



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST SINCE 1873

Growing Season November 17, 2024 - 10:30 am Service

PRELUDE	“How Great Thou Art” Organist Linda Vollweiler	<i>arr. Albert Zabel</i>
WELCOME		Damen Jensen-Heitmann
INTROIT	“Breathe on Me Breath of God” Praise Bell Choir, Director Susan Oliver	
THE WORD OF THE LORD CALLED TO US		Greg Allen-Pickett
*CALL TO WORSHIP	You found us, O God, <i>Wherever we were, whatever we were doing.</i> You found us and called us here, <i>Asked us to be your people,</i> Directed us to live by Jesus the Christ, <i>United us through the gift of the Holy Spirit.</i> You dwell among us. And we live within you. <i>You found us, O God. And to you we offer our thanks and praise.</i>	Border Participant
*OPENING HYMN	“Holy God, We Praise Your Name” (Verses 1-3)	4
ON BEING CALLED		Border Participant
CALL TO CONFESSION		

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In the temple, Isaiah was overwhelmed with your presence, O God. But we are pretty full already. We may not have space in our lives to be overwhelmed by anything other than our schedules, our wealth, and our opinions. Isaiah heard your call, and it grabbed his heart. We listen for your voice, but it is hard to hear over the refrains that so often sing of the false joy of self-satisfaction and self-righteousness. Forgive us, O God, for the times we fail to hear or respond to your voice.

SILENT CONFESSION & CONTEMPLATION

What space and silence do you leave for the presence and voice of God?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God will call,
Again and again.
God forgives,
Now and always.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

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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

A TIME WITH CHILDREN –

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah - 591

Rose Koepp

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

In these holy words, O God, may we find truth for our lives, hope for our hearts, and sustenance for our journeys. Amen

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 5:8-10

Border Participant

ANTHEM

“Wherever I May Wander”

Ann B. Snow

Praise and Alleluia Choir, Director Teresa Canady; Mary Plock, piano

Wherever I may wander,
Wherever I may be
I'm certain of my Makes love;
God's care is over me
God made the great high mountain,
And made the wide blue sea
God made the sky where airplanes fly;
God made the world and me.

Throughout the whole creation
I see God's loving care
For everyone in every land,
God's children everywhere.
Wherever I may wander,
Wherever I may be,
I'm certain of my Makes love,
God's care is over me

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – Isaiah 6:1-8

MESSAGE

“Brief Thoughts on Calling”

*HYMN

“Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak”

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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.

WHAT WAS OFFERED AND WHAT WAS RECEIVED

Border Participant

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

Bell Peal on “Holy, Holy, Holy”
Alleluia Bell Choir, Director Susan Oliver

John Dykes/arr. Linda Lamb

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***To this time and to this moment, we bring our very selves.
Responding to your call, O God, we seek to be aid to the suffering,
hope to the lost, and peace for 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.***

***SENDING SONG**

**“Creation Will Be at Peace”
U.S.-Mexico Border Choir, Director Tyler Koeppe**

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

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

Michael Gagne

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

**8:30 Contemplative Worship in the Chapel
9:15 Sunday School for all ages!
10:30am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary**

**10:30am 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 92.7FM*

THE RADIO BROADCAST is given in memory of Willard and Della Stein by the Stein family.

THE FLOWERS are given in memory of Libby and Elmer Glenn by family.

NURSERY Peyton Mitchell, Kim Bogan

ACOLYTES Harrison Welsch, Raegan Welsch

USHERS (Team #3) Captain – Dave Fisher, Andrew Barrows, Phil Odom, Doug Soderquist

GREETERS

November	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
17	May & Ira Wierenga	Sue Medsker
24	Jane & Chuck Bauer	Erica & Brent Brooks

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/>

Meal Train for the Struss family

On October 16, Melissa and Ross Struss welcomed their son Eli. Let's support the Struss family by sharing some meals with them.

