

Like the woman with the alabaster jar in the Gospel of Luke, may we lay all that we are and all that we have at your feet, trusting in your forgiving, steadfast love.

SILENT CONFESSION

Jesus promises us forgiveness. How can we open ourselves up to that promise?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Beloved children, Jesus said to the woman with the alabaster jar,
“Your sins are forgiven.”

Hear his words for yourselves, and take them into your heart and soul. In Christ, you are forgiven and loved.

Thanks be to God! 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

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

Nancy Grams

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

May your Holy Word challenge us. May it help us see the difference between the values that the world teaches us and the values that Jesus teaches us. May your word bring the comfort of God’s presence and speak to us of your grace and forgiveness. Let Your Word take root in our hearts, that we may grow in faith. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 7:36-43

ANTHEM

“The Lamb”

Mark Patterson

Praise and Alleluia Choir

Teresa Canady, Director; Mary Plock, Accompanist

Little Lamb, who made thee?
Dost thou know who made thee?

he is called by thy name,
for he calls himself a lamb,
he is meek and he is mild;
he became a little child.
I a child and thou a lamb,
we are called by his name.

Give thee life and bid thee feed,
by the stream and o'er the mead,
give thee clothing of delight,
softest clothing wooly bright,
give thee such a tender voice,
making all the vales rejoice?

Little Lamb, God bless thee!
Little Lamb, God bless thee!
Little Lamb, God bless thee!
little Lamb, God bless thee.

Little Lamb, who made thee?
Dost thou know who made thee?

Little Lamb I'll tell thee!
Little Lamb I'll tell thee:

2nd SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 7:44-50

SERMON

Forgiven at Jesus' feet

Greg Allen-Pickett

Part of the Winter Sermon Series “Jesus is Making Waves”

*HYMN

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From the Presbyterian Church “Brief Statement of Faith”)

In life and in death, we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

***preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.***

OFFERING OF GIFTS

(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

“Have Thine Own Way Lord”

arr. Diane Bish

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, through the abundance of your steadfast love, we are able to come into your house with gratitude and praise.

Accept our gifts: our money, our time, our very selves.

May they help forge your beloved community here on earth. 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

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

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This setting expands and enhances the thematic inclusiveness of an early 20th-century text by adapting the melody of a traditional spiritual to carry these words. This 1940 pairing marked the first use of African American musical material in a mainline North American hymnal.

*BENEDICTION 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

"Ellacombe"

arr. Travis

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

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

8:30 Contemplative Worship Service in the Chapel with Communion

9:15 Sunday School for All Ages!

10:30am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary with Communion

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 Michele L. Northrop by the Northrop family.

THE FLOWERS are given in memory of Mrs. Besse Byrne Foote, Mrs. Gwendolyn Foote Beck, Dr. and Mrs. E.C. Foote, Dr. and Mrs. E.C. Foote, Jr.

