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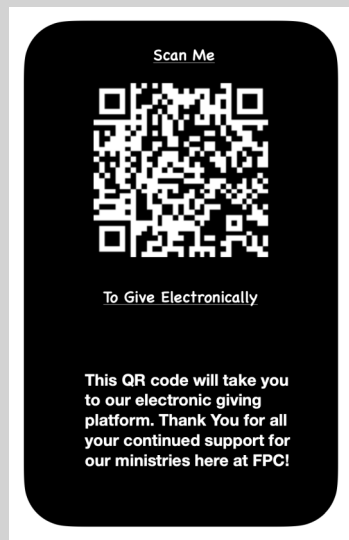
Sunday Worship - 10:00 am
On Facebook & the Website
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Preparation for Worship

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



"Timothy"



August 18, 2024

**Youth Mission Sunday
13th 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

*Praise
Forever*

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Galatians 3:26-29)
By faith in Jesus Christ we are all children of God.

In our baptisms we have been clothed in a maturing, adult faith.

In Christ's family there can be no division into Jew and Gentile, space and Free, male and female. We all are equal in the eyes of God through our Relationship with Jesus.

Since we are Christ's family, then we are also Abraham's famous Descendants—we are blessed in order to be a blessing.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Too often, O God, we pray, "Listen, Lord, for your children are speaking." Today, help us to pray, "Speak, Lord, for your children are listening." Help our ears to hear your Word. Help our hearts to trust what you say. Help our hands and feet to do what you call us to do. Amen.

Breathe/Holy Forever

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, sometimes our lives have such little focus: we have so much to do; we possess so much stuff; we're driven by the need for still more—and it easily seems to control us. We're sorry, Lord, for how distracted we have become and for losing our way without even realizing it. Forgive us and help us to know that you are the only one we need.

SILENT CONFESSION

L: Lord have mercy

P: Christ have mercy

L: Lord have mercy

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Lisa Brown

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Proclaiming God's Word

SCRIPTURE: 1 Timothy 4:1-16

SERMON: "Timothy"

Scars

Responding to God's Word

MOMENT FOR MISSION- Steve Laubaugh

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING/DOXOLOGY

Jesus Messiah

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "The Blessing"

NOTES



Prayers of the People

Call the office at (269) 945-5463 or email at 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 Gary Kimble as he will be having surgery for the removal of a kidney on August 27th. Pray for a smooth uneventful surgery and a quick recovery.

Pray for Marge Roets as she will be having hip surgery on September 9th.

Continued prayers for Norm and Jeanne Pugh. Jeanne is currently at Thornapple Manor for therapy. Pray for strength for both Jeanne and Norm and pray that the treatments are able to eliminate the cancer.

Continued prayers for Chuck and Connie Semerad. Pray that Connie would gain the mobility needed to be able to leave Thornapple Manor in order to come home for a visit.



OUR DAILY BREAD

devotions for September, October and November are located on a round table closest to the sanctuary. We invite you to take a copy home.

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 ^{at} GLANCE



Sunday, August 18, 2024

Youth Sunday

Worship- In-Person & Live on Facebook 10:00 AM

FPC Golf Outing 3:00 PM

Monday, August 19, 2024

Peace Through Grief 9:00 AM

Pickleball 3:15 PM

Stewardship Meeting 5:30 PM

Family Ministries Meeting 6:30 PM

Private Event 7:00 PM

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Staff Meeting 10:00 AM

Wednesday, August 21, 2024

Bulletin Announcements

Ministry Minutes Due

Newsletter Deadline

Knit Wits 10:30 AM

Pickleball 3:15 PM

Praise Team Rehearsal 6:30 PM

Friday, August 23, 2024

Pickleball 9:15 AM

Saturday, August 24, 2024

Private Event

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Summerfest Community Worship-Thornapple Plaza 9:30 AM

Announcements

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS can be found at the round table closest to the sanctuary.

FRIENDS OF FPC: There will be an interment service for Larry Melendy today, shortly after our worship service, in the memorial Garden behind our building. While there is no reception following (that was held after Larry's memorial service last fall), if you knew him and would like to join the family for prayer, you are welcome.

A NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: In a few weeks the deacons will begin taking pictures for a 2025 directory. There will also be an opportunity to opt into an online directory. More information will be released soon. We are hoping to catch snowbirds before they leave town and welcome both members and friends of FPC to be included in the directory- Thank you!

CHANCEL CHOIR IS RESTARTING! If you are a singer with previous choral experience, please consider joining us. The rehearsal/performance schedule is as follows through 2024:

Rehearsals - Wednesday nights 6:30-7:30

August 28, September 4, 11, **Sing on the September 15 service**
September 25, October 16, 30, November 6, 13, December 4, **Sing on the December 8 service and maybe Christmas Eve**

Interested new singers are asked to contact Bob Oster: rcojwo@sbcglobal.net

ARTIST CLUB AT FPC: Do you like to "ART"? Do you love to get messy? Does the smell of paint, glue, chalk, markers or crayons appeal to you? Do you get excited about the possibilities of what you can do with scissors, paper, wood or found objects? Do you ever wish you had a group of friends to do ART and chat with about ART? I would really like to start an Artist Club here at FPC. So I am inviting anyone (of any age) who is interested in getting together to fellowship and do art to be a part of an Artist Club right here at FPC. You don't need to be a Rembrandt or a Picasso. Just be YOU. Bring your current project and supplies with you and work as we chat about art. Or if you need inspiration or want to learn something new, I will have some project ideas and supplies to work with. Please contact Karen Vandenberg if you are interested in joining. karenv422@gmail.com.

The Great Marlatt move is on!

We will be moving from Middleville to Hastings on Friday August 30. If you are around and able to help (it could be an hour, it could be for the day, whatever works with your schedule), please contact Marsh Evans at 269-838-5055.

GREETERS: FPC Youth

DO YOU SEW? Want to help us prepare for the Costa Rica Mission Trip? We need **200** small medicine bags and **200** glasses' bags to be sewn and collected for the team which leaves on November 5th. Patients seen in the clinic use these bags. Patterns are located at the Connection Point or contact Rita Brown with questions at 269 945.2147.

UPCOMING *Events*

Sunday, August 25 - Community Worship on Thornapple Plaza!

A special Summerfest outdoor worship service for the community is planned **at the Thornapple Plaza** on Sunday, August 25 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. **Please bring your own lawn chairs.**



There will be free beverages and snacks provided during the service, and then when worship concludes about 11:00 am, we will have a free cookout of hamburgers, etc. for anyone who attends.

The community focus this year will be on a new emergency housing fund that will be announced for the first time at Summerfest. Mayor Dave Tossava will be present to help make the announcement! A special offering will be collected to support the fund.

MEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDY

The God of His Word....by Kathie Lee Gifford with Rabbi Jason Sobel

Beginning Thursday, September 12, from 9 am to 10:30 in the adult meeting room, all men are invited to study **The God of His Word**. In this six week video study, we'll explore some of the names for God used in Scripture and reveal what they say about his nature and character. We will discover that God's love, mercy, and care for his creation never changes. The God of his Word always keeps his word and he promises to always care for you.

Please sign up and pickup your study guide at the Connection Point beginning September 1, The fee for the study guide is \$10.

If you have any questions, please call Dave Storms, 616-558-8611.

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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) Thurs: 12:00am -3:00pm
Summer Hours

Casey Raffler (Church Administrator) Tues & Thurs: 9:00am -2:00pm

Angela Stanton (Noah's Ark Preschool Director) Summer Hours -Tues 9am-2:30pm or
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