

FPC Calendar for the week of July 29 - August 5, 2018

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

Sunday, July 29; Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:30 AM Worship Service - outside, west parking lot
- 9:15 AM Musikgarten - Room 307
- 10:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary

Monday, July 30

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - various outdoor courts
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105

Tuesday, July 31

- 9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
- 10:30 AM Debra Schumacher Memorial Service - Sanctuary
- 4:00 PM Emergency Preparedness Committee - CANCELLED
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym

Wednesday, August 1

- 8:30 AM Pastoral Staff Meeting - Richard Miller's Office
- 9:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Parlor
- 9:00 AM Pickleball - various outdoor courts
- 12:00 PM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
- 2:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Dinner (meal served at 4:00) - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 PM Foundation Board of Trustees Meeting - Finance Office
- 6:15 PM Bible Basics - Parlor
- 6:30 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, August 2

- 9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
- 5:30 PM TOPS - Von Maur Hall
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym

Friday, August 3; Summer Church Hours

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - various outdoor courts
- 12:30 PM Church Closes - Summer Hours
- 6:00 PM Movie Night: *I Can Only Imagine* - Von Maur Hall

Saturday, August 4

No Scheduled Church Activities

Sunday, August 5; Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost; Bix Jazz Services

- 8:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 9:15 AM Musikgarten - Room 307
- 9:30 AM Bix Fellowship Reception - Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 AM Bix Sunday Choir Brunch - Von Maur Hall
- 10:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary

CARING FOR SELF AND OTHERS

Every Sunday is Food Pantry Sunday!

In August, we are protein such as any canned meat, peanut butter, protein bars. Every Sunday is food pantry Sunday! 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. Each month we will have a suggested item that The Center always needs but does not receive often. You can drop off your contribution to the church in the back of the sanctuary or in Fellowship Hall. Thank you so much for helping our community feed and care for their families. If you have any questions please contact Julie Grothusen (563-505-4964; mjgrothusen@hotmail.com).

Salvation Army Meal Preparation

You only need to invest about three hours, three or four times a year for this great volunteer opportunity. Buying the ingredients and cooking the monthly Salvation Army Meal is a chance to help your community. The same items are purchased each month and prepared on the first Monday of each month (except September). Two volunteers at a time are needed; so find a friend and call Muffy Ellard (563-505-2292).

“Homework Helpers” is here for YOU! Be a Volunteer!

If you read at a second grade level and do basic math, you qualify for the rich and rewarding “career” as a volunteer with the Boys and Girls Club’s Homework Helper program. We are a team of members who invest one to two hours a month on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00 - 4:00 PM. We listen to children read, assist with addition/subtraction homework, or support learning in other ways like flash cards and puzzles. The students are eager for mentors’ interest in their education. Contact Debbie Keenan (dkeenan0912@gmail.com; 815-621-8009) or Muffy Ellard (ellardmm@gmail.com; 563-505-2292) to volunteer or for more information.

Meal Service of Scott County

Meal Service of Scott County, Inc., is an outreach program designed to provide eligible Scott County residents with hot lunches during the week. Meals are prepared to meet clients’ specific dietary needs and are delivered to their homes by volunteers between 11:00 AM and 12:00 PM, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. To find out more about who is eligible, the cost, or how you can volunteer or make donations, please contact Julie Belman, Executive Director (563-323-1628).

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, July 29, 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.

Bible Basics: The Lord’s Prayer - Wednesday, August 1, 6:15 PM

We recite the Lord’s Prayer every week in church. Do you know where that prayer can be found in the bible? Here is a hint. Read Matthew, Chapter 6 and Luke, Chapter 11:1-13. Then come join the conversation on Wednesday, August 1. It is never too late to join Bible Basics. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com; 563-332-9314) or Julie Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com; 563-359-6607).

Movie Night: “I Can Only Imagine” - Friday, August 3, 6:00 PM



“I Can Only Imagine” tells the backstory of how a song came to exist. Not just any song but the best-selling Christian single of all time. Relatively unique among faith-based films, it’s a decent addition to Hollywood’s most hit-or-miss genre — the music biopic — that abruptly ends where the first-act break typically occurs in such movies: before the once-humble singer gets too big for his britches, caves in to temptation, and starts using drugs and/or cheating on his wife (since, for once, those tiresome clichés don’t seem to apply). Instead, this movie’s message is all about inspiration and forgiveness, which should satisfy a decent contingent of the moviegoing public grateful for a wholesome story with a happy ending.” - Variety.com

Bix Jazz Service - Sunday, August 5, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

FPC welcomes a Jazz trio for its annual Bix Jazz Liturgy led by acclaimed pianist Jeff Barnhart; the trio also includes jazz and swing drummer Hal Smith, and an FPC favorite, clarinetist Dave Bennett. These innovative and entertaining musicians are frequent guest of the Bix Biederbecke Jazz Festival, and often play together in various “All-Star” ensembles, including a Fats Waller tribute band. Please join us in Fellowship Hall following these services for homemade cookies and assorted beverages.



