

FPC Calendar for the week of August 5 - 12, 2018

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

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

Monday, August 6

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - various outdoor courts
- 3:00 PM Salvation Army meal Site Preparation - Fellowship Hall Kitchen
- 5:30 PM Salvation Army Meal Site Serving - offsite
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105

Tuesday, August 7

- 9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
- 4:00 PM Emergency Preparedness Committee - Von Maur Hall
- 4:30 PM Buildings & Grounds Committee - Finance Office
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Basketball Practice - Gym

Wednesday, August 8

- 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
- 1:30 PM Medical Aid in Dying - Parlor
- 2:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Dinner (meal served at 4:00) - Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 PM Bible Basics - Parlor
- 6:30 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, August 9

- 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 10; Summer Church Hours

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - various outdoor courts
- 12:30 PM Church Closes - Summer Hours

Saturday, August 11

No Scheduled Church Activities

Sunday, August 12; Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost; Sacrament of Holy Communion

- 8:30 AM Worship Service - west lot/outdoors
- 9:15 AM Musikgarten - Room 307
- 10:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary



CARING FOR SELF AND OTHERS

Every Sunday is Food Pantry Sunday!

In August, we are collecting proteins 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 (dkeenano912@gmail.com; 815-621-8009) or Muffy Ellard (ellardmm@gmail.com; 563-505-2292) to volunteer or for more information.

Tabitha's Circle - Sunday, September 30, 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.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, August 5, 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.

Bix Jazz Service - Today, 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.

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!

Welcome to the home church of the Beiderbecke Family in this beautiful Victorian Sanctuary which was built in 1899. The church and the Bix Society both have missions to preserve this musical heritage. This is the very sanctuary where Bix was confirmed into church membership and his mother, Agatha Beiderbecke, was an organist. Indeed you are in the neighborhood and church where Bix lived. Please join us right after today's liturgy in Fellowship Hall which is right below this sanctuary. Also, our Congregational Development and Fellowship Committee has prepared old-fashioned cookies and beverages. Take the stairs on either side at the back narthex or the elevator in the right corner as you are exiting the sanctuary. You will also find restrooms on the lower level. First Presbyterian Church is pleased to host this official Bix Memorial Jazz Festival Liturgy. At First Presbyterian Church we are proud to say BIX LIVES! Enjoy the worship service.



Contribute to the Bix Band Fund

The Jazz combo for the Bix Jazz Liturgy is funded by FPC's music ministries. We invite you to show your appreciation for this morning's Jazz musicians by contributing to the Bix Band Fund. You may do so by placing a donation in the envelope included in your bulletin, and placing the envelope in the offering plates. Please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church.

Bible Basics: Celebration - Wednesday, August 8, 6:15 PM

Bible Basics has now been meeting (almost) weekly for 7 months. It is time to pause for a celebration. We are going to look back at the stories we have read. No prep necessary. If you have never been to Bible Basics you can still join us this week to see what we have done so far. Please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com, 563-332-9314) or Julie Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com, 563-359-6607) for more information.

Young Adults - Sunday, August 19, 6:30 PM



We are going to head to the Backwater Gamblers on Sunday, August 19 for our first kick off for the year and kids are definitely welcome! This event is FREE, and pretty amazing, but they do "pass the bucket" for donations in the middle of the program. This event starts at 6:30 PM at Ben Williamson Park in Rock Island, and let Tiffany know if you plan to attend! Try to get there at 6:00 PM so we can attempt to sit together but space fills up quickly!

CONGREGATION NEWS

Dear Members of First Presbyterian Church,

It is with mixed emotions that I share with you that I have resigned my position as Finance and Facilities Manager with First Presbyterian Church of Davenport. I have accepted a position with the Rock Island Arsenal. After much discernment, I feel that this is the next step for me regarding my career.

I am blessed by those of you who have cared for me and mentored me along my eight-year journey here at First Presbyterian Church.

My official last day as a full-time employee is Wednesday, August 15, 2018. I have offered my assistance to Church Government and Personnel as a part-time, limited duration employee as I want to assist in ways that I am able to keep things moving smoothly during this transition.

Peace,

Shannon M. Gruhlke, CM



Reception Honoring Shannon Gruhlke - Sunday, August 19, 11:00 AM

Please take the opportunity to say “thank you” to Shannon for her years of service to First Pres., wish her well in her new position, and many blessings. A reception will be held in her honor on Sunday, August 19 at 11:00 AM.

In gratitude of Shannon’s service to the congregation, a purse is being collected as an appreciation and recognition gift to her. Please make your checks payable to First Presbyterian Church, note “Shannon Gruhlke purse” on the memo line, and drop in the offering plate or bring to the church 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).

Confirmation Year

Yup! This is a Confirmation Year for all incoming 7th and 8th graders, and any youth older than that who are interested in being confirmed at First Presbyterian or who want more information about what it means to be a Presbyterian today. If your child is going into 7th or 8th grade this fall, please contact Tiffany (horvath@fpcdavenport.org) and let her know so she can add you to the list! We have amazing confirmation teachers year, we are looking at a Lock In Camp Out to kick off our season, and we will also be attending a Catholic Mass, a Muslim Temple and a Jewish Synagogue to learn more about other faiths—and the one God we all worship and celebrate.



Mission Trip Dinner - Sunday, September 23, 6:30 PM



The youth who attended our 2018 Mission Trip to Minneapolis would like to invite you a special dinner to hear all about our trip on Sunday, September 23 from 6:30 -7:30 PM. RSVP’s are needed so we know how many to cook for. Let Tiffany (563-326-1691; horvath@fpcdavenport.org) know if you are interested in attending. This fun and interactive dinner is for ANYONE who supported the youth on their mission: whether financially, in prayer, or any other manner! Thank you, and God Bless!

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 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.



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 Styr.

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.

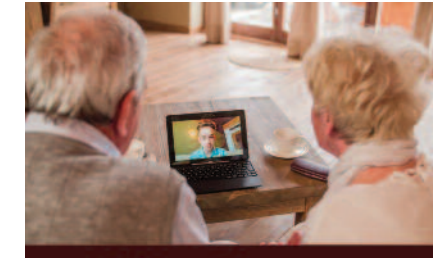
History Bug Got You?

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 Bix Sunday archives of 2005

SAVE THE DATES



Video Chat 101
Sunday, August 19, 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

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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

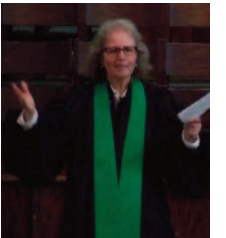
search for friends and family to talk with. Please bring your smart phone, laptop, or tablet (iPad, Kindle Fire, etc) and we’ll work through starting a videocall, step by step. Please RSVP to Rev. Katie (styr@fpcdavenport.org) so she can fit the session to your needs. If you cannot make it but are interested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

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.

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.