



**Seventh Sunday
After Pentecost
July 16, 2023
10:30am**

PRELUDE

“Prelude on the Welsh Tune *Hyfrydol*” arr. Richard Wagner
Organist Linda Vollweiler

WELCOME

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Greg Allen-Pickett

We come to this place to know God.

We gather here to have the word of God planted in our hearts.

We come to consider our lives and how we live them.

We gather to be reminded to love others as we love ourselves.

In the presence of God, we assemble.

May we encounter the giver of life who inspires us to give.

*HYMN

“Though I May Speak”
Dr. Brett Epperson, Song Leader

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, O God, that we still have some growing to do. Even after all these years, all these hymns, all these prayers and passages, we still have room to grow. Our feet still don't quite fit the shoes of your son. We know the commandments but don't always follow them. We've heard your word, yet we don't let it guide us. We're steeped in your ways, still we wander from your path. Forgive us, O God, for thinking that we're done. Have mercy when we forget that we have more growing to do.

SILENT CONFESSION & CONTEMPLATION

How is God calling you to grow in Christ?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In God, our hearts find peace.

In Christ, our sins are forgiven.

Through the Holy Spirit, our lives are offered direction.

In humility, we encounter the grace of God.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory Be to the Father”

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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

While the children come down, the congregation will sing “Jesus Loves Me.”

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

We come back, O God, time and time again, to your stories and words. Give us this day a holy wisdom and a divine insight.

Teach us the lessons we need to learn and remember. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Colossians 2:1-7

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – 1 Corinthians 13:4-13

MESSAGE

“Some Children Never Grow” or “Giving and Taking”

Part of the Children’s Literature Sermon Series

Featuring *The Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein

Published by Little Brown and Company

And *The Giving Back Tree* by Tarky Lee

Published by The Gullet Publishing

*HYMN

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

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***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 by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING *(All loose coins in the offering plate will be donated to 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/>

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Church



Donation QR Code

OFFERTORY

“Allegro”
from Violin Sonata, Op, 5, No. 3

Arcangelo Corelli
arr. Kevin Norris

***DOXOLOGY**

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

We have received more than our daily bread, more than what we need to get by. So we return some of what we’ve been given to you. May it be used to comfort the lost, bring aid to the suffering, and peace to all. 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**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

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***CHARGE 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

"Trumpet Tune"

*Giuseppe Torelli
arr. Drummond Wolff*

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

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

**9am Worship in the Park- Alexander Park
10:30 a.m. 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 92.7FM.**

THE RADIO BROADCAST is given in memory of Toni and Bob Mays by family and friends.

THE FLOWERS are given in memory of our parents by Marnie and Doug Soderquist.

USHERS July (Team #5) Captain – Ken Stein, Matt Fong, Julie Thomsen

GREETERS.

JULY	MEMORIAL ROOM	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
16	C.L. & Sandra Wimer		Lesa & Steve Cropley
23	Jan Ham		Karen & Roger Doerr
30	Jill Kramer		Melissa Davis

***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 Koepf
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

Sunday 7/16	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	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	12:15-12:45pm	Transport Meals	Catholic Social Services-
	Cookout- 5:30pm Game- 6:35pm	Sodbusters Cookout & Game	Harms Park (cookout) Duncan Field (game)
Monday 7/17	1-3pm	1 st Pres. Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm-3:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Center quilting room
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-9pm	Chorus of the Plains	Choir Room
Tuesday 7/18	10-11am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	5:45pm-6:45pm	150 th Anniversary Committee	Anderson Room
Wednesday 7/19	12-1pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com
	1:30-3:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Center Quilting Room
	6:30pm-9pm	Woodcarver's Meet	Basement
Thursday 7/20	12:30pm-1:30pm	Dulcimer	Lydia Room
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-8pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 7/21	10am-12pm	Mahjong Ladies	Lydia Room
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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

Please pray for

Pam Canady
Ashley Ibach
Vicki Howard
Reta & Lowell Johnson
Carl Utley
Barry Thomson
Stephen Gass
Rich Reimer & family
Greg Howard
Ken Fisk
Mary Wolf
Marie Rasmussen
Pamela Lainson & family
Everest Beacon (Zabloudil)
family of Shirley Maul

Brad Davis
Elaine Schumacher
Dave Schawang
Renee Miller
Rich Portwood
Shirley Gass
Don Rasmussen
Audre Zaroban
Katharine Davis
Cheryl Schukei
Carter Johnson
Scott Johnson
Tarah Davis & family
family of Lisa Moser

Open Table Meal Packing Sundays in July

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.