Involvement Fair - Sunday, September 9, 10:00 AM

Groups and committees seeking the involvement of more people are encouraged to participate in the church’s Involvement Fair. How do you reserve a table for the fair? Notify the church office (office@fpcdavenport.org; 563-326-1691). At the Involvement Fair, plan to have smiling representatives ready to answer questions and invite people to become involved with your group or committee.

Food Pantry Volunteer Date - Tuesday, September 18



Due to Food Pantry scheduling changes we are now signed up to volunteer on the third Tuesday each month from 4:00 - 8:00 PM. Volunteers are very much needed -- we have 20 spots to fill each month. If you are able to help, please email Tiffany (horvath@fpcdavenport.org) and let her know! We are currently signed up for September 18.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

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ACE is in recess for the summer, but the committee is busy planning the fall schedule. What would you like to see offered between services? Speakers? Bible study? Book study? Videos? There are many options to help deepen our knowledge of our Christian faith. What would interest you? Please send an email to Barb Ehrmann (ptbee02@gmail.com) with your suggestions, or drop a note in the ACE mailbox in the office.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

Sunday School Teachers Needed!

Our first day of Sunday School this fall will be September 16, with our open house being the Sunday prior on September 9. Sunday School teachers are needed for all grades, with two teachers needed for each class each week. We try to work the schedule so that teachers teach every other Sunday for 45 minutes. Consider donating 45 minutes of your time one or two Sundays a month. Let Tiffany know if you are interested in teaching this fall (horvath@fpcdavenport.org; 563-326-1691, ext. 209).

MUSIC MINISTRY

Musikgarten Summer Splash - Sundays, 9:15 AM

Just add water! I can't imagine what our room would look like if we added water to all the stomping, running, hopping and spinning that happens during a typical Musikgarten class! Even though regular Sunday School classes are in recess until fall, we love Musikgarten so much that we keep coming back for more. We've been building a church family week by week that we all love and look forward to seeing on Sunday mornings. Our children are learning language, moving and dancing, playing instruments and singing together in a God-centered, musical community at FPC. Feel free to come and join us. The only rule is that everyone joins in! Musikgarten is for infants through three years old, but if you have older children, bring them with you during the summer. If you have friends and family visiting during the summer, feel free to bring them too, even if you're not a regular Musikgarten attendee (think Grandparents who want to experience MG with their grandkids). We don't want to leave anyone out! We'll meet for Summer Musikgarten classes in Room 307 from 9:15-9:50 AM today and on August 5 and 12. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Kathy Middleton (kathryn15@gmail.com; 563-505-0471). Goggles and swim fins are optional.



CONGREGATION NEWS

Session Highlights for July 16, 2018:

- Organizational Chart for FPC now includes Associate Pastor Katie Styrts' interests of:
 - Small Group Development
 - Adult Christian Education
- Buildings and ground were examined by a safety inspector and adjustments completed as recommended
 - Emergency lighting will be installed in the CE Building west stairwell
 - Signage was posted to direct emergency personnel to utility shut off valves if needed
- PAS series for 2018-2019 was approved.
- Worship Task Force is at work, please keep them in your prayers for guidance and inspiration.
- Organist Search Committee appreciates prayer as the process progresses.
- Deacons were in recess for the month of July.

SHARING THE WORD

Take Me With You This Summer!

Share your "splash" experiences or stories to the church's social media sites. Cut out the splash graphic below and post away. Maybe you're traveling to places near and far? Or, maybe you're experiencing a refreshing renewal of spirit right here at home? Whatever inspires you and wherever you go, stay connected in prayer and service. We can't wait to see all of the ways that #FPCSplash is shared!



CARING FOR FPC

The Worship Task Force

The Worship Task Force has met several times now. One question we were asked to address is whether we should continue with our schedule of two traditional worship services or move to a single service. We know this is a difficult decision. We have made lists of benefits and concerns of such a change. Aided by congregational input to a 2014 survey and the more recent Envisioning 20/20 report, we have been discussing various options for our Sunday morning worship, education, and fellowship schedules. No decisions have been made on what our recommendation will be. Prayers for the Worship Task Force are appreciated. The Task Force members are Matt Bishop, Pat Cresap, Patrick Downing, Brock Earnhardt, Marty Bowles Edwards, Mike Ferris, Sarah Greim, Tiffany Horvath, Mark Jones, Jane Magnusson, Jed Steckel, Jeanne Sherwood, and Rev. Katie Styrts.

