

FPC Calendar for the Week of March 1 - 8, 2020

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

Sunday, March 8 - New Member Sunday

- 8:45 AM Manna & More Fellowship Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:30 AM Manna & More Fellowship Breakfast and New Member Reception - 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

Monday, March 9

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 1:00 PM Music Students/Etude Club - Fellowship Hall, Sanctuary
- 6:00 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

Tuesday, March 10

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

Wednesday, March 11

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym
- 10:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM Women of Hope Bible Study - Von Maur Hall
- 12:00 PM Lenten Prayer Service - Chapel
- 1:00 PM Compassion & Choices of Iowa - Parlor
- 5:30 PM ACT Dinner - Von Maur Hall
- 5:30 PM Budget Meeting - TBA
- 5:45 PM Kirkwood Choir - Choir Room
- 6:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - Sanctuary
- 6:15 PM Bible Basics 201 - 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, March 12

- 5:30 PM Mission Input Group - Parlor - Von Maur Hall
- 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, March 13

- 9:00 AM Pickleball - Gym

Saturday, March 14

- 9:30 AM *Guys & Dolls* Rehearsal - Von Maur Hall

Sunday, March 15

- 9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:30 AM Fellowship Time/Celebration Station - Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 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

Just a Reminder!
Articles for the April/May
edition of the Broadcaster
are due Sunday, March 15.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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

Today: Join Pastor Mark for Part II of a video series by Dr. Ken Bailey called, "Understanding the Bible: Origins and Interpretation."

Announcing a New Bible Study Class!: Bible Basics 201

Wednesdays, 6:15 PM

March 11 - We continue our Lenten series on the Seven Last Words of Christ. This in-depth study will close-read scripture to explore Jesus' words during his final hours on earth. This week we look at John 19:1-27. Contact Pastor Katie to get on the weekly email list for more details, or just show up Wednesdays at 6:15 PM!

Women of Hope Bible Study - Wednesday, March 11 and 25, 10:00 AM

Women of Hope Bible Study will meet Wednesday, March 11 and March 25 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!

FELLOWSHIP & FUN

Music Students' Etude Club - Monday, March 9, 1:00 PM

The Etude Club will meet at FPC in the Sanctuary on Monday, March 9 at 1:00 PM for an hour-long performance featuring four musicians. After the performance and a short meeting, there will be refreshments, treats, and fellowship. This event is free and open to the public!

The members of the Music Students' Etude Club consist not only of musicians and music teachers, but also by people who simply enjoy listening to music. We meet six times per year and embrace the friendly, casual atmosphere of our club. Although our performers are mostly adults, we are always thrilled when a student is available to perform. The best part is, we provide funding for student music scholarships.

Between the Covers (BTC) Book Club - Monday, March 16, 1:00 PM

Between the Covers Book Club (BTC) is meeting on Monday, March 16, in the Parlor when Sue Wagschal will lead the discussion of *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Please call hostess Sue Wagschal (563-343-6660) to RSVP if you plan to attend.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, March 8, 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.

Manna & More /New Member Reception - Today, 8:45 - 11:30 AM

Share breakfast with your family and friends before the service and celebrate new member Andy McNeil at the reception following the service today. Enjoy breakfast pizza, fruit, and assorted beverages. Adults \$3, children (12 & under) \$1. Everyone is invited!

Installation of Church Officer - Today

Colleen Dueñas is being installed today in the **Deacons Class of 2022** and will serve on the Pastoral Care and Spiritual Development (PCSD) Committee.



Welcome New Member Andy McNeil!

Certificate of Transfer

Andy loves to help others and work with everyone. He considers himself a "Jack of all trades and master of none." He is skilled in many areas and is eager to serve.

Prayer Shawl Second Tuesday (PSST) - Tuesday, March 10, 6:30 PM

The Prayer Shawl Group meets Tuesday, March 10, from 6:30-8:00 PM in the 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).

