



November 1, 2026
First Presbyterian Church of Hastings

PRELUDE "Passacaille" *G.F. Handel*

Hastings Symphony Orchestra (HSO) String Quartet
Jeana Peterson and Amy Books, violin; Marla Rischling, viola; Christa Speed, cello

WELCOME Damen Jensen-Heitmann

INTROIT "Love Each Other" *Timothy G. Bushong*

Youth Choir, directed by Linda Johnson
Mary Plock, accompanist
Love each other, sister, brother, be the hands of Jesus.
Every stranger is our neighbor, be the hands of love.

*CALL TO WORSHIP Dan Deffenbaugh

God calls us together in community and in fellowship
We are called to share our joys and our sorrows,
To bear with one another in laughter and in tears.
We are called to strengthen the fainthearted,
To support the weak, and help the suffering,
To have courage in the midst of disappointment,
To cling to light amid the darkness,
To hold on to hope and to worship God in all circumstances.

*HYMN "For All the Saints" 326
(Verses 1, 2, 3, & 5)
Organist, Linda Vollweiler

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, you have called us to follow in the footsteps of the saints: to love as they loved, to serve as they served, to live as faithful witnesses to your grace. Forgive us, O God, for the moments we failed to live into the example your saints provided. Have mercy for what we have done as well as for what we have left undone. Be kind, O God, for at times our grief has clouded our judgment and kept us tucked within ourselves. Inspired by our saints, call us forth to new life in you.

SILENT CONFESSION

What grief do you carry with you? What loss keeps you tucked within yourself?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: Jesus said, “Because I live, you also will live.”

The Spirit of truth abides with us and within us, reminding us that we are not left alone or comfortless.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and sent to serve.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!



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

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Glory Be to the Father”

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*PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Jodi Graves

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Through these words, O God, may we encounter your living spirit. May we be filled with wisdom for our hearts and a calling for our lives. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 24:1-6

ANTHEM

“This Little Light of Mine”

arr. Ken Berg

This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine, this little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!
Everywhere I go, I'm going to let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm going to let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm going to let it shine Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
All through the night, I'm going to let it shine. All through the night, I'm going to let it shine. All through the night, I'm going to let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
This little light of mine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. Oh ooo

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – 1 Thessalonians 5:9-18

MESSAGE

RITUAL OF REMEMBRANCE

The names of our church members and friends who have died in the past year will be read and a bell will be rung. Family members or friends who are present may come forward and light a candle in their honor. Rose or Dan will light a candle for those who don't have someone present. Following that, there will be a time when anyone can come down and light a candle in remembrance of loved ones who have died.

REMEMBRANCE MUSIC

“La Alborada de la Esperanza (Dawn of Hope)”
“Quiet Music”

José Elizondo
Douglas E. Wagner

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SAINTS

(Today, our youth lead this prayer of thanksgiving as a symbol of the great circle of faith: honoring the saints who have gone before us, giving thanks for those who walk beside us now, and carrying the light of Christ into future generations.)

God of every generation, we give you thanks for all your saints: those who taught us the faith, those who showed us your love, those who lived with courage, grace, and humility.

We remember the saints whose names we know and those whose names are known only to you. We bless you for their witness, for the ways their light still shines through us, and for the great communion of saints, a fellowship that spans every time and place.

Keep us faithful in our generations, O God, that when our race is run and our work is done, others may see in us the reflection of your love and continue the good work in your name. Through Christ our risen Lord, we pray. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

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



*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, blessed us with gifts for ministry, and called us to continue the work of love and justice in your world. Receive now these gifts, signs of our gratitude and our commitment. Bless and multiply them, that through our giving, the hungry may be fed, the lonely comforted, the grieving supported, and your church strengthened for generations to come. We offer ourselves and these gifts in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal realm. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to love you and love one another for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

During the singing of the final hymn, we will take a second offering to benefit the *Dolly Parton Imagination Library* through the United Way.

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE “We are the Church” *Avery and 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 “O God Beyond All Praising” *Gustav Holst*
arr. Stephen DeCesare

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

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

Sunday, November 8

8:30am Contemplative Service in the Chapel

9:15am Faith Enrichment Hour

10:30am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary with Jens Korndörfer

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 Herb and Alice Braum and Rev. Kenneth and Alice Locke by Ginny and Will Locke and in memory of Lyn Throckmorton by her family.

