

## Sixth Sunday of Easter May 25, 2025 - 10:30 am Service

**PRELUDE** 

"Morning Has Broken"
"Pastoral Dance on Morning Has Broken"
Organist Linda Vollweiler

arr. Mark Hayes Andrew Clarke

WELCOME Greg Allen-Pickett

INTROIT "Biblical Song #10" Dvořák

Nathan Jensen Linda Vollweiler, piano

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 136)

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

God leads us through wilderness and promises to always be with us.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

God has claimed us, named us, and made us one in Christ through the waters of baptism.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Come, let us worship the God who is with us always,

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

\*HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Nathan Jensen, song leader

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CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and ever-present God, you have called us to new life through the waters of baptism, yet we confess that we often live as though we have forgotten who we are. We allow our differences to divide us rather than seeking the unity you give us in Christ. We cling to fear, though Christ has promised to be with us always. We fail to love as you have first loved us. Wash us again in your mercy, O God. Renew us by your Spirit, that we might rise to walk in newness of life, proclaiming your love, making disciples, and living as one family in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### SILENT CONFESSION

How have I failed to embrace God's steadfast presence? How can I embrace God's grace poured out to me?

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: In Christ, we are offered new life and called to love.

We belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

In Christ there is no longer Jew or Greek, slave or free, male and female—

For we are all one in Christ Jesus.

In the name of the risen Christ, we are forgiven, we are beloved, and we are made new!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory to God"

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#### \*PEACE OF CHRIST

**BAPTISM** 

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



us know you were here.

David Jensen-Heitmann

Parents: Damen and Hannah Jensen-Heitmann

(While the family is coming up for the baptism, the congregation will sing, "Jesus Loves Me.")

## BAPTISM QUESTION FOR THE CONGREGATION

Through the act of baptism, this child will be received into Christ's church, and we all have a role in his nurture. To that end, I ask the congregation, do you promise, with God's help, to support and pray for this child and his parents? And, do you promise to love this child and to assist him in becoming a faithful follower of Jesus Christ? If so, please respond by saying say, "We do." **We Do.** 

## \*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 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.

**BAPTISM SONG** 

"God Claims You"

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of water and Word, your Spirit hovered over the deep and spoke light into darkness. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us again. Speak to us through scripture, that we may be formed as one body, rooted in your love and sent forth in your name. In Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

1<sup>ST</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Matthew 28:16-20

Rachel Cunningham, Anna Griggs, Doyle Hanshaw, Sean Heitmann, Nathan Jensen,

"A Blessing"

Damen Jensen-Heitmann, Dana Miller, Summer Postlewait

Under the starlight,

I sit quietly.

ANTHEM

And thank God for listening,

For bringing you to me.

And each time we part,

With all my heart

I pray you will always be

A blessing to others

Like you are to me.

You are;

A walking miracle

Covered in a robe of love,

More than enough.

You are;

Strong and gentle,

Made of the moon and the sun

A child of God,

My love.

Under the sunlight I see beauty, harmony In all things, with all life

I'm not lonely

There is light in me.

So if the world feels dark,

Hannah Jensen-Heitmann

Ignite your spark

Then you will always be

A blessing to others Like you are to me.

You are;

A walking miracle

Covered in a robe of love,

More than enough.

You are:

Bold and peaceful

Always and forever one

Great child of God,

My love.

Walking miracle You are, you are

Strong and gentle, moon and sun

Bold and peaceful, my love

More than enough

A child of God.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> SCRIPTURE READING – Galatians 3:26-29

SERMON "And remember I'm with you always..."

Greg Allen-Pickett

\*HYMN

"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"

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Donation OR

**OFFERING** 

(All loose coins in the offering plate will be donated to the PC(USA) Hunger Fund.)

**OFFERTORY** 

"Biblical Song #5"

Dvořák

\*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Faithful God, you have claimed us in the waters of baptism and commissioned us to share your love with the world. We offer these gifts—our time, our treasure, our lives— as signs of our gratitude and our hope. Use them and use us to build up your kingdom of justice, peace, and unity, in the name of the One who is always with us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE 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

"We All Are One in Mission"

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#### \*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "We Are the Church"

Avery & Marsh

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** 

"Grand Chorus in F"

Cesar Franck arr. Donald Hustad

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

# JOIN US FOR WORSHIP AS WE CONTINUE THE SEASON OF EASTER & INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS

## Sunday, June 1: 10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary with the celebration of communion!

Stay-at-Home: Broadcast live on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/fpchastings">www.facebook.com/fpchastings</a> (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 of Hastings.

**THE FLOWERS** are given in memory of Florence and George Root, in memory of Jane Kuehn McCollum by family, and also in memory of Robert Smith by Sally Smith.

