



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST SINCE 1873

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost October 12, 2025 - 10:30 am Service

PRELUDE

“Blessed Assurance”
Organist Linda Vollweiler

arr. Brian Chung

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

BELL INTROIT

“Joyful, Joyful”
Youth Bell Choir, Director Byron Jensen

Beethoven/Stephenson

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 95)

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

O come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God’s pasture, the sheep of God’s hand.

When we hear God’s voice, let us not harden our hearts.

Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening!

Speak, Lord, for we are listening. Come, let us worship God!

*HYMN

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”
Linda & Richard Johnson, Song Leaders

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, so often we fill our lives with noise and distraction. We confess that we do not always pause to listen for Your voice. We let fear drown out Your call. We let our own desires shape our hearing. We close our ears to the cries of our neighbors in need. Forgive us, Lord. Open our ears, soften our hearts, and teach us again to listen for Your word, for Your Spirit, for Your call. In Christ’s name we pray.

SILENT CONFESSION

How can I do a better job listening for God and responding?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

In Jesus Christ, we 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

Rose Koepp

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of word and Spirit, just as You spoke to Samuel in the quiet of the night, speak to us now through Your living Word. Silence the noise within us and around us that we may hear Your voice with clarity, receive Your truth with joy, and respond with faithfulness. In Jesus' name, Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING – 1 Corinthians 12:4–13

ANTHEM

“You Are My All in All”

Dennis Jernigan

Youth Choir, Director Linda Johnson

Mary Plock, Accompanist

You are my strength when I am weak,

You are the treasure that I seek.

You are my All in All.

Seeking you as a precious jewel,

Lord to give up I'd be fool.

You are my All in All.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

Jesus, Lamb of God worthy is your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame

Rising again I bless Your name.

You are my All in All.

When I fall down You pick me up,

When I am dry You fill my cup.

You are my All in All

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

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SECOND SCRIPTURE READING – 1 Samuel 3:1–21

SERMON

Listening for God's Call

Greg Allen-Pickett

2025 Stewardship Campaign Sermon Series:
Faithful Foundations: Trusting, Listening, Aligning, Building

*HYMN

“Here I Am, Lord”

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from The Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.



OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

“Here I Am, Lord”

arr. John Carter

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, You call us by name and invite us to follow. You speak to us in the silence and in the clamor, in the needs of our neighbors and the cries of our world. Receive these offerings: our gifts, our time, our lives, as signs of our gratitude and our willingness to listen and respond. Use them and use us to carry out Your work of love, through 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

“Take My Life and Let It Be” (vs. 1-4, 6)

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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

“Prelude in C Major”

J.S. Bach

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

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

Sunday, October 19:
8:30am Contemplative Worship in the Chapel
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL DUE TO FALL BREAK
10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary

Stay-at-Home 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 FLOWERS are given in memory of Frances and Clarence Anderson and Mabel and Paul Robare by the Anderson family.

THE RADIO BROADCAST is given “in memory of my mom, whose death occurred 60 years ago on September 25th” by Jill Kramer.

NURSERY Kim Bogan

ACOLYTES Student Volunteers

USHERS (Team #2) Captain – Duane Huber, Steve Illingworth, Daveta Brader, Lois Hafer, Dick Brader

October Greeters	Memorial Room	Narthex
12	Kim Creech	Kathy Utter
19	Kathy & Curtis Reimer	Marnie & Doug Soderquist
26	Carolyn & Rich McKenzie	C.L. & Sandra Wimer

FAITHFUL FOUNDATIONS:
Trusting, Listening, Aligning, Building
2025 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS



**Trusting in
God's Provision**

Exodus 16:1-18



**Listening
for God's Call**

1 Samuel 3:1-21



**Aligning with
God's Vision**

1 Samuel 16:1-19



**Building for
God's Glory**

1 Kings 5:1-5, 8:1-13

IN LOVING MEMORY
MEMORIAL WALL

The Prayer Garden Columbarium & Memorial Wall is nearing completion. Those persons who have had a connectional relationship with First Presbyterian Church can be remembered on the Memorial Wall. We are gathering names to be remembered at this time.

Dedication of the Prayer Garden Columbarium & Memorial Wall is planned for All Saints Sunday November 2nd.

If you wish to remember someone please contact John Pershing for further information.

John Pershing
402-984-6442
johnpershing1@me.com

Presbyterians 101 (and 201!)



- Explore our church history
- Learn about Presbyterianism
- Discover the ministries of FPC Hastings

WHEN: Sundays, October 5, 12, 26 – 9:15am-10:15am

WHERE: Lydia Adult Education Room (next to the church office)

New members welcome. Long-time members encouraged!

Hands Around the World Gift Shop

**Open Sunday Mornings
10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
and
11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Come check out our new items from
SERRV, Café Justo coffee,
decorations, etc.

