

FPC Calendar for the Week of November 11 - 18, 2018

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

Sunday, November 11; *Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost; New Member Sunday*

9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Special Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Cherub Choir - IN RECESS
 10:00 AM St. Giles Bells Rehearsal - IN RECESS
 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM ACE: Christian Titles - IN RECESS
 10:10 AM ACE: Christian Topics - IN RECESS
 10:10 AM Confirmation Class - IN RECESS
 10:10 AM Promise Land Sunday School - IN RECESS
 10:20 AM Musikgarten - Infants through Three Year Olds - IN RECESS
 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
 4:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - Choir Room
 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - Choir Room
 5:30 PM High School (ACT) and Middle School (EPIC) - Von Maur Hall, Rooms 301-302

Monday, November 12

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 304
 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, November 13

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
 3:30 PM Homework Helpers - Room 304
 4:00 PM Emergency Preparedness Committee - Von Maur Hall
 5:00 PM Finance Meeting - Parlor
 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym
 6:30 PM Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Parlor

Wednesday, November 14

9:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Parlor
 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
 10:00 AM Women of Hope Bible Study - Von Maur Hall
 10:30 AM Library Committee - Library
 12:00 PM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
 1:00 PM Medical Aid in Dying - Parlor
 2:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 304
 5:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Dinner - Fellowship Hall
 5:45 PM Kirkwood Choir - Choir Room
 6:15 PM Bible Basics - Parlor
 6:15 PM Matin Bells Rehearsal - Chapel
 6:30 PM Kirkwood Club - Von Maur Hall, Gym
 7:30 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, November 15

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
 2:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Annual Thanksgiving Dinner - Fellowship Hall
 3:30 PM Homework Helpers - Room 304
 5:30 PM TOPS - Von Maur Hall
 6:00 PM Vesper Bells - Chapel
 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

Friday, November 16

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym

Saturday, November 17

10:00 AM PUNCH Meeting - First Christian Church, Davenport

Sunday, November 18; *Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Cherub Choir - Third Floor CE Building
 10:00 AM St. Giles Bells Rehearsal - Chapel
 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM Thanksgiving Breakfast and New Member Reception - Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM Pie Sale Fundraiser - Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM ACE: Christian Titles - *Jesus' Resurrection: Is There Hope?* - Room 306
 10:10 AM ACE: Christian Topics - *Housing in the QC* - Von Maur Hall
 10:10 AM Confirmation Class - Fireplace Room
 10:10 AM Promise Land Sunday School - IN RECESS
 10:20 AM Musikgarten - Infants through Three Year Olds - IN RECESS
 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
 4:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - Choir Room
 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - Choir Room
 5:30 PM High School (ACT) and Middle School (EPIC) - Von Maur Hall, Rooms 301-302

**The church office will be closed
 November 22 and 23 for the
 Thanksgiving holiday!**

MUSIC MINISTRY

Musikgarten - Sundays, 10:20 AM

We celebrate setting aside 30 minutes on a Sunday morning – the best 30 minutes of the week – to spend singing and playing with our littlest ones as they learn and grow in a God-centered musical family. Musikgarten is for infants through three year olds and their parents and/or grandparents. Our 30 minute Musikgarten class meets between services on Sunday mornings from 10:20-10:50 AM in Room 307, following the Sunday School schedule. Come and join us! We would love to celebrate with you! If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Kathy Middleton (kathryn15@gmail.com; 563-505-0471).



An Advent Service of Lessons and Carols - Sunday, December 2, 7:30 PM

The music ministries of First Pres. are pleased to offer this service of Lessons and Carols to kickoff the liturgical season of Advent. This candlelight service features readings, hymns, and carols sung by the Chamber Chorale. For the third year in a row, this service is an intimate way to prepare our hearts and voices for the season of expectancy and the busy month that follows.

FPC Christmas Concert 2018

Saturday, December 15, 7:30 PM and Sunday, December 16, 4:00 PM

COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS REQUIRED, included in benefactor and series packets

The Christmas concerts at FPC have become a much anticipated event in the Quad Cities. This year's concerts, on the third weekend of December, feature many of the church's great ensembles: the Sanctuary Choir, Chamber Chorale, Vesper Bells, Celebration Singers, and Cecelian Carolers, accompanied by full orchestra and dancers.

