



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST SINCE 1873

First Presbyterian Church August 10, 2025 – 10:30am Service

PRELUDE

“Meditation” Op. 133, No. 3
Organist Linda Vollweiler

William Faulkes

WELCOME

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

INTROIT

“Spirit of the Living God”

Daniel Iverson

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Greg Allen-Pickett

Through the cacophony of the world,
The voice of God finds us.
Amid the chaos of our lives,
The peace of God touches our hearts.
And even in the darkest valley,
The light of God illumines our souls.

*OPENING HYMN

“We Praise You, O God”
Rikki Nielsen, Song Leader

612

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, O God, that we are mired. We are stuck in a certain sort of indifferent malaise: a certain sort of grim belief that the earth cannot be moved, that greed cannot be broken, and that the night of division, mistrust, and animosity will last forever. Free us, O God. Lift us up to the light of your hope. Open our hearts once more to the power of love. Renew our minds with the insistence of your forgiveness. Raise our arms. Move our legs. Excise the lethargy from our souls. Remind us that light does shine. Help us to dance once more.

SILENT CONFESSION & CONTEMPLATION

Into what joy is God calling you to leap?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The light shines in the darkness

And the darkness does not overcome it.

In the name of Christ, we are forgiven and loved.

Alleluia. Amen.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory Be to the Father”

581

*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

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rose Koepp

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bring to us, O God, from years long past and hopes not yet known, your wisdom, truth, and understanding. Open our ears, eyes, and hearts to your words this day. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 40:1-10

LANGENBERG MUSIC

Vivian Fong

(The Langenberg Legacy Funds provide scholarships for children of church members to take music lessons. During the summer, those children and youth provide special music during the service as a way of giving thanks to God.)

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – Exodus 3:1-6

MESSAGE

“If Only for a Moment”

A sermon based on “Solstice” by Linda Post

*HYMN

“I Waited Patiently for God”

651

*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.)

OFFERTORY “I’ve Got Peace Like a River” Mark Hayes/
arr. Marvin Gaspard

*DOXOLOGY “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

You call us, O God, to leap into the light, to thrust ourselves into the hope of love and peace and generosity. The gifts we place on this table and the gift we share from our hearts are our leapings, they are our dancing. Use them, O God, to bring comfort, help, and joy to others. Amen.

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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 “I’ve Got Peace like a River” 623

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*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 “Marche De Triomphe” Robert McIver

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

THE FLOWERS are given in memory of Anna and Milferd Swedlund by family.

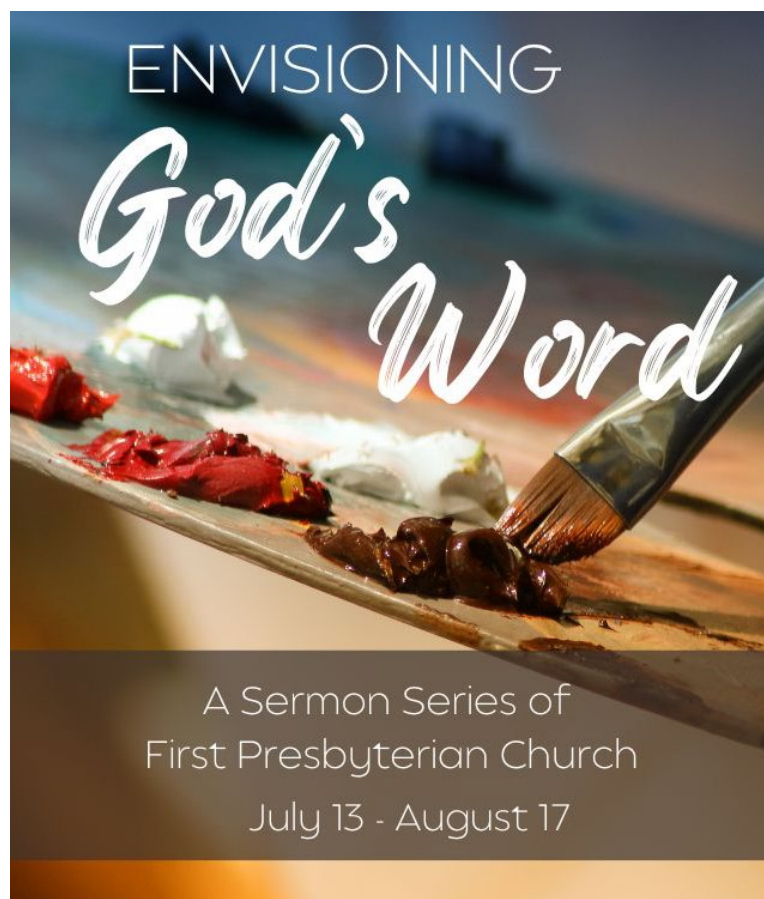
THE RADIO BROADCAST is given by First Presbyterian Church of Hastings.

