



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

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Music and Mission Trip to the US-Mexico Border with Frontera de Cristo

Dear First Presbyterian Church Family:
Our church has partnered with Frontera de Cristo, a Presbyterian ministry on the US-Mexico border, for the last 15 years. We have taken multiple adult mission trips to the border and we have hosted members of Frontera de Cristo who have come to visit us here in Hastings, including our Presbyterian Mission workers Mark Adams and his wife Miriam Maldonado.



In October, Frontera de Cristo is celebrating their 40th Anniversary as a Presbyterian Border Ministry. They have invited the members of our church to come participate in the celebration and have our Chancel Choir members provide music as part of a bi-national choir. Our Mission Committee had already been planning an adult mission trip to the US-Mexico border in 2024, so we have combined the planned trip with this invitation to participate in the 40th anniversary celebration in a “Music and Mission Trip to the US-Mexico Border.” We are opening up an invitation for any of our church members to come, you don’t have to sing in the choir, you can just come to learn about the border ministry and help celebrate the 40th anniversary of Frontera de Cristo!

We are going to charter a bus for this trip, which will run Wednesday 10/16 – Monday 10/21. We hope you will consider joining us! Here is an itinerary of the trip:

- Wednesday, 10/16: Drive from Hastings to Santa Fe, New Mexico, where we will hold a choir concert.
- Thursday 10/17: Drive from Santa Fe to Douglas, AZ and get settled in.
- Friday 10/18: Learn about the border ministries and hold an Evening Concert in Douglas, AZ with our choir, a pianist from Chiapas and local musicians in the lobby of the historic Gadsen Hotel.
- Saturday 10/19: Explore and learn about the border and border ministries. On Saturday night we will attend an outdoor concert in main plaza of Agua Prieta with a local symphony orchestra, our choir, and a binational choir.
- Sunday 10/20: Participate in bi-national worship service on the border for 40th Anniversary Celebration of Frontera de Cristo and then drive part of the way back to Hastings.
- Monday 10/21: Drive the rest of the way back to Hastings.

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The goal is to introduce and orient our church members to Frontera de Cristo and the incredible border ministry happening there, to participate in the 40th Anniversary Celebrations of Frontera de Cristo, to have an incredible musical experience for our church musicians (and hopefully some Hasting College students), and to seek to apply our faith and put a human face to what is happening on the US-Mexico border.

Safety is one of our highest priorities for this trip. If you have any questions about safety, please come talk to me or to any of our church members who have been to visit the US-Mexico border with Frontera de Cristo. If you are curious about what you might experience on this trip, you can read an article I wrote about our last adult mission trip to the US-Mexico border here: <https://pres-outlook.org/2018/11/fearless-generosity-and-radical-hospitality/>

The cost is \$200 per person and includes transportation via charter bus, lodging, and food for the trip. The trip is being generously subsidized by music and mission funds. Scholarships/financial support is available for those who desire to attend but have a financial need, come talk with me.

I really hope that many you will consider joining us on this trip. If you are interested, please call the church office at 402-462-5147 or click on this link and fill out the form to let us know of your interest: <https://forms.gle/BAmnaZqsw4xpyBiK7>

Your Servant in Christ,



Pastor Greg

June & July Ushers and Greeters

June (Team #4) Captain – George Howard, Susie Graham, Dixie McDonald, Gale McDonald

JUNE GREETERS	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
23	Andrew Barrows	Karen & Roger Doerr
30	Carol & Jim Harrenstein	Vonda Essex, Melissa Davis

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

JULY GREETERS	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
7	Teresa Luther, Kay Georgiana	Melissa Davis, Erin Gastmann
14	Amy & Joe Black	Paula Crozier
21	C.L. & Sandra Wimer	Lesla & Steve Cropley
28	Jan Ham	Jenna Jorgensen

