursday 7/6</b>	12:30pm-1:30pm	Dulcimer	Lydia Room
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-8pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
<b>Friday 7/7</b>	10am-12pm	Mahjong Ladies	Lydia Room
<b>Sunday 7/9</b>	9am	Worship in the Park	Alexander Park
	9:45am-10:30am	Open Table Meal Packing	Fellowship Hall
	10am	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
	11:30am-12:30pm	Open Table Meal Packing	Fellowship Hall
	11:30am-12:30pm	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	12:15pm-12:45pm	Transport Meals	Catholic Social Services-Volunteers



*Coming Soon*  
**Worship in the Park**

**JULY 9**  
**JULY 16**  
**JULY 23**  
**JULY 30**  
**AUGUST 6**

**9AM**  
**ALEXANDER**  
**PARK**

*All Are Welcome!*

***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