This year's concert is centered around our calling to share our abundant gifts with others, a message conveyed in many beloved Christmas carols. In addition to some of our favorite carols and hymns of the season, the concert features the rarely performed *Magnificat* by Johann Christian Bach. We are also asking for concert attendees to bring a non-perishable food item that will be collected at the door and donated to a local Food Bank.

Be sure to reserve your complimentary ticket in advance!

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, November 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.

New Member Sunday - Today

Today, new members will be welcomed by the Congregation at the 9:00 AM service and briefly introduced at the 11:00 AM service. On Sunday, November 18 a reception will be held at 10:00 AM in Fellowship Hall in conjunction with the annual Thanksgiving Breakfast. Please contact Rev. Katie (563-326-1691; styrk@fpcdavenport.org) if you have any questions about becoming a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Call for Special Congregational Meeting - Today, 10:00 AM

As Moderator and Clerk of the Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Davenport, Iowa, the undersigned, at the direction of the Session, hereby issue a call for a special meeting of the congregation to be held on Sunday, November 11 at 10:00 AM in the sanctuary of the church, for the purpose of acting upon the recommendation of the Session to ask the Presbytery of East Iowa to dissolve the pastoral relationship between Rev. Dr. Richard Miller and the congregation of First Presbyterian Church of Davenport, Iowa; and to receive the report of the Congregational Nominating Committee and to elect officers.

Rev. Dr. Pamela S. Saturnia, Moderator

Ms. Marty Bowles Edwards, Clerk

2018 Nominating Committee Report

DEACONS: Brandon Champlin, Paula Hartmann, Bob Lehnerr, Jennifer Peters, Anna Putman, Tracy Riedesel, Sheila Russell, Cindy Schalk, Cassie Woods

ELDERS: Paula Burnett, Seth Crawford, Jeff Gomez, Jim Keenan, Merlyn Madden, Brian Price, Diane Roebuck, Karla Ruitter, Ruth Ann Tobey-Brown, Don Wood

CONGREGATIONAL MEMBERS of CHURCH GOVERNMENT & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Jeff Ehrmann, Jo Johnson, Glen Roebuck, Hugh Stafford

FOUNDATION: Chris Connolly

Sunday School Thanksgiving Breakfast - Sunday, November 18, 10:00 AM

Our annual Thanksgiving Breakfast is going to take place on Sunday, November 18. There will be NO upstairs Sunday School that morning -- instead, all Sunday School youth are asked to bring a breakfast casserole or pumpkin pie to Fellowship Hall. Following the 9:00 AM worship service, the congregation is invited to this breakfast hosted by the youth of the church. Youth are asked to help serve food, clear plates, and visit with members.

Food Pantry Volunteers Needed! - Tuesday, November 20, 12:30 PM



Food Pantry on Tuesday saw 18 volunteers from FPC show up and serve over 500 people in our community, including 300 children. Our next Food Pantry date is two days before Thanksgiving on November 20, and we are anticipating a crowd this time due to the upcoming holidays. Please, consider volunteering from 4:00-8:00 PM this evening...there really is no better reminder of what we have in abundance and what blessings we have in our lives than when we serve others as Christ served. Please contact Tiffany (563-326-1691; mcclure@fpcdavenport.org) for more information.

FELLOWSHIP & FUN

Liturgy of the Ordinary Discussion Group

Wednesdays, through November 14, 7:30 PM

Please join us for a short-term book club! We'll read chapters from *Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life* by Tish Harrison Warren, then meet for drinks, snacks, and discussion for four Wednesdays. The group will be held at Element Tea and Wine Lounge, 5345 Belle Court in Davenport. Feel free to attend for some or all of the meetings. If childcare would help you attend, please let Rev. Katie know ASAP. Our discussion schedule: November 14: Chapters 7 & 11.



