



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST SINCE 1873

Growing Season October 20, 2024 - 10:30 a.m. Service

PRELUDE “Lege deine Sorgen nieder” *Sefora Nelson*
Cathedral Brass *arr. Woods*
Louie Eckhardt, trumpet, Erin Beave, trumpet, Tim Aulner, horn, Nathan LeFeber, trombone,
Dan Sodomka, tuba

WELCOME Damen Jensen-Heitmann

INTROIT “Alleluia, Alleluia” *William Byrd*
arr. Wise

*CALL TO WORSHIP *Rose Koepp*
You found us, O God.
Wherever we were, whatever we were doing,
You found us and called us here,
Asked us to be your people,
Directed us to live by Jesus the Christ,
United us through the gift of the Holy Spirit.
You dwell among us. And we live within you.
You found us, O God. And to you we offer our thanks and praise.

*OPENING HYMN “Come Sing, O Church, in Joy” 305
Organist Linda Vollweiler
Morgan O’Neill, Song Leader

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***What’s the matter, God? You don’t like the box I’ve made for you?
Perhaps it is a bit confining, but it fits so well into my life. It matches
quite nicely my preconceived notions. It mirrors clearly my
worldview. And it looks impressive on my shelf alongside my other
accoutrements. I understand that you want to shift and move and
breathe and live. I know you have other places to be. But if you don’t***

stay right there, then how will I know where you are? How will I know you are with me? How will I know that I'm not alone? Forgive me, O God, for trying to keep you in one place; limiting you to being only what I want you to be. Help me, O God, to go where you go and to be what you want me to be.

SILENT CONFESSION & CONTEMPLATION

What confines are you trying to place on God?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God is here today,
As certain as the air we breathe.
God forgives and loves us
As certainly as the rising sun.
Thanks be to 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

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

While the children are coming down, the congregation will sing “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah” #591 (refrain twice through)

Nancy Grams

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

We have gathered here, O God, in the hope of encountering a word and a meaning and a guiding light for our days. Help us to find those things. Help us to discover you. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Revelation 21:1-6

ANTHEM

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

*Matt Merker
arr. Woods*

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – 2 Samuel 7:1-16

MESSAGE

“Wherever You Lay Your Hat is My Home”

*HYMN

“Where Charity and Love Prevail”

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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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

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

“How Great Thou Art”

arr. Slechta

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We share these gifts and more with you, O God. May they be used to bring aid to the suffering, hope to the lost, and peace to all. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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

“Sinfonia No. 3”

*J.C. Bach
arr. Reece*

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

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

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

9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. Worship 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 92.7 FM

THE RADIO BROADCAST is given by First Presbyterian Church of Hastings.

THE FLOWERS are given in memory of Ruth and Hayes M. Fuhr by friends.

NURSERY Laura Kate Oliver, Kim Bogan

ACOLYTES Student Volunteers

USHERS (Team #2) Captain – Duane Huber, Steve Illingworth, Daveta Brader, Lois Hafer, Dick Brader

GREETERS

OCTOBER	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
20	Kathy & Curtis Reimer	Carolyn & Rich McKenzie
27	Marnie & Doug Soderquist	Melissa Davis

Langenberg Lesson Scholarship Applications are available on the shelf outside the Church Offices or on the Church website at:
<https://fpchastings.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Langenberg-form-Fall-2024.pdf> The deadline in November 1, 2024.



WELCOME TO THE WORLD

Baby Boy!

Avery Scott Holling

OCTOBER 8, 2024

LOVING PARENTS, ASHLEY THOMSEN AND CASEY HOLLING
GRANDPARENTS, SCOTT AND JULIE THOMSEN



WELCOME TO THE WORLD

Baby Boy!

Eli Griffin Struss

LOVING PARENTS, MELISSA & ROSS STRUSS
SIBLING, JEREMY STRUSS
GRANDPARENTS, KATHY & GAYLE STRUSS

Meal Train for the Ellerbee family

On October 8, Myste and Kevin Ellerbee welcomed their son, Neylan into the world.

