



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST SINCE 1873

## Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 18, 2024 - 10:30 am Service

PRELUDE “Capriccio (Canzona)” *Johann Jacob Freberger*  
Organist Linda Vollweiler

WELCOME Greg Allen-Pickett

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 34) Damen Jensen-Heitmann

Stand in awe of the LORD, all of you, God’s holy ones,

***For those who honor God will thrive.***

Come, O children of God, listen to me:

***We come to learn about the love of the LORD.***

Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.

***Through our worship this morning, may we depart from evil and do good. Let us learn to seek peace. Come, let us worship God!***

\*HYMN “All People That on Earth Do Dwell” 385  
Tyler Koepp, Song Leader

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.***

***We have not loved you with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.***

***In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.***

SILENT CONFESSION

How have I failed to recognize God’s awesome work in the world? How have I fallen short of the glory of God, and what can I do to get back on track?

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

***Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.***

The old life has gone; a new life has begun. In the name of Christ, we are forgiven and loved!

***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.)



Scan to sign-in and let us know you were here.

## SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

## TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rose Koeppe

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

## SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

“Open My Eyes, That I May See” (vs. 2)

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***Open my ears that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear, and while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see. Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!***

## 1<sup>ST</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Proverbs 9:9-12

## ANTHEM

“Sakura”

Faber

Vivian Fong

(The Langenberg Legacy Funds provide scholarships for children of church members to take music lessons. During the summer, those children and youth provide special music during the service as a way of giving thanks to God.)

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 111

## SERMON

“Fear” and Praise

Greg Allen-Pickett

## \*HYMN

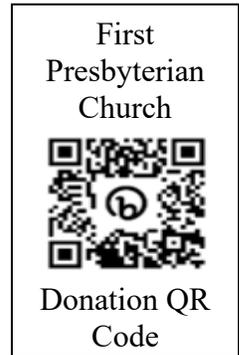
“Alleluia! Laud and Blessing”

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\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostle's Creed)

***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 at 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.***



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/>

OFFERTORY                      “I Sing the Almighty Power of God”                      *arr. Albert L. Travis*

\*DOXOLOGY                      “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”                      609

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***Generous God, we thank you for the many ways in which you have blessed us. Let us respond through these gifts and our lives. For all the goodness you have poured on us, we offer prayers of gratitude and love, as we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.***

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                                      “The Church's One Foundation”                                      321

\*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

\*CONGREGATIONAL 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

“Scherzo”

Beethoven/arr. Richard Brasier

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

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP &  
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

August 25:

9:15 Sunday School Orientation for preschool through high school families

10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary – Go and Serve Sunday

**10:30am Worship Broadcast live on Facebook at**

[www.facebook.com/fpchastings](http://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 by First Presbyterian Church.

**THE FLOWERS** are given in memory of Hal Lainson by the Lainson family.

**NURSERY** Kim Bogan

**AUGUST USHERS (Team #6)** Chanda Essink, Lynne Friedewald, Chuck Shoemaker, Steve Illingworth

**GREETERS**

AUGUST	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
18	Lori & Ted Schroeder	Todd Pankratz & Jessica Meeske
25	Jane Foote, Jean Barber	Lori & Ted Schroeder

## **Go & Serve Sunday MOVED**

Go & Serve Sunday has been moved to Sunday, August 25. If you purchased stock and would like to attend the meal, please contact the church office at 402-462-5147 or [melissa@fpchastings.org](mailto:melissa@fpchastings.org) by August 18.

## **Cub Scout Open House**

Pack 200 Cub Scouts will be holding an open house on August 29 at 7 p.m. for any children in Kindergarten through 5th grade and their adult partners that are interested in joining.



**On Sunday, August 18th  
Alice Throckmorton will be in Hastings to  
visit with friends and celebrate her 90th  
birthday. Everyone is invited to a casual  
get-together with refreshments in  
Fellowship Hall following the  
10:30 a.m. worship service.**

# 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.

The cost of the trip is \$200 per person and includes transportation via a charter bus, lodging and food for the trip.



**Frontera  
de  
Cristo**



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If you are interested please call the church office at 402-462-5147 or scan the QR code and fill out the form to let us know of your interest.



*Please pray for*

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|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| 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           |
| Bob Wolf             | Everest Beacon (Zabloudil)      |
| KyMani Riek          | Jim Boeve                       |
| Frances Kamler       | Howard Mathews                  |
| Jeni Howard          | Vicki (Fisk) Nieves             |
| Katharine Davis      | Kathy Amyot                     |
| Pam Canady           | Monte Malouf                    |
| Candice Unger        | family of Frank & Carol Medsker |
| David Hauch          | Darcie (McDonald) Brink         |

*In memory of*

- Frank Medsker, who passed away on 6/12/24
- Vernon Groves, who passed away on 7/10/24
- Carol Medsker, who passed away on 7/15/24

<b>Sunday 8/18</b>	9am	Worship in the Park	Alexander Park
	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
	11:30am	Alice Throckmorton 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Party	Fellowship Hall
<b>Monday 8/19</b>	12pm	Memorial Committee meeting	Anderson Room
	1-3pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Pres Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Center quilting room
	5:30pm	Go & Serve meeting	Parlor
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-9pm	Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal	Choir Room
<b>Tuesday 8/20</b>	10:30am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
<b>Wednesday 8/21</b>	12pm	Noonday Book Club	<a href="mailto:Sbbrooks52@gmail.com">Sbbrooks52@gmail.com</a> for link
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	5:30pm	Youth Christian Ed meeting	Fellowship Hall
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers	Basement
	6:45pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	7:30pm	Chancel Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room
<b>Thursday 8/22</b>	12:30pm	Dulcimer	HCMA Room 112
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
<b>Friday 8/23</b>	10am	Mahjong Ladies	Lydia Room
<b>Sunday 8/25</b>	9:15am-10:15am	Sunday School Kick-Off	Fellowship Hall
	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
	11:30am	Go & Serve Luncheon	Fellowship Hall

***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