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



9:45am-11:30am
Third Saturday of each month
at the PEACE Center

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 feel free to come. The distribution is on a first-come, first-serve basis effective with the September 2025 distribution.
- If you would like to volunteer for this distribution, please come to the church at 9:30am to help us with the distribution.

CONGREGATIONAL
LIFE
PRESENTS:

Wednesday
Evening



Game Night at FPC

JOIN US FOR:

Dinner
Games
Fellowship

Dinner 5-5:30

GAMES
5:30-7:00

**This event is intended for adults. Students will be at their regular WNL activities.

For Questions, contact the office: (402) 462-5147

Langenberg Lesson Scholarship Applications are available on the shelf outside of the Church Offices or on the Church website at: <https://fpchastings.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Langenberg-form-Fall-2025.pdf>

CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP SERVICE

8:30am Sundays
in the Chapel

FPC
POTLUCK

October 12
following the 10:30 a.m.
worship service

**Congregation asked to bring food items based on
the first letter of their last name:**

A-G Salad or Vegetable

H-M Main Dish

N-Z Dessert

Please pray for

Elaine Schumacher	Carl Utley	Willis Horton
Tarah Davis & family	Barry Thomson	Pam Canady
Matt Campbell	Greg Howard	Francisco Diaz (Beto)
Janey Nottage-Tacey	Lexi Longshore	Carter Johnson
Bob Wolf	Dave Henderson & family	Sharon Brooks
KyMani Riek	Zsuzsanna Fazakas	Alyssa Donley
Janelle Baideme	The Unger family	Ken Fisk
family of Jim Harrenstein	Judd Carrier	Jean Stinnette
Gayle Struss	Adam Brooks	Gary & Connie Whitcomb
Carole Pedersen	Nytha & Dave Glass	Cynthia Sheppard Jordan

In memory of

Jim Harrenstein, who passed away on September 16, 2025

First Presbyterian Church Presents:

PUMPKINS & PJS!

Saturday, Oct. 18th
5:00 - 8:00 PM



All students 4yrs - 5th grade are welcome!
Please register so we have an accurate count for food.

KIDS WILL:

- LEARN ABOUT SAMUEL'S CALL
- LEARN THAT GOD CHOOSES THEM!
- HAVE A YUMMY DINNER
- MAKE CRAFTS
- PLAY GAMES
- DO SCIENCE EXPERIEMENTS

3 HOURS
FOR PARENTS TO GO ON A
DATE, BINGE A NETFLIX
SHOW, GO GROCERY
SHOPPING, ETC.!

For Questions, email rose@fpc Hastings.org or call the office at (402) 462-5147

Sunday 10/12	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
	9:15am	Presbyterian 101 (and 201)	Lydia Room
	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
	11:30am	Potluck	Fellowship Hall
	2pm	CROP Walk	Lake Hastings
Monday 10/13	9-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	11:30am	PEO-GK	Fellowship Hall
	12pm	Memorial Committee Meeting	Anderson Room
	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 Rehearsal	Choir Room
Tuesday 10/14	9am-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	10:30am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	Hastings Literacy Classes	Middle School & Youth Rooms
	5:30pm	Congregational Life Meeting	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	Trustees Meeting	Basement Youth Room
	6pm-9pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	6:45pm	Deacons Meeting	Anderson Room
Wednesday 10/15	9:30am	PW Circles 1 & 2	Fellowship Hall
	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	1:15pm	PW Circle 3	Fellowship Hall
	5-7:15pm	PreK-12 th Grade WNL	various
	5:30pm	Adult Game Night	Fellowship Hall
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers Meet	Basement
	6:45pm	Chancel Choir Practice	Choir Room
	7:30pm	Chancel Bells Rehearsal	Bell Room
Thursday 10/16	12:30pm	Dulcimer	HCMA Room 112
	5:30pm	Hastings Literacy Classes	Middle School/Bell Rooms
	5:30pm	Session Meets	Anderson Room
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
Friday 10/17	10am-12pm	Mahjong	Basement Youth Room
Saturday 10/18	9am-11am	Coat Drive	Memorial Room
	9:45-11:30am	United Harvest	PEACE Center
	5pm-8pm	Pumpkins & PJs	2 nd Floor Ed. Wing
Sunday 10/19	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
		No Sunday School	
	10am-10:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Facebook, Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library

Presbyterian Women will be in the in the Memorial Room October 12 collecting items or monetary donations for CWS Clean Up buckets. Please make checks payable to Presbyterian Women.