NURSERY Kim Bogan, Esther Allen-Pickett

ACOLYTE Vivian Fong

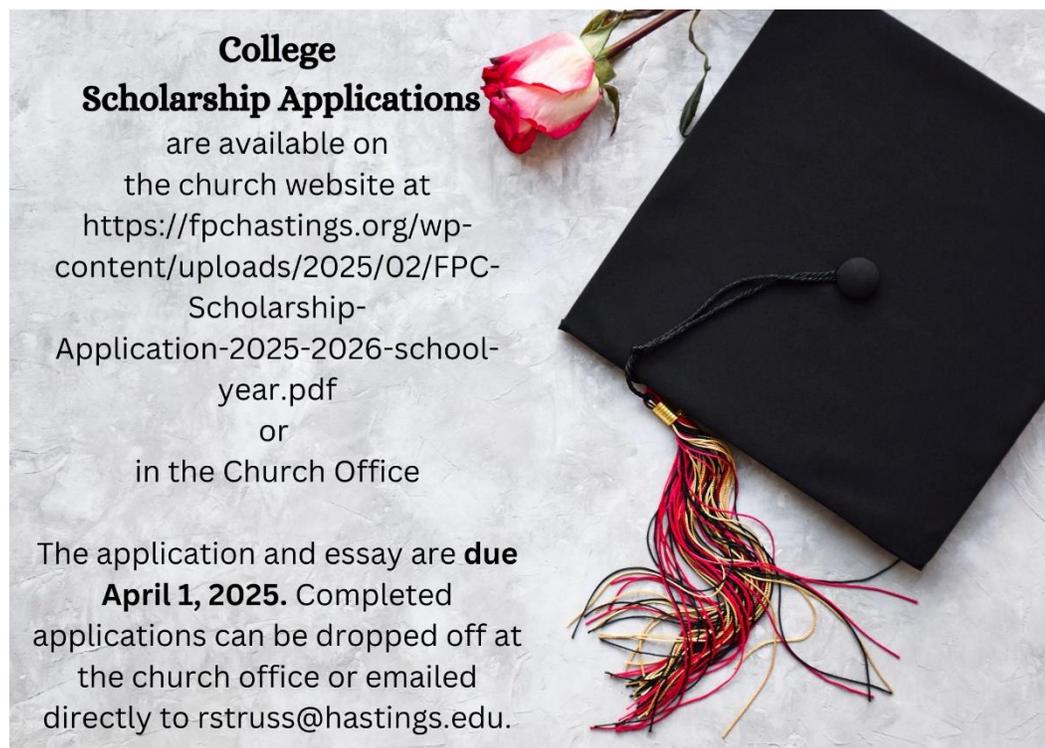
USHERS (Team #6) Chanda Essink, Lynne Friedewald, Chuck Shoemaker

GREETERS

February	Memorial Room	Narthex
23	Bonnie & Kenton Grams	Mary Fisk

March Ushers (Team 1) Captain – Chuck Hastings, Elaine Specht, Kim Creech

March Greeters	Memorial Room	Narthex
2	May & Ira Wierenga	Katharine Davis
9	Gifts of Women Sunday	Gifts of Women Sunday
16	Margaret & Charles Hermes	Sue Medsker
23	Kathy Utter	Melissa Davis
30	Clyde Sachtleben & Carolyn Nowka	Volunteers Needed



**College
Scholarship Applications**
are available on
the church website at
<https://fpchastings.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/FPC-Scholarship-Application-2025-2026-school-year.pdf>
or
in the Church Office

The application and essay are **due April 1, 2025**. Completed applications can be dropped off at the church office or emailed directly to rstruss@hastings.edu.

LANGENBERG LESSON SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM was established to encourage the youth of our church in their musical pursuits through the generosity of the late Luella Langenberg.

- Parents of students in grades 1-12 may apply for up to \$250 per semester to offset the cost of private music instruction. Grants are limited to one per child.
- Areas of study include piano, voice, guitar, or any band/orchestral instrument.
- Parents must be members of First Presbyterian Church, and students must be active participants in the church choir/music program.

