

FPC Calendar for the week of October 22 - 29, 2017

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

Sunday, October 22; Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
10:00 AM Cherub Choir - Third Floor of CE Building
10:00 AM ACE Von Maur Hall Series - *Human Trafficking* - Von Maur Hall
10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM St. Giles Bells Rehearsal - Chapel
10:10 AM Promise Land Sunday School - Third Floor of CE Building
10:20 AM Musikgarten - Infants through Three Year Olds - Room 307
11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:00 PM Tabitha's Circle - Fellowship Hall
4:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - IN RECESS
4:00 PM Joint Worship Service - Third Missionary Baptist Church
5:30 PM Celebration Singers - Choir Room
6:30 PM ACT and EPIC Fellowship - leave for Skellington Manor Haunted House

Monday, October 23

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105

Tuesday, October 24

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
1:00 PM ACE Committee Meeting - Parlor
3:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
6:30 PM AAU Boys Basketball Practice - Gym

Wednesday, October 25

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
4:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Dinner - Fellowship Hall
5:45 PM Kirkwood Choir - Choir Room
6:00 PM Matin Bells Rehearsal - Chapel
6:30 PM *Gift of Years Small Group* - Parlor
6:30 PM Kirkwood Club - Von Maur Hall, Gym
7:15 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, October 26

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
3:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
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 Basketball Practice - Gym
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

Friday, October 27

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym

Saturday, October 28

8:00 AM Church-Wide Outside Clean Up - outside church grounds
2:00 PM Set Up for Fall Fest - Fellowship Hall, Von Maur Hall, Gym
4:00 PM German Wine Tasting - German American Heritage Center, Davenport
6:00 PM Socializers - Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 29; Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost; All Saints

9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

ACT and EPIC - Today, 5:30 - 7:00 PM!

Today, ACT and EPIC, our Middle and High School Youth Groups for 6th-12th grade, are going to meet at church at 3:45 PM and walk over to Missionary Baptist. Don't forget to bring a dish for the potluck! After the service and dinner, we will walk back, have choir and then head to Skellington Manor in Rock Island. Late night: we won't be back to FPC until around 7:45 PM this evening!



Kirkwood Club - Wednesday, October 25, 6:30 - 7:15 PM

This week, at Kirkwood Club, our elementary school youth group for children in first through fifth grade, youth will each be working on a craft for Halloween!



Fall Fest Donations

Donations of candy/small prizes for Fall Fest are eagerly sought and will be gratefully accepted in the back of the Sanctuary. We also need decorated cupcakes for the Cake Walk.

CONGREGATION NEWS

October Session Meeting Highlights:

- Signage was approved for the church doors with the following wording:

WELCOME TO THIS SANCTUARY OF PEACE

No Weapons Please

"And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Phil 4:7

- CEFY Fall Fest on October 29 from 4:00 - 6:00 PM, volunteers needed. Please contact Tiffany to offer your assistance.
- CEFY fundraiser approved for sale of Pies on Sunday, November 19, 2017
- Buildings and Ground Clean Up Day Saturday, October 28, needs volunteers. Please call the church office, Shannon Gruhlke or John Gere to submit your name.
- Deacons are coordinating the Angel Tree Sign Program with November 12 & 19 as the dates to select names and information in Fellowship Hall.
- Approved negotiating a potential sale of Church and Foundation Properties to Boys and Girls Club for the building of a Youth Center for our neighborhood. This addresses our Long Range Plan for a neighborhood resource center and our E 20/20 mission outreach God Sized Dream. Boys and Girls Club has a proven track record for building and coordinating Youth Centers and would use their own financial resources. There are zoning and planning steps and challenges to be met for this to become a reality. Please keep this in your prayers as we continue to discern the most beneficial cross use of the proposed facility.
- Stewardship Sunday is November 5, 2017. Please listen for God as you complete your pledge card for 2018. Pledges can be submitted on-line or by contacting Shannon Gruhlke.
- Please continue to prayer for the APNC as they continue their important work. Committee members are: Samantha Crow, Barb Ehrmann, Tim Ervin, Jim Keenan, Jennifer Peters, Jim Tucker, and Doug Wells.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, October 22, 2017

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.

ACE Von Maur Hall Series: *Human Trafficking*, Part I - Today, 10:00 AM

"Deliver me, O LORD, from my enemies; I take refuge in You." Psalm 143:9

This class will CONNECT and introduce us to a two-part ACE series about Human Trafficking throughout the world. We will also view the DVD 'Any Kid, Any Where'. It is about three Iowa young women who relate their stories and shatter the myth that human trafficking is just a big city crime. It is produced by two Emmy-Nominated filmmakers. COME and CONNECT to hear Christ's message to us.



Tabitha's Circle - Today, 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.

