



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HASTINGS

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST SINCE 1873

We Will Serve the Lord: Studies in Stewardship First Presbyterian Church October 11, 2026

PRELUDE

“Capriccio”
Organist, Linda Vollweiler

Johann Jacob Froberger

WELCOME

Rose Koepp

INTROIT

“Evening Prayer”
Children’s Bells, director Susan Oliver

Erin MacGorman

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

We gather to encounter the living God.

We gather to listen as God speaks to our hearts.

We take time to notice as God is revealed through acts of love and welcome.

We praise God for the guidance offered to us.

We support one another as we seek to live out God’s commandments.

We gather together so that we might draw nearer to one another

And also, nearer to the heart of God.

*OPENING HYMN

“Great God of Every Blessing”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love and mercy, we are not capable, truly, of following all of your commands. We try to place you above all other things, but we are easily distracted. We want to honor your holy day, but we, too, often define ourselves by our production. We want, deeply, to love our neighbors, but we cut them with uncharitable thoughts, pretend they don’t need us, and let our discomfort prevent us from reaching out in kindness. Forgive us, O God, for moments we have failed to fully inhabit your commandments.

SILENT CONFESSION & CONTEMPLATION

How are you being called to love God and neighbor?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Children of God, those who ask for mercy receive it abundantly.

Their sins are forgiven.

Their hearts are restored.

Praise be to God.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory to God”

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*PEACE OF CHRIST (Greet one another by sharing the Peace of Christ with those around you.)

The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Set before us, O God, your teaching and instruction. Let it be for us water for our thirst, bread for our hunger, and a light unto our feet. Amen.



Scan to sign-in and let us know you were here.

1st SCRIPTURE READING – Exodus 19:3-7

ANTHEM

“Pilgrims' Hymn”

Stephen Paulus

Chancel Choir, director Miggi Angangco

Even before we call on Your name
To ask You, O God
When we seek for the words to glorify You
You hear our prayer
Unceasing love, O unceasing love
Surpassing all we know

Even with the darkness sealing us in
We breathe Your name
And through all the days that follow so fast
We trust in You
Endless Your grace, O endless Your grace
Beyond all mortal dream

Glory to the Father
And to the Son
And to the Holy Spirit

Both now and forever
And unto ages and ages
Amen

2nd SCRIPTURE READING – Exodus 20:1-17

SERMON

*HYMN

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

***We believe in God, the Creator of all things and all people.
We believe that we are treasured, claimed, and called by God.
We believe that Jesus calls us to love God and to love one another.***

***We believe that our lives are gifts from God,
and that all we have been given is entrusted to our care.
Through the power of the Holy Spirit,
we will seek to live rightly with God and with one another,
honoring our Creator and following our Savior, Jesus Christ.***

***We are God's people. We are called to be a light in the world.
And with God's help, we will live in such a way that others
may see God's love through us. Amen.***

OFFERING

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



OFFERTORY “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” *arr. Anna Laura Page*
Youth Bells, director Hannah Jensen-Heitmann

Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be; all that we
have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. 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** “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” 32

***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

“Basse et Dessus de Trompette”

Louie Nicolas Clerambault

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

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

Sunday, October 18

8:30am Contemplative Service in the Chapel

9:15am NO Faith Enrichment Hour

9:15am Usher Orientation, Lydia Room

10:30am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Stay-at-Home Broadcast live on YouTube:

www.youtube.com/@FPCHastings

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 by First Presbyterian Church of Hastings.

NURSERY Kim Bogan

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

GREETERS

October	Memorial Room	Narthex
11	Kili & Justin Wenburg	Kathy Utter
18	Kathy & Curtis Reimer	Marnie & Doug Soderquist
25	Melissa Davis	Volunteer Needed

Fall 2026 Adult Ed Forum – 9:15 a.m. Sundays – Lydia Room

Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical World (October 25 through November 22)

Continuing our focus on covenant, we will reflect on a recently published book that considers "what it means to be truly evangelical in a time of theological and cultural distortion." Copies of the book will be made available to those who would like to read along.