Please pray for

Elaine Schumacher	Ashley Ibach
Dave Schawang	Carl Utley
John Northrop	Barry Thomson
Carter Johnson	Greg Howard
Tarah Davis & family	Ken Fisk
Matt Campbell	Marcia Hogan & family
June Nielsen	Everest Beacon (Zabloudil)
Vernon Groves	Jim Boeve
Carol Medsker	Howard Mathews
Frances Kamler	Vicki (Fisk) Nieves
Jeni Howard	Dana Odom
Katharine Davis	family of Dr. Bill Beck
Pam Canady	Kathy Amyot
family of Frank Medsker	Monte Malouf
family of Shirley Gass	David Hauch
Candice Unger	

In memory of

Shirley Gass, who passed
away on 5/7/24
Dr. Bill Beck, who passed
away on 6/10/24
Frank Medsker, who passed
away on 6/12/24



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO

**WATERPARK
NIGHT**

FRI. JUNE 28 7-9 PM

HASTINGS AQUACOURT

The church has reserved the waterpark from 7-9pm. Bring your family and friends to a fun evening at the pool!

This event is FREE to ALL!



CAR SHOW
to support
Hastings Middle School
Shoe Closet

Root Beer Floats

Wednesday
July 10, 2024

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

Freewill Donations for
car entries and floats

Hosted by

621 N Lincoln Ave, Hastings

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70th BIRTHDAY!!!

Please help us to honor Carol Harrenstein with a card shower to celebrate her 70th birthday on June 26, 2024! Cards can be sent to 2420 S Wabash Ave; Hastings, NE 68901

FPC PRESENTS
**ELEMENTARY
MOVIE CLUB**
5-7PM

In-coming Kindergarteners - 5th graders are invited to join us for a monthly movie showing and related Bible lesson.

FREE EVENT

JUNE 2 **JULY 7**
AUG 4

PIZZA AND POPCORN WILL BE PROVIDED
THIS EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
FOR QUESTIONS, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE (402) 462-5147

**JOIN US THIS SUMMER:
CAMP FIRELIGHT VBS!**

Join us this June for a summer camp experience right in our back yard! Camp Firelight Vacation Bible School is based on Psalm 56:3: "Whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in you" which reminds us that we can trust God no matter what challenges we face! At Camp Firelight campers will learn and grow through a variety of traditional camp activities. We can't wait to meet you around the campfire!

Register Today!

June 24-27, 2024
8:30-11:30am

Tuesday 6/18	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	1pm	Staff Meeting	In-person
Wednesday 6/19	10am	Dr. Bill Beck Funeral Service	Sanctuary
	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers	Basement
Thursday 6/20	12:30pm	Dulcimer	Lydia Room
	3pm	Youth Group Game Time	Lydia Room
	5:30pm	Session Meets	Anderson Room
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 6/21	10am	Mahjong	Fellowship Hall
	12pm	HPS Summer Music Pep Band Concert	PEACE Gym



I want to sincerely thank everyone who has donated long-sleeve shirts to the Proteus shirt drive. The shirts are given to migrant farmworkers that come to Nebraska to detassel corn. They often come from south and central Mexico and do not have the space to bring a lot with them. They are very grateful to receive them. Again, thank you so much!

Jody Stutzman

June 5, 2024

Dear First Presbyterian friends,

We have arrived safely in Kansas and are reasonably settled in our cozy apartment at
1707 SW Overlook Drive Apt 3
Topeka, Kansas, 66615

We will miss you most assuredly but you will always be in our prayers and we have already joined worship via live stream. What a blessing!

Please enjoy 'till Summer and may God bless you all.

