

FPC Calendar for the week of February 4 - 11, 2018

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

Sunday, February 4; *Fifth Sunday after Epiphany; Souper Bowl of Caring*

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: *Open Air Campaigners Missionaries* - 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 New Member Inquiry - Parlor
 4:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - IN RECESS
 4:45 PM Celebration Singers - IN RECESS
 5:30 PM ACT and EPIC Fellowship - IN RECESS

Monday, February 5

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
 3:00 PM Salvation Army meal Site preparation - Fellowship Hall Kitchen
 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Third Floor CE Building
 5:30 PM Salvation Army Meal Site Serving - offsite
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105

Tuesday, February 6

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
 4:30 PM Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting - RESCHEDULED to February 13
 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym

Wednesday, February 7

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 - Third Floor 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, February 8

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
 3:00 PM Boys and Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
 3:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Cello Practice/Instruction - Third Floor CE Building
 4:30 PM Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting - Finance Office
 5:30 PM TOPS - Von Maur Hall
 6:00 PM Vesper Bells - Chapel
 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

Friday, February 9

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
 5:30 PM Movie Night: *Risen* - Von Maur Hall

Saturday, February 10

6:00 PM Trivia Night - Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 11; *Transfiguration of the Lord; Scout Sunday*

8:15 AM Manna and More - Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
 10:00 AM New Member Reception - 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: *When Christians Get It Wrong* - 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
 12:15 PM Organist Search Committee Meeting - Parlor
 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

Gift Card Sales Table - Today



The Sanctuary Choir is selling gifts cards to help fund the June 2018 Music Outreach trip to Germany. Gift cards make perfect, easy, and convenient gifts. We have cards ready for purchase to retailers such as Amazon.com, Starbucks, Target, Cinemark, Old Navy, TJ Maxx, and Village Inn; additionally, we can order gift cards to hundreds more retailers easily. We hope you will consider helping out by participating in this stress-free fundraiser.

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.

Homework Helpers is Here for You!

Are you searching for purpose in your life? Maybe you have former work hours you need to fill with other productive activities? Or maybe your last child just left for college and you are adjusting to being an empty nest-er. No more school committees and fundraisers in your life? Whatever your situation, Homework Helpers is here to assist you with that nagging feeling of lost purpose! If you can read at a second grade level and do very basic math, you can qualify for a rich and rewarding “career” as a volunteer with the Boys and Girls Club’s Homework Helper program. We are a team of mostly FPC members who carve out from one to two hours a week or a month on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00-4:00 PM. We meet in FPC’s Fireplace Room to listen to children read, to assist with addition/subtraction homework, or to support elementary learning in other ways like flash cards, board games, library books and puzzles. The students are eager for mentors’ interest in their education. And you’ll be rewarded knowing that your gift of time filled a void in a child’s life. Let Homework Helpers help YOU find purpose and meaning in your life. Call or email Debbie Keenan (815-621-8009; dkeenan0912@gmail.com) or Muffy Ellard (563-505-2292; ellardmm@gmail.com) to volunteer or for more information.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, February 4, 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.

Souper Bowl of Caring Today, following each service

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, practice kindness, and walk humbly with your God? (Micah 6:8) Create a better community by giving on Souper Bowl Sunday to those in need of a meal. Every dollar donated goes to fight hunger in the Quad Cities. The High School youth will be in the Sanctuary to take your donations via soup pot.



New Member Inquiry - Today, 12:15 PM

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship today, at 12:15 PM in the Parlor on the second floor of the Christian Education Building for New Member Inquiry. For more information, please contact Tammy Mayhew (563-326-1691; mayhew@fpcdavenport.org).

Women of Hope Bible Study - Wednesday, February 7, 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 (kpk0503@aol.com).

Bible Basics - Wednesday, February 7, 6:15 PM

This class is designed for those wanting to revisit many of their favorite childhood Sunday School stories or even hear about them for the first time. All are welcome. The discussion on February 7 will be about John the Baptist (Luke 1, Matthew 3, Matthew 14, Luke 3, John 1:6-9, John 3:22-36). For more information, please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com, 563-332-9314) or Julie Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com, 563-359-6607).