NURSERY Kim Bogan

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

GREETERS

August	Memorial Room	Narthex
10	Linda & Richard Johnson	Julie Thomsen
17	Carolyn & Rich McKenzie	Jean Barber
24	Lori & Ted Schroeder	Stephanie Bliss
31	Todd Pankratz & Jessica Meeske	Sue Medsker

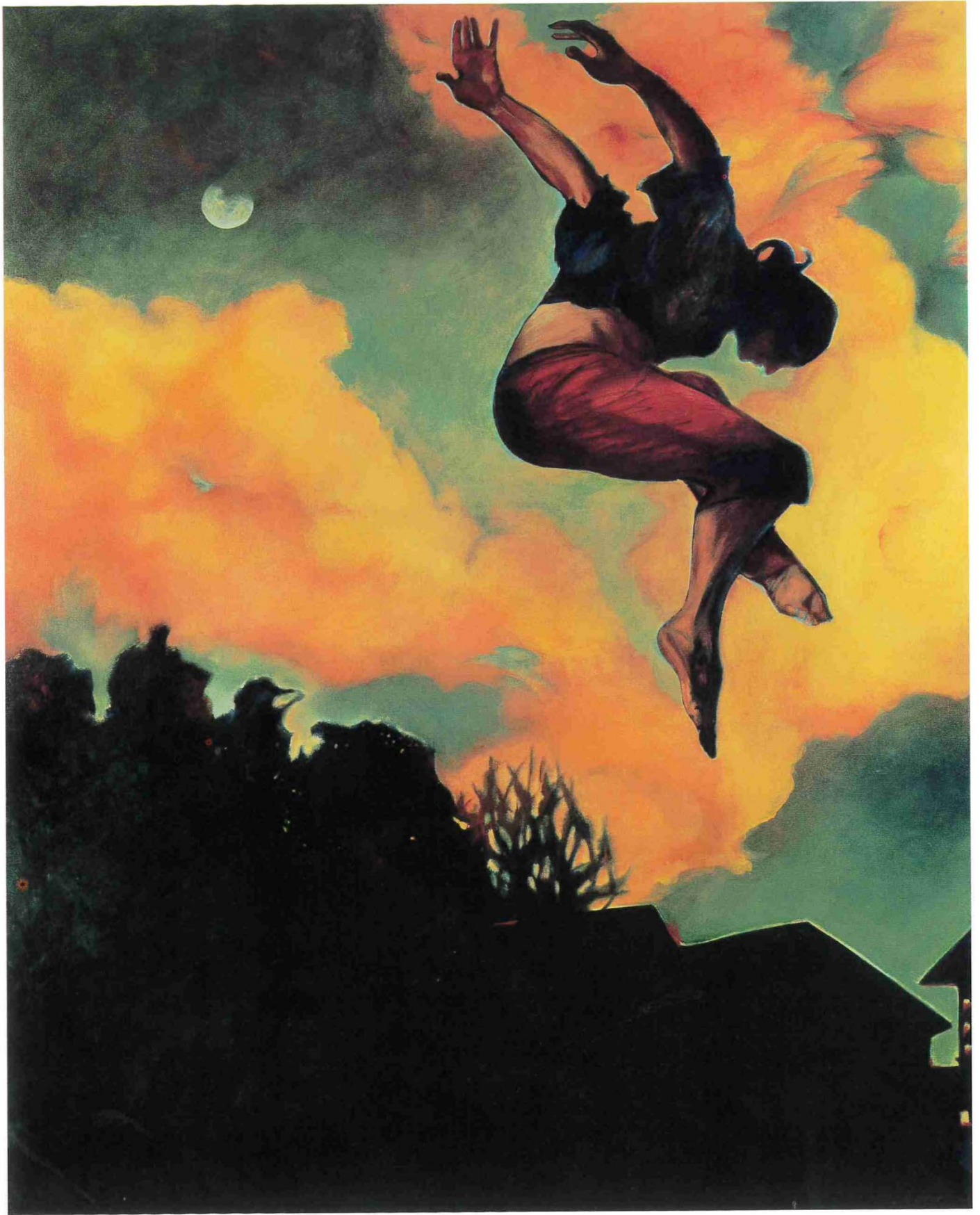




Please pray for

Elaine Schumacher
Carter Johnson
Tarah Davis & family
Matt Campbell
Janey Nottage-Tacey
Bob Wolf
KyMani Riek
Janelle Baideme
Jim Harrenstein
Carole Pedersen
Willis Horton
Pam Canady
Kathy (Adams) Carrier
Zsuzsanna Fazakas

Mary Lewis
Judd Carrier
Alyssa Donley
Nytha & Dave Glass
Ken Fisk
Carl Utley
Barry Thomson
Greg Howard
Monte Malouf
Lexi Longshore
Don & Marie Rasmussen
Dave Henderson & family
Gayle Struss
Lynden Hall



"Solstice"
By: Linda Post

Sunday 8/10	9am	Worship in the Park	Alexander Park
	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
Monday 8/11	1-3pm	1 st Pres Pickleball Gym	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-9pm	Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal	Choir Room
Tuesday 8/12	10:30am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12pm	Noon Bible Study	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	Congregational Life Meeting	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	Trustees	Middle School Youth Room
	6:45pm	Deacons	Anderson Room
Wednesday 8/13	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers Meet	Basement
Thursday 8/14	12:30pm	Dulcimer	HCMA Room 112
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
Friday 8/15	10am	Mahjong	Basement Youth Room
Saturday 8/16	9:45am	United Harvest	PEACE Center
Sunday 8/17	9am	Worship in the Park	Alexander Room
	9:15am	Sunday School and WNL training	Fellowship Hall
	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
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United Harvest Mobile Food Pantry is a joint ministry with First Presbyterian Church & First United Methodist Church. We provide a food distribution to 400+ families.



- If you need food, please come at the time indicated based on the first letter of your last name.
- If you would like to volunteer for this distribution, please come to the church at 9:30am to help us with the distribution.

August 16, 2025

V, W, X, Y, Z	May park and get number starting at:	9:45 AM
A, B	May park and get number starting at:	10:00 AM
C, D, E	May park and get number starting at:	10:15 AM
F, G, H	May park and get number starting at:	10:30 AM
I, J, K, L	May park and get number starting at:	10:45 AM
M, N, O	May park and get number starting at:	11:00 AM
P, Q, R	May park and get number starting at:	11:15 AM
S, T, U	May park and get number starting at:	11:30 AM



ATTENTION ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL AND
WNL VOLUNTEERS:

Save the Date!

Sun. 8/17; 9:15–10:15 am

OR

Wed. 8/27; 6:00–7 pm

Mandatory Safety & General Training

Child Protection Policy

Volunteer Roles

Emergency Procedures

Curriculum

*A meal will be provided at both events.

*Child Care available for 0-5th grade.

*This will be our primary training event of the year; please make plans to attend one of the dates. If you are unable to make either date work, just let me know! We can schedule something together.

*More details will be sent out in a few weeks!

Ice Cream Social

Free

**Sunday,
September 7**

All are
welcome!

11:30a.m.

Fellowship Hall



Meal Train for Lynden Hall

Lynden Hall had surgery on Thursday, July 31. Let's help ease their recovery by providing them with some meals. Below is the link to participate.

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/239zye>



Worship in the Park

August 10, 17

9:00 a.m.

Alexander Park

Please bring your lawn chair

All are welcome!

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

Interim Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer

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

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Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Heitmann

Director of Children & Family

Ministries: Rose Koepp

Church Office Administrator: Melissa Davis

Facilities Manager: Tony Calhoun

Bookkeeper: Deb Hamburger

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Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Bill Nottage-Tacey