

FPC Calendar for the Week of April 28 - May 5, 2019

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

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
- 2:00 PM “How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying” Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall
- 4:00 PM Cecelian Singers - IN RECESS until 9/15/19
- 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - IN RECESS until 9/15/19
- 5:00 PM High School (ACT) and Middle School (EPIC) Fellowship - Von Maur Hall, Rooms 301-302

Monday, April 29

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 1:00 PM Broadcaster Collators - Von Maur Hall
- 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Room 304
- 5:30 PM “How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying” Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105

Tuesday, April 30

- 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym

Wednesday, May 1

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 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 - IN RECESS until 9/18/19
- 6:15 PM Bible Basics: *Solomon Builds and Dedicates the Temple* - Parlor
- 6:30 PM Kirkwood Club - IN RECESS until 9/18/19
- 7:30 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, May 2

- 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 5th and 6th Grade Basketball Practice - Gym
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

Friday, May 3

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

Saturday, May 4

- 8:00 AM Spring Clean Up
- 10:00 AM “How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying” Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall

Sunday, May 5; *Confirmation Sunday: New Member Sunday*

- 10:00 AM Cherub Choir - IN RECESS until 9/15/19
- 10:10 AM ACE Titles - IN RECESS until 9/15/19
- 10:10 AM ACE Topics - IN RECESS until 9/15/19
- 10:10 AM Confirmation Class - Fireplace Room
- 10:10 AM Promise Land Sunday School - IN RECESS until 9/15/19
- 10:20 AM Musikgarten - IN RECESS until 9/15/19
- 10:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM New Member Reception - Fellowship Hall
- 2:30 PM “How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying” Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall
- 4:00 PM Cecelian Singers - IN RECESS until 9/15/19
- 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - IN RECESS until 9/15/19
- 5:00 PM *Food for the Soul* Worship and Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 PM High School (ACT) and Middle School (EPIC) Fellowship - IN RECESS until 9/15/19

Please Note:
May 5 service times
10:00 AM - Sanctuary
5:00 PM - Fellowship Hall

CONGREGATION NEWS

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.

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*Denotes part-time employee

FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, April 28, 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.

“Franks for the Memories” - Today, 12:00 PM

“Franks for the Memories,” our annual year-end hot dog cook out and potluck, is happening TODAY after the 11:00 AM service! Everyone is invited to come and eat and enjoy fellowship together as we celebrate the conclusion of another Sunday School year!



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 today 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; styrts@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!

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.

Daily Unity Prayer

FPC encourages all members and friends to take a moment to pray around noon every day. This is when all members and friends ask of themselves: “Am I living as a Disciple of Christ?” Send this text message, FPCUNITYPRAYER, to the number 22828 to opt-in to receive the daily Unity Prayer email message. You may also sign-up on the church’s website or by calling the office (563-326-1691). The prayer is also on the church’s Facebook page, so “like” and “share” with others. Listen to God when you pray.

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.

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.

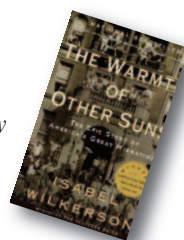
It is especially important at this time as the Guatemalan government has rescinded its agreement with the International Commission Against Impunity in Guatemala. This effectively disbands the work of the commission, established with support of the United Nations in 2006, to create an independent justice 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.

FELLOWSHIP & FUN

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

Due to a record crowd at our last 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 20th century, and how they changed the culture of our nation. Contact Rev. Katie if you need a copy of the book.



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 Manager, 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.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

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	February 2019		February 2018	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	73,902	62,516	62,209	66,779
Custodial Accounts Income	740	-	9,994	-
General Fund Expenses	72,994	72,993	70,416	75,060
Custodial Accounts Expenses	740	-	9,994	-
Surplus (Deficit)	908	(10,477)	(8,207)	(8,281)
	2019 Year-To-Date		2018 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	212,220	200,834	244,200	243,849
Custodial Accounts Income	3,588	-	14,647	-
General Fund Expenses	139,480	139,479	147,425	153,162
Custodial Accounts Expenses	3,588	-	14,647	-
Surplus (Deficit)	72,741	61,356	96,775	90,687

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, 14th 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!

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

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

Christian Titles is IN RECESS until 9/15/19.

Today: Christian Topics - *The Trinity*, 10:10 AM, Von Maur Hall

Bible Basics - Wednesdays, 6:15 PM, Parlor

Wednesday, May 1, 6:15 PM - *Solomon Builds and Dedicates the Temple*

We continue reading the story of King Solomon. For this week, read I Kings, Chapters 6-8 to hear about the building and dedication of the Temple. Please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com; 563-332-9314) or Julie Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com, 563-359-6607) for more information and study outlines. 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 shows that vaccines don't cause autism.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

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

Meet at the church at 5:00 PM tonite and we will head out to QC Entertainment Center for our annual bowling and laser tag event!

Sunday School

Today is our last day of Sunday School and our last Youth Group! Thank you so much for sharing your children with us this past year. We are excited to see everyone again this summer at Vacation Bible Camp July 8-12 and this fall when we kick off our next year!

Confirmation Sunday - May 5

Confirmation Sunday is next Sunday, with one service at 10:00 AM followed by cake in Fellowship Hall. We hope everyone can come and celebrate the newest members of our congregation this day, as it's also New Member Sunday.

Graduating Senior Recognition - Sunday, May 12

Calling All High School and College Seniors! Tiffany needs to know who you are! If you are getting ready to graduate, please contact Tiffany so she can get your information and plan to be here on Sunday, May 12 as we celebrate your and your accomplishments at the 9:00 AM service.