

FPC Calendar for the week of February 18 - 25, 2018

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

Sunday, February 18; *First Sunday in Lent; Food Pantry Sunday*

9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
 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 - IN RECESS
 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
 4:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - Choir Room
 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - Choir Room
 5:30 PM ACT and EPIC Fellowship - Von Maur Hall, Rooms 301-302

Monday, February 19

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
 12:30 PM BTC Book Club - Parlor
 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 105 CE Building
 5:30 PM Hospitality & Welcoming Committee Meeting - Von Maur Hall
 6:00 PM Christian Education & Fellowship for Youth Committee (CEFY) - Parlor
 6:00 PM Congregation Development & Fellowship (CDF) Committee Meeting - Room 304
 6:15 PM Worship & Music Committee - Director of Music's Office
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105
 7:00 PM Session Meeting - Von Maur Hall
 7:00 PM Contemplative Prayer Group - Donaldson Room

Tuesday, February 20

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
 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - IN RECESS
 6:30 PM Troop 7 Committee Meeting - Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 21

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
 9:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Parlor
 10:30 AM Library Committee - Library
 12:00 PM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
 3:30 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 - Chapel
 6:15 PM Bible Basics - Parlor
 6:30 PM Kirkwood Club - Von Maur Hall, Gym
 7:15 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, February 22

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 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, February 23

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym

Saturday, February 24

6:00 PM Socializers: KWQC Meteorologist Cedric Haynes - Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 25; *Second Sunday in Lent*

9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Annual Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM Cherub Choir - Third Floor CE Building
 10:00 AM St. Giles Bells Rehearsal - IN RECESS
 10:10 AM ACE Von Maur Hall Series - IN RECESS
 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
 12:15 PM Organist Search Committee Meeting - Parlor
 1:00 PM Quist Piano Studio Recital - Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall
 4:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - Choir Room
 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - Choir Room
 5:30 PM ACT and EPIC Fellowship - Von Maur Hall, Rooms 301-302

CARING FOR FPC & OUR COMMUNITY

Food Pantry - Today

Food items collected will be donated 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.

Paper Hearts for February

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February is the month for love. Show your love for others in the community and help the Deacons Outreach Committee with the Paper Hearts drive. Toilet paper, something we all take for granted, is the #1 item that the shelters lack. Beginning February 1, you can bring new packages of toilet paper to Fellowship Hall. Our goal this year is 2,000 rolls! The Deacons will be collecting all month and on March 1 will take everything to Humility of Mary for distribution to their shelters. Show a stranger some love this month by donating toilet paper.

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.



Tabitha's Circle - Sunday, March 4, 12:00 PM



All those who sew or who would like to sew some simple dresses and shorts can join us. The clothes we make are sent to children in Africa, Guatemala, Cambodia and Haiti as well as to Appalachia and South Dakota, in the U.S. Please bring your own sewing machines and invite others who would like to participate. We will have refreshments. Contact Roen Paulsen (563-355-3165) for questions regarding this outreach project.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, February 18, 2018

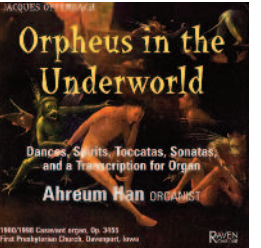
The announcements that follow inform you of various First Presbyterian Church ministries, programs, and events to which you are invited. Please save this publication; take it home and keep it for easy reference.

Celebrate Ahreum Han Congdon's Service to FPC - Today, 10:00 AM

Please help us celebrate Ahreum Han Congdon's seven years of devoted ministry as our Principal Organist/Assistant Director of Music today at the cake reception between services.

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 recording is also the first to highlight FPC's magnificent Casavant organ. The CD is on sale through the church for \$20. Please contact Jane Magnusson in the office to purchase your copy.



Bible Basics - Wednesdays, 6:15 PM

February 21 - *Joshua and the Walls of Jericho*

All are welcome to our discussion on February 21 which will be on the story of Joshua and the walls of Jericho (Joshua, Chapters 1-6). For more information, please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com, 563-332-9314) or Julie Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com, 563-359-6607).

Annual Congregational Meeting - Sunday, February 25, 10:00 AM

Each year the church sets aside time for the Annual Congregational Meeting and encourages every member to attend. Typically, an annual meeting may consider such business as hearing reports from the Session or selected committees of Session, a report from the Board of Deacons and other organizations of the church, and transacting any other business as appropriate.

Financial Update

As we strive to be transparent with the congregation, on behalf of Session, here is a financial update for 2017 and 2018:

- Our financial results for 2017 operations were very good: The bottom line was a surplus of over \$24,000.
- As of January 31, we are very close to balancing our 2018 budget of almost \$1 million. We are within \$14,000 of achieving that goal.
- Two important 2018 budget notes:
 - Resources for the Associate Pastor compensation for three years and relocation costs are paid from a separate fund.
 - The Foundation has made a grant for search and relocation costs for Ahreum's replacement as Organist/Assistant Director of Music.
- On February 19, members of Session will be asked to approve a budget for 2018. Our policy and practice have been to approve a budget where income exceeds expenses. Again, we are within \$14,000 of achieving a balanced budget.
- With this information, we invite you, the members of our church family, to help balance the 2018 budget. This can be accomplished by increasing your 2018 pledge or by pledging for the first time. We appreciate your consideration.

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.

CONGREGATION NEWS

FPC Calls Rev. Katie Styrk as Associate Pastor

At the Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 28, FPC members voted to call Rev. Katie Styrk as Associate Pastor. Pastor Katie's planned start date is the end of April. Katie Styrk grew up in Lincoln, Nebraska. She attended the University of Chicago, where she met her husband Philip in a theater class, and got her Masters of Divinity from Louisville Theological Presbyterian Seminary. In their spare time, Philip and Katie enjoy playing board games, baking, and trying (unsuccessfully) to teach their old dog new tricks. Philip currently 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. One of her current congregations is joining with another church in early April, and so she hopes to shepherd them through this transition and then move to Davenport in mid-April. Her favorite part of ministry is usually sharing communion, although mission trips are a close second.



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. Flowers can be for any celebration or memorial: birthdays, weddings, baptisms, anniversaries, graduations, etc. Contact the church office (office @fpcdavenport.org) no later than the Tuesday morning before the Sunday date if you want to put it in the bulletin. A list of instructions will be at the calendar sign up.

CARING FOR THE COMMUNITY

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. The DEF grants are designated to help defray the start-up cost of new projects or programs according to guidelines established by the Board of Deacons. To apply for a grant, an application form must be completed and submitted for consideration by the Deacons Endowment Fund Review Board. The maximum grant that can be awarded is \$5,000. **The grant application process will be open for the period March 15 - May 15, 2018.** Grant recommendations will be subject to approval by the Board of Deacons in their July Meeting. If you have questions about DEF grants or applications, information is available through the church office, at the Welcome Desk, the Deacons' Corner, the church's website at www.fpcdavenport.org, or from Brock Earnhardt (brockearnhardt@hotmail.com; 563-343-6304).

Volunteers Needed!

The Deacons Outreach Committee Needs your help! We need volunteers to shop, cook, serve and clean-up on Wednesday evenings through May for the Boys and Girls Club Meal. We recommend three to four people per evening. If interested, call or email Muffy Ellard (563-505-2292; ellardmm@gmail.com).



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We also need volunteers willing to shop for and cook the Salvation Army Meal on a permanent basis. Two volunteers have been cooking the meal and would appreciate help! They need four volunteers (two each group) to split the duties for the year. Same menu each month (first Monday of the month). Call or email Muffy Ellard (563-505-2292; ellardmm@gmail.com) to help.

Boys and Girls Club Homework Helpers needed! Please consider volunteering an hour each week (Tuesday or Thursday, 3:00-4:00 PM) to tutor children from the Boys and Girls Club. The rewards are many! Please call or email Debbie Keenan (815-621-8009; dkeenan0912@gmail.com).

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

ACT and EPIC - Today, 5:30 PM

Tonight, youth group will be playing Acting Out!

Kirkwood Club - Wednesday, February 21, 6:30 PM

Kirkwood Club, for first through fifth grades, will be playing Guess the Leader this week.

Davenport Food Pantry - Tuesday, February 27, 4:00-8:00 PM

Our next evening of volunteering at the Davenport Food pantry is set for Tuesday, February 27 from 4:00-8:00 PM. If you are able to serve the community on this date, please let Tiffany know. We have space available for 20 volunteers who want to make a difference.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Musikgarten - Today, 10:20 AM

Classes are a musical experience designed to bring the joy of music to parent/caregiver and children, infants through age three. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Kathy Middleton (middleton@fpcdavenport.org, 563-505-0471).



Gift Card Sales Table - Today

The Sanctuary Choir is selling gifts cards to help fund the June 2018 Music Outreach trip to Germany. Gift cards make perfect, easy, and convenient gifts. We have cards ready for purchase to retailers such as Amazon.com, Starbucks, Target, Cinemark, Old Navy, TJ Maxx, and Village Inn; additionally, we can order gift cards to hundreds more retailers easily. We hope you will consider helping out by participating in this stress-free fundraiser.



QCA Visiting Artist Series: Tesla Quartet - Saturday, March 10, 7:30 PM



Praised for their "superb capacity to find the inner heart of everything they play, regardless of era, style or technical demand" (*The International Review of Music*), the Tesla Quartet brings refinement and prowess to both new and established repertoire. Dubbed "technically superb" by *The Strad*, the Tesla Quartet recently took Second Prize as well as the Haydn Prize and Canadian Commission Prize at the 12th Banff String Quartet Competition. The Quartet has also garnered top prizes at numerous other international competitions, including the Gold Medal at the 2012 Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition. Tickets: \$15 adults, \$10 students

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

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

Today - In recess for Ahreum's reception between services

February 25 - In recess for Congregational Meeting

March 4, 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.

FELLOWSHIP

Between The Covers (BTC) Book Club

Monday, February 19, 12:30 PM

Looking for a good book and fellowship? Join the BTC book club on Monday, February 19 at 12:30 PM in the Parlor. We'll enjoy dessert and Bev Koos will lead our discussion of the book, *The Boston Girl*, by Anita Diamant. Please call hostess Carol Phoenix (563-332-0980) to RSVP.

Socializers - Saturday, February 24, 6:00 PM

If you like good food and fellowship plus an interesting, informative presentation, mark your calendars to come to Socializers! Bring a dish to share at our potluck, and friends and neighbors as all are welcome. Our speaker will be meteorologist Cedric Haynes, who joined KWQC's First Alert Team in November 2017.

Cedric has spent most of his life in the south, but is excited to experience a true midwestern winter! In addition to his fascination with weather which led him to his career path, Cedric is passionate about giving back to the community. He is an active member of his church, a strong supporter of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and loves mentoring youth.



Manna and More Breakfast - Sunday, March 11, 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, sausage, fruit and assorted beverages. Adults - \$3, children (12 & under) - \$1.

Tiffany Window Immersion Tour to Dubuque

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. You will learn the stories behind the city's architecture and of the influential families and religious leaders who set the scene for its growth and prosperity in the 1800's. This will be followed by a guided tour of St. Luke's Methodist where our docent will share the significance of its many Tiffany treasures. After our church tour, we plan to sample wine at the Stone Cliff Winery (www.stonecliffwinery.com), followed by a lunch break. The winery is housed in the historic Star Brewery building overlooking the Mississippi. If time permits group members will have time to explore downtown before heading back to the Quad Cities. Invite your friends who might be interested in First Presbyterian as their new church home to join you. Register on the church website (www.fpcdavenport.org) for \$49 per person with a minimum group participation of 25 to reserve a bus. Registration is non-refundable, but transferable. Committee member, Linda Meadors (309-912-4888) will be able to answer questions from February 11 onward. Confirmation letters will be mailed two weeks in advance of the tour. Final date to register is Friday, March 16 or when the tour is filled.