See <https://www.wjkbooks.com/bookproduct/0664269273-being-presbyterian-in-a-dysvangelical-america/>



CHICKENS, BEANS AND BIG *Dreams*

CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, October 11, 2026 @ 2:00 pm

Lake Hastings



Register on the south side of the lake. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the donations goes to the local *United Food Harvest* program. Sponsored by Church Women United. Checks may be written to CWS/CROP.

crophungerwalk.org/

Use the link to the left or scan the QR code on the right to find your local team and donate and/or sign up to walk today!



**Donate or sign up
for your walk today!**



CABARET THEATRE

Vocal Jazz Quartet

Sunday, October 25, 2026

3:00 p.m. | Free Concert

First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary

Omaha's Cabaret Theatre has been delighting audiences since 1991. With stunning vocal jazz harmonies and sublime solo voices, members of the group have garnered an array of individual and ensemble awards for their artistry at area theaters and local events.



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Hastings, NE 68901

For additional information call:
(402)462-5147

USHER ORIENTATION

Sunday, October 18

9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Lydia Room

Current ushers and those interested in being an usher, please come to an orientation on updated policies and procedures.

— STEWARDSHIP —
SERMON SERIES

We Will Serve
the Lord

— OCT. 4, 11, 18, & 25 —



September Communion Offering Update

The September Communion Offering raised a total of \$1,384, which will benefit the Maryland Living Center. Thank you for your generous support.

We are needing donations of baby wipes for the Happy Nappies program. Baby wipes can be dropped off in the designated bin in Fellowship Hall. Thank you!



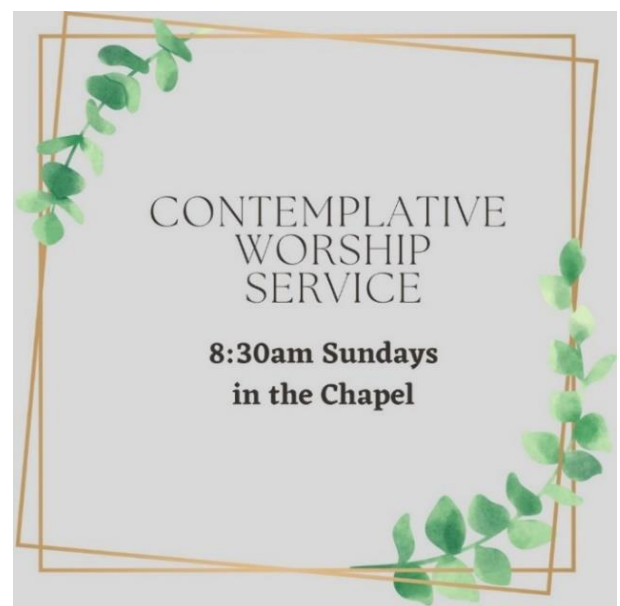
9:45am-11:30am

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.
- If you would like to volunteer for this distribution, please come to the church at 9:30am to help us with the distribution.



