

FPC Calendar for the week of October 8 - 15, 2017

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

Sunday, October 8; Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost; New Member Sunday

- 8:15 AM Manna & More - Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM ACE Von Maur Hall Series - *Voices of Muslim Women* - Von Maur Hall
- 10:00 AM Cherub Choir - Third Floor of CE Building
- 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM New Member Reception - Fellowship Hall
- 10:10 AM Promise Land Sunday School - Third Floor of CE Building
- 10:20 AM Musikgarten - Infants through Three Year Olds - Room 307
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 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, October 9

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 5:30 PM Deacons' Executive Committee - Von Maur Hall
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105
- 6:30 PM Deacons' Outreach - Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Mission Connection - Von Maur Hall
- 6:30 PM Pastoral Care and Spiritual Development - Parlor
- 7:30 PM Board of Deacons - Von Maur Hall
- 7:30 PM Contemplative Prayer Group - Doanldson Room

Tuesday, October 10

- 9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
- 3:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
- 5:00 PM Finance Meeting - Finance Office
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys Basketball Practice - Gym
- 6:30 PM Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Parlor

Wednesday, October 11

- 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
- 4:30 PM Boys & Girls Club Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 5:45 PM Kirkwood Choir - Choir Room
- 6:00 PM Matin Bells Rehearsal - Chapel
- 6:30 PM *Gift of Years Small Group* - Parlor
- 6:30 PM Kirkwood Club - Von Maur Hall, Gym
- 7:15 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, October 12

- 9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
- 3:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Helpers - Room 304
- 5:30 PM TOPS - Von Maur Hall
- 6:00 PM Vesper Bells - Chapel
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys Basketball Practice - Gym
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

Friday, October 13

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym

Saturday, October 14

- 6:00 PM Annual Bonfire and Hayride - Pride of the Wapsi

Sunday, October 15; Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Food Pantry Sunday, Newsletter Articles Due

- 9:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
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MUSIC MINISTRY

QCSO/WVIK Signature Series: "Reformation 500" - Saturday, October 21, 7:00 PM

FPC Chamber Chorale & Metropolis Baroque Chamber Orchestra of Chicago

Tickets: \$27 adults, \$17 students



This October marks the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. FPC is joining in the worldwide celebration by hosting a special joint concert as part of the QCSO's 2017-2018 Signature Series. FPS's auditioned Chamber Chorale joins with the Metropolis Baroque Chamber Orchestra of Chicago to present two Reformation cantatas by arguably the most important Lutheran composer in history, Johann Sebastian Bach. This special evening of early music includes

performances of Bach's BWV 79 ("Gott der Herr ist Sonn und Schild") and BWV 80 ("Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott"), as well as the famous Double Violin Concerto. The Metropolis Baroque Chamber Orchestra is one of Chicago's preeminent early music ensembles, specializing in instrumental and operatic repertoires of the Italian and German Baroque. Under the artistic direction of cellist Craig Trompeter, the musicians of Metropolis Baroque have recently been featured in the Valletta International Baroque Festival in Malta. Tickets for this event may be purchased from the QCSO through the church.

German Wine Oktoberfest Class

Saturday, October 28, 4:00-6:00 PM, German American Heritage Center

Come explore the exciting world of German wines with wine educator and professional wine judge Irene Huffman. Topics will include wine regions, grape varieties, wine styles, and German wine laws, and you can taste and evaluate different German wines (must be 21 years or older). Proceeds from this event will benefit the 2018 FPC music outreach trip to Germany. The cost is \$35 per person, and seating is limited. To reserve your seat, please contact Matt Bishop or Jane Magnusson at 563-326-1691 or bishop@fpcdavenport.org.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers Needed for Boys & Girls Club Meals!

Volunteers are needed Wednesday evenings from 3:45 PM to 5:00 PM to help prep suppers for the Boys & Girls Club. If you are interested in helping, please contact Tracy Riedesel, 563-499-3830.

Urgent Request for Homework Helpers Volunteers!

Homework Helpers needs tutors on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the school year. Please consider volunteering one hour per week to help our Boys and Girls Club members. Contact Muffy Ellard (ellardmm@gmail.com/563-505-2292).

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, October 8, 2017

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.

Manna and More Breakfast - Today, 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 plain and pumpkin pancakes, sausage, fruit and, maybe, apple compote. Adults - \$3, children (12 and under) - \$1.

Scrip Gift Card Table - Today, 9:30 AM

Drop by the Scrip Gift Card Table and put your shopping dollars to work. We have a limited supply of cards onsite. By using Scrip to pay for your normal weekly purchases you can raise money for the Germany Outreach Trip!



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

Carolyn Draper-Math and Dave Fairweather facilitate *Voices of Muslim Women in the U.S. South*, an Iowa Religious Media Services (IRMA) documentary. This class explores the Muslim culture through the lens of five University of Alabama Muslim students. How do they define a space for self-expression and negotiate their identities in a predominately Christian society that has unflattering views about Islam and Muslims?

