

## FPC Calendar for the week of March 11 - 18, 2018

(Also visit <http://www.fpcdavenport.org/Calendar.html>)

### Sunday, March 11; *Fourth Sunday in Lent*

8:15 AM Manna and More - Fellowship Hall  
 9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary  
 10:00 AM Cherub Choir - Third Floor CE Building  
 10:00 AM St. Giles Bells Rehearsal - Chapel  
 10:10 AM ACE Von Maur Hall Series - *Final Words from the Cross* - Von Maur Hall  
 10:10 AM Promise Land Sunday School - Third Floor CE Building  
 10:20 AM Musikgarten - Infants through Three Year Olds - Room 307  
 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary  
 12:00 PM Organist Search Committee Meeting - Richard Miller's Office  
 4:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - IN RECESS  
 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - IN RECESS  
 5:30 PM ACT and EPIC Fellowship - IN RECESS

### Monday, March 12

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym  
 1:00 PM Etude Club  
 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 105 CE Building  
 5:30 PM Deacons' Executive Committee - Von Maur Hall  
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105  
 6:30 PM Deacons' Outreach - Fellowship Hall  
 6:30 PM Pastoral Care and Spiritual Development - Parlor  
 7:00 PM Mission Connection - Von Maur Hall  
 7:30 PM Board of Deacons - Von Maur Hall  
 7:30 PM Contemplative Prayer Group - Donaldson Room

### Tuesday, March 13

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room  
 3:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304  
 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Third Floor CE Building  
 5:00 PM Finance Meeting - Finance Office  
 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Basketball Practice - Gym  
 6:30 PM Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Parlor

### Wednesday, March 14

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym  
 9:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Parlor  
 10:00 AM Women of Hope Bible Study - Von Maur Hall  
 12:00 PM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room  
 1:00 PM Compassion and Choices - Parlor  
 2:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 105 CE Building  
 4:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Dinner - Fellowship Hall  
 5:45 PM Kirkwood Choir - Choir Room  
 6:15 PM Matin Bells Rehearsal - IN RECESS  
 6:15 PM Bible Basics - *Daniel, Part 2: Daniel and the Lion's Den* - Parlor  
 6:30 PM Kirkwood Club - Von Maur Hall, Gym  
 7:15 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

### Thursday, March 15

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room  
 3:00 PM Boys and Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304  
 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 105 CE Building  
 5:30 PM Foundation Board of Trustees Meeting - Finance Office  
 5:30 PM TOPS - Von Maur Hall  
 6:00 PM Vesper Bells - Chapel  
 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Basketball Practice - Gym  
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

### Friday, March 16

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym

### Saturday, March 17

10:00 AM PUNCH Meeting - First Christian Church, Davenport  
 5:30 PM First Night Out: Potluck and Crazy Bridge- Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, March 18; *Fifth Sunday in Lent*

9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary  
 10:00 AM Cherub Choir - IN RECESS  
 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall  
 10:00 AM St. Giles Bells Rehearsal - Chapel  
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## CONGREGATION NEWS



### FPC Calls Rev. Katie Styrts as Associate Pastor

At the Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 28, FPC members voted to call Rev. Katie Styrts as Associate Pastor. Pastor . Katie, who grew up in Lincoln, Nebraska, attended the University of Chicago, where she met her husband, Philip, and got her Masters of Divinity from Louisville Theological Presbyterian Seminary. Currently, Philip teaches composition to college freshmen while Katie serves as a part-time associate pastor and a part-time solo pastor at two churches in Rochester, New York. Katie's favorite part of ministry is usually sharing communion, although mission trips are a close second. Her planned start date is the end of April.

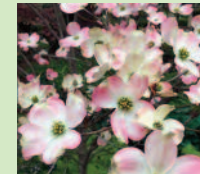
### Chancel Guild Announces Changes in Chancel Flower Sign Up Procedures

The Chancel Guild would like to announce procedures for members of the congregation to order flowers. A sign up calendar will be in Fellowship Hall. Choose your date, then sign your name and telephone number. You will then be responsible for ordering your flowers for that date. The flowers must be delivered to the church the Friday morning before that date. Contact the church office (office @ fpcdavenport.org) no later than Tuesday before the Sunday date if you want to put it in the bulletin.

## Holy Week at First Presbyterian Church

### Palm Sunday, March 25 - Services at 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Children's Procession with Palms



### Maundy Thursday, March 29 - Service at 7:30 PM

Maundy Thursday is the anniversary celebration of the institution of The Lord's Supper. The service will include the Sacrament of Communion. The *Chamber Chorale* will lead in worship.