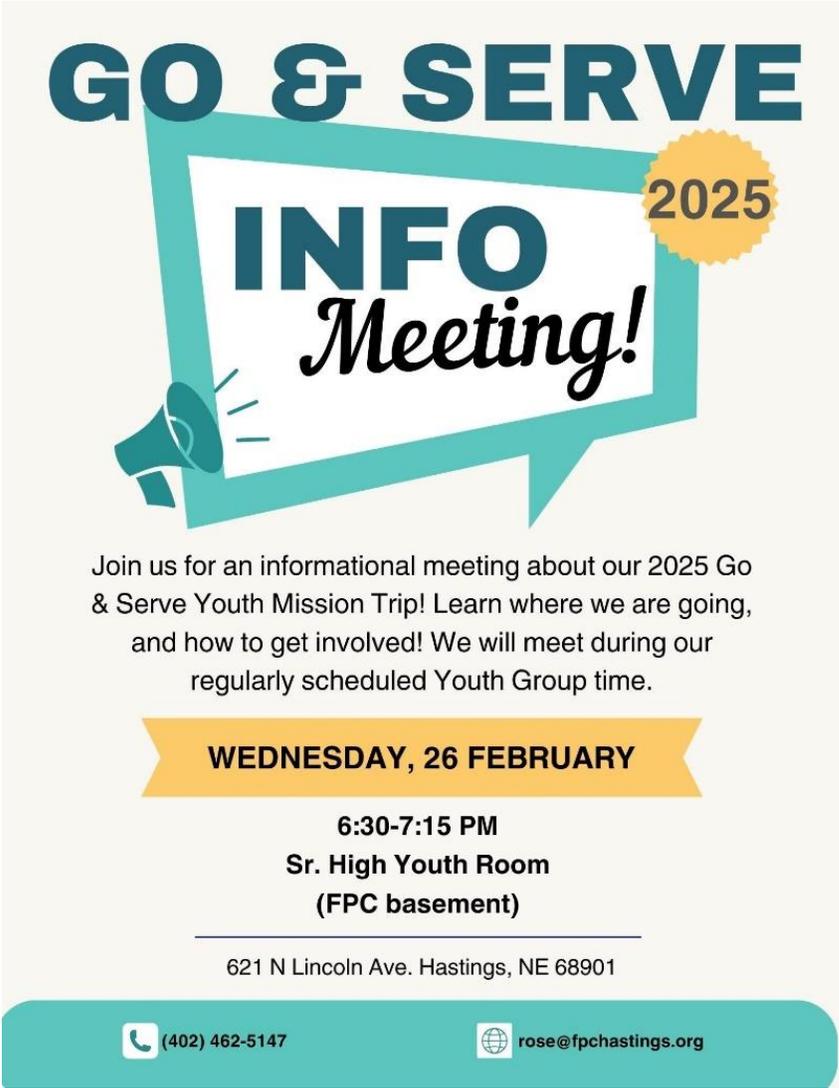
Application forms are available in the church office and on the church website.

• *DEADLINE FOR THE Spring 2025 GRANT PROGRAM IS April 1, 2025.*

• **GRANTS ARE RENEWABLE; PARENTS MUST RE-APPLY EACH SEMESTER.**

Applications are available on the shelf outside the Church Offices or on the Church website at:

<https://fpchastings.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Langenberg-form-Spring-2025.pdf>



GO & SERVE

INFO Meeting! 2025

Join us for an informational meeting about our 2025 Go & Serve Youth Mission Trip! Learn where we are going, and how to get involved! We will meet during our regularly scheduled Youth Group time.

WEDNESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY

6:30-7:15 PM
Sr. High Youth Room
(FPC basement)

621 N Lincoln Ave. Hastings, NE 68901

 (402) 462-5147  rose@fpchastings.org



**Two Months of
Sacred Music at
First Presbyterian
Church of Hastings**



March 2025

Sunday, March 2, 10:30am:

Cathedral Brass

Ash Wednesday, March 5, 7pm:

Chancel Choir & Bells

Sunday, March 9, 10:30am:

Women's Choir and String Quartet

Sunday, March 16, 10:30am:

Men's Choir singing "De Profundis"

Sunday, March 23, 10:30am:

Children's Choir and Bells

Sunday, March 30, 10:30am:

Youth Choir

April 2025

Sunday, April 6, 10:30am:

Nebraska Festival Singers

Palm Sunday, April 13, 10:30am:

Children and Youth Choirs

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 7pm:

Chancel Choir

Good Friday, April 18, 7pm:

Contemplative Worship

Easter Sunday, April 20, 10:30am:

Chancel Choir and Cathedral Brass

Sunday, April 27, 10:30am:

Bach Cantata & Chamber Orchestra

**ASH
WEDNESDAY
SERVICE**



3/5/2025

7 PM

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SANCTUARY**

Please pray for

Elaine Schumacher

Carter Johnson

Tarah Davis & family

Matt Campbell

Janey Nottage-Tacey

Bob Wolf

KyMani Riek

Ken Fisk

Howard Mathews

Vicki (Fisk) Nieves

Janelle Baideme

Bill Anderson

Willis Horton

Jim Boeve

Candice Unger

Nytha & Dave Glass

Carl Utley

Barry Thomson

Greg Howard

Pam Canady

Kathy (Adams) Carrier

family of Eleanor Jorgenson

Darcie (McDonald) Brink

David Hauch

Monte Malouf

Eli Struss

Louie Eckhardt and family

family of Wayne Ganow

Carole Pedersen

Lexi Longshore

Ashley Ibach

family of Jane Johnson

John Pershing

family of Pat Kleiber

Judd Carrier

Jane Tushaus

Charlene Cebell

Linda Carllson and family

Bev Stein

In memory of

Pat Kleiber, who passed

away on 12/27/24

Wayne Ganow, who passed

away on 1/17/25

Jane Johnson, who passed

away on 2/11/25

The South Heartland District Health Department is pleased to offer **FREE** workshops options to support efforts to strengthen adolescent digital wellbeing. Erin Walsh, M.A., from Spark & Stitch Institute, will explain brain science and research related to child and adolescent development. Erin uses easy-to-understand language and will cut through conflicting Information about kids and technology.

Erin Walsh's workshops are designed for anyone who strives to enrich the lives of youth of all ages.

The workshops options are listed below:

iBrain: Learning in the Age of Distractions

Educator Workshop, Ideal for all Types of Educators

4:00 - 5:30pm, Thursday, April 10th, Hastings City Auditorium, 400 N Hastings Ave, Hastings, NE

It's Complicated: Kids, Teens, Screens, and Mental Health

Community Keynote, For Parents and Youth Serving Professionals

6:30 - 8:00pm, Thursday, April 10th, Hastings City Auditorium, 400 N Hastings Ave, Hastings, NE

Status Update: Adolescents, Technology, and Mental Health

Professional Development Workshop for Mental Health Professionals and Youth Workers

10:00 - 12:00pm, Friday, April 11th, YWCA Adams County, 2525 West 2nd Street, Hastings, NE

The complete workshop flier and registration can be found attached or at: <https://tinyurl.com/y5ksft7a>. Please pass this information on to the appropriate staff, community members, parents, and grandparents in your area! If there is anyone that you would like me to send this information to, please let me know.

For more information or if you have any questions, contact me, Chris Junker at South Heartland District Health Department, 402-462-6211, chris.junker@shdhd.ne.gov.



Meal Train for the Overmiller family

On February 12, Lauren & Matt Overmiller welcomed their daughter, Bliss into the world. Siblings Rosie & Hal are excited! Let's support the Overmiller family by sharing some meals with them. Please visit the website below to sign-up!

<https://mealtrain.com/539qrr>

Sunday 2/23	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 2/24	9am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	1-3pm	1 st Pres Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	6-9pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-9pm	Chorus of the Plains	Choir Room
Tuesday 2/25	1030am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	11:45am	Habitat for Humanity Board Meeting	Middle School Youth Room
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	6-9pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	7pm	CCC Dog Obedience	PEACE NE Classroom
Wednesday 2/26	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	1-3pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	5-7:15pm	Pre-K-12 th Grade WNL	Various
	6:30pm	Go & Serve Informational Meeting	Sr. High Youth Room
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers Meet	Basement
	6:45pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
	7:30pm	Chancel Bells	Bell Room
	Thursday 2/27	12:30pm	Dulcimer
6-8pm		Hastings Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
6-9pm		Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
7pm		Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 2/28	9am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	10am	Mahjong Ladies	Basement Youth Room
Saturday 3/1	1-3pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
Sunday 3/2	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

UPCOMING FORUMS

**9:15 a.m.
Lydia Room**

**FEB 16 - MARCH 2 - ADVENT
IMPACT: HOW WHAT WE
COLLECTED MAKES A
DIFFERENCE**

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HASTINGS CITY AUDITORIUM

FEBRUARY 28TH | 6:45 PM - 11:00 PM

(DOORS OPEN @ 6:00 PM)

MARCH 1ST | 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Bringing Hastings, Nebraska together to lift high the name of Jesus as the Global Church gathers like never before! Every continent. Every denomination. Together across 25 hours.

EVENT DETAILS

- This is a free, open house event. All ages are welcome & you can come and go as you please.
- The main community gathering will be Friday, February 28th at 6:45 PM with doors opening at 6:00 PM and the live music starting at 6:15 PM.
- Concessions will be available both Friday and Saturday

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

- Email gatherhastings@gmail.com or message the Gather 25 Hastings Facebook page with questions.

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Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... and remember I am with you always, to the end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20

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