

FPC Calendar for the Week of February 9 - 16, 2020

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

Sunday, February 9; *Scout Sunday*

8:45 AM Manna & More - Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
10:30 AM Manna & More/New Member Inquiry - Fellowship Hall
10:35 AM Cherub Choir - 3rd Floor CE Bldg.
10:45 AM Adult Christian Education (ACE) - Von Maur Hall
10:45 AM Promise Land Sunday School - 3rd Floor CE Bldg.
10:50 AM Musikgarten - Room 307
2:00 PM Ladies Afternoon High Tea - RESCHEDULED to 4/26/20
6:00 PM *Guys & Dolls* Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall

Monday, February 10

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
5:00 PM *Guys & Dolls* Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall
6:00 PM Deacons' Executive Committee - Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105
6:30 PM Deacons' Outreach - Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Pastoral Care and Spiritual Development - Parlor
6:30 PM Mission Connection - Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Board of Deacons - Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Contemplative Prayer Group - Donaldson Room
7:00 PM Personnel Committee Meeting - Room 306

Tuesday, February 11

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
9:30 AM The Divine Drama - Von Maur Hall
5:00 PM Finance Meeting - Finance Office
6:00 PM *Guys & Dolls* Rehearsal - Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Parlor Hall
6:00 PM AAU Boys 5th/6th grade basketball practice - Gym
7:00 PM The Divine Drama - Von Maur Hall

Wednesday, February 12

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
10:00 AM Women of Hope Bible Study - Von Maur Hall
11:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Parlor
12:00 PM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
1:00 PM Compassion & Choices - Parlor
5:30 PM ACT Dinner - Von Maur Hall
5:45 PM Kirkwood Choir - Choir Room
6:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - Sanctuary
6:15 PM Bible Basics - Parlor
6:30 PM Kirkwood Club - Von Maur Hall, Gym
6:45 PM Celebration Singers - Sanctuary
7:15 PM ACT - Von Maur Hall
7:30 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, February 13

9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
5:30 PM TOPS - Von Maur Hall
6:00 PM Vesper Bells - Chapel
5:30 PM AAU Boys 5th/6th grade basketball practice - Gym
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

Friday, February 14

9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym

Saturday, February 15

10:00 AM PUNCH MEETING - Sacred Heart Cathedral
9:30 AM *Guys & Dolls* Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall

Sunday, February 16

9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
10:30 AM Fellowship Celebration - Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM Tabitha's Circle- Fellowship Hall
10:35 AM Cherub Choir - 3rd Floor CE Bldg.
10:45 AM Adult Christian Education (ACE) - Von Maur Hall
10:45 AM Promise Land Sunday School - 3rd Floor CE Bldg.
10:50 AM Musikgarten - Room 307
2:00 PM *Guys & Dolls* Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Adult Christian Education (ACE) - Sundays, 10:45 AM

Today: *Why are Humans Religious?*

Scholars have long been curious about why people are religious. These scholars have proposed vastly different explanations for the origins of religion among human groups, definitions of what "the religious" is, and assessments of what religion does in human societies. We will examine together a few of these theories to attempt to address the overarching question of why humans are religious. Join us after worship to hear this presentation from Eric Stewart, Associate Professor of Religion at Augustana College.

Women of Hope Bible Study - Wednesday, February 12 & 26, 10:00 AM

Women of Hope Bible Study will meet Wednesday, February 12 and February 26, at 10:00 AM in Von Maur Hall. Study books are provided and the group meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays, September through May. New members are always welcome!

Bible Basics - Wednesdays, 6:15 PM, Parlor

February 12 – *Titus*

This short letter is addressed to Titus, a co-worker with Paul. Themes include sound doctrine and church structure. It is an interesting, short read.

February 19 - the Old Testament prophet, *Habakkuk*

February 26 - Bible Basics will be in recess on Ash Wednesday.

You are welcome to join us at any time. For more information and study outlines please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com).

