



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST SINCE 1873

Transfiguration Sunday February 11, 2024 - 10:30 am Service

PRELUDE

“Te Deum”

Buxtehude

“We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit”
Guest Organist Dr. Stephen Hamilton

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

CHORAL INTROIT

“Lord, May Your Spirit Enter”
Chancel Choir

Brett Epperson

Guest Conductor Dr. Matthew Myers

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 50)

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

There is a glorious sunrise from you, O God. And we see you and your mighty power when we are staring at the sunset.

Your beauty shines and lights up the sky.

God calls to the heavens above and to the earth,

"Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me!"

The heavens declare God's righteousness; Come, let us worship God!

*HYMN

“Jesus, Light of Joy”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear God, there are days I feel like I get older but never wiser. I should not be left to my own devices, they come with prices and vices. Sometimes I let my pride get in the way, and sometimes it's covert narcissism I disguise as altruism. You invite us to a new way of life, O God — based in honesty and trust, following you into the fullness of life. We confess that we don't like to think of the hard parts, and we prefer to turn away when we see suffering coming toward us or those we love.

Forgive us when we impose our limited understanding on you. Show us how to orient ourselves to you, so that all else fits together for your big picture, and your light shines out through us.

SILENT CONFESSION

When have I refused to share the love and light of Christ with others?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Every one of us here was someone else before;

But through the grace and love of Jesus Christ, we are always given a fresh start; we are renewed and offered a new way of life!

In the name and power of Jesus Christ we are forgiven and loved!

Let us forgive and love 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

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rose Koepp

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dear God, sometimes your truth is hiding in plain sight, spilling out to us. We just need your guiding light to shine brightly on it so that we can see it, understand it, and make it our own. May your Holy Word be opened and illumined for us in its reading and hearing today. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Mark 8:27-38

ANTHEM

“Trinity Psalms”

Z. Randall Stroope

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – Mark 9:1-8

SERMON

“Every time you shine, I’ll shine for you!”

Greg Allen-Pickett

*HYMN

“Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining”

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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Rev. Dr. Anne Morris)**

We believe in God whose grandeur and glory are beyond our knowing: the creator of all life's richness, bounty, and variety.

We believe in Jesus, the Image of the invisible God: he shows us the glory of the Creator and the love with which everything is made: he is the light of the world, always shining in the darkness.

We believe in the Holy Spirit of God, the breath of life who renews and transforms, who startles us with glimpses of glory, who inspires our seeking and searching.

We believe in the God of glory.



OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

"Ascension"

Marcus Grant

Cathedral Brass Quintet

**Louie Eckhardt, trumpet; Erin Beave, trumpet; Amy Schneider, horn;
Nathan LeFeber, trombone; Dan Sodomka, tuba**

***DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We offer you these gifts and our lives to shine the light of Christ to help those in need. May these gifts shine a light of hope for those who are chasing shadows in the grocery line, just trying to get by. May these gifts shine a light of hope for those who feel like they were born lost and always stay lonesome. May we seek to be that light for those in need. 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**

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

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***BENEDICTION AND BLESSING**

*RESPONSE

“The Lord Bless You”

Brett Epperson

POSTLUDE

“Toccata” (from Symphony V)

Widor

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

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP AS WE BEGIN THE SEASON OF LENT &
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS

Wednesday, February 14
7 pm Ash Wednesday Service

Sunday, February 18

8:30 a.m. Contemplative Worship in the Chapel

9:15 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages

10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary with The Chancel Bells

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.

GUEST CONDUCTOR OF THE CHANCEL CHOIR Dr. Matthew Myers serves as associate director of choral activities and assistant professor of choral music education at Washington State University.

THE RADIO BROADCAST is given in memory of Mildred and Victor Lutkemeier by the Lutkemeier family.

THE FLOWERS are given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Foote and Mr. Robert L. Foote by the Foote family; and in loving memory of Lyn Throckmorton by her family.

NURSERY Kade Jorgensen

ACOLYTES Student Volunteers

February Ushers (Team #6) Captain – Jim Harrenstein, Chanda Essink, Lynne Friedewald, Chuck Shoemaker

February Greeters

FEBRUARY	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
11	Flossie Sanderson	Pat & Dick Kleiber
18	Dan Deffenbaugh	Kim Creech
25	Jane Foote, Mary Fisk	Bonnie & Kenton Grams