Kids Against Hunger - Sunday - Tuesday, April 19 - 21



People dying of starvation in this world is a reality. You can help eradicate hunger by packing highly nutritious meals, rich in protein and fortified with vitamins and minerals, that when boiled provide nourishment to starving children. As in this picture, 10-12 people fill packages assembly-line style. Approximately 1,400 meals can be prepared/packed/and ready to ship in about an hour. Please consider donating your time or the participation cost of \$30/person this year. Organize a team of family, friends, neighbors. Challenge your co-workers. Sign-ups will start this month. Please consider fulfilling Christ's command to "feed the hungry." For more information, contact Cindy Schalk (941-806-7301; schalkhome95@gmail.com) or Craig Foster (563-508-4660; cfoster871@mchsi.com).

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.

FPC Office Hours and Call Handling Method - as of Monday, March 2

The office will no longer close for lunch. Office hours are 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM each weekday. Additionally, callers will receive a greeting with a staff directory allowing them to dial directly the staff member to whom they wish to speak. Callers may dial zero at any time during the message to be connected to the office.

Mission Study Groups

The Mission Study Small Groups have begun. This is the ground zero of the interim process, as we gather as a community to discern God's next best chapter of ministry for the mission of First Presbyterian Church. Below are the dates, times and locations for these Small Groups, as well as their purpose and goals. Please call the church office to register for one of these gatherings, or write the church office (office@fpcdavenport.org) or Pastor Mark (galbraith@fpcdavenport.org.)

3/9/2020	7:00-8:30 PM	2226 Ripley Davenport	Ted and RuthAnn Brown
3/11/2020	7:00-8:30 PM	2226 Ripley Davenport	Ted and RuthAnn Brown
3/12/2020	5:30-7:00 PM	FPC—Parlor	Marty Edwards and Vicki Stegall
3/19/2020	2:00-3:30 PM	5910 Crow Valley Dr. Davenport	Mark and Karla Jones

Purposes of these Mission Study Small Groups

- To give the people of First Presbyterian Church a voice in defining the Mission Goals for the next chapter of ministry of First Presbyterian Church.
- To build greater connections, community and fellowship among the Baptized People of God of FPC.
- As part of the core tasks of the interim processes, to rethink and define the congregations new Mission Goals (also including examining past sorrows and understanding current congregational culture, re-setting the relationship with the Presbytery, achieving financial stability, and discerning needed qualifications for new Lead Pastor), as a requirement for, and in anticipation of the approval of a PNC by the Presbytery.
- To communicate compelling, exciting, Spirit-led Mission Goals on the MIF to candidates gifted and graced with leadership and ministry skills to partner with FPC to achieve stated Mission Goals.

Camp Wyoming Just Posted Their Summer Schedule!

This Presbyterian camp offers programs for campers entering grades 1 through 12, 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. Scholarships are available for campers; ask Pastor Katie for more information.

Make a Note of It:

FPC’s Annual Congregational Meeting - Sunday, March 22, 10:30 AM

Fellowship Celebration in 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: March 22, April 5, 19. 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!

Grant Funds Available - The Deacons’ Endowment Fund

Applications are being received March 15 through May 15 for grants from the Deacons’ Endowment Fund. These grants are intended to provide seed money to help groups and organizations within First Presbyterian Church and our church community to develop new mission, outreach, pastoral care and spiritual development programs. The maximum grant that will be awarded is \$5,000. In prior years Deacons’ Endowment Fund grants has been awarded to help start Habitat ReStore’s Health & Home Store, to secure a therapy dog for Sudlow Intermediate School, to help QC Symphony Orchestra pay for private tutoring for neighborhood music students, to help AMKA Africa School Foundation support students and to benefit other programs and projects. Additional information and applications are available through the church office, at the Welcome Desk, or from Mike Grothusen (mjgrothusen@hotmail.com).

Lenten Prayer Services - Wednesdays, through Holy Week, 12:00 PM

Wednesday noon Lenten midweek services run through Wednesday of Holy Week, and feature “Holden Evening Prayer”, a widely used liturgy of word and song, composed by Marty Haugen. The messages will be a six part “readers theater” series called “*The Temptations of Jesus,*” presented by Ted Brown and Alex Gilson. Bring your lunches, voices, and open hearts for a meditative and celebrative worship experience. The services will meet in Fellowship Hall.