Please Share Your Viewpoint!

The Church Government and Personnel Committee is interested in your viewpoint. How do you think things are going at First Pres.? Have you observed something that others might have missed? Please feel free to express a joy or concern and share your viewpoint by filling out a Viewpoint card and dropping it in the locked Viewpoint Box on the Welcome Desk. All viewpoints will be kept confidential and will only be viewed by the Church Government and Personnel Committee.



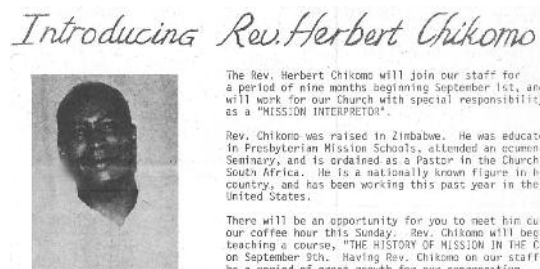
Notes From the Finance Manager

Second quarter giving statements will soon be in your mailbox. Please note that the giving shown is through July 24, 2018. Due to using this date and because July is not over yet and for those of you who pledge to the church, the system only calculated six months of pledges versus seven whole months in the printed summary (ugh!) Please call Shannon (563-326-1691, x 219) if you need further explanation regarding your statement.

Also, a reminder for those folks who like to pay their pledges with stock: please be sure to inform the Finance Office when you intend to give stock to pay your pledge. Unfortunately, we do not receive any names associated with incoming stock. Your help in connecting the stock with a name is most appreciated.

History Bug Got You?

If so, you might be interested in learning more about the church's Heritage Center and Heritage Committee. The church has a rich, interesting legacy and history is being made every day. For more information about the Heritage Center, please contact Diane Pumphrey (pumphrey@fpcdavenport.org).



From the archives of the 1970s

SAVE THE DATES



Videochat 101

Sunday, August 19, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Would you like to be more connected with friends or family who live far away? Have you heard of Skype or Facetime, but never tried them? Have you tried them, but couldn't get a call to work? Are you not sure what either of these things are? Come to this session! Presenting a one-time class to help people feel comfortable using Skype or Facetime to videocall friends and family. We'll do practice calls with each other and learn how to

search for friends and family to talk with. Please bring your smart phone, laptop, or tablet (iPad, Kindle Fire, etc) and we'll work through starting a videocall, step by step. Please RSVP to Rev. Katie (styrts@fpcdavenport.org) so she can fit the session to your needs. If you cannot make it but are interested in learning more, please let Rev. Katie know.

Ladies Breakfast - Saturday, September 22, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Sit back and relax in Fellowship Hall here at FPC! What better way to begin a day than sharing a delicious meal, sharing fellowship with friends and enjoying a program by Rev. Pat Halverson! Pat is a retired Presbyterian pastor who lives with her lovable, free-loading Norwegian Elkhound mix, Elsa. She grew up in the Twin Cities and spent many weekends at her family's cabin in central Minnesota where she developed her love of nature and eventually pursued a teaching degree in Earth/Space Science. After college she answered the call to ministry and joined the staff of a parachurch campus organization, ministering to college students on Midwest campuses. Pat returned to the Twin Cities to attend seminary and become a pastor, subsequently serving churches in Ohio and Iowa for 25 years. More recently she began oil painting and now shows her art in local venues and at art fairs. She sees a unity of her interests: studying the creation in the sciences, learning of and serving the Creator in theology and ministry, and seeking to express the beauty of God's creation through art.



Rev. Pat Halverson

We'll be enjoying sweet and savory breakfast foods.....sharing "meet and greet" moments. Bring a friend and/or neighbor! Child care will be provided as well as transportation for those who need it. Cost is the same as the "First Annual Ladies Breakfast": \$10 per person, with a portion going to a special need within the community. Sign up now by contacting Deacon Pat Cresap, (563 449-8148; cresaptwo@gmail.com).

Peacemaker Visit - Sunday, September 30



Rev. Jerome Bizimana

Did you know that the Presbyterian Church (USA) sponsors peacemakers and missionaries around the world? International Peacemaker Jerome Bizimana of Rwanda is visiting Iowa and sharing news of his ministry on Sunday, September 30. He'll be preaching at both services and taking part in a Q&A ACE session. Rev. Jerome Bizimana is President of Remera Presbytery in Rwanda and the initiator of the Light Group, bringing together survivors and perpetrators of the 1994 genocide of Tutsi Rwandans. He will share how the church helps bring about reconciliation. Rev. Jerome studied Peace Building and Conflict Resolution in Zambia in 2004 - 2005 at Mindolo Ecumenical Foundation. He is married to Jannette and father of six children, three boys and three girls.