Sunday 2/11	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
		NO Sunday School	
	10am	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	3pm	Dr. Stephen Hamilton Organ Recital with Reception to follow	Sanctuary- Recital Reception- Fellowship Hall
Monday 2/12	1-3pm	1 st Pres Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	5:30pm	Global Mission Committee	PEACE NW Classroom
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-9pm	Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal	Choir Room
Tuesday 2/13	10:15am	Staff Meeting	In person
	5:30pm	Congregational Life Committee	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	Trustees Meet	Confirmation Room
	6:45pm	Deacons Meet	Anderson Room
Wednesday 2/14	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	5-6:45pm	PreK-12 th Grade WNL	Various
	7pm	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers Meet	Basement
Thursday 2/15	12:30pm	Dulcimer	Lydia Room
	5:30pm	Session Meets	Anderson Room
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-8pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 2/16	10am-12pm	Mahjong Ladies	Basement Youth Room
Saturday 2/17		United Harvest	
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	9:15am- 10:15am	Sunday School for all ages	various
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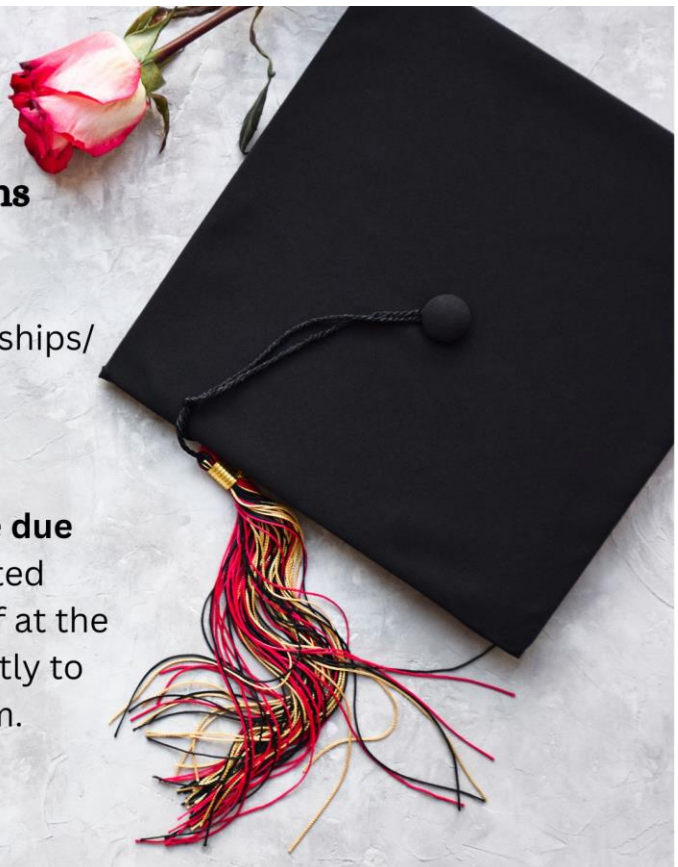


Imposition of Ashes Service
Wednesday, February 14
7pm
First Presbyterian Church
Sanctuary

College Scholarship Applications

are available on
the church website at
<https://fpchastings.org/scholarships/>
or
in the Church Office

The application and essay are **due
February 29, 2024**. Completed
applications can be dropped off at the
church office or emailed directly to
tim@redlinepharmacy.com.



Langenberg Lesson Applications

Langenberg Lesson Applications for Spring 2024 are now available. Parents 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. Parents 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, 2024**.

Adult Forum

Sundays @ 9:15 a.m.

Lydia Room

February 18, February 25, March 3, March 17, and March 24:

How Israel Was Built, Part 2

(five-week Lenten series)

Presenter: Dan Deffenbaugh

AT THE MIGHTY AUSTIN ORGAN
First Presbyterian Church
Presents

Dr. Stephen Hamilton

Dr. Stephen Hamilton is a touring concert organist and much sought-after virtuoso. His international touring includes concerts in Paris, London, Oxford, Edinburgh, Regensburg and Rome. He also has presented numerous recitals throughout the United States.

Hamilton is Minister of Music Emeritus at Church of the Holy Trinity in New York City. He currently makes his home in Minneapolis where he serves as Director of Music and Organist at Olivet Congregational Church in St. Paul.



This organ concert is made possible through the generosity of the late Luella Langenberg. In 2001, through her bequest, Mrs. Langenberg established a fund to support the special music ministries of First Presbyterian Church of Hastings. We are grateful for Luella Langenberg's enduring legacy.

Sunday,
February 11, 2024
3 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church
621 N. Lincoln Ave.
Hastings, NE
Free and open to the public,
All are welcome!

Please pray for

Brad Davis	Pam Canady
Elaine Schumacher	Ashley Ibach
Dave Schawang	Virginia Davis & family
Renee Miller	Carl Utlej
John Northrop	Barry Thomson
Audre Zaroban & family	Greg Howard
Carter Johnson	Ken Fisk
Dave Johnson and family	Everest Beacon (Zabloudil)
Tarah Davis & family	Jim Boeve
Matt Campbell	Howard Mathews
June Nielsen	Paul Nuss
Vernon Groves	Vicki (Fisk) Nieves
Carol Medsker	Dana Odom
Frances Kamler	family of Roberta Lloyd
John Carllson	Bill Beck
Brent Brooks & family	family of Dave Stewart

In memory of

Dave Stewart, who passed
away on 1/30/24



February 17, 2024		
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

United Harvest Mobile Food Pantry
is a joint ministry with First
Presbyterian Church &
First United Methodist Church. We
provide a food distribution to 400+
families.

- If you need food, please come at the time indicated based on the first letter of your last name.
- If you would like to volunteer for this distribution, please come to the church at 9:30am to help us with the distribution.

WNL Schedule

February 14

5:00-5:45 Dinner w/ a table craft/lesson about Ash Wednesday and Valentines Day

5:45-6:05 Music Rotation 1

6:05-6:25 Music Rotation 2

6:25-6:45 Bible time

Done at 6:45 so everyone can get to the 7pm service.

*There will be NO Rec Time.

The Ash Wednesday service will begin at 7:00pm. Please be prompt in picking up your children so that everyone who wishes to go to the service is able to.



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: Dr. 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