**ACOLYTES** Student Volunteers

**NURSERY** Kim Bogan

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

## **GREETERS**

May	Memorial Room	Narthex	
25	Jane & Chuck Bauer	Sue Medsker	

June Ushers (Team #4) Captain – George Howard, Susie Graham, Dixie McDonald, Gale McDonald

## **June Greeters**

June Greeters	Memorial Room	Narthex	
1	Connie & Richard McClenahan	Andrew Barrows	
8	May & Ira Wierenga	Kim Hermann	
15	Brent & Erica Brooks	Carol & Jim Harrenstein	
22	John & Linda Carllson	Melissa Davis	
29	Karen & Roger Doerr	Volunteers Needed	

Sunday 5/25	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
Monday 5/26		Church Offices Closed-Memorial Day	
Tuesday 5/27	10:30am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	11:45am	Habitat for Humanity Board	Room 202
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	7pm	CCC Dog Obedience	PEACE NE Classroom
Wednesday	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for
5/28			link
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers Meet	Basement
Thursday 5/29	12:30pm	Dulcimer	HCMA Room 112
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-8pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Friday 5/30	10am	Mahjong Ladies	Basement Youth Room
	5pm	Health Department Meeting	Fellowship Hall
Sunday 6/1	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
	5-7pm	Elementary Movie Club	Basement Youth Room



#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

PRESENTS



## Daniel Christian

Saturday, June 7, 2025



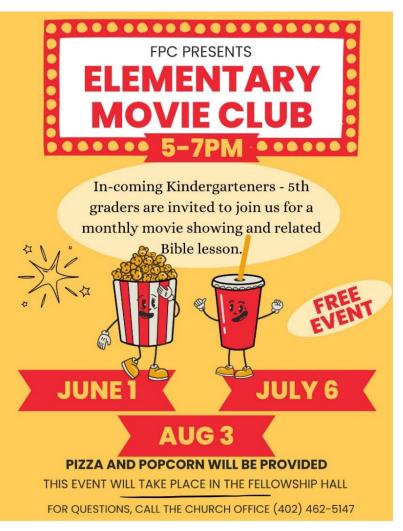


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## Sanctuary

Daniel Christian is a Nashville recording artist known for his heartfelt lyrics, storytelling, and Americana charm. A former high school English teacher, he's spent over a decade touring nationally, performing at venues like the Bluebird Cafe and SXSW. Daniel has opened for acts including The Fixx, Selah, and Montgomery Gentry, and earned two National Country Music Festival awards along with nine Omaha Entertainment Award nominations. A member of NARAS, the Nebraska Arts Council, and a founding member of NSAI Nebraska, he continues to write, record, and inspire audiences across the country.









## Presbyterian Women Father's Day Offering

Presbyterian Women will be collecting a Father's Day Offering. We will be set up in the Memorial Room on Sundays, May 18, May 25, June 1, and June

15 to take donations. You may donate in honor of a father or in memory of a father. Proceeds will go to Living Waters for the World.

Living Waters for the World (LWW) **trains volunteers** to establish and lead water mission teams that partner with communities to **implement and operate** sustainable water purification systems and health education programs.

<u>LWW Networks</u> come alongside water teams and partners throughout every phase of a water project. They provide essential support for **sustainable** water systems that produce **clean water for a generation.** 

Volunteers are the heart and soul of Living Waters for the World. Unlike organizations that rely on paid staff to initiate and execute water projects, Living Waters for the World relies on volunteer teams trained by volunteer instructors working within volunteer-led networks. LWW's small staff of 3 full-time and 3 part-time employees exists to facilitate the activity and long-term impact of this volunteer force.

Over 2,000 individuals have trained at <u>Clean Water U</u>, and they have engaged an estimated 10,000+ volunteers as members of LWW water teams. Volunteers have also guided the establishment of international networks, the development of Clean Water U's curriculum, and much more! Volunteers have made LWW what it is today and will play an integral role in ensuring clean water for generations in the communities LWW serves.





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#### HANDS AROUND THE WORLD STORE

Open Sunday mornings before and after the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

The beautiful and unique handcrafted Fair Trade items in our store are made and produced by artisans and farmers from around the world. By purchasing their works, you are helping support their families and provide hope for their future.

Each month, a portion of revenue goes to the local mission, United Harvest, helping to support our local community. Your purchase makes a difference!













## Please pray for

Elaine Schumacher
Carter Johnson
Tarah Davis & family
Matt Campbell
Janey Nottage-Tacey
Bob Wolf
KyMani Riek
Janelle Baideme
John Pershing
Susan Oliver and family
Jim Boeve

Carl Utley
Barry Thomson
Greg Howard
Pam Canady
Kathy (Adams) Carrier
Monte Malouf
Eli Struss
Carole Pedersen
Lexi Longshore
Doug Rasmussen
Willis Horton

Mary Lewis
Judd Carrier
family of Jane Tushaus
Charlene Cebell
Alyssa Donley
Nathan Lunstrum
Nytha & Dave Glass
Ashley Ibach
Stacey Eddleman & family
Mary & Ken Fisk

## In memory of

Jane Tushaus, who passed away on 4/9/25 Ron Bourke, who passed away on 5/9/25





## Relay For Life

Relay for Life has been a way for our church family to remember loved ones we have lost to cancer and to honor those who have survived. At the same time we support the <u>American Cancer Society</u>.

Luminaries can be purchased by filling out a form and submitting it with your donation (\$10 each) to our First Presbyterian Church team through our church office or to our team captain, Susie Graham. (402) 469-2638. Please make checks payable to American Cancer Society.

Luminaries will be displayed in our Sanctuary in early June and at the Relay for Life in Kearney at Harmon Park on June 6. Thank you.

**American Cancer Society** 

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Your Phone #						
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Name of Individual being honored or remembered	In Honor	In Memory	Donation			

### 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

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