CWS CLEANUP BUCKET

UPDATED

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- ☐ One five-gallon bucket with resealable lid (If reused, please scrub clean. Do not use a bucket that has held chemicals of any kind. Brand labels on the outside are acceptable)
- ☐ Five scouring pads (No stainless steel or pads with soap in them. Remove from packaging)
- ☐ Seven sponges, including one large
- ☐ One scrub brush (With or without handle)
- ☐ 18 reusable, lightweight multipurpose cleaning towels (Not paper towels. Remove from packaging)
- ☐ One 16-34oz bottle of liquid dish soap (antibacterial preferred)
- ☐ One 12-40oz bottle of liquid concentrate household cleaner that can be mixed with water (No spray bottles)
- ☐ One 50-100 ft clothesline (Cotton or plastic line)
- ☐ Five dust masks (N95 particulate respirator dust masks preferred; No surgical masks)
- ☐ Two pairs of heavy-duty, waterproof dishwashing gloves (Latex-free preferred. Durable for multiple use. Remove from packaging)
- ☐ One pair of heavy-duty, reusable work gloves (Such as Nitrile, cotton with leather palm, or all leather)
- ☐ 20-28 heavy-duty or contractor-type 30-45 gallon trash bags on a roll (Remove from packaging)

All cleaning items must be new and all liquid items must be capped and securely tightened. Place all items into the bucket, making sure they are packed securely to avoid damage during shipment. Snap the lid on tight and seal with packing tape.



For more information, including where to ship or drop off your CWS Kits, how to support the Shipping and Processing Fund to help get CWS Kits to their final destinations, and answers to other Frequently Asked Questions, scan this QR code or visit cwskits.org.



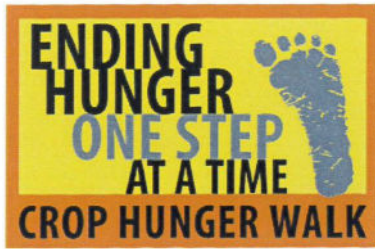
VALUE: \$75

PROCESSING FEE: \$3 per bucket

CROP HUNGER WALK

Stop Hunger
and
Honor Frank Medsker

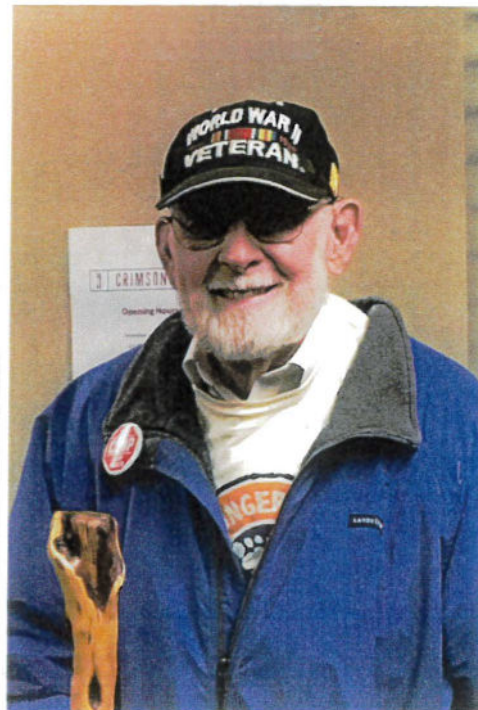
October 12, 2025 @ 2:00 pm
Lake Hastings, Hastings, NE



Church Women United of the Hastings area is announcing this year's **CROP Hunger Walk** scheduled for **Sunday, October 12, 2025 at 2:00 pm at Lake Hastings**. The walk will raise funds to help Church World Service stop hunger both locally and globally.

Twenty-five percent (25%) of the proceeds collected from the Walk will come back to us and serve the *Food for Thought/Backpack Program*. To register, start a team, join a team, and/or donate online go to crophungerwalk.org or donate in our church or school offices (please make checks payable to CWS/CROP).

We are honoring Frank Medsker, a long-time CROP Walk participant. Frank passed in 2024, but had participated every year since the CROP Hunger Walk began in 1946. He donated his age in dollars each year and would have been 100 years old October 1, 2025. Please help us honor Frank's memory again by walking and donating on behalf of him.



WINTER WARMTH GIVE AWAY

FREE COATS FOR ALL SIZES



 **SATURDAY
OCTOBER 18
9AM - 12PM**

 **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
621 N LINCOLN, HASTINGS
SOUTH DOORS**

Noonday Book Club

Our Noonday Book Group will be opening pages for a new focus on Wednesday, October 15th! Please join our Zoom at 11:55 a.m. For the link, contact Sharon Brooks at sbbrooks52@gmail.com. Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh will lead discussion of Walter Brueggemann's book "The Prophetic Imagination".

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. Robin Koozer
Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster Bells Director: Dr. Byron Jensen
Calvin/Westminster Choir Director: Linda Johnson
Praise/Alleluia Choir Director: 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