<https://mealtrain.com/vogmgz>

Company and Food Needed for Lonely HC Students

Every year, we know that some students stay at Hastings College for Winter break. HC's Dr. Amanda Solem was fortunate to receive an Innovation Grant to help make sure no one is lonely for the whole break and to foster fellowship between HC and the First Presbyterian Church. Often, Student Engagement has worked with 10-15 students to support them during the break, but we would like to have room for up to 30 if needed. We know that our students are often missing home cooking and feeling part of a community. Part of the funding will go towards a main dish and tableware for potluck meals on campus with students, and we hope you will join us! We realize many of you will probably want to spend time with your own family on the holidays, so we've chosen holiday-adjacent dates:

12/26 – 12-2 p.m. the day after Christmas at Daugherty Center

12/31 – 2-4 p.m. New Year's Eve afternoon for an appetizer potluck at Daugherty Center.

For the Christmas-adjacent meal, we'd love to have salads, sides, and desserts. For the New Year's potluck, appetizers are welcome.

Hangings of The Greens

Sunday,
November 24
11:30 a.m.

All are welcome!



Sunday 11/17	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
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
Monday 11/18	12pm-1pm	Memorial Committee	Anderson Room
	1pm-3pm	1 st Pres Pickleball	PEACE gym
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	5:30pm	Go & Serve Meeting	Parlor
	6pm-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7pm-9pm	Chorus of the Plains	Choir Room
Tuesday 11/19	10:30am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	7pm-8pm	CCC Dog Obedience	PEACE NE Classroom
Wednesday 11/20	9:30am	PW Circles 1 & 2	
	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	1:15pm	PW Circle 3	
	5pm-7:15pm	PreK-12 th WNL	various
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers Meet	Basement
	6:45pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
	7:30pm	Chancel Bells	Bell Room
Thursday 11/21	12:30pm	Dulcimer	HCMA Room 112
	5:30pm	Session Meets	Anderson Room
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 11/22	10am	Mahjong	Basement Youth Room
Saturday 11/23	2pm	Eleanor Jorgenson Funeral Service	Sanctuary
Sunday 11/24	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
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CWS Presbyterian Women

Hurricane Helene Relief Drive

The last day to donate supplies or monetary donations for the Presbyterian Women Hurricane Helene Relief Drive will be Sunday, November 17.



Hands Around the World Christmas Open House

**Saturday, December 7
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Come check out our new items from SERRV, new shipment of coffee, Christmas decorations, etc.

Please remember your purchase also helps our local mission partner United Harvest, to whom we donate monthly.

Please pray for

Elaine Schumacher	Ashley Ibach
Carter Johnson	Carl Utley
Tarah Davis & family	Barry Thomson
Matt Campbell	Greg Howard
Janey Nottage-Tacey	Pam Canady
Bob Wolf	Kathy Carrier
KyMani Riek	family of Eleanor Jorgenson
Ken Fisk	Darcie (McDonald) Brink
Howard Mathews	David Hauch
Vicki (Fisk) Nieves	Monte Malouf
Jim Boeve	Eli Struss
Candice Unger	family of Ken Stein
Wade Giesler	John Pershing
Janelle Baideme	Gary Grummert

In memory of

Ken Stein, who passed away on 10/30/24
Eleanor Jorgenson, who passed away on 11/8/24



POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias may be purchased in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The cost is \$15 each. Money raised over the cost will be donated to Heartland Health Center.

Heartland Health Center has begun providing medical care at 223 E. 14th Street in Hastings. Improving health outcomes for all people in Central Nebraska, Heartland Health Center accepts uninsured, insured, Medicaid, and Medicare patients. Services are paid using a sliding fee scale to reduce costs. Next steps are in the plan to provide dental care and behavioral health.

Your donation makes a difference. *Please return your order form to the church office as soon as possible.*

Poinsettia in memory of:

Poinsettia in honor of:

Given by: _____

I will take my poinsettia home after the Christmas Eve services: Yes No

I will leave my poinsettia at the church: Yes No



UPCOMING FORUMS SUNDAYS - 9:15 A.M. - LYDIA ROOM



NOVEMBER 26

“While By Their Flocks: A Christmas Pageant Preview”
Led by Hannah Jensen-Heitmann & Rose Koepf

DECEMBER 1

No Forum - Thanksgiving

DECEMBER 8

“Hope and Humility in Jesus’ Birth”
Led by Dan Deffenbaugh

DECEMBER 15

“Hope and Humility in Jesus’ Birth”
Led by Dan Deffenbaugh

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