

## FPC Calendar for the week of February 25 - March 4, 2018

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

### 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

### Monday, February 26

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym  
 1:00 PM Page Turners Book Club - Home of Kay Wagner  
 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 105 CE Building  
 5:30 PM Hospitality & Welcoming Committee Meeting - Von Maur Hall  
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105

### Tuesday, February 27

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  
 4:00 PM Youth at J. B. Young Food Pantry  
 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Basketball Practice - IN RECESS

### Wednesday, February 28

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  
 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, March 1

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room  
 1:00 PM Broadcaster Collators - Von Maur Hall  
 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 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Basketball Practice - Gym  
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

### Friday, March 2

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym

### Saturday, March 3

11:00 AM Bruce Shawver Memorial Service - Sanctuary  
 12:00 PM Bruce Shawver Memorial Service Reception - Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, March 4; *Third Sunday in Lent*

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 - *Final Words from the Cross* - Von Maur Hall  
 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 Tabitha's Circle - 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

### Every Sunday is Food Pantry Sunday



Please bring your non-perishable donations to church on Sunday mornings. 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

*Paper Hearts*



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.



### You're Invited to the Programming & Planning Meeting of FPC

Thursday, March 22, 5:30 PM

The next FPC programming, planning and calendarization meeting will be on Thursday, March 22 at 5:30-6:30 PM. Committees are now meeting to plan programming and events out for the year. Plans will be communicated to church leadership and the staff. The next FIRST PRESS theme is *Splash!* (outlining the programming for June through August) will be published the end of May. Articles for that publication are due to Diane Pumphrey ([pumphrey@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:pumphrey@fpcdavenport.org)) by April 15, 2018.

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## FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, February 25, 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.

### Per Capita - \$34 per member

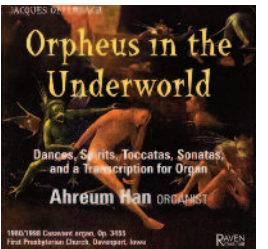
Each year First Church is assessed a per capita contribution by the Presbytery. This year it is \$34 per member. A member is one who has been confirmed or has been welcomed into the congregation by confession of faith, letter of transfer, or reaffirmation of faith. Please use a Per Capita envelope from the pew racks and place it in the offering plate, bring it to the church office, or pay online.

### Annual Congregational Meeting - Today, 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. The 2017 Annual Report and the 2017 Financial Packet are available at the Welcome Desk.

### 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.



### Youth at the Davenport Food Pantry - Tuesday, February 27, 4:00-8:00 PM



Our next evening of volunteering at the Davenport Food pantry is this 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.

### Women of Hope Bible Study - Wednesday, February 28, 10:00 AM

Come join this group of caring, fellow Christian women, who meet every other Wednesday through May 23, for Bible study and prayer and to support each other. For more information, please contact Rev. Kristy Parker ([kkp0503@aol.com](mailto:kkp0503@aol.com)).

### Bible Basics - Wednesday, February 28, 6:15 PM

This class is designed for those wanting to revisit many of our favorite childhood Sunday school stories or even hear about them for the first time. All are welcome. On February 28, Jim Keenan will lead our discussion on these scriptures used in Handel's Messiah: Job 19:25, Isa 40:1, 9:6, 53:4-5, 53:6, 40:5, Zechariah 9:9, Matt 11:30, Psalm 24:7, Rev 19:6, 11:15, 19:16. For more information, please contact Mark Jones ([mkjones@mchsi.com](mailto:mkjones@mchsi.com), 563-332-9314) or Julie Grothusen ([mjgrothusen@hotmail.com](mailto:mjgrothusen@hotmail.com), 563-359-6607).

### 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.

## 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, we are going to be playing, "Spin the Complement" and talking about Youth Sunday! Come on and join us if you're in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade!

### Kirkwood Club

Wednesday, February 28, 6:30 PM

This Wednesday, we will have an evening of "Closer to God with Balloons" ...be sure to come and check it out if you're in 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade.



### Order Your FPC T-shirt or Sweatshirt!



We are taking orders for shirts and sweatshirts with the FPC logo on them! This is a fundraiser for youth group—please consider ordering one for every person in your family and possibly your neighborhood as well. Everyone is going to want one—they are that cool! There is a sign up sheet in the narthex where you can place your order.



## 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).



### 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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

### Books for Refugee Children

The Music Outreach Committee will be sponsoring a fundraiser through Barefoot Books, a publisher of children's books with themes of mindfulness, diversity, and inclusivity, to raise money for the purchase and delivery of multi-lingual books for refugee children the choir will be visiting in Germany. Kristena Downing, who is a sales representative for the company, will be in the Fellowship Hall between services during the month of March to sale books or collect donations, and to provide you with more information about this outreach program. Please consider helping to provide educational books to refugee families.

## ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

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

Today - 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.



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## FELLOWSHIP



### 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 - Sign Up Today!

Saturday, March 24, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

*Today, committee members will be available to answer your questions, accept payment and hold your spot! This is a perfect opportunity to invite friends to enjoy fellowship with our church members!*

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. 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.



## SESSION NEWS

### Session Highlights of February 19, 2018:

- Approved a balanced budget for 2018 due to the dedication and support of the Congregation and Staff.
- Summer Programming and Planning meeting is set for Thursday, March 22 at 5:30 PM in the Parlor.
- A task force to be formed for the purpose of Worship Service evaluation and recommendations for changes in the Fall of 2018.
- Sweatshirt and T-Shirt sale in progress to benefit the Youth Mission Fund, between services in Fellowship Hall and through the church office.
- March children's book sales approved to benefit the Mission component of the Music and Worship Outreach Tour to Germany. Goal is to provide children's books for Refugees. Barefoot Books will be the company represented between services in the Fellowship Hall.