### Good Friday, March 30 - Service of Tenebrae at 7:30 PM

This service provides an opportunity to meditate on the crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ. The service includes scriptures, prayers, and music of the Passion featuring the *Sanctuary Choir*, the *Cecelian Carolers*, the *Vesper Bells* and orchestra. This year's music includes several arrangements of classic hymns, as well as the Iowa premiere of a new piece by Latvian composer Peteris Vaska, a setting of Mother Theresa's austere poem "The Fruit of Silence."

### Easter Sunday, April 1 - Services at 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

A celebration of the Resurrection! Easter special music will be provided by the *Celebration Singers* and the *Sanctuary Choir*. The music will include the "Hallelujah Chorus!" from Handel's *Messiah*.

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## FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, March 11, 2018

The announcements that follow inform you of various First Presbyterian Church ministries, programs, and events to which you are invited. Please save this publication; take it home and keep it for easy reference.

### Per Capita - \$34 per member

Each year First Church is assessed a per capita contribution by the Presbytery. This year it is \$34 per member. A member is one who has been confirmed or has been welcomed into the congregation by confession of faith, letter of transfer, or reaffirmation of faith. Please use a Per Capita envelope from the pew racks and place it in the offering plate, bring it to the church office, or pay online.



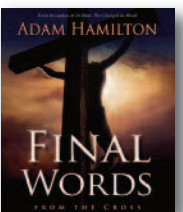
### Manna and More Breakfast - Today, 8:15 - 10:30 AM

Share breakfast with your family and friends before and after the 9:00 AM service. This month there will be waffles, apple compote, biscuits and gravy, sausage, fruit and assorted beverages. Adults - \$3, children (12 & under) - \$1.

### ACE Von Maur Hall Series - Today, 10:00 AM

#### March 11, 18 - *Final Words from the Cross*

This series examines Christ's dying hours and his final words as seen and heard through the eyes and ears of those who stood near the cross. It's an inspiring way to deepen our faith during Lent.



### Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Tuesday, March 13, 6:30 PM

Attention crocheters and knitters...prayer shawls are symbolic of God's presence during our times of need, and the congregation's love and support. The group meets monthly in the church parlor to socialize while we create and anyone with an interest in knitting or crocheting a shawl is invited. If you are unavailable to meet, feel free to make shawls as your time allows and drop them off at the church office.

### Women of Hope Bible Study - Wednesday, March 14, 10:00 AM

Come join this group of caring, fellow Christian women, who meet every other Wednesday through May 23, for Bible study and prayer and to support each other. For more information, please contact Rev. Kristy Parker (kcp0503@aol.com).

### Bible Basics - Wednesday, March 14, 6:15 PM

March 14, *Daniel, Part 2: Daniel and the Lion's Den*

This class is designed for those wanting to revisit many of our favorite childhood Sunday school stories or even hear about them for the first time. Newcomers are always welcome. The discussion on March 14 will be on Daniel, Chapters 4-6 which tell the story of Daniel being thrown into the lion's den. For more information, please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com, 563-332-9314) or Julie Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com, 563-359-6607).

### First Night Out - Saturday, March 17, 5:30 PM

First Night out is having a potluck and playing "Crazy Bridge" on Saturday, March 17. We will meet in Fellowship Hall, from 5:30 - 9:30 PM. Please bring a dish to share. Water, pop and table service will be provided. Please use the West elevator doors. RSVP to Mariann and Matt Kabel (563-386-4298).

## You're Invited to the Programming & Planning Meeting of FPC

Thursday, March 22, 5:30 PM

The next FPC programming, planning and calendarization meeting will be on Thursday, March 22 at 5:30-6:30 PM. Committees are now meeting to plan programming and events out for the year. Plans will be communicated to church leadership and the staff. The next FIRST PRESS theme is *Splash!* (outlining the programming for June through August) will be published the end of May. Articles for that publication are due to Diane Pumphrey (pumphrey@fpcdavenport.org) by April 15, 2018.



## CARING FOR FPC & OUR COMMUNITY

### Every Sunday is Food Pantry Sunday

Please bring non-perishable donations to church on Sunday mornings for delivery to the Sacred Heart Food Pantry at *The Center*. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please mark your check or giving envelope "Food Pantry". You may also bring your contribution to the church office through the week.

### Finance Office Volunteers

The Finance Office is looking for one or two additional volunteers to count the week's pledges and offerings. The sorting/counting is on Tuesday mornings and starts around 10:00 AM and is usually finished no later than 11:00 AM. Would you like to be part of a fun-filled ministry? If you are interested, please contact Shannon Gruhlke at 563-326-1691 or [gruhlke@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:gruhlke@fpcdavenport.org).

