

October 25, 2020
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MEDITATION

Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Thessalonians 2:1-8

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17
Matthew 22:34-46

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your strength, and with all your mind.”

Matthew 22: 37

The Church Gathers To...

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Katie Styr

Preparation for Worship

Worshippers are invited to meditate silently during the following prelude.

Prelude

Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott

Praise Almighty God

Call to Worship (from Psalm 90)

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us.

We worship the Lord, our God.



1. A might - y for - tress is our God, A bul - wark nev - er
2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
4. That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -



fail - ing. Our help - er He, a - mid the flood of
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through



mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ
 truth to tri - umph through us. The Prince of Dark-ness grim, we
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this



seek to work us woe; His craft and power are great, and
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's



armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him.
 truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.

Confess to a Forgiving Creator

Prayer of Confession

God of strength and love, we are grateful for your love modeled to us by Jesus. Though we know loving others is our highest calling as people of faith, we too often fall short. Forgive us for those times we refuse to show love. Even in this election season when we are at odds with so many, forgive us if we have reacted unlovingly to friends or to strangers. Help us to be not merely civil, but to be caring towards all whether they are like us or not. Let this Reformation Sunday remind us to come back to the basics of our faith. We trust in you. We pray in Christ's name, amen.

Assurance of Pardon

It was because of love for the world that God gave us his son. We know that in Christ we are forgiven.

Listen for God's Word

Scripture Readings

Leviticus 19:1-2, 18

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Matthew 22:34-46

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Challenges and Commandments

Rev. Pat Halverson

Respond to God's Word

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

In the gift of money, we offer something of our work and selves to God.

To donate, please visit the church website, fpcdavenport.org, and click on "Donate Now," use the link: <https://bit.ly/2V8nEgm>, or mail your check in to the church office

Jesu Bleibet Meine Freude, BWV 147
Tenor - Dave Bowles Edwards, Piano - Alex Gilson

J. S. Bach

Jesus shall remain my joy,
my heart's comfort and sap,
Jesus shall fend off all sorrow,
He is the strength of my life,
the delight and sun of my eyes,
the treasure and wonder of my soul;
therefore I will not let Jesus go
out of my heart and sight.

Presentation of Our Gifts and Lives to God

Please sing the Doxology - Hymn Tune: Old Hundredth, 592 in the hymnal.

Prayer of Dedication

God of heaven and earth, we offer ourselves and return a portion of your blessing to us. May these gifts be used to further the missions of caring for others through our church. Amen.

The Sacrament Of Holy Communion – *Outdoor Service*

Invitation to The Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Go To Serve With God's Blessing

Hymn

Let Your Heart Be Broken

WYE VALLEY



1. Let your heart be bro - ken For a world in need Feed the mouths that hun - ger,
2. Here on earth ap - ply - ing Prin - ci - ples of love Vis - i - ble ex - pres - sion
3. Blest to be a bless - ing, Priv - i - leged to care, Chal - lenged by the need Ap -
4. Add to your be - liev - ing Deeds that prove it true Know - ing Christ as Sav - ior,
5. Let your heart be ten - der And your vi - sion clear See man - kind as God sees,



Soothe the wounds that bleed, Give the cup of wa - ter And the loaf of
God still rules a - bove, Liv - ing il - lus - tra - tion Of the Liv - ing
par - ent ev - 'ry - where, Where man kind is want - ing Fill the va - cant
Make Him Mas - ter too: Fol - low in His foot - steps, Go where He has
Serve Him far and near; Let your heart be bro - ken By a broth - er's



bread Be the hands of Je - sus, Serv - ing in His stead.
Word To the minds of all who've Nev - er seen and heard.
place, Be the means thru which the Lord re - veals His grace.
trod, In the world's great trou - ble Risk your - self for God.
pain, Share your rich re - sourