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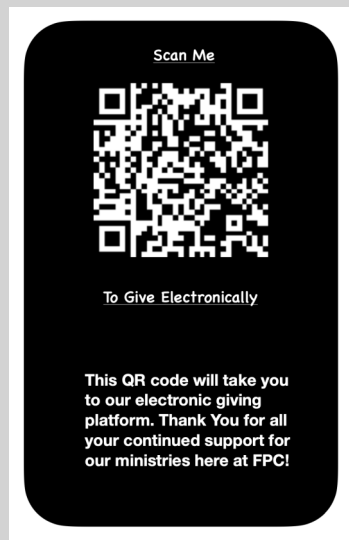
Sunday Worship - 10:00 am  
On Facebook & the Website  
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**Preparation for Worship**

Please take some time for silent preparation of heart and mind for worship of the Almighty God.



**"I Want to See"**



*October 27, 2024*

**23rd Sunday after Pentecost**



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*Please take a moment to reflect and pray as we begin to worship our Lord.*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND GATHERING PRAYER

*How Great Thou Art*  
*How Great is Our God*

CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Psalm 34:1-4, 6)

I will bless God every chance I get;

**We will live and breathe God;**

Join me in spreading the news;

**We will get the word out together.**

I sought God and he answered me; he delivered me from my fears.

**When we call out to God, he hears us; God saves us out of all our troubles.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

God, our Creator, from nothing you made our world.

**You formed us, love us, and give us all that we need.**

God, our Redeemer, you rescued us from sin.

**You have given us new life and hope of healing to the world.**

God, our Comforter, you are with us always.

**You comfort us, renew us, and guide us into your truth.**

Almighty God, for your gracious love for us, we praise you. **Amen.**

*Open Our Eyes*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.**

SILENT CONFESSION

L: Lord have mercy

**P: Christ have mercy**

L: Lord have mercy

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Sally Keller

(Children are invited to Children's Church following this time).

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Proclaiming God's Word**

SCRIPTURE: Mark 10:46-52

SERMON: "I Want to See"

*Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord*

**Responding to God's Word**

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE Gary Kimble

OFFERING/DOXOLOGY

CHARGE/SENDING

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord (reprise)*



## **Prayers of the People**

Call the office at (269) 945-5463 or email at [office@firstchurchhastings.org](mailto:office@firstchurchhastings.org) to submit a prayer request, or praise, for yourself or a loved one. Urgent requests Fri-Sun, send to Pastor Nick (360) 927-3782.

*Please be in prayer for the Surratt family in the passing of John on Saturday, October 19. Pray for comfort and peace during this difficult time.*

*Please pray for MaryMartha Melendy's niece-in-law Robyn, who was just diagnosed with breast cancer. She meets with an oncology team on Wednesday this week. Please pray she will have an encouraging treatment plan put forward.*

*Continued prayers for MaryMartha Melendy's niece, Andrea, in TX, for full recovery from an eye injury.*

*Continued prayers for Doc and Ellarie Spindler and their son Bobby. Bobby was diagnosed with advanced colon cancer and has been placed into Hospice Care.*

*Continued prayers for Doug Hunt as he recovers from gallbladder surgery.*

The First Presbyterian Church Prayer Chain is an opportunity for all members and regular participants to pray for specific needs requested by anyone **with the permission of the person/s being prayed for.** If you wish to submit a prayer, contact Julia in the office at 269 945-5463 or feel free to fill out a form located at the Connection Point.

# THIS WEEK <sup>at</sup> GLANCE



Sunday, October 27, 2024

<b>Adult Bible School</b>	8:30 AM
<b>Worship- In-Person &amp; Live on Facebook</b>	10:00 AM
<b>Youth Group</b>	5:00 PM

Monday, October 28, 2024

<b>Pickleball</b>	3:15 PM
<b>Private Event-Gym</b>	7:00 PM
<b>Session Meeting- In Person</b>	7:00 PM

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

<b>Staff Meeting</b>	10:00 AM
<b>Private Event-Gym</b>	3:00 PM

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

<b>Bulletin Announcements</b>	
<b>Knit Wits</b>	10:30 AM
<b>Sweet Pickles(Gentle Play Pickleball)</b>	1:30 PM
<b>Pickleball</b>	3:15 PM
<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>	6:30 PM
<b>Praise Team Rehearsal</b>	6:30 PM

Thursday, October 31, 2024

<b>Men's Bible Study</b>	9:00 AM
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Friday, November 1, 2024

<b>Men's Bible Study</b>	9:00 AM
<b>Pickleball</b>	9:15 AM
<b>Artist Club</b>	1:30 PM

Saturday, November 2, 2024

<b>Open Play Pickleball</b>	10:00 AM
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Sunday, November 3, 2024

<b>Communion Sunday</b>	
<b>Pledge Cards Due</b>	
<b>Adult Bible School</b>	8:30 AM
<b>Worship- In-Person &amp; Live on Facebook</b>	10:00 AM
<b>Youth Group</b>	5:00 PM



**BARRY COUNTY CARES** Our church has faithfully supported Barry County Cares for decades, going back to its inception as LOVE, Inc. We give financially to support the mission of the organization, funds that are earmarked for the operations. We have collected donations periodically, and have often taken in food for the pantry. Currently, the need for food donations is not as great - as the food pantry has shifted operations from BC Cares, to the Green Street Church. Considering the current status of food availability in the community, the mission committee of FPC has decided to shift our focus to collections of items that BC Cares is directly stocking in their pantry for clients. These items are not readily available at food pantries - but are still desperately needed. We plan to organize periodic collections to stock up!

**Donations can be dropped off at the shopping cart through October 27.**

**Currently - we are hoping to collect:**

- \*Laundry detergent (dollar store size)
- \*Kleenex
- \*Home cleaning agents (small size)
- \*Paper towels
- \*Deodorant - men & women's
- \*Dish detergent (small/medium bottles)
- \*Toilet paper
- \*Bleach (dollar store size)
- \*Toothpaste for adults
- \*Body lotion



**A COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE** will be held at Grace Lutheran Church on Sunday, November 24th at 6pm. Come celebrate Thanksgiving with other churches from the community.

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# First Presbyterian Church - Contact List

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## **STAFF OFFICE HOURS:**

Pastor Nick Marlatt Mon & Thurs. (call for appointment); Tues & Wed 9:00am-5:00pm

Julia Bachman (Admin Assistant) Mon-Thurs: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Nancy Allarding (Financial Manager) Mon & Tues: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Brandon Johnson Church Life Director/Youth Leader) Tues & Thurs: 10:00am -2:00pm

Casey Raffler (Church Administrator) Tues & Thurs: 9am-2pm

Angela Stanton (Noah's Ark Preschool Director) During School Weeks: Mon, Tues, & Thurs: 7:45am-3:15pm Wed: 7:45am-1:15pm.



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