

FPC Calendar for the Week of May 12 - 19, 2019

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

Sunday, May 12; Senior Recognition Sunday; Mother's Day

- 9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
- 10:20 AM Musikgarten - Infants through Three Year Olds - Room 307
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary

Monday, May 13

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 304
- 5:30 PM "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" Rehearsal - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 PM Deacons' Executive Committee - Von Maur Hall
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105
- 6:30 PM Deacons' Outreach - Room 306
- 6:30 PM Deacons' Pastoral Care and Spiritual Development - Parlor
- 7:00 PM Deacons' Mission Connection - Von Maur Hall
- 7:30 PM Board of Deacons - Von Maur Hall
- 7:30 PM Contemplative Prayer Group - Donaldson Room

Tuesday, May 14

- 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
- 4:00 PM Emergency Preparedness Committee - Von Maur Hall
- 5:00 PM Finance Meeting - Finance Office
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym
- 6:30 PM Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday - Parlor

Wednesday, May 15

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 10:30 AM Library Committee - Library
- 11:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Parlor
- 2:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 304
- 5:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 PM Bible Basics: *Song of Songs* - Parlor
- 6:15 PM Troop 7 Committee Meeting - Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, May 16

- 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
- 4:00 PM Drama Matters - Von Maur Hall
- 5:30 PM Foundation Board of Trustees Meeting - Finance Office
- 5:30 PM TOPS - Von Maur Hall
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Grade Basketball Practice - Gym
- 7:00 PM "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - IN RECESS

Friday, May 17

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym

Saturday, May 18

- 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast Social - Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 AM Running/Walking Group Childcare - Nursery
- 8:30 AM Running/Walking Group - Eastern Avenue Park
- 10:00 AM Art Show Set Up - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM PUNCH Meeting - Sacred Heart Cathedral
- 12:30 PM "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" Rehearsal - Choir Room

Sunday, May 19

- 9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM "Sharing Our Visions of Hope" Art Show - Fellowship Hall
- 10:15 AM Musikgarten - Infants through Three Year Olds - Room 307
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary

CELEBRATING HOPE

"Sharing Our Visions of Hope" Art Show

"Sharing Our Visions of Hope" Art Show is ready to show the talents and gifts of our church members and invited guest artists.

Plan on gathering in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, May 19, 2019 from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM and enjoy more than 20 displays of many art forms! Invite your friends and neighbors! Find the checkered tablecloths on tables where you can have coffee and share fellowship! Visit each artisan -- explore each display! There will be a special display of the novels and writings of Julie McDonald, an accomplished author and former member of First Pres. Children are welcome, too and will have a place to create their own treasures. No admission charge, but a free-will offering is appreciated.

This event is sponsored by the pastoral care and spiritual development committee.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

Vacation Bible Camp - July 8-12, 2019

This is happening July 8-12 but we want to make sure everyone gets it on the calendars now! Please note: this is later than originally scheduled due to all the snow days we have to make up! VBC is from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM for any youth from age three and potty-trained through 6th grade. The 7th through 12th grade youth are helpers and adult volunteers are also needed! If you are able to help out, please contact Tiffany (mcclure@fpcdavenport.org). Childcare is available for volunteers. Our theme is "To Mars and Beyond" and it's going to be out of this world!



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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, May 12, 2019

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.

Graduating Senior Recognition - Today

Congratulations to all graduating seniors as we celebrate you and your accomplishments today. Join us in Fellowship Hall after the 9:00 AM service for cake!

Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Tuesday, May 14, 6:30 PM

The Prayer Shawl Group meets Tuesday, May 14 from 6:30-8:00 PM in the church parlor. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting and the fellowship of lovely people, while creating gifts for others, please join us. Newcomers are welcome. Patterns and yarn 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 (563-391-4622; nancyotr97@gmail.com).

Prayer Shawls Available to Give: The members of the Prayer Shawl group (PSST) invite you to give a prayer shawl to a family member, friend, neighbor or colleague that is in need of God's loving presence. The recipient need not be a church member. A prayer shawl or lap robe is tangible evidence of God's presence among us and can be given in times of challenge or joy. Shawls are available every Sunday on the coat tree at the back of the sanctuary and on the coat racks in Fellowship Hall and near the main office at all times during the week.

Knits for Kids

Knit for Kids is another opportunity to use your knitting or crocheting skills. The Knit for Kids organization of World Vision collects blankets, hats, and sweaters to distribute to children in this country and around the world. Finished items may be placed in the "Knit for Kids" bin in the church office. When enough items are collected they are shipped to the national organization for distribution. Patterns for items can be found at knitforkids.org. Questions? Contact Karla Jones (563-332-9314; mkjones@mchsi.com).

Memorial to the Lost - Saturday, May 18, 10:00 AM

Our PUNCH neighborhood churches honor innocent victims of gun violence in our community during the Memorial to the Lost. This year, the memorial procession will begin at 10:00 AM, on Saturday, May 18, with a prayer service at First Presbyterian. Each week t-shirts representing each victim of gun violence will be marched through our neighborhood to the next church at 5:00 PM on Friday evening, with a brief prayer service held at 10:00 AM each Saturday. Please watch your bulletin for the locations of each service.

Men's Breakfast Social - Saturday, May 18, 8:00 AM

Come one, come all to the men's breakfast social! Join us for a good, home-cooked breakfast, some amazing fellowship, and a great opportunity to put names with the faces you see around the church. Cost is \$5.00 per person. RSVP to the church office 563-326-1691 by May 14. Sponsored by the Deacons' Pastoral Care & Spiritual Development Committee.

Running/Walking Group - Saturdays, May 18 - August 3

The sun is out (well maybe if it ever stops raining) and the weather is warmer! This is the perfect time to join some of your fellow walkers and runners for a May 18-August 3 group! We will be meeting at Eastern Avenue Park at 8:30 AM on Saturdays starting May 18. We will spend a little time together reading a devotional and setting our intention for movement. Not a runner but want to be? No problem! We will have a Couch 2 5k program for you to follow. Not a runner and like to walk? Perfect, come join us! Have kids but need some alone time? Childcare will be provided at the church (just make sure to RSVP two weeks in advance). All paces welcome! Let's gather in movement fellowship this summer!

CARING FOR SELF & OTHERS

Davenport Food Pantry - Tuesday, May 21, 4:00 PM

FPC will be volunteering at the Davenport Food Pantry at J. B. Young on Tuesday, May 21 from 4:00 - 8:00 PM. If you can be there, please let Tiffany (mcclure@fpcdavenport.org; 563-326-1691) know!

Food Pantry Collections for The Center

Every Sunday is food pantry Sunday! In May, we are collecting feminine products - items that are always in high demand. Please donate in honor of women and Mother's Day. If you are uncomfortable shopping for these items but would like to help, write a check and I will purchase them for The Center. If you can, please purchase one or more items for the food pantry each week when you shop. Any non-perishable food, toiletry or monetary donation will be accepted. You can drop off your contribution to the church in the back of the sanctuary. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Grothusen (563-505-4964; mjgrothusen@hotmail.com).

"United" in God's Work...ILUGUA 2019



Hola! Yes, that's about the extent of my Spanish. But, I hope to further my learning both in language and faith when I travel again to Guatemala July 13-20, 2019. Two of us from Grace Lutheran and First Pres are going to stand "united" with our brothers and sisters in Guatemala as ILUGUA continues to advocate for human rights and justice for those with little or no voice.

It is especially important at this time as the Guatemalan government has rescinded its agreement with the International Commission Against Impunity in Guatemala. This effectively disbands the work of the commission, established with support of the United Nations in 2006, to create an independent justice system free of repression, despotism, corruption and impunity. At risk are public prosecutors, the civil police force and courts, as well as the many marginalized communities within the country. In its place, the Guatemalan government proposes amnesty for crimes such as genocide, enforced disappearances and torture.

I invite you to travel with us this year. There are monies available through the Deacons' Mission Connection committee to help offset travel costs, and we have found a direct flight from Chicago to Guatemala City. We will be escorted during the stay by the very capable Steve Barrett, an ex-pat American with considerable travel experience and language skills. While the accommodations are somewhat spartan, the time spent in country will bring you closer to your faith and appreciation of God's blessings on your life. For questions, please reach out to me at 941-806-7301. With agape, Cindy Schalk.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Musikgarten - Sundays, 10:20 AM

Even though regular Sunday School classes have ended until fall, we love Musikgarten so much that we keep coming back for more.

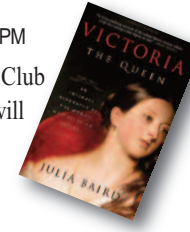
We've been building a church family week by week that we all love and look forward to seeing on Sunday mornings. Our children are learning language, moving and dancing, playing instruments and singing together in a God-centered, musical community at FPC. Feel free to come and join us. The only rule is that everyone joins in! Musikgarten is for infants through three years old, but if you have older children, bring them with you during the summer. If you have friends and family visiting during the summer, feel free to bring them too, even if you're not a regular Musikgarten attendee (think Grandparents who want to experience MG with their grandkids). We don't want to leave anyone out! We'll meet for Summer Musikgarten classes in Room 307 from 10:15-10:50 AM on May 12, 19 and June 2. (No class Memorial Day weekend, May 26.) On June 9, 16 and 23 our time will change to 9:15-9:50 AM. (No class June 30 or July 7.) We'll keep the 9:15-9:50 AM time July 14, 21, 28 and August 4, 11 and 18. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Kathy Middleton (kathryn15@gmail.com; 563-505-0471).



FELLOWSHIP & FUN

Between the Covers (BTC) Book Club - Monday, May 20, 12:30 PM

Looking for a good book and fellowship? All are welcome to join the BTC Book Club on Monday, May 20 at 12:30 PM in the Parlor. We'll enjoy dessert and Sue Howes will lead our discussion of *Victoria the Queen* by Julia Baird. Please call hostess Carol Phoenix (563-332-0980) to R.S.V.P.

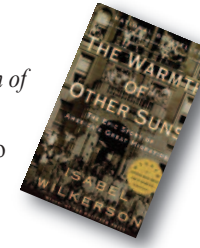


Socializers - Sunday, May 26, 12:00 PM

Socializers will meet on Sunday, May 26 at noon and share a potluck lunch. Please bring a dish to share. Our speaker, Mary Huebbe, the Marketing Director at Ridgecrest, will present "Senior Options!"

Women's Non-Fiction Book Club - Tuesday, June 4, 6:30 PM

Join us in the Parlor at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, June 4 to discuss the book *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson. This book details the journeys of migrants from the American South to the North in the 20th century, and how they changed the culture of our nation. Contact Rev. Katie if you need a copy of the book.



Neighborhood Picnic - Sunday, June 9, 11:30 AM

We're firing up the grill! Please join us for a Neighborhood Picnic Sunday, June 9 from 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM. Meat, baked beans, coleslaw, and drinks will be provided. There will be activities for kids. Bring a side dish or dessert to share! If able, please bring two cans of non-perishable food items to donate to the food pantry. Look for the tent! Rain or shine!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Bible Basics - Wednesdays, 6:15 PM, Parlor

Wednesday, May 8, 6:15 PM - *King Solomon — The Final Chapters*

What happens to King Solomon after the building of the temple is complete? Join us this week to find out. Read I Kings, Chapters 9-11. For more information and study outlines please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com; 563-332-9314) or Julie Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com; 563-359-6607). Newcomers are always welcome.

CONGREGATION NEWS

Updates from the Interim Pastor Nominating Committee (IPNC)

The IPNC is made up of three elders (Brian Price from Personnel, Sarah Greim, and Jeff Gomez), as well as one member at large (Kathy Yoke). Jeff Charis-Carlson serves as the liaison from the Administrative Commission provided by the Presbytery. The committee meets regularly and reports to the Session each month. For the purpose of reporting to the congregation, this summary is being provided and periodic updates are planned.

On March 6, the Ministry Information Form, which serves as a job description and advertisement, was officially approved and posted online. In April, the committee, supported via email by Jeff C., actively engaged in learning the polity of the Interim search, meeting several times and in regular email communication, discussing priorities, reviewing Pastoral Information Forms that had been referred to them, and identifying potential candidates. Candidate sermons and additional information have been requested of some candidates.

As the committee moves forward please check your bulletin for future updates on our process, and pray for our committee!

CONGREGATION NEWS

Liturgists Wanted

Throughout the year our confirmation class has done a fantastic job serving as liturgists, and after confirmation Sunday these opportunities to help lead worship are open! All liturgists are given a script to practice ahead of time, and read a scripture and multiple prayers during worship. People of any age can be a liturgist. If you're interested, please sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary.

Safety and Security Upgrades for Our Caring Community

First Presbyterian Church is a welcoming and caring community. In March of 2018, the Session of First Presbyterian Church formed an Emergency Preparedness Committee to enhance the safety and security of the church. The committee's efforts include the following:

- Researched statistics on church violence
- Attended church emergency workshops
- Reviewed the GuideOne Safety Resource information
- Consulted with the Davenport police
- Received a church campus security assessment by the Davenport police
- Toured other area churches to consider security/access technology and procedure options
- Met with multiple vendors and received security technology proposals.

To bring a higher level of safety and security to the church, the Emergency Preparedness Committee has recommended that new access control, IP cameras, and video entry systems be installed throughout the church campus. The Session approved the recommendation on March 18, 2019 with installation to begin the week of May 20. Progress updates and information about how limiting the points of entrance will change how members enter the church will be communicated. Thank you for understanding and being a caring community of faith.

Pickleball! - Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9:00 AM

Join us in the FPC gym from 9:00-11:00 AM on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays through May 24. Pickleball will be in recess during the week of May 27 and will resume play on June 3. If you haven't played before, or if you're an experienced player, come enjoy fun and fellowship! We have extra equipment for those just getting started. Please contact Diane Schroeder (563-326-5753) or David Fairweather (563-359-9712) for more information.

Summer Church Office & Building Hours

From June 7 through August 30, the church will be open Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM and will close at 12:30 PM on Fridays. Program year office hours will resume on September 6 (M-F, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM). **Note:** The church will be closed on Monday, May 27 in recognition of Memorial Day.

Sunday, June 9 - one service only at 10:30 AM, followed by the Neighborhood Picnic

Sunday, June 16 - summer worship schedule begins, with an outside service at 8:30 AM and inside service at 10:00 AM.

Sunday, July 7 - Blessing of the Animals at 8:30 AM & Battle Hymn service at 10:00 AM

Sunday, July 14 - one service only at 10:00 AM for VBC Sunday

Sunday, August 4 - one service at 10:00 AM in the sanctuary for Bix Jazz Sunday

Sunday, September 8 - return to program year worship times at 9:00 & 11:00 AM in the sanctuary

Synod School - July 21-26, 2019, Buena Vista University, Storm Lake, Iowa

Synod school is a week of worship, learning and fun for people of all ages held from July 21-26, 2019 at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa. Check out the adult classes, or bring your kids for quality programming and care for infants through teens. This year Katie is teaching a class on the value of theater in worship, and is willing to carpool. Scholarships are available - please ask if you have any questions or want to learn more! Go to lakesandprairies.org/SynodSchool, or call 800-328-1880, ext. 207, for further information.