Scout Sunday - Sunday, February 11

At FPC, we annually observe Scout Sunday on the second Sunday of February. If you are a member of the Cub Scouts, Boy Scout, or Girl Scouts, please feel welcome to wear your Scouting Uniform to church on Scout Sunday, and be recognized, during the service, along with the other Scouts in attendance.

Manna and More Breakfast - Sunday, February 11, 8:15 - 10:30 AM

Share breakfast with your family and friends before and after the 9:00 AM service. A special invitation is extended to families and those attending ACE to join us at 8:15 AM for breakfast and fellowship. This month there will be pancakes with chocolate chips, red hots and cherries; sausage, fruit, and assorted beverages. Adults - \$3, children (12 and under) - \$1.

Celebrate Ahreum Han Congdon’s Seven Years of Devoted Ministry

Friday, February 16, 5:30-7:30 PM, Thunder Bay Grille



On Friday, February 16, you are invited to help us celebrate Ahreum Han Congdon’s seven years of devoted ministry as our Principal Organist/Assistant Director of Music. A drop-in style party will be held for her at Thunder Bay Grille (6511 N. Brady St.) from 5:30-7:30 PM. Appetizers will be provided. Church Government and Personnel will be collecting a purse for Ahreum over the next few weeks. Please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and note “Ahreum Han Congdon purse” on the memo line. Additionally, there will be a cake reception for Ahreum between services on Sunday, February 18. As a reminder, Ahreum’s PAS concert is Saturday, February 17 at 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$15/adults and \$10/students.

MISSION CONNECTION

Go to Guatemala!

The 2018 trip to visit ILUGUA (Lutheran Church of Guatemala) is scheduled for May 19-26. This is an opportunity to get a firsthand view of ILUGUA's outreach to rural communities and perhaps even an opportunity to deepen your own faith in the process. Pastors Pilar and Eduardo will welcome us as we stay in the guest house located behind the church and travel to mission sites and community meetings. This is not a work trip—given the resources, Guatemalans are more than capable of doing physical labor—but rather a trip of accompaniment, support and solidarity with our fellow Christians. The total cost is estimated between \$1,500 and \$2,000 (dependent on flight availability) but a grant fund is available through the Mission Connection committee of Deacons for those who need funding assistance. For more information, contact Craig Foster (563-391-4622, cfoster871@mchsi.com).



MAKE A NOTE OF IT

Ash Wednesday - February 14, services at 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM

Ash Wednesday is a day of solemn assembly that is built right into the church year. It is a day for fasting, a day of mourning for our sin and the sin of all humanity before God, a recognition of our mortality saved for the grace of God and a request that the Lord remember our creation and breathe new life into our burned-out, dusty lives once more. It marks the beginning of our Lenten journey to remembering God's love for us in Jesus Christ. The season of Lent is a time to prepare for the celebration of redemption through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

Annual Congregation Meeting - Sunday, February 25, 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.

STEWARDSHIP

Listen for God When You Pledge

As you consider your pledge for 2018, please remember that our pledges are not just numbers on a page; they are testimony to our willingness to listen for God and to do God's work in the world. We have encouraged you to Listen for God when you worship, when you sing, when you pray, and even when you pledge. With your pledge, we can continue to enhance and expand our ministries to the congregation, the neighborhood, and the world beyond, as we discern God's will for us, and as we discern Christ's hopes for us. You may place your pledge in the offering plate on Sunday morning or online pledging and giving can be set-up by visiting the church website at: www.fpcdavenport.org.

CONGREGATION NEWS

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.

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.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

ACT and EPIC - Today, 5:30 PM

Tonight, our high school and middle school youth groups are in recess! Enjoy the Super Bowl!

Kirkwood Club - Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 PM



This week, at Kirkwood Club, for first through fifth grades, we are going to have Family Game night! Parents are welcome to come and play with us! Bring your favorite game or check out any of the numerous one we have in our game closet. This is a lot of fun and an activity for the entire family to participate in.

Trivia Night 2018 - Saturday, February 10, 6:00 PM

Our annual Trivia Night for ACT and EPIC Mission Trips will take place on Saturday, February 10! Doors open at 6:00 PM, trivia begins at 7:00 PM. We have a limit of 15 tables for this -- so get your RSVP's in now for this hilarious and fun evening (childcare will be available). Teams of eight people, or we can assign you to a team. Cost is \$80/team with \$10 for Double downs and \$10 for Mulligans, so basically \$100 a table AND we have a silent auction. We will have drinks, desserts, pizza and Chick Fil A for sale again! If you are able to donate an item for our Silent Auction this evening, it would be so appreciated!!! To RSVP or donate an item, let Tiffany know by email (horvath@fpcdavenport.org) or call the church office at 563-326-1691.