Sun. 10/11	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
	9:15am	Faith Enrichment Hour for all ages	Various
	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Radio, YouTube
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
	2pm	Choral Collective Rehearsal	Choir Room
	2pm	CROP Hunger Walk	Lake Hastings (south side)
	4:30pm-6:30pm	Family Dinner	The Jensen-Heitmann home (1101 N. Hastings Ave)
Mon. 10/12	8:30am	Walkers/Coffee Group	PEACE Center
	9-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	12pm	Memorial Committee	Anderson Room
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	5:30pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE gym
	5:30pm	Foundation Meeting	Anderson Room
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7pm	Chorus of the Plains	Choir Room
Tues. 10/13	8:30am	Walkers/Coffee Group	PEACE Center
	9-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	10:30am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE gym
	5:30pm	Congregational Life Meeting	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	Trustees Meeting	PEACE West Classroom
	6:45pm	Deacons Meeting	Anderson Room
	6-8pm	Hastings Literacy Classes	2 nd floor Middle School Youth and Choir Rooms
Wed. 10/14	8:30am	Walkers/Coffee Group	PEACE Center
	9-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
		No WNL Activities	
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers	Basement
	6:45pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	7:30pm	Chancel Bells Rehearsal	Bell Room
Thur. 10/15	8:30am	Walkers/Coffee Group	PEACE Center
	9-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE gym
	5:30pm	Session Meeting	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE gym
	6pm	Hastings Literacy Classes	2 nd floor Middle School and Choir Rooms
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Fri. 10/16	9-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE gym
	10am	Mahjong Ladies	Basement Youth Room
Sat. 10/17	9:45am	United Harvest	PEACE Center
	9am-12pm	Coat Drive	Memorial Room
Sun. 10/18	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
	9:15am	Usher Orientation	Lydia Room
		NO Faith Enrichment Hour	
	10am	HAW Store Open	Library
	10:30am	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary, Radio, YouTube
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Library
	2pm	Choral Collective Rehearsal	Choir Room

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 Fall 2026 GRANT PROGRAM IS November 1, 2026.*

• 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/2026/09/Langenberg-form-Fall-2026.pdf>

Please pray for

Elaine Schumacher	family of Evelyn Viglicky
Tarah Davis & family	Zsuzsanna Fazakas
Matt Campbell	Judd Carrier
Janey Nottage-Tacey	Carl Utley
Bob Wolf	Barry Thomson
KyMani Riek	Greg Howard
Carole Pedersen	Sammy Nahorny
Tony Glenn	Francisco Diaz (Beto)
Summer Postlewait and family	Carter Johnson
Kathy Struss	Alyssa Donley
Ken Fisk	Dana Odom
Pat Kelley	family of Lexi Longshore
family of Jim Duval	family of John Meeske
Sally Smith	family of Duane Ochsner
Andy Barrows	Nancy Grams and family
Pam Canady	

In memory of

Lexi Longshore, who passed away on 8/15/26

Evelyn Viglicky, who passed away on 8/18/26

John Meeske, who passed away on 8/20/26

Duane Ochsner, who passed away on 8/24/26



WALKERS AND COFFEE GROUP



*Lace up your sneakers
and join us for a little
exercise, coffee, and
fellowship.*

*Monday through Thursday
8:30 a.m.
PEACE Center Gym*

All are Welcome!



You're Invited To

FAMILY DINNER

OCT. 11 4:30-6:30 PM

1101 N HASTINGS AVE

Pastor Damen and Hannah Jensen-Heitmann
would like to invite all families with children and
youth to their home for a cook-out.
Please bring a side to share!

For Questions or to RSVP,
call the Church Office (402)462-5147
(RSVPs are appreciated but not necessary.)

THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA PRESBYTERY YOUTH COMMITTEE PRESENTS:

Sr High Retreat!

9th-12th Grade

SAVE THE DATE!

November 6-7,
2026

The Crossing
Retreat Center
Lexington, NE

More info coming soon!!

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Head of Church: Jesus Christ
Executive Administrator & Head of Staff:
Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh
Organist and Music Director: Linda Vollweiler
Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Miggi Angango
Chancel Bells & Youth Bells
Director: Dr. Byron Jensen
Youth Choir Director: Linda Johnson
Director of the Langenberg Legacy
Program: Dr. Robin Koozer

Ministers: Members of the Church
Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Jensen-Heitmann
Director of Christian Education: Rose Koepp
Bookkeeper: Deb Hamburger
Church Office Administrator: Melissa Davis
Children's Choir Director: Teresa Canady
Children's Bells Choir Director: Dr. Susan Oliver
Accompanist and Music Coordinator: Mary Plock