In His peace and love,
Rev. Bill

PW - FATHER'S DAY OFFERING

In Memory Of

Bill Coyle
J. Dudley Stewart
Dale Grams & Franklin Knowlton
Harold Wenburg
John Pershing, Sr.
Robert Butz
Art Johnson & Byford Metzger
George Putnam Dorr
Our Dads and Grand-dads
O.P. Porter
Hal Lainson
Ome Shoemaker & Alfred Friedewald
James Perrie & Alexander Grams
Keith Dreher
Marion Houser
Earl Knigge
Mike Kneale & Richard Reimer
Bob Koozer, Sr. & O.J. McDougal
Findrew Nelson & Jay Lind
Frank Medsker
Calvin Soderquist & Lloyd Wright
Dr. Elmer Glenn & Jim Rasby
Parents

In Honor Of

Kenton Grams
New Father of Twins, Chris Tso
Ken Locke
Christian Fruehling
Rob Kyle
Chris Nedderman
Drew Nedderman
Arnold Essink
All Fathers of F.P.C.
Rob Amyot

Given By

Bob & Kathy Amyot
Mary Fisk
Bonnie & Kenton Grams
Jim Wenburg
John & Cathy Pershing
Cathy & John Pershing
Richard & Linda Johnson
Sally Dorr Hatcher
Ira & May Wierenga
Phyllis O'Dey
Mary & Jorn Olsen
Chuck Shoemaker & Lynne Friedewald
Bob & Nancy Grams
The Essinks
Mary Kay LaMaster
Katharine Davis
Curtis & Kathy Reimer
Ann & Robin Koozer
John & Marsha Nelson
Nan Huey & Sue Medsker
Doug & Marnie Soderquist
Doug & Deb Rasby
Carolyn & Rich McKenzie

Given By

Toby, Luella, Anika, and Marian
Kenny & Susie Graham
Will & Ginny Locke
Will & Ginny Locke
Bee, Meghan, and Morgan Kyle
Calvin Nedderman
Max Nedderman & Sister
The Essinks
Jill Kramer
Bob & Kathy Amyot

Sunday 6/23	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
Monday 6/24	8:30am-11:30am	VBS	
	1pm	First Pres Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7pm	Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal	Basement
Tuesday 6/25	8:30am-11:30am	VBS	
	11:45am	Habitat for Humanity	PEACE NW Classroom
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	1pm	Staff Meeting	In-person
Wednesday 6/26	8:30am-11:30am	VBS	
	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers	Basement
Thursday 6/27	8:30am-11:30am	VBS	
	12:30pm	Dulcimer	Lydia Room
	3-5pm	Youth Group Game Time	Lydia Room
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-8pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 6/28	10am	Mahjong	Fellowship Hall
	7-9pm	FPC Waterpark Night	Aquacourt
Sunday 6/30	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
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Coming Soon

Worship in the Park

July 7 July 28
July 14 August 4
July 21 August 11
August 18

9:00 a.m.

Alexander Park

Please bring your lawn chair

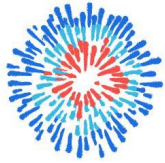
All are welcome!



HAPPY JULY ANNIVERSARY

Vicki & Jeff Howard 7/26/1980

Teresa & Tim Canady 7/18/1998



Leah & Tom Ratzlaff 7/31/2004

Marnie & Doug Soderquist 7/27/2012

Gary & Janet Brandt 7/14/1990

Susan & Neal Hoff 7/16/1972

Deb & Byron Jensen 7/1/1979

Jamie & Tyler Lay 7/5/2014

Laura & Andy Little 7/9/2011

Tracy & Kenny Brooks 7/10/2010

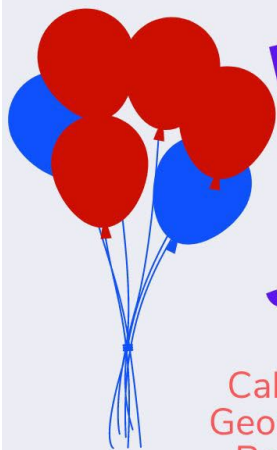
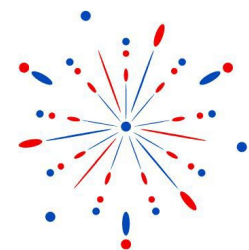
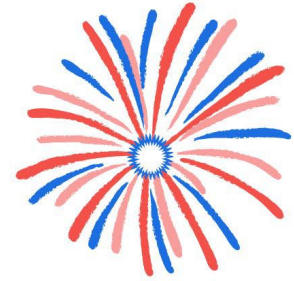
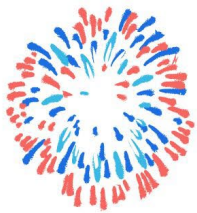
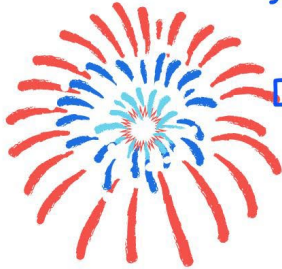
Milrae & Harold Korb 7/24/2010

Rose & Tyler Koepp 7/18/2014

Pat & Dick Kleiber 7/25/1958

Deb & Dale Hamburger 7/27/1991

Marsha & John Nelson 7/30/1978



Happy Birthday JULY

Cal Johnson 7/1
George White 7/1
Brad Davis 7/2
Jayden Propp 7/2
Brent Sovereign 7/2
Cale Henderson 7/2
Jamie Lay 7/2
Jacob Shin 7/3
Lincoln Welsch 7/4
Seth Schwarz 7/4
Mike Meyer 7/4
Dave Schawang 7/5
Stephanie Ourada 7/6
Owen Hermann 7/7
Tammie Nowka 7/8
Eleanor Oliver 7/8

Caroline Ourada 7/8
Martha Boyd 7/9
Connie Hultine 7/9
Sara McPherson 7/9
Benjamin Franco 7/11
Breck Moore 7/11
Rosie Overmiller 7/12
Kay Georgiana 7/13
Charles Hermes 7/13
Marc Hultine 7/14
Lynne Friedewald 7/14
Jessica Allen-Pickett 7/14
Becky Foote 7/15
Duane Huber 7/16
Michelle Kerr 7/16
Bruce Day 7/17
Annie Mitchell 7/18
Sharon Reicks 7/18
May Wierenga 7/18
Charlie Sue Stout 7/20
Cathy Davis 7/21

Chris Wray 7/21
Harrison Welsch 7/22
Meg Stewart-Magee 7/22
Chelby Schlichtman 7/22
Mark Hemje 7/22
Becky Matticks 7/23
John Meeske 7/23
Grace Redinger 7/24
Dave Fisher 7/25
Don Rasmussen 7/25
Kate Hemje 7/26
Linda Johnson 7/26
Mary Lewis 7/26
Jordan Norris 7/26
Steve Illingworth 7/27
Lyndie Eddleman 7/29
Sydni Johnson 7/27
Claire Lay 7/27
Mary Seiler 7/30
Lisa Unger 7/30
Stella Adam 7/31



Christian Ed Summer Events

JUNE
24-27
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Camp Firelight
VBS

JULY AUG
27 - 3
Sr High
Go & Serve

AUG
25
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM
Sunday School
Kickoff

JUNE
2
5 PM - 7 PM
Movie Club
@ FPC

JULY
7
5 PM - 7 PM
Movie Club
@ FPC

AUG
9
8 AM - 6 PM
Jr High Zoo Trip

JUNE-
JULY
THURSDAYS
3 PM - 5 PM
Youth Group
Game time @ FPC

JUNE
28
7 PM - 9 PM
FPC Waterpark
Night

AUG
4
5 PM - 7 PM
Movie Club
@ FPC

@reallygreatsite

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SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAM

PEP BAND CONCERT

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2024 | 12 P.M.

PEACE CENTER GYM
622 N. LINCOLN AVE

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Supported by:



US-Mexico Border Music and Mission Trip



October 16-21, 2024

Please join us as we help Frontera de Cristo celebrate their 40th Anniversary as a Presbyterian Border Ministry.

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**Frontera
de
Cristo**



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fpc@fpchastings.org

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: 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