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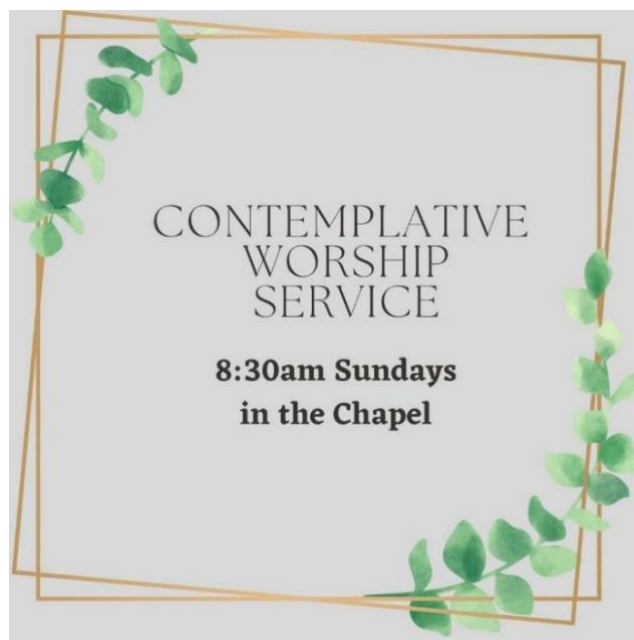
NURSERY Kim Bogan

ACOLYTES Student Volunteers

USHERS (Team #3) Captain – Dave Fisher, Phil Odom, Doug Soderquist, John Pershing

GREETERS

Nov.	Memorial Room	Narthex
1	Linda & John Carllson	Linda & Richard Johnson
8	Erica & Brent Brooks	Melissa Davis
15	Jenna Jorgensen	Carolyn & Richard McKenzie
22	Jane & Chuck Bauer	Melissa Davis
29	Lynne Friedewald & Chuck Shoemaker	Volunteers Needed



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>

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/> .

<p>The Mission Committee delivered 1,800 baby wipes to Catholic Social Services. Thank you for your donations!</p>
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Please pray for

Elaine Schumacher
Tarah Davis & family
Matt Campbell
Janey Nottage-Tacey
Bob Wolf
KyMani Riek
Carole Pedersen
Tony Glenn
Summer Postlewait and family
Kathy Struss
Ken Fisk
Pat Kelley
family of Jim Duval
Sally Smith
Andy Barrows
Pam Canady
Marilyn Nielsen
family of Gary Whitcomb

family of Evelyn Viglicky
Zsuzsanna Fazakas
Judd Carrier
Carl Utley
Barry Thomson
Greg Howard
Sammy Nahorny
Francisco Diaz (Beto)
Carter Johnson
Dana Odom
family of Lexi Longshore
family of John Meeske
family of Duane Ochsner
Nancy Grams and family
Pastor Nominating Committee
Kathy (Adams) Carrier
family of Janet Schawang

In memory of

Gary Whitcomb, who passed
away on 10/16/2026
Janet Schawang, who passed
away on 10/22/2026



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IN COMMEMORATION OF OUR FAITHFUL FAMILY &
FRIENDS

DEPARTED IN DEATH

OCTOBER 30, 2025 - OCTOBER 30, 2026

David Henderson

July 1, 1960 – November 2, 2025

Jim Duval

January 1, 1950 – July 24, 2026

Gayle Struss

March 23, 1946 – November 7, 2025

Lexi Longshore

June 9, 2010 – August 15, 2026

Yvonne Ziemba

May 25, 1930 – November 13, 2025

Evelyn Viglicky

March 9, 1926 – August 18, 2026

Elmer Heeren

October 8, 1927 – January 17, 2026

John Meeske

July 23, 1945 – August 20, 2026

Lulu Schmidt

January 27, 1928 – February 3, 2026

Duane Ochsner

January 4, 1937 – August 24, 2026

Becky Foote

July 15, 1957 – March 18, 2026

Gary Whitcomb

April 24, 1942 – October 16, 2026

Ramona Shetler

February 22, 1950 – April 3, 2026

Janet Schawang

June 24, 1947 – October 22, 2026



November Communion Offering



Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is all about inspiration and imagination. In 1995, Dolly developed the program so that every preschool child in her hometown of Sevier County, Tennessee, would have their own library of books that would encourage in them a love of reading and learning. The program was so successful and generated such interest from across the country that, after much thought, Dolly decided to offer her Imagination Library for replication in any community that will support it.

All children in South Central Nebraska, regardless of their family income, should have quality books of their own. This belief spurred the United Way of South Central Nebraska to create a committee of community leaders dedicated to making this program a reality in our four counties of Adams, Clay, Nuckolls, and Webster. The United Way and committee members are diligently seeking enough support to establish Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in South Central Nebraska. The cost of the program is approximately \$30 per child per year. The early literacy program operates on a simple premise: get bright, age-appropriate books into the hands of every enrolled child. The goal is to help develop childhood literacy skills before a child sets foot in a classroom.



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED



WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

November 6, 2026 • 10:00 am

First Presbyterian Church – Chapel

621 North Lincoln Ave, Hastings, NE

Theme: Peace Begins With Me

ANCHOR VERSE: JOHN 14:27 (NIV): *“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”*



Please join us for Soup & Pie following the service.

This *World Community Day* celebration is brought to you by Church Women United–Hastings/Juniata area. Hastings/Juniata Area contributing churches include: First Congregational United Church of Christ; First United Methodist Church; First Presbyterian Church; Juniata United Methodist Church; Grace United Methodist Church; Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd; The Salvation Army; and St. Mark's Episcopal Pro Cathedral.



JENS KORNDÖRFER

Organ

Saturday, November 7, 2026

3:00 p.m. | Free Concert

Sunday, November 8, 2026

10:30 a.m. | Church Service

First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary

German American organist Dr. Jens Korndörfer is the Joyce O. Bowden Professor of Music and Associate Professor of Organ at Baylor University in Texas and is regularly invited to perform and teach at prestigious venues and festivals around the world.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF HASTINGS

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For additional information call:
(402)462-5147

Sun. 11/1	All Saints' Day Daylight Saving Time Ends		
	8:30am	Contemplative Worship Service	Chapel
	9:15am	Faith Enrichment Hour	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
Mon. 11/2	8:30am	Walkers/Coffee Group	PEACE Center
	9-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	5:30pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	6pm	WAM Meeting	Anderson Room
	7pm	Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal	Choir Room
Tues. 11/3	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
	6-8pm	Hastings Literacy Classes	2 nd floor Youth & Choir Rooms
Wed. 11/4	8:30am	Walkers/Coffee Group	PEACE Center
	9-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	11am	PW Coord. Team	Parlor
	11:45am	PW Program and Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
	12pm	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com for link
	5pm-7:15pm	PreK-12 th Grade WNL	Various
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers	Basement
	6:45pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	7:30pm	Chancel Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room
Thur. 11/5	8:30am	Walkers/Coffee Group	PEACE Center
	9am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	1:30pm	Quilters	PEACE Quilting Room
	5:30pm	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE Gym
	5:30pm	Mission Committee Meeting	PEACE NW Classroom
	6-8pm	Hastings Literacy Classes	2 nd Floor Middle School and Choir Rooms
	6pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
Fri. 11/6	9-11am	Hastings Pickleball Club	PEACE gym
	9:30am-1pm	Church Women United	Chapel and Fellowship Hall
	10am-12pm	Mahjong Ladies	Basement Youth Room
Sat. 11/7	3pm	Jens Korndörfer Recital	Sanctuary
Sun. 11/8	8:30am	Contemplative Worship	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 Dress Rehearsal	Sanctuary



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Sharing the love of Christ from the heart of Hastings since 1873

Head of Church: Jesus Christ
Executive Administrator & Head of Staff:
 Dr. Dan Deffenbaugh
Organist and Music Director: Linda Vollweiler
Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Miggi Anganeo
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
Finance Administrators: Deb Hamburger, Jennifer Davis
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