

## FPC Calendar for the Week of April 21-28, 2019

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

### Sunday, April 21; *Easter Sunday*

- 9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM Choir Easter Brunch - Von Maur Hall, Parlor
- 10:00 AM Cherub Choir - IN RECESS
- 10:10 AM ACE Titles - IN RECESS
- 10:10 AM ACE 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 Singers - IN RECESS
- 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - IN RECESS
- 5:30 PM High School (ACT) and Middle School (EPIC) Fellowship - IN RECESS

### Monday, April 22; *Easter Monday*

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 1:00 PM Page Turners Book Club - Home of Judy Hawthorne
- 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 304
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105

### Tuesday, April 23

- 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
- 4:00 PM Emergency Preparedness Committee - Von Maur Hall
- 6:00 PM UNITE Task Force meeting - Fireplace Room
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Basketball Practice - Gym

### Wednesday, April 24

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 10:00 AM Women of Hope Bible Study - Von Maur Hall
- 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
- 5:45 PM Kirkwood Choir - Choir Room
- 6:15 PM Bible Basics: *Solomon Becomes King* - Parlor
- 6:30 PM Kirkwood Club - Von Maur Hall, Gym
- 7:30 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

### Thursday, April 25

- 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
- 4:00 PM Drama Matters - Von Maur Hall
- 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> Grade Basketball Practice - Gym
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - IN RECESS

### Friday, April 26

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 5:30 PM "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall

### Saturday, April 27

- 10:00 AM Youth Sunday Dress Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall
- 7:00 PM FPC Young Adults at Comedy Sportz, Rock Island

### Sunday, April 28; *Youth Sunday*

- 9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM Cherub Choir -Third Floor CE Building
- 10:10 AM ACE Titles - IN RECESS
- 10:10 AM ACE Topics: *The Trinity* - Von Maur Hall
- 10:10 AM Confirmation Class - Fireplace Room
- 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 "Franks for the Memories" Cookout - Fellowship Hall
- 12:00 PM Tabitha's Circle - Fellowship Hall
- 12:30 PM Belle Academy OfDance Photo Day - CE Building, Rooms 301-304, 310-312
- 2:00 PM "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall
- 4:00 PM Cecelian Singers - IN RECESS
- 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - IN RECESS
- 5:00 PM High School (ACT) and Middle School (EPIC) Fellowship - Von Maur Hall, Rooms 301-302

## CONGREGATION NEWS

### Session Highlights from April 15, 2019

- The Interim Pastor Nominating Committee (IPNC) was granted permission from the Presbytery to begin actively seeking a Pastor this month. They are hard at work spreading the word of the position and sifting through applicants for matches to our desired skills set. Patience and prayers are needed as the IPNC looks for the right fit, a track record of experience with a congregation our size, and availability in the near future.
- New Facilities Manage, Darren Long, began employment April 15, 2019. Darren brings a strong background and skill set to FPC, Davenport. Please welcome Darren.
- Joyfully approved for membership in First Presbyterian Church, Davenport:
  - Approved baptism of Ben De Coster, Kelli DeCoster, Rehema Zabibu, Scott Johnson, and Nick Johnson.
  - Confirmands joyfully approved for membership: William Cracraft, Kelli DeCoster, Cecily Ferris, James Frohlich, Alyssa Horvath, Rece Johnson, Alene Keppy, and Rehema Zabibu.
- Joyfully approved for membership: Jamie Buller, Ben DeCoster, Matthew Hennes, Sarah Hennes, Bonnie Johnson, Nick Johnson, Scott Johnson.
- Food for the Soul communion service and potluck dinner to be held May 5, 2019, from 5:00-7:30 PM.
- Single morning Worship Service to be held May 5, 2019, at 10:00 AM.
- Rescheduled Church Grounds Clean-up day will be May 4, 2019.
- Approved funding for enhanced security system for the church.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### PUNCH Spring Fling - Saturday, May 4, 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Join PUNCH (People Uniting Neighbors and Churches) at First Baptist Church, 14<sup>th</sup> and Perry Street, Davenport, on Saturday, May 4 between 8:00 AM and 2:00 PM for a Spring Fling! There will be a yard and craft sale, food trucks, a bounce house, greenhouse activities, games for kids, a face painting clown, and music and a special performance by Elvis! Hope to see you there!

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## FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, April 21 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.*

### Page Turners Book Club - Monday, April 22, 1:00 PM

Page Turners are meeting on Monday, April 22, at 1:00 PM at the home of Judy Hawthorne.

### Women of Hope Bible Study - Wednesday, April 24, 9:30 AM

Join us on Wednesday, April 24 as we continue our study of, "That's What She Said: Quoteable Women in Scripture." Women of Hope Bible Study Group meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month in Von Maur Hall at 10:00 AM. Materials are provided and no advanced preparation is required. Please contact Jeanne Sherwood (jssherwood@gmail.com; 563-391-9287) for more information about Women of Hope. Newcomers are always welcome.

### FPC Young Adults to Attend Comedy Sportz - Saturday, April 27, 7:00 PM



FPC Young Adults will be attending Comedy Sportz on Saturday, April 27! Childcare will be available at the church nursery but they need a head count. The show starts at 7:00 PM and childcare starts at 5:30 PM if we want to eat first (you can order pizzas). I need a head count! Cost is \$10 per person and let Tiffany know if you want to come play! This is for ages 21 though 50 (ish).

### Tabitha's Circle - Sunday, April 28, 12:00 PM

All those who sew or who would like to sew some simple dresses and shorts can join us on Sunday, April 28, in Fellowship Hall at 12:00 PM. 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 Sharon Simmonds (563-355-7008) for information.

### Spring Clean Up - Saturday, May 4, 8:00 AM

The Buildings and Grounds Committee has rescheduled the annual spring clean up for Saturday, May 4, from 8:00 AM until noon. Donuts, bagels, orange juice, and coffee will be provided for all volunteers. Help is needed and all are welcome to come spruce up the grounds after the long winter. Please bring rakes,trimming equipment, and wheelbarrows, if you are able to do so.

### New Member Sunday - May 5

On Sunday, May 5, new members will be welcomed by the Congregation at the single service of the day, at 10:00 AM. Please contact Rev. Katie (563-326-1691; styrk@fpcdavenport.org) if you have any questions about becoming a member of First Presbyterian Church.



### Food for the Soul - Worship & Dinner

Sunday, May 5, 5:00 PM

Join us Sunday, May 5 for worship followed with a potluck dinner! We'll have a casual worship service with communion in Fellowship Hall at 5:00 PM, then share dinner at 6:00 PM. A taco bar will be provided, and everyone is invited to bring a dish to share. Everyone is welcome for this relaxed celebration of God's love!



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

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

We are in recess tonight but come on out on Saturday, April 27 from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM for our Youth Sunday dress rehearsal (followed by pizza) and then Youth Sunday is next Sunday! All youth need to be here at 8:00 AM ready to go: we are ushers and in charge of the offertory and singing and we have to be on time for this one! Please!!!

### Kirkwood Club (1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders) - Wednesdays, 6:30 PM

We have our last Kirkwood Club this week! We will have an ice cream sundae party and play outside! Parents welcome to join us!

### Sunday School

There will be \*no\* Sunday School today because of Easter! Have an amazing weekend.

**CALLING EVERYONE:** Our last Sunday School is next Sunday, April 28 and to celebrate, we will have a "Franks for the Memories" Potluck Party after the 11:00 AM service and everyone is welcome! We are providing the hot dogs and condiments—we are asking guests to bring a side dish or dessert. This is also Youth Sunday so we have the children singing and involved in both worship services, so just plan to stay and eat with everyone as we celebrate the conclusion of our Sunday School calendar year together!



## CARING FOR SELF & OTHERS

### 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.

## CONGREGATION NEWS

### One Great Hour of Sharing 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

All around the world, we see people whose homes and loved ones have been washed away by hurricanes and floods, people trapped in systems of injustice and oppression, and people who go to bed tonight hungry or without a roof over their heads. One Great Hour of Sharing is the single largest way that Presbyterians join together to open our doors - as well as our hearts - to share the love of Christ through ministries of justice, compassion, and joy. Your gift will help sustain these ministries.

### FPC Welcomes Darren Long as Facilities & Custodial Supervisor



Stop by and say "hello" to First Presbyterian's new Facilities & Custodial Supervisor Darren Long. He brings over 40 years of experience in maintenance work and owned his own business. Darren is a resident of Bettendorf and has raised two boys. In his free time he stays busy working on projects and helping others, but takes time to enjoy riding his motorcycle when the weather cooperates. Members may contact Darren in the maintenance office at 563-326-1691, ext. 203 or email him at long@fpcdavenport.org.

### Finance Reminder for Stock Donations

As a friendly reminder, please notify the Finance Office when donating stock to ensure we can give you full contribution credit for your donation. If you have previously donated stock this year and were unsure who to contact due to recent changes, please contact us at olson@fpcdavenport.org or 563-326-1691, ext. 219. Thank you for your continued support of First Presbyterian Church!

### 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. 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.

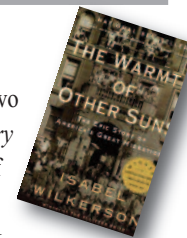
### Liturgists Wanted

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.

## FELLOWSHIP & FUN

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

Due to a record crowd at last week's book club, our club's next meeting will be in two months. Join us in June 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 20<sup>th</sup> century, and how they changed the culture of our nation. Contact Rev. Katie if you need a copy of the book.



## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

### ACE: Christian Titles & Topics - Sundays, 10:10 AM

Today: ACE Christian Titles and Christian Topics are IN RECESS today for Easter Sunday.

### Bible Basics - Wednesdays, 6:15 PM, Parlor

Wednesday, April 24, 6:15 PM - *Solomon Becomes King*

David served Israel as king for 40 years. When David died, his son, Solomon, became king. Best known for being wise and for building the temple in Jerusalem, we will begin this week to read through Solomon's story to find out more about him. For this week, read I Kings, Chapters 2-5. 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.

### From the FPC Library Corner

**Fiction Books for Adults:** *The American Agent* by Jacqueline Winspear - We see England during the bombings in 1940 (WWII) before America has joined in as Allies. An American reporter in England is hoping to join Edward R. Murrow's Team there but is found murdered. Maisie Dobbs is asked to lead the investigation. *At the Wolf's Table* by Rosella Postorino - A novel based on a true story of the German women who were forced to eat the food that will be served to Hitler to make certain it is not poisoned. We see their fears as well as learn of the friendships they make and the people they love.

**Non-Fiction Books for Adults:** *Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others* by Barbara Brown Taylor - An Episcopal priest, Taylor decides to teach a college course in Religion 101, challenging her students to understand the faith of others. On many of their trips together visiting mosques, temples, etc., she helps them to understand the way God is broader than they imagined. At the same time she honestly discusses her doubts and beliefs. *Vaccines Did Not Cause Rachel's Autism: My Journey as a Vaccine Scientist, Pediatrician, and Autism Dad* by Peter J. Hotez, M.D., PhD. - Dr. Hotez works at Texas Children's Hospital and is the Dean of the National School of Tropical Medicine. His book shares his insight into the challenges of raising an autistic daughter and gives a clear explanation of how science



## CELEBRATING HOPE

### Calling All Artisans!

### Sign Up Now for "Sharing Our Visions of Hope" Art Show

Sign up to participate in "Sharing Our Visions of Hope" Art Show at First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, May 19, 2019 in Fellowship Hall from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (between worship services and following second service). No admission charge, but a free-will offering is appreciated; proceeds to support First Pres! More to come!

We want to share the talents of our congregation! A sign up sheet is located in Fellowship Hall. Please fill in your name and what item(s) you can display, for example: painting - etching, illustrating; sculpture - wire, origami; textiles - quilts, knitting, crocheting; spinning, weaving; woodworking, caning; photography; fashion design; poetry, novels.

This event will be advertised and open to the public. There will be a Children's Corner for budding artists. Questions? Please call Pat Cresap (563-449-8148) or Bill Hawthorne (563-391-9971). Sponsored by the Pastoral Care and Spiritual Development Committee.