One Great Hour of Sharing

During Lent, Presbyterians 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. Pick up your devotions and banks at the back of the Sanctuary.

March Madness - Hymn Edition

Ever wonder what the congregation’s favorite hymn is? Now is your chance to vote! During Lent you will have an opportunity to vote each week via NCAA Tournament-style brackets, halving the list each week from 64 choices down to the #1 favorite, which will be revealed on Easter Sunday. This is a fundraiser for the church’s general fund: a single weekly bracket costs \$5, or you can buy a packet of 6 for \$20. The winning hymn will be featured prominently in worship on one of the Sundays following Easter. A volunteer will be selling brackets in the narthex for the next few weeks.



Broadway Musical: *Guys & Dolls*
 Saturday, March 28, 7:30 PM, Sunday, March 29, 4:00 PM
 \$15 adult/\$10 student

The talented singers, actors, and dancers of First Pres. return us to the Broadway stage with a production of the multiple Tony Award-winning show *Guys & Dolls*. After running for 1,200 performances following its 1950 opening on Broadway, the fast-paced musical comedy is revived frequently and continues to captivate audiences and critics alike. Made famous by a 1955 movie adaption starring Marlon Brando, Jean Simmons, Frank Sinatra, and Vivian Blaine, the show includes such great number as “Luck Be a Lady,” “The Oldest Established,” and “Sit Down, You’re Rockin’ the Boat.”

All musicals at First Pres. are produced with in-house talent and a topnotch creative team from the church that handles set design, props, costuming, choreography, and directing. Come experience the multitude of great talent within our community, from the live band of local musicians to the superb acting talents of many of our congregants.

Food Pantry Collections for the Center

Every Sunday is food pantry Sunday! In March we are collecting spring cleaning items such as dish soap, cleaning spray, antibacterial wipes and toilet bowl cleaner. 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).

Financial Summary for the month of December 2019				
	December 2019		December 2018	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	96,306	65,185	91,940	119,775
Custodial Accounts Income	18,050	-	13,813	-
Compensation Expenses***	48,438	61,320	152,456	87,075
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	41,461	21,891	18,701	3,732
Custodial Accounts Expenses	18,050	-	13,813	-
Surplus (Deficit)	6,407	(18,026)	(79,217)	28,968
	2019 YTD		2018 YTD	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	901,893	852,675	955,283	997,771
Custodial Accounts Income	94,987	-	96,617	-
Compensation Expenses***	589,095	664,225	734,528	727,932
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	245,125	290,780	256,031	268,411
Custodial Accounts Expenses	94,988	-	96,617	-
Surplus (Deficit)***	67,672	(102,330)	(35,275)	1,428

Finance Committee Comments on Financials

Calendar year 2019 financial results show the general fund with a surplus. This is good; however, it is not indicative of the future. Three general areas contributed to 2019’s surplus: first, compensation expense was lower than 2018 by \$145,000 because staff positions were reduced or eliminated. Second, non-compensation expense was lower by \$11,000 compared to 2018. Third, the general fund used \$95,000 from our custodial (or savings) accounts. These three areas offset lower revenue of \$54,000 compared to 2018. A positive surplus does not indicate that our church is thriving. Rather, this outcome was achieved through shrinking our expenditures which reflect our shrinking church. Total expenses in 2019 were \$929,000. With 2020 received pledges totaling about \$637,000, we should anticipate even smaller expenditures during 2020.

Session Highlights for February 17, 2020

- Congregational Conversations have begun. You are encouraged to sign-up for a single small group meeting. You can call the office for help finding a time that works for you.
- The Session welcomed Andy McNeil into the fellowship of First Presbyterian Church. He will officially join the church on March 8, 2020.
- The 2019 budget year will show a positive balance. Yet, income for the year was down from 2018. The positive balance is largely because of unfilled staff positions.
- Elders Karla Ruitter, Paula Burnett, and RuthAnn Tobey-Brown will represent FPC as Commissioners to the March 14, 2020 meeting of the Presbytery of East Iowa to be held at Bettendorf Presbyterian Church.
- The Session approved offering the sacrament of Holy Communion almost, but not quite, every month in 2020.