### Grant Funds Available - The Deacons' Endowment Fund

The Deacons' Endowment Fund (DEF) was established to help groups and organizations within the First Presbyterian Church and the church community that are developing new mission and outreach programs by providing seed money in the form of matching grants. Grants are designated to help defray the start-up cost of new projects or programs. To apply for a grant, an application form must be completed and submitted for consideration by the Review Board. The maximum grant is \$5,000. **The grant application process will be open for the period March 15 - May 15, 2018.** If you have questions about DEF grants or applications, information is available at the Welcome Desk, the Deacons' Corner, the church's website at [www.fpcdavenport.org](http://www.fpcdavenport.org), or from Brock Earnhardt ([brockearnhardt@hotmail.com](mailto:brockearnhardt@hotmail.com); 563-343-6304).

**BY GIVING TO ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING,**  
you're supporting programs that provide food, clean water, disaster relief, and self-improvement tools to those who need it most.

### THE MORE YOU KNOW.....

Yes, it's our first opportunity this year to donate to one of four churchwide Special Offerings. During Lent we are challenged to reassess our personal relationship with Jesus Christ and His teachings. This offering helps us provide hunger, disaster and self-development programs through the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

### Food Pantry Volunteer Date

The youth groups are signed up to volunteer at the Davenport Food Pantry at JB Young Tuesday, March 27 from 4:00-8:00 PM. We have 20 volunteer positions to fill on this day—please let Tiffany know if you can take one of them. Adults from the congregation also welcome to be a part of this service to our community.

### Kids Against Hunger - Coming April 8-11!

Sign-ups begin next week for the ninth annual Kids Against Hunger drive at First Pres., with sessions to be held April 8-11. The cost to participate is \$30/person, but scholarships are available. For more information, please contact Craig Foster (563-391-4622; [cfoster871@mchsi.com](mailto:cfoster871@mchsi.com)).

### Quad Cities Big Table

Quad Cities Big Table is an effort by Q2030, the regional development planning group, to get people talking in the Quad Cities about our community and how to make it stronger and more connected. On April 20 and 21, there will be more than 500 hour-long conversations at public and private locations all over the Quad Cities, in groups of 10-12. People can sign up to attend one of these conversations, to host one (with training) at a public site (where anyone can sign up to join), or to host one at any location, inviting people to the table. The idea is to sit down with a mix of people you know and don't know, perhaps people you wouldn't normally sit down with. Goals of the Quad Cities Big Table are to empower action, inspire collaboration, grow civic pride, spark problem solving, unleash potential for individual leadership, bolster understanding of one another, and elevate civic engagement. They are urging the church's participate. For more information visit, <http://quadcitiesbigtable.com>.

**QUAD CITIES  
BIGTABLE**  
APRIL 20 - 21, 2018  
Let's Talk.

## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

### ACE Von Maur Hall Series - Sundays, 10:00 AM

#### March 18 - *Final Words from the Cross*

This series examines Christ's dying hours and his final words as seen and heard through the eyes and ears of those who stood near the cross. It's an inspiring way to deepen our faith during Lent.

#### March 25 - *Easter in Hollywood*

See how Hollywood depicted the crucifixion and resurrection in "From the Manger to the Cross" (a silent film from 1912), in Johnny Cash's film "Gospel Road", and Cecil B. DeMille's "King of Kings" from 1927. What are your impressions? How do we celebrate and depict our understandings of Easter?



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

### Spring Break Information

**ACT & EPIC:** There is no Youth Group on Sundays, March 11 and March 18 due to Spring Break!

**Sunday School:** There is ~~NO~~—Sunday School March 18 due to spring break! Spring is a good thing. We all love spring. We all are awaiting it (im)patiently.

**Kirkwood Club:** Our annual Spring Break Roller Skate will take place on Wednesday, March 21! The roller rink has not released their schedule yet for this day, but we typically meet at 1:00 PM and skate until 3:00 PM and play laser tag. FPC covers the roller skating and the laser tag: youth are on their own for snacks and drinks. \*There will NOT be Kirkwood Club later that evening.\*

## MUSIC MINISTRY

### Musikgarten - Today, 10:20 AM

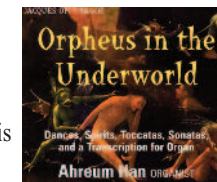
A musical experience designed to bring the joy of music to parent/caregiver and children, through age three. If you have questions, contact Kathy Middleton ([middleton@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:middleton@fpcdavenport.org), 563-505-0471).

### Books for Refugee Children

The Music Outreach Committee will be sponsoring a fundraiser through Barefoot Books, a publisher of children's books with themes of mindfulness, diversity, and inclusivity, to raise money for the purchase and delivery of multi-lingual books for refugee children the choir will be visiting in Germany. Kristena Downing, who is a sales representative for the company, will be in the Fellowship Hall between services to sell books or collect donations, and to provide you with more information.

### Ahreum Han Congdon's CD Now Available!

We are pleased to announce the release of Ahreum Han Congdon's long-awaited first professional recording, *Orpheus in the Underworld: Dances, Spirits, Toccatas, Sonatas, and a Transcription for Organ*. The CD is on sale through the church for \$20.



The chancel will reflect the joy of the season with many beautiful spring plants in memory or honor of loved ones. If you wish to order a plant, complete this form indicating how you would like to be listed in the Easter bulletin, and place the slip, with your donation check, in the offering plate, or deliver it to the church office, **no later than Sunday, March 25.**

### Easter Flowers 2018

In memory or in honor of: (circle one)

Given by:



### Candy and Trinkets Needed!

Our annual Easter Egg-stravaganza is set for Saturday, March 24 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM and we are in need of donations of candy and small toys to fill 1,000 eggs. We will be collecting donations for egg filling on Sundays in the bin in the Narthex...if you can donate ANYTHING, it would be so appreciated! Thank you!

## FELLOWSHIP

### Between The Covers (BTC) Book Club

Monday, March 19, 12:30 PM

Looking for a good book and fellowship? Join the BTC book club on Monday, March 19 at 12:30 PM in the Parlor. We'll enjoy dessert and Lois Boyer will lead our discussion of the book, *Lilac Girls*, by Martha Hall Kelly. Please call hostess Lois Boyer (563-514-3094) to RSVP.



### Tiffany Window Immersion Tour to Dubuque - Sign Up Today! Saturday, March 24, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

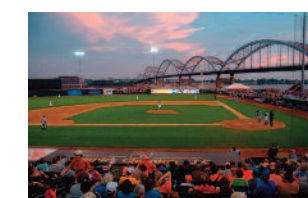
Join our Travel Fellowship to learn how First Presbyterian of Davenport and St. Luke's Methodist Church in Dubuque are artistically and historically connected. St. Luke's is home to the fifth largest collection of Tiffany Windows in the United States. Every window in the church is a unique work of art and all were created by Louis Comfort Tiffany in New York. We start out the morning with a coach tour of historic Dubuque led by a professional guide from Travel Dubuque. After our church tour, we plan to sample wine at the Stone Cliff Winery, followed by a lunch break. The winery is housed in the historic Star Brewery building overlooking the Mississippi. Register on the church website ([www.fpcdavenport.org](http://www.fpcdavenport.org)) for \$49 per person with a minimum group participation of 25 to reserve a bus. Registration is non-refundable, but transferable. Linda Meadors (309-912-4888) will be able to answer questions. Confirmation letters will be mailed in advance. Final date to register is Friday, March 16 or when the tour is filled.

### Socializers - Saturday, March 24, 6:00 PM

If you like good food and good fellowship, mark your calendars to come. This month, our own Carol Phoenix and Matt Bishop will present a "Musical Soirée." Everyone is invited to this wonderful fellowship group and potluck supper meeting in Fellowship Hall.



### Sign-up Today for the Men's Breakfast - Saturday, April 7, 8:30 AM



RIVER BANDITS! Ever wonder what makes the River Bandits one of the most successful baseball franchises in the country? How do they break national attendance records week after week? Winning the 2017 Midwest League Championship was not their first win!

Want to know how they give back to the community and about their successful scholarship program? Come join us Saturday, April 7 at 8:30 AM in Fellowship Hall for a homemade breakfast for \$5. Please contact the church office to sign up. If you have questions, please call Terry Ousley at 563-344-0845.

### Sign-up Today for the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Ladies Breakfast

Saturday, April 14, 9:00 AM

Plan to attend this fun first annual gathering! The breakfast will be catered by Panera Bread. The guest speaker will be Sarah McGlynn of the Davenport Community Food Pantry. The cost is \$10 per person and a portion goes to support the food pantry. Sign-up between the services in Fellowship Hall. For more information, please contact Traci Cracraft ([traciacraft@yahoo.com](mailto:traciacraft@yahoo.com)) or Pat Cresap ([cresaptwo@gmail.com](mailto:cresaptwo@gmail.com)).