New Member Sunday - Today, 10:00 AM

Today, new members will be welcomed by the Congregation at the 9:00 AM service and briefly introduced at the 11:00 AM service with a reception at 10:00 AM in Fellowship Hall. Please contact Tammy Mayhew (563-326-1691; mayhew@fpcdavenport.org) if you have any questions about becoming a member of First Presbyterian Church.

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. Activities include songs, movement, focused listening and use of simple instruments. Classes meet from 10:20-10:50 AM. Please contact Kathy Middleton (middleton@fpcdavenport.org, 563-505-0471) if you have questions or would like more information.



Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Tuesday, October 10, 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.



Annual Bonfire and Hay Ride at Pride of the Wapsi

Saturday, October 14, 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Family Friendly -- kids welcome! \$10 per person collected ahead of time or at the door...this cost MIGHT go down after reviewing the budget in October. Includes hot dogs, chips, drinks, smores, hayride and everybody gets to pick a pumpkin! If you can make it, please RSVP to Tiffany (563-326-1961; horvath@fpcdavenport.org) by Wednesday, October 11!



Food Pantry - Sunday, October 15

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.

SESSION NEWS

September Session Meeting Highlights:

- Homework Helpers and Wednesday evening meal helpers are needed for this 2017/2018 school year. Please volunteer by contacting Muffy Ellard at 563-505-2292; ellardmm@gmail.com.
- Homecoming Dinner, October 1, needs volunteers to drive our honored seniors to and from this special event. Please contact Pat Cresap at 563-449-8148; cresaptwo@gmail.com.
- Please continue to pray for Boys and Girls Club, FPC Session and FPC Foundation as they discern possible steps for pursuing our Mission and Outreach God Sized Dream.
- Sunday morning worship services for December 25 and 31, 2017 are scheduled as single services at 10:00 AM.
- Wireless phone monitoring system will be installed in the church elevators for increased communication and service.
- New members were approved to join our FPC family. Sharon Boran, Peter Brachtel, and Kirk Christie will be joyfully introduced to the congregation on October 8 and honored at a reception between worship services.
- Continue to pray for the APNC as they host candidates for ministry among us. Committee members are Samantha Crow, Barb Ehrmann, Tom Ervin, Jim Keenan, Jennifer Peters, Jim Tucker, and Doug Wells.
- Signage declaring a preference for the church grounds to be a place of peace without weapons, will be designed this fall. Specific design and placement are under discussion.
- Stewardship Socials are beginning. Please consider hosting or attending a small gathering for enjoyable and meaningful conversation.
- Ugandan Kid's Choir thank you letter expressed appreciation for the generosity of hosts and congregation. Over \$700 was collected in the free will offering and two full sponsorships were pledged for individual children's education and care.

Financial Update

	August 2017		August 2016	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	50,994	67,838	67,460	65,470
Custodial Accounts Income	16,414		2,289	
General Fund Expenses	73,559	89,394	72,929	72,309
Custodial Accounts Expenses	16,414	-	2,289	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(22,565)	(21,556)	(5,469)	(6,839)
	2017 Year-To-Date		2016 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	612,126	687,074	616,963	641,403
Custodial Accounts Income	70,815		72,903	
General Fund Expenses	586,119	675,789	563,595	620,934
Custodial Accounts Expenses	70,815	-	72,903	-
Surplus (Deficit)	26,007	11,285	53,368	20,469
All numbers are rounded.				



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH

ACT and EPIC - Today, 5:30 PM

Today, ACT and EPIC, our Middle and High School Youth Groups for 6th-12th grade, will eat dinner together and then head out to Vanderveer Park to hide the rocks we painted for QC Rocks!

Kirkwood Club - Wednesday, October 11, 6:30 - 7:15 PM

We will have our annual Egg Drop this week, at Kirkwood Club, our elementary school youth group for children in first through fifth grade! Youth will form groups and create a carrier for an egg that will potentially keep it from breaking when it is dropped from a ladder.

FELLOWSHIP

First Night Out Organizational Lunch - Sunday, October 15, 12:00 PM

First Night Out is comprised of small groups that meet monthly. Each group plans activities which can vary from picnics, to a ball game, to whatever is of interest to the group. On October 15, following the second service, there will be a lunch in Von Maur Hall for those who wish to participate. The cost of the lunch will be \$5 per person. Sign up in advance, so assignments and arrangements for the food can be made, by stopping by Fellowship Hall on Sunday, October 8 between 10:00 and 11:00 AM. If you are unable to attend the lunch, you can still be part of a group, just contact Marilyn Jorgenson (563-391-2737) or Brenda Helphrey (563-388-9345). Please bring an idea for a group activity.

Youth Mission Trip "Thank You" Dinner - Sunday, October 15, 6:00 PM

As a thank you for everyone who supported the youth of FPC on their mission trip this summer, the youth will host a dinner on Sunday, October 15 at 6:00 pm. Everyone is invited to this -- but RSVP's are needed so we know how much food to prepare. If you would like to attend, please call or email Tiffany (563-326-1961; horvath@fpcdavenport.org) by TODAY!



Between The Covers (BTC) Book Club

Monday, October 16, 12:30 PM

Looking for a good book and fellowship? Join the BTC book club on Monday, October 16 at 12:30 PM in the Parlor. We'll enjoy dessert and Irene Huffman will lead our discussion of the book, *The Paris Architect*, by Charles Belfoure. Please call hostess Pat Mackusick (563-359-1831) to RSVP.

Socializers - Saturday, October 28, 6:00 PM

Enjoy good food and fellowship and learn about *Communities of Opportunity for the City of Davenport* from Latrice Lacey, Director of the Davenport Civil Rights Office, at Socializers on Saturday, October 28 at 6:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited! Please bring a dish to share for our potluck dinner. If you plan to attend, RSVP to hostess Frances Keller (563-386-3878).

Fall Fest - Sunday, October 29, 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Our annual Fall Fest this year takes place on Sunday, October 29 from 4:00 - 6:00 PM in the gym of FPC and in Fellowship Hall! We CANNOT do this without volunteers. Volunteers are needed to help escort families from the gym through the library to Fellowship Hall, to help with the crafts and games, to assist with food, and we also need candy/small prize donations as well as decorated cupcakes for the Cake Walk. A bin for Fall Fest donations has been placed in the Narthex. Please let Tiffany know if you are able to help at this fun festival for the youth of our church and our neighborhood! We will have hot dogs and popcorn and a lot of fun!

Men's Fellowship Breakfast - Saturday, November 4, 9:30 AM

KWQC's Fran Riley will share stories of the many characters he has met over the years on Saturday, November 4, at the Men's Breakfast in Fellowship Hall. The cost of the breakfast is \$6 per person. To make a reservation, contact the church office (563-326-1691). Please contact Terry Ousley (563-344-0845), if you have questions.



CARING FOR FPC & OUR COMMUNITY

Make Connections!

Read the newest issue of First Press today and share with your friends and neighbors as an invitation to visit the church. The introductory article, written by Elder Marty Bowles Edwards set the tone for the "Connect" theme. She writes, "How do we experience our spirit? Spirit seems to be packed into a little box, deep in our hearts, awaiting our decision to take a peek. Something else, something exciting, something awesome is experienced if we lift the lid and gaze inside... When encouraged to "BE" rather than "DO" we experience the Holy Spirit's presence in the core of our BEing. Holy Spirit stretches and expands our world and our awareness. The Holy Spirit connects us to all of creation and invites us to be a part of the creative process."

► Show your connectedness to First Presbyterian Church -- heart of the city, by adding the special Facebook camera effect frame (find the link on the church website) on your pictures and share to Facebook!



Programming, Planning, Calendar and Publications Meeting

Thursday, October 19, 5:00 PM

Committees should now be meeting to plan programming and events for the year. The online calendar can be used as a tool to better plan and communicate activities to church leadership and staff. Articles for the next FIRST PRESS, covering programming for January-May 2018, will be published the end of December. Articles are due to Diane Pumphrey (pumphrey@fpcdavenport.org) by November 1, 2017. The theme for that publication is "celebrate".

Tabitha's Circle - October 22, 11:00 AM

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.

Church Grounds Clean-up Day

Saturday, October 28, 8:00 AM

On Saturday, October 28, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, everyone in the congregation is invited to help get the grounds around the church ready for winter. FPC will provide lawn waste bags and has a wheel barrow and small rolling carts for use. Please bring your own rakes and tools to cut back plants for the winter. The Buildings and Grounds Committee will provide a continental breakfast. Georgia Roberts will serve as project manager and be on hand to answer any questions or grab tools for your use. Please contact John Gere (john.gere1115@gmail.com) to RSVP if you would like to help or contact Shannon Gruhlke, Finance and Facilities Manager, at the church (gruhlke@fpcdavenport.org; 563-326-1691, ext. 219) with questions.



ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (ACE)

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

October 15 - *Connecting with Buddhism*

CONNECT with Dr. Jacob M. Romaniello of Augustana College. Dr. Romaniello, who taught for eleven years in Thailand and China, will share his expertise in Buddhism. He will discuss Buddhism's history, doctrines, the Rohingya issue, and how mindfulness-meditation can help a Christian.



October 22 - *Questions of Faith*

Iowa Religious Media Services program presented by Carolyn Draper-Math.

October 29 - *Questions of Faith*

Presented by Carolyn Draper-Math. Can faith wipe out fear? How can we love everybody?