Big brothers James and Lennon are excited!

Let's support the Ellerbee family by sharing some meals with them.

Below is the link to sign up to provide a meal.

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/ed3mrl/>



Please pray for



Elaine Schumacher

Carter Johnson

Tarah Davis & family

Matt Campbell

Janey Nottage-Tacey

Bob Wolf

KyMani Riek

Ken Fisk

Ashley Ibach

Carl Utley

Barry Thomson

Greg Howard

Pam Canady

family of Dave Schawang

family of Frank & Carol Medsker

U.S.- Mexico Mission Trip Participants

Kathy Carrier

Darcie (McDonald) Brink

Ken Stein

Howard Mathews

Vicki (Fisk) Nieves

David Hauch

Monte Malouf

Candice Unger

Jim Boeve



Hangin' of The Greens

Sunday,
November 24
11:30 a.m.
All are welcome!



First Presbyterian Church Presents:

PUMPKINS & PJS!

Saturday, Oct. 26th
5:30 - 8:30 PM



All students 3yrs - 5th grade are welcome!
Please register so we have an accurate count for food.

KIDS WILL:

- LEARN ABOUT SAMUEL'S CALL
- LEARN THAT GOD CHOOSES THEM!
- HAVE A YUMMY DINNER
- MAKE CRAFTS
- PLAY GAMES
- DO SCIENCE EXPERIEMENTS

3 HOURS
FOR PARENTS TO GO ON A
DATE, BINGE A NETFLIX
SHOW, GO GROCERY
SHOPPING, ETC.!

For Questions, email rose@fpchastings.org or call the office at (402) 462-5147



Would you like to be more involved in the church and help us be a community of hope and love? The nominating committee of First Presbyterian Church will be meeting in November to find our new class of church officers in 2025 which includes elders, deacons, and trustees. If you think God might be calling you to serve in a leadership role at the church, please reach out to the church office or the nominating committee chair, Robin Koozer by November 2.



CROP HUNGER WALK
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



Thank you for your donation towards the Hastings CROP Walk held October 13, 2024, a beautiful day. So far, First Presbyterian Church of Hastings has raised \$1,200 for a combined total from the walk being close to \$6,000.

We honored the late Frank Medsker and his family. Frank participated each year since CROP Hunger Walk started and donated his age in dollars.

Money is still being collected. With your donation we are able to make a better contribution to CHURCH WORLD SERVICES, providing food, cleaner water, and help educate those in need throughout the world. The many devastating tragedies have made us aware of the need and help the Church World Services to provide worldwide with our donations.

25% of our Hastings walk will go to Open Table in Hastings.

Thank you,
Sponsored by Church Women United of Hastings and Juniata area.



Academic Dean
Dr. Wayne Riggs
Hastings College
Sunday
Forum
9:15
Oct. 27

Upcoming Forums

Ashes to Ashes: Christian Cremation
Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Prayer Garden & Collumbarium
John Pershing
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Sunday 10/20	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
		<i>NO Sunday School</i>	
	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
Monday 10/21	1-3pm	1 st Pres Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	5:30pm	Go & Serve meeting	TBD
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-9pm	Chorus of the Plains	Choir Room
Tuesday 10/22	10:30am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	11:45am	Habitat for Humanity Board Meeting	PEACE NW Classroom
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	7-8pm	CCC Dog Obedience	PEACE NE Classroom
Wednesday 10/23	12-1pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	5-7:15pm	PreK-12 th grade WNL	various
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers	basement
	6:45pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
	7:30pm	Chancel Bells	Bell Room
Thursday 10/24	12:30pm	Dulcimer	HCMA Room 112
	5:30pm	Session Meets	Anderson Room
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-8pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 10/25	10am	Mahjong	Basement Youth Room
Saturday 10/26	5:30pm	Pumpkins and PJs	Fellowship Hall
Sunday 10/27		<i>Hastings College Sunday</i>	
	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
	9:15am	Sunday School for all ages	Various
	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
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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 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