



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST SINCE 1873

## March 2, 2025 - 10:30 a.m. Service

PRELUDE

“Duxbury Fanfare”

*Lauren Bernofsky*

Cathedral Brass Quintet

Erin Beave, trumpet; Maria DeBoer, trumpet; Amy Schneider, horn;  
Nathan LeFeber, trombone; Dan Sodomka, tuba

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Psalm 138)

Rose Koepp

We give you thanks, O LORD, with our whole hearts;

***Before you God, we sing your praises!***

We bow down in your holy temple;

***We give thanks for your steadfast love and your faithfulness!***

On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

***Great is the glory of the LORD.***

For though the LORD is high, God regards the lowly.

***Though we may walk in the midst of trouble,***

You preserve us, you deliver us.

***The LORD will help us fulfill our purpose;***

Your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.

***Come, let us worship God, whose love endures forever!***

\*HYMN

“Great God of Every Blessing”

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Organist Linda Vollweiler

Tyler Koepp, Song Leader

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Gracious and Loving God, you invite us to pray, to stay in constant conversation with you, yet we confess that we do not always accept that invitation. You have even taught us to pray, and we ignore your teachings. When life is easy, we forget to give thanks. When life is hard, we turn inward instead of turning to you. In our frustration,***

***we seek control instead of seeking your presence. Forgive us, O God, for the times we have neglected prayer. Renew our hearts, remind us of your nearness, and teach us to pray in all things, trusting that you hear us and that You are always at work for our good. In the name of Jesus Christ, who intercedes for us, we pray.***

QUESTION AND SILENT CONFESSION

*How can I come to God in prayer in all things?*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Beloved in Christ, even when we forget to pray,

***God never forgets us.***

Even when we turn away,

***God's love remains steadfast.***

Hear the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and always welcomed back into God's presence.

***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.)



SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

***As your word is read and proclaimed, let us perceive it beyond hearing, understand it beyond knowing, and cherish it beyond loving. Amen.***

1<sup>st</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Philippians 4:4-7 & Romans 8:26-27

ANTHEM

"Canzona per Sonare II"

*Gabrieli*

2<sup>nd</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Luke 11:1-10

SERMON

*"Jesus invites us to pray"*

Greg Allen-Pickett

Winter Sermon Series: ***Jesus is Making Waves***

\*HYMN

"Seek Ye First"

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## 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

“when the clouds break”

Cait Nishimura

## \*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***Accept these gifts, O God. We offer them in thanksgiving for the gift of grace you have given us. May they bring hope to the suffering, peace to the lost, and joy to all. May they be used to further your work in the world. Amen.***

## INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

***And also, with you.***

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

### 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.***

### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

***God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, and you have made us one with all your people. We are one in Christ! Amen.***

## \*HYMN

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

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## \*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**

**“My Spirit Be Joyful”**

*Bach/arr. Herforth*

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

**THE RADIO BROADCAST** is given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Geyerman by family.

**THE FLOWERS** are given in memory of Rose and Robert Ryan and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Geyerman.

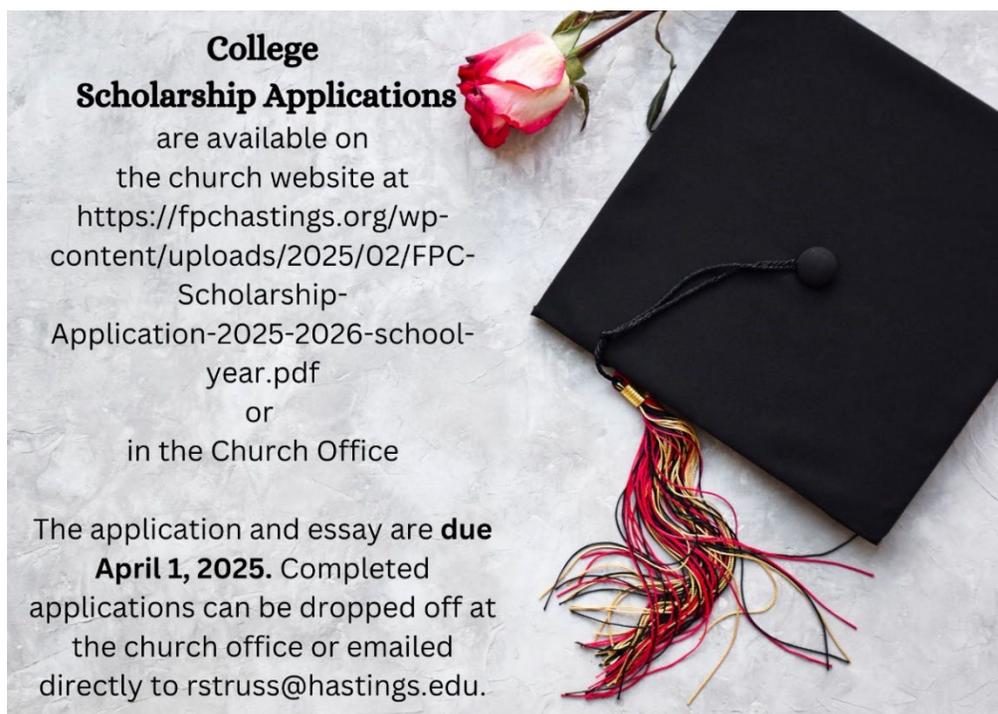
**NURSERY** Kim Bogan, Rachel Guiai

**ACOLYTES** Student Volunteers

**USHERS (Team 1)** Captain – Chuck Hastings, Elaine Specht, Kim Creech

**GREETERS**

March	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](mailto:rstruss@hastings.edu).

## 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

Willis Horton

Jim Boeve

Candice Unger

Nytha & Dave Glass

Bev Stein

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

Doug Rasmussen

Judd Carrier

Jane Tushaus

Charlene Cebell

Linda Carllson and family

Kim Hermann and family

Karla Malouf and family

Mary Lewis

## In memory of

Wayne Ganow, who passed

away on 1/17/25

Jane Johnson, who passed

away on 2/11/25



**enCourage**  
ADVOCACY CENTER

## March Communion Offering

### enCourage Community Safety Team

“The Community Safety Team is a local team working to better protect and support our local immigrant community members. We want to be prepared in case of large-scale immigration enforcement actions. This is being done in partnership with a larger statewide effort led by Nebraska Children and Families Foundation, Nebraska Appleseed, and the Center for Rural Affairs. We're also coordinating closely with the Multicultural Coalition based in Grand Island.” -*Jo Bair*

The goal of these meetings reflects those of the statewide meetings:

- Organize local and statewide networks, resources, and volunteers to plan for the safety of immigrant community members and rapidly respond with necessary supports in the event of large-scale immigration enforcement actions (such as workplace raids or mass detention events) or anti-immigrant hate crimes/incidents.
- Intentional non-public scenario response planning to protect the privacy and safety of community members
- Locally led, strength-based approach
- Map local community resources and identify gaps in services where statewide agencies or new fundraising efforts could assist

**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!

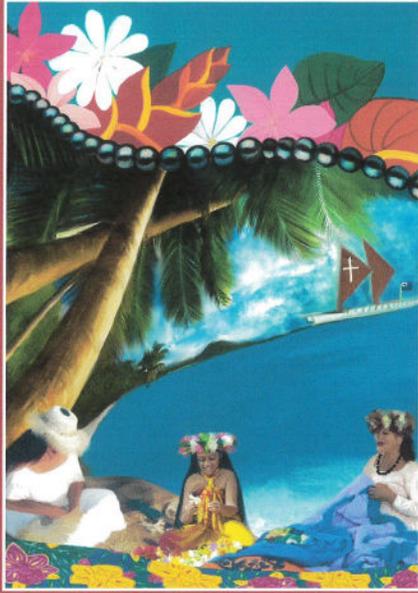
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**ASH  
WEDNESDAY  
SERVICE**



**3/5/2025  
7:15 PM**

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SANCTUARY**



**2025** 

**World Day  
of Prayer**

*“I Made You Wonderful”  
Psalm 139:14*

Artwork: “Wonderfully Made”  
by Tarani Napa and Tevairangi Napa



Program written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of the Cook Islands for WDP 2025. World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice.

**All Are Welcome!** Date: March 7, 2025 Time: 9:30 am-Coffee/Fellowship  
10:00 am-Service

Venue: Salvation Army, 400 S Burlington Ave, Hastings NE

Speaker: Captain Irvine

You are invited to join us in worship & fellowship.

Contact: Salvation Army Phone Number: 402-463-0529

**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>



## 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

<b>Sunday 3/2</b>	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
<b>Monday 3/3</b>	9am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	1pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Pres Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	2pm	William Anderson's Memorial Service	Sanctuary
	6pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-9pm	Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal	Choir Room
<b>Tuesday 3/4</b>	10:30am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	United Harvest Board Meeting	PEACE NW Classroom
	6pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	7pm	CCC Dog Obedience	PEACE NE Classroom
<b>Wednesday 3/5</b>	11-11:45am	PW Coord Team	Parlor
	11:45am	PW Program/Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
	12pm	Noonday Book Club	<a href="mailto:Sbbrooks52@gmail.com">Sbbrooks52@gmail.com</a> for link
	1pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	5pm-7pm	PreK-12 <sup>th</sup> grade WNL	Various
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers	Basement
	7:15pm	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
<b>Thursday 3/6</b>	12:30pm	Dulcimer	HCMA Room 112
	5:30pm	Youth Christian Ed Meeting	Fellowship Hall
	5:30pm	Global Mission Committee	PEACE NW Classroom
	6pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
<b>Friday 3/7</b>	9am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	10am	Mahjong Ladies	Basement Youth Room
<b>Saturday 3/8</b>	1-3pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
<b>Sunday 3/9</b>	<i>Gifts of Women Sunday</i>		
	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
	<b>No Sunday School</b>		
	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library

**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