Announcing a New Bible Study Class: Bible Basics 201

Wednesdays beginning March 4, 6:15 PM

Bible Basics has been a fabulous part of our church for over a year now, and the class is starting to run out of basic topics. With that in mind, starting in Lent our current Bible Basics timeslot will become Bible Basics 201 – a slightly more advanced class, taught by Pastor Katie and open to all. Join us at 6:15 PM on Wednesdays to learn together. During Lent, we'll focus on the seven last words of Christ. Not sure you're up to Bible 201, but eager to learn? Mark Jones will begin a brand-new Bible Basics 101 class, ready for everybody who wants an entry-level refresher of classic Bible stories! Contact the church office if you're interested in Bible Basics 101; the class will meet whenever is most convenient for attendees.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, February 9, 2020

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.

All Happening Today!

Scout Sunday: Stand Up and Be Recognized!

At First Pres., we annually observe Scout Sunday on the second Sunday of February. If you are a member of the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, or Girl Scouts, you will be recognized during the service.



Manna & More - 8:45 - 11:30 AM

Share breakfast with your family and friends today from 8:45-11:30 AM. Enjoy pancakes, biscuits and gravy, fruit, sausage, and assorted beverages. Adults \$3, children (12 & under) \$1. Everyone is invited!

New Member Inquiry - 10:30 AM

Thinking about joining our church? Please attend a New Member Inquiry class at 10:30 AM today in Fellowship Hall. In this class we'll talk about what it means to be Presbyterian, how to get involved at First Pres., and share snacks and fellowship! You'll also have a chance to get to meet church leaders and ask questions. Not sure about joining? Come learn more and see if this is a good fit for you.

Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Tuesday, February 11, 6:30 PM

The Prayer Shawl Group meets Tuesday, February 11, from 6:30-8:00 PM in Parlor. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting and the fellowship of lovely people, while creating gifts for others, please join us. Newcomers are welcome. Patterns and yarn are available. If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute to this ministry, you may bring finished items to the church office. Donations of yarn are also accepted. Questions? Contact Karla Jones (563-332-9314; mkjones@mchsi.com) or Nancy Foster (563-391-4622; nancyotr97@gmail.com).

Tabitha's Circle - Sunday, February 16, 10:30 AM

All those who sew or who would like to sew some simple dresses and shorts are invited to join us on Sunday, February 16, at 10:30 AM in Fellowship Hall. 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.

Per Capita - \$38 per member

Per capita is the annual contribution each Presbyterian makes to support our denomination's local, national, and international ministries. This year it is \$38 per member. A member is one who has been confirmed or has been welcomed into the congregation by confession of faith, letter of transfer from another congregation, or reaffirmation of faith. Please use a Per Capita envelope from the pew racks and place it in the offering plate, or pay online.

The First Presbyterian Website Is Up and Running!

The Technology Task Force is excited to announce our website has been rebuilt! You can now view the website by using the existing website address: www.fpcdavenport.org. Many thanks to Twin States Technical Services and especially to Jim Middleton for his hours of work!

CONGREGATION UPDATES

Fellowship Celebration Fellowship Hall!

Honor a special event in your life on a Sunday of your choice in Fellowship Hall! It's easy to do! Volunteer to be a Celebration Host! There are still lots of Sundays from which to choose: February 16; March 22, 29; April 5, 19, 26. Count your blessings and pick your Sunday! The Celebration Station notebook is located in the church office during the week (stop in or call 563-326-1691) and in Fellowship Hall on Sundays. It's a simple 3 step process: 1. Pick the Sunday you will host, 2. List your celebration event, 3. Bring 50 bite-size treats!

FPC's Annual Congregational Meeting RESCHEDULED

New Date - Sunday, March 22, 10:30 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 receiving the 2020 budget.

Please Make a Note of it..

March Newsletter Articles Due Monday, February 17

Articles for the March edition of *The Broadcaster* newsletter are due February 17, 2020. Please submit to Bobette Maginas (office@fpcdavenport.org). *If there are few articles submitted for the March Broadcaster, we will not publish another newsletter until April.*

Ash Wednesday Services - February 26, 12:00 NOON & 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 for mourning for our sin and the sin of humanity before God, a recognition of our mortality save 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.

The Season of Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and self-examination in preparation for the celebration of the resurrection of the Lord at Easter. It is a period of 40 days – like the flood of Genesis, Moses' sojourn at Mount Sinai, Elijah's journey to Mount Horeb, Jonah's call to Ninevah to repent, and Jesus' time of testing in the wilderness. (The Sundays of Lent are not counted in this reckoning of the time between Ash Wednesday and Easter, as every Lord's Day is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.)

Lenten Prayer Services - Wednesdays, beginning March 4, 12:00 PM

Lent is a time to slow down, reflect on our lives and pray more deeply. On five Wednesdays, beginning March 4, join with other worshippers in Von Maur Hall for a Lenten Prayer Service from 12:00-12:45 PM.

One Great Hour of Sharing

During Lent, Presbyterian around the nation collect donations as part of One Great Hour of Sharing – a collection which benefits Presbyterian disaster assistance, hunger programs, and grants for local ministries. Last year, this offering went to assist flood victims in our area – this year, it's time to pay it forward. Every household is invited to pick up a "fish bank" and devotional calendar at the beginning of Lent. Every date will include a brief exercise and prayer, which can be done alone or as a family. You're encouraged to spend this Lent taking stock of our blessings and collecting donations. On Palm Sunday, we'll collect these banks as part of our joyous celebration! Join us for this season of contemplation and humble service.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Musikgarten - Sundays, 10:50 AM

We celebrate setting aside 30 minutes on a Sunday morning – the best 30 minutes of the week – to spend singing and playing with our littlest ones as they learn and grow in a God-centered musical family. Musikgarten is for infants through three year olds and their parents and/or grandparents. Our 30 minute Musikgarten class meets after the service on Sunday mornings from 10:50-11:25 AM in Room 307, following the Sunday School schedule. Come and join us! We would love to celebrate with you! If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Kathy Middleton (kathryn15@gmail.com; 563-505-0471).



Loving Reminiscences and Thanks by Janet Shawver-Parker

I want to acknowledge my mother, Sue Shawver, her 88 years of wisdom, and her ability to pass on to the next generation some of her goodness as she said, "Musikgarten is the Fruits of the Spirit." She doesn't like to be acknowledged but I thought I'd try to in this way by writing a brief article:

As I reminisce over the 60 some years I have been attending First Presbyterian Church, I remember having a feeling of reverence and was in awe of the churches' beauty. Truly, I thought God was present there. My grandmother Edna Shawver would take my brother and I down the hall hand in hand as we waited for our parents. My cousins and I would all be baptized at the church and go to our grandparents house most Sundays after church. Church was a very important part of my life. What I didn't realize until years later was the impact my grandmother had on me. Her gentleness and self-control was her Fruits of the Spirit.

My mother, Sue Shawver encouraged my son, her grandson Andy to go to the Musikgarten program with his daughter Ruthie Sue. I went to the class on Sunday to watch my granddaughter as did great grandma Sue. It was so encouraging to see her participate in the music activities that mom and I both participated. I was very impressed by how well the children listened to instructor Kathy at such a young age. It warmed our hearts to see her at church and brought me great joy. I thank my mom for planting the seeds of the Fruits of the Spirit. Four generations in the Muikgarten class. That's truly a blessing. We are grateful to Kathy Middleton for teaching it.

Galatians 5:22-23 – "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." God wants that for us and our children.

PAS Presents: Alex Gilson Organ Recital - Friday, February 21, 7:30 PM

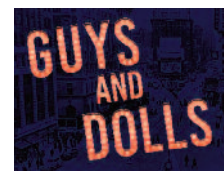
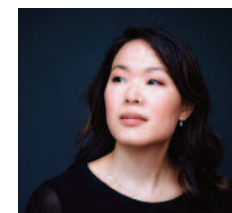
\$15 ADULT & \$10 STUDENT, *included in benefactor and series packets*



FPC's own Alex Gilson will perform a solo recital on Friday, February 21 at 7:30 PM. This past summer, Alex traveled to Europe for a continuing education opportunity with a group called the French Organ Music Seminar. He visited churches in London, Paris, and Strasbourg, and hearing these historic European instruments inspired his program this year of mostly French organ music. The First Presbyterian Church's Casavant Organ has a wealth of Romantic organ stops, which faithfully recreate the rich and dark harmonies of the Romantic era. Please enjoy the second recital by FPC's own Alex Gilson!

Juliana Han Piano Recital: Reflections of Brahms

Sunday, March 1, 4:00 PM



Broadway Musical: Guys & Dolls

Saturday, March 28, 7:30 PM, Sunday, March 29, 4:00 PM

\$15 adult/\$10 student

FELLOWSHIP & FUN

Between the Covers (BTC) Book Club

Monday, February 17, 12:30 PM, Ridgecrest Village

Between the Covers Book Club (BTC) is meeting on Monday, February 17, at Ridgecrest Village when Marlene Gaston will lead the discussion of *An Invisible Thread* by Laura Schroff. Please call either hostess Marilyn LeBuhn (563-388-3545) or Sue Shawver (563-388-3255) to RSVP if you plan to attend.



Craft Club - Monday, February 24, 1:00 PM



Craft Club is the last Monday of every month! Our next meeting is Monday, February 24, from 1:00-3:00 PM in Von Maur Hall. This month we are going to work with buttons. If you have any buttons you no longer need, please donate them to the craft club. We will be doing several projects with buttons this year. Come on out and have some fun! Questions– please contact Colleen Dueñas (nonna428312@gmail.com). If you would like to join craft club but the day and time do not work for you, please suggest an evening and time that is better suited.



Young Adult Chili Cook-Off and Favorite Things Party

Friday, February 28, 5:30 PM

Our annual Favorite Things Party will be Friday, February 28, from 5:30-7:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Childcare will be available! Bring five of your favorite things wrapped up (make them all the same -- items should be under \$5), and we will have an exchange and learn a bit more about each other. Some examples that people have brought in the past include candy bars, pens, cups, wine, lip balm, etc. All young adults are welcome! This will also be our chili or soup-cook off -- bring your best pot of soup or chili and let us be the judge!

CARING FOR OTHERS

Food Pantry Collections for the Center

Every Sunday is food pantry Sunday! In February we are collecting dental care items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, and denture care items. There are many coupons found in the monthly P&G coupons in the Sunday paper. 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 donations will be accepted. You can drop your contribution to the church in the back of the sanctuary. If you have questions, please contact Julie Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com; 563-505-4964).

Paper Hearts in February

Paper Hearts



February is the month for love. Show your love for others in the community and help the Deacon Outreach Committee with the Paper Hearts drive. Toilet paper, something we all take for granted, is the #1 item that shelters lack. Beginning in February, you can bring new packages of toilet paper to Fellowship Hall. The Deacons will be collecting all month and will take everything to Humility of Mary for distribution to their shelters. Show a stranger some love by donating toilet paper.

Camp Wyoming Just Posted Their Summer Schedule!

This Presbyterian camp offers programs for campers entering grades 1 through 7, and also needs teen staffers. Weeks include exciting themes like "Pirates" and "Music, Arts, and Drama." For more information, check out campwyoming.net or pick up a flyer today! Act soon; the early bird discount ends on March 15.

Ladies High Tea RESCHEDULED, New Date - Sunday, April 26