Order Your FPC T-shirt or Sweatshirt Today!

The youth of FPC will be taking orders at Trivia night (and then afterwards the order form will be available in the back of the Sanctuary) for First Pres t-shirts and sweatshirts! These would be fantastic for anyone to wear when representing the church in the community, when volunteering, or just when you are out and about. What a great way for us to talk about our church to anyone who asks as well! Prices are \$15 for t-shirts (2XL are \$2 more) and \$35 for the Hoodie Sweatshirts (2XL are \$3 more). These are royal blue Gildan cotton tees and sweatshirts, and printed front and back. We are pretty excited to be able to offer this for the first time! We also have youth sizes available in the t-shirts, although sadly not the sweatshirts. We plan to place our first order by the end of February, and we should have these back by mid-March! These would make amazing Valentine's Day or Birthday or Anniversary or St. Patrick's Day gifts! :-)) Because everyone is going to want one—you should probably order yours now for every member of your family...and the neighbors. And possibly the people across the street as well! Payment upon order would be appreciated but if you would like to wait until you receive your clothing items, we can do that as well. All profits from these orders will go towards our Youth Mission Trip. THANK YOU!



ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

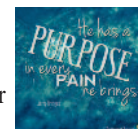
ACE Von Maur Hall Series - Sundays, 10:00 AM

February 4 - Open Air Campaigners Missionaries Steve and Connie Johnson

Steve and Connie Johnson are full time missionaries with Open Air Campaigners and follow the example found in the Bible where the outreach of Jesus Christ and the Apostles taught them to go out and proclaim the Gospel in streets, marketplaces, and wherever people gather. They use a sketch board to communicate the message of the Gospel in an inviting and interactive way.

February 11 - When Christians Get It Wrong!: "When Bad Things Happen"

"It is God's will. We don't always understand God's greater plan." Have you been told or accepted these statements?



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FELLOWSHIP

Free Movie and Popcorn - Friday, February 9, 6:00 PM

On February 9, Friday, at 6:00 PM, the movie, *Risen*, will be shown in Von Maur Hall. Roger Ebert said in his review of the 2016 movie, *Risen*, about a Roman soldier searching for the resurrected Christ in the 40 days following the crucifixion, is an old-fashioned Biblical spectacular with fresh blood in its veins." Come watch the movie and join in the discussion afterwards. This will be a great way to start our Lenten journey. Any questions contact Pam Paulsen, (563-271-9283).



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Tuesday, February 13, 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Come enjoy a delicious supper of pancakes, sausage and applesauce before Lent, on Shrove Tuesday, also known as Fat Tuesday. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted. Shrove Tuesday originated during the Middle Ages. As now, some foods were regarded as restricted during Lent. To keep such foods from being wasted, many families would have big feasts on Shrove Tuesday in order to consume those items that would inevitably spoil over the next forty days.

Between The Covers (BTC) Book Club

Monday, February 19, 12:30 PM

Looking for a good book and fellowship? Join the BTC book club on Monday, February 19 at 12:30 PM in the Parlor. We'll enjoy dessert and Bev Koos will lead our discussion of the book, *The Boston Girl*, by Anita Diamant. Please call hostess Carol Phoenix (563-332-0980) to RSVP.

Socializers - Saturday, February 24, 6:00 PM

If you like good food and fellowship plus an interesting, informative presentation, mark your calendars to come to Socializers! Bring a dish to share at our potluck, and friends and neighbors as all are welcome. Our speaker will be meteorologist Cedric Haynes, who joined KWQC's First Alert Team in November 2017. Cedric has spent most of his life in the south, but is excited to experience a true midwestern winter! In addition to his fascination with weather which led him to his career path, Cedric is passionate about giving back to the community. He is an active member of his church, a strong supporter of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and loves mentoring youth.



Tiffany Window Immersion Tour to Dubuque

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

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 from February 11 onward. 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.