Between the Covers (BTC) Book Club

Monday, November 19, 12:30 PM

Looking for a good book and fellowship? All are welcome to join the BTC Book Club on Monday, November 19 at 12:30 PM in the Parlor. We'll enjoy dessert and Lin Davis will lead our discussion of *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann. Please call hostess Irene Huffman (309-787-6941) to R.S.V.P.



Thanksgiving Eve Service and Pie Fellowship

Wednesday, November 21, 7:00 PM

The traditional Thanksgiving Eve Service and Pie Fellowship begins at 7:00 PM on November 21, the Wednesday night before Thanksgiving. A sharing of homemade pies at a fellowship get-together after the service is sure to get the Thanksgiving holiday off to a sweet start. The evening is great time for the church family to recount blessings and give thanks to God. Bake your favorite pie and bring it to church on Thanksgiving Eve (you may drop off the pie earlier in the day, or before attending the service.) This is a special time to worship and thank God for the abundant blessings throughout the year.

Manna & More Breakfast - Sunday, December 9 8:15 AM

Share breakfast with your family and friends before and after the 9:00 AM service on Sunday, November 11 from 8:15 - 10:30 AM. Waffles/pancakes, sausages, a special cherry topping with usual syrup, Cool Whip, nuts and a Christmas pastry if available. Orange juice, milk, tea, water. Adults \$3, children (12 & under) \$1. Everyone is invited -- see you there!

Annual Ugly Sweater Party & White Elephant Gift Exchange 2018

Friday, December 14, 5:30 PM

Calling All Young(ish) Adults (ages 21 to 45-ish) of FPC! Our annual Ugly Sweater Party is set for Friday, December 14 from 6:00 -7:30 PM (ish) in Fellowship Hall! Let's celebrate Christmas in the ugliest sweaters we can find, and bring your favorite holiday side dish to share plus a white elephant gift (under \$15) to exchange! Tiffany's making the turkeys and a ham. RSVP to Tiffany (563-326-1691; mcclure@fpcdavenport.org).



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS 2018

In the tradition of past Christmas seasons, the Chancel Guild will brighten the Sanctuary with poinsettias given in memory or honor of loved ones. To be part of this wonderful tradition, please complete the form and send it to the church office or place it in the offering Plate. **The deadline for making memorial donations is December 9, 2018.**

In Memory or Honor of: _____

(circle one)

Given by: _____

CONGREGATION NEWS

Thankfulness & Abundance Social Media Challenge - Through November 22

For three weeks in November, join in FPC's *Thankfulness & Abundance* social media challenge. Reference #FPCthankfulness when you post your picture to social media. "I'm thankful for ..."
The recommended focus of your picture posts for these days:

November 11 - home	November 17 - warmth
November 12 - place	November 18 - water
November 13 - family	November 19 - debt
November 14 - rest	November 20 - found
November 15 - healthy	November 21 - walls
November 16 - refuge	November 22 - give



Safety and Security for Our Caring Community

First Presbyterian Church is a welcoming and caring community. In an effort to bring a higher level of safety and security to the church, the Emergency Preparedness Committee has recommended that the some of doors along the east side of the church become exit only doors. The Session has approved that beginning on Sunday, December 1, 2018, the doors at Kirkwood Landing - 2S; Iowa Street - 3E; and Iowa Street 4E will be exit only doors. If you routinely use those doors on Sunday mornings to enter the church, please be advised that you should plan to enter at the Christian Education Building or near Sanctuary parking lot. Thank you for understanding and being a caring community of faith.

Session Highlights for October 2018

- Safety Preparedness Committee will number church entrances and exits for easy identification.
- Three primary entrances have been selected for all gathering worshippers. All other outside doors will be exit only locations with push bars to be installed for easy exiting.
- Tutors are needed for the Boys and Girls club after school program. Please consider calling the church to volunteer on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays.
- The Severance Package was accepted as requested by Rev. Richard Miller and the approval vote of the congregation is scheduled for November 11, 2018 at 10:00 am
- A slate of Officers was received and will be approved by a vote of the Congregation on November 11, 2018 at 10:00 AM.
- Jacob Worley, a pastor in good standing in the Anglican Church in North America, was approved to perform a marriage in our sanctuary in June of 2019.
- Approved David Williams as the full time Maintenance Director effective November 1, 2018
- Joyfully approved eight individuals for full fellowship and membership of First Presbyterian Church, Davenport, Iowa.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

ACE: Christian Topics and Titles - Today

Christian Titles and Christian Topics are in recess today so all may attend the Special Congregation Meeting.

Bible Basics: *Ismael, a Covenant, and a Pillar of Salt*

Wednesday, November 14, 6:15 PM

Abram and Sarai's story has some interesting twists in this lesson. Ismael is born to Abram and Hagar. Circumcision is made a part of God's covenant with Abraham. A son is promised to Abraham and Sarah. Sodom and Gomorrah become infamous. For this lesson read Genesis chapters 16-20. For more information about Bible Basics, please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com; 563-332-9314). Newcomers are always welcome even if you do not read beforehand.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

ACT (high school) & EPIC (middle school) Youth Groups - Today, 5:30 PM

EPIC and ACT will be rehearsing our Christmas Pageant and hopefully laughing hysterically at all of Tiffany's jokes in it. Please note: chocolate is given to anyone who laughs at Tiffany's jokes.

Kirkwood Club (1st through 5th graders) - Wednesdays, 6:30 PM

Kirkwood Club will be playing musical wardrobe this week.

MISSION & OUTREACH

Grant Funds Available - The Deacons' Endowment Fund

Applications are being received through November 15 for grants from the Deacons' Endowment Fund. These grants are intended to provide seed money to help groups and organizations within First Presbyterian Church and our church community to develop new mission, outreach, pastoral care and spiritual development programs. The maximum grant that will be awarded is \$5,000. In prior years Deacons' Endowment Fund grants have been awarded to help start Habitat ReStore's Health & Home Store, to secure a therapy dog for Sudlow Intermediate School, to help QC Symphony Orchestra pay for private tutoring for neighborhood music students, to help AMKA Africa School Foundation support students and to benefit other programs and projects. Information and applications are available through the church office, Welcome Desk, Deacons' Corner, website (fpcdavenport.org/def.htm), or Mike Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com; 563-359-6607).



Pie Sale Fundraiser

Sunday, November 18, 10:00 AM

On Sunday, November 19 during the 10:00 AM fellowship hour, the Sanctuary Choir will be selling homemade pies to raise money for the mission components of the July 2019 Milwaukee Music Outreach trip. Pies are available for a free-will donation.

PUNCH Thanksgiving Day Dinner - Thursday, November 22, 11:00 AM

PUNCH's Free Thanksgiving Day Dinner at First Baptist Church will be from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Thursday, November 22. Everyone is invited! For more information, please contact a Deacon.

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

The Prayer Shawl Group of FPC will meet on Tuesday, November 13 in the church parlor from 6:30-8:00 PM. The group knits and crochets prayer shawls and lap robes for distribution to the congregation, as well as hats, sweaters, and blankets for the Knit for Kids organization. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting and the fellowship of lovely people, while creating gifts for others, please join us. Those with beginner skills are welcome. Easy patterns are available. If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute to this ministry, you may bring finished items to the church office. Donations of yarn are also accepted. Questions? Contact Karla Jones (563-332-9314; mkjones@mchsi.com) or Nancy Foster (563-391-2038; nancyotr97@gmail.com).

Hope Project Glove Giveaway - Tuesday, December 19, 3:00 PM

Join us for the next Hope Project at FPC! We're giving the gift of warmth with a hot cocoa and glove giveaway. Meet by the porte cochere entrance along Kirkwood Boulevard, on Tuesday, December 18, from 3:00 to 5:30 PM. Everyone is invited to participate in providing this gift of warmth as we extend care, hope, and witness to the community as the heart of the city. Gloves and mittens may be donated by dropping them off in the back of the sanctuary or in the church office. This ministry is a form of listening to those in our community and making connections through Hope Projects. For more information, contact Diane Pumphrey (pumphrey@fpcdavenport.org; 563-326-1691, ext. 205).

Hope Projects: Caring and reaching out through visible works of service -- creating hope and awareness in our community as we put the church's mission into action.