Joint Worship Service with Third Missionary Baptist Church - Today, 4:00 PM

We are the invited guests of Rev. Rogers Kirk and the leadership of Third Missionary Baptist Church for a worship service **today at 4:00 PM** and a potluck dinner immediately following worship. Third Missionary Baptist Church is located at 222 West 14th Street in Davenport. **Please bring your favorite dish to share.**

Church Grounds Clean-up Day - Saturday, October 28, 8:00 AM

On Saturday, October 28, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, everyone is invited to help get the grounds around the church ready for winter. FPC will provide lawn waste bags and has a wheel barrow and small rolling carts for use. Please bring your own rakes and tools to cut back plants for the winter. The Buildings and Grounds Committee will provide a continental breakfast. Georgia Roberts will serve as project manager and be on hand to answer any questions or grab tools for your use. Please contact John Gere (john.gere1115@gmail.com) to RSVP if you would like to help or contact Shannon Gruhlke, Finance and Facilities Manager, at the church (gruhlke@fpcdavenport.org; 563-326-1691, ext. 219) with questions.



German Wine Oktoberfest Class

Saturday, October 28, 4:00-6:00 PM, German American Heritage Center

Come explore the exciting world of German wines with wine educator and professional wine judge Irene Huffman. Topics will include wine regions, grape varieties, wine styles, and German wine laws, and you can taste and evaluate different German wines (must be 21 years or older). Proceeds from this event will benefit the 2018 FPC music outreach trip to Germany. The cost is \$35 per person, and seating is limited. To reserve your seat, please contact Matt Bishop or Jane Magnusson at 563-326-1691 or bishop@fpcdavenport.org.

Socializers - Saturday, October 28, 6:00 PM

Enjoy good food and fellowship and learn about *Communities of Opportunity for the City of Davenport* from Latrice Lacey, Director of the Davenport Civil Rights Office, at Socializers on Saturday, October 28 at 6:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited! Please bring a dish to share for our potluck dinner. If you plan to attend, RSVP to hostess Frances Keller (563-386-3878).

Save the Date: Fall Fest - Sunday, October 29, 4:00 PM

Take part in this fun event which typically brings in over 100 youth from the church and surrounding community. Participating in Fall Fest is an amazing way to share God's love and joy with the children around us!

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ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

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

October 29 - *Human Trafficking*, Part II:

"The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble." Psalm 9:9

This ACE class will CONNECT us with part two of our series on Human Trafficking.

November 5 - *"The First Thing You Tell Me About Paul, is Always Wrong"*

Presented by Kent Schroder. *Connect* with the Apostle Paul who still challenges us today.

November 12 - *Paul Turned the World Upside Down and How the 20th Century Tried to Turn It Back*

Presented by Kent Schroder. Paul: *A List of Names: How Paul Set Out to Turn the World Upside Down and How the 20th Century Tried to Turn It Back*. Read Romans 16.

November 19 - ACE in recess, please attend the Thanksgiving Breakfast



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. Activities include songs, movement, focused listening and use of simple instruments. Classes meet from 10:20-10:50 AM. Please contact Kathy Middleton (middleton@fpcdavenport.org, 563-505-0471) if you have questions or would like more information.



Genesis Doctors In Recital Concert

Sunday, November 12, 2:00 PM, Sanctuary, First Presbyterian Church

Tickets: \$20 - adults, \$15 - 60+ seniors & students, children 12 and under, free

For the eighth consecutive year, the Genesis Foundation, West Music Quad Cities, and Steinway & Sons are collaborating to present an exclusive concert event: Genesis Doctors Holiday Recital. This event will feature the musical talents of physicians, their family members, and friends in the Quad City area, performing a wide variety of repertoire including classical, contemporary, and holiday favorites. This year's program will be held in our beautiful sanctuary. Proceeds from the Genesis Doctors in Recital event will benefit music therapy services provided by Genesis and West Music. Music therapy is a valuable service for hospice patients, and is provided in their homes, nursing homes, and at the Clarissa C. Cook Hospice House. Music therapy has been shown to bring quality to life, diminish pain, and promote relaxation in end of life care. For more information about this landmark event, or to purchase tickets, please call the Genesis Health Services Foundation, 563-421-6865. Tickets are also on sale to the general public at the door.

Performing Arts Series: Singularity Saxophone Quartet

Friday, November 17, 7:30 PM

Tickets: \$15 adults, \$10 students

Singularity is a contemporary saxophone quartet dedicated to building relationships through live performance. Praised in their May 2015 Carnegie Hall debut as "at once sensitive, nuanced, brash, and daring: all depending on the demands of the music" (David Ludwig, Curtis Institute) and for bringing "a wonderful life and spirit to my work," (Charles Wuorinen, Pulitzer-prize winning composer), Singularity's performances combine precision, thoughtful interpretations, and an honest presentation of the close relationship they share. Recent Singularity appearances include performances on the Princeton Symphony Orchestra Chamber Series, at the Ethos New Music Society at SUNY Fredonia, as guest artists and clinicians at Marcyhurst College, and as resident artists at Avaloch Farm Music Institute.



MAKE A NOTE OF IT

Daylight Savings Time Ends - November 5

Don't forget to turn your clocks back on Saturday night!



Stewardship Pledge Sunday - November 5

Pledge envelopes are now in the pew racks. You may bring your pledge forward or place it in the offering plate during the worship service on Sunday, November 5. Online pledging and giving can be set-up by visiting the church website at: www.fpcdavenport.org. *Listen for God* in response to God's grace and call when making your pledge.

Thanksgiving Schedule- Thursday and Friday, November 23 & 24

The church will be closed on both Thanksgiving Day and the following Friday, November 24, in celebration of the holiday!

FELLOWSHIP

Fall Fest - Sunday, October 29, 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Our annual Fall Fest this year takes place on Sunday, October 29 from 4:00 - 6:00 PM in the gym of FPC and in Fellowship Hall! We CANNOT do this without volunteers. Volunteers are needed to help escort families from the gym through the library to Fellowship Hall, to help with the crafts and games, to assist with food. **We also need candy/small prize donations as well as decorated cupcakes for the Cake Walk.** A bin for Fall Fest donations has been placed in the Narthex. Please let Tiffany know if you are able to help at this fun festival for the youth of our church and our neighborhood! We will have hot dogs and popcorn and a lot of fun!



Men's Fellowship Breakfast Saturday, November 4, 9:30 AM

KWQC's Fran Riley will share stories of the many characters he has met over the years on Saturday, November 4, at the Men's Breakfast in Fellowship Hall. The cost of the breakfast is \$6 per person. To make a reservation, contact the church office (563-326-1691) by Tuesday, October 31. Please contact Terry Ousley (563-344-0845), if you have questions.

Sign Up by
October 31!

CARING FOR FPC & OUR COMMUNITY

Make Connections!

Read the newest issue of First Press today and share with your friends and neighbors as an invitation to visit the church. The introductory article, written by Elder Marty Bowles Edwards set the tone for the "Connect" theme. She writes, "How do we experience our spirit? Spirit seems to be packed into a little box, deep in our hearts, awaiting our decision to take a peek. Something else, something exciting, something awesome is experienced if we lift the lid and gaze inside...When encouraged to "BE" rather than "DO" we experience the Holy Spirit's presence in the core of our BEing. Holy Spirit stretches and expands our world and our awareness. The Holy Spirit connects us to all of creation and invites us to be a part of the creative process."

► Show your connectedness to First Presbyterian Church -- heart of the city, by adding the special Facebook camera effect frame (find the link on the church website) on your pictures and share to Facebook!



Relief for Victims of Natural Disasters

Natural disasters—hurricanes, earthquakes and wildfires—have been headline news in recent weeks and much cleanup remains to be done. The Mission Connection committee encourages FPC members who are able to consider donating to relief organizations such as World Vision, Salvation Army, Americares, American Red Cross, Save the Children and MAP International. To research recommended organizations, go to charitynavigator.org and click on Hot Topics.

IN THE NEWS



Pastor Pilar Earns International Award!

The Rev. José Pilar Álvarez Cabrera, pastor of the Lutheran Church of Guatemala (ILUGUA), an FPC mission partner, will receive the 2017 Agent of Change Award, given every year by the Swedish organization "Effect" as a way of emphasizing those who fight against poverty and injustice. Pastor Pilar receives the distinction as a result of his struggle in defense of the rights of indigenous people in rural Guatemala. He receives the award in Stockholm on October 26, including \$10,000 for use by ILUGUA in its ongoing mission.

According to the awarding committee, "For nearly 15 years, José Pilar Álvarez Cabrera has defended the most invisible citizens of our world, indigenous peoples, in a country where those who fight for human rights are harassed, threatened, victims of false accusations and violence, while those who are behind these criminal acts go unpunished..... He struggles for the right of indigenous Chorti people to continue living in their places of origin and have access to water, natural resources and environmental sustainability in and around Las Granadillas Mountain in Guatemala."

The committee highlighted that this year there were four Latin American countries in the pre-selection for the award, all with important struggles. This indicates that in the face of injustice and suffering, there are many voices being raised to fight for dignity.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Volunteers Needed for Boys & Girls Club Meals!

Volunteers are needed Wednesday evenings from 3:45 PM to 5:00 PM to help prep suppers for the Boys & Girls Club. If you are interested in helping, please contact Muffy Ellard, (563-505-2292).

SERMON GUIDE

October 22, 2017

Scriptures of the Day: Proverbs 21:20, 24:27, Luke 14:28

Summarize what the scripture readings meant to you: _____

Sermon Question:

How are you doing with listening to God with your finances?

Living on a Budget?

Distracted-----Devoted

Living free from debt?

Distracted-----Devoted

Getting wise about what you save?

Distracted-----Devoted

And learning what it means to have a generous heart?

Distracted-----Devoted

Note: If you are interested in joining a small group for sermon discussions, please visit with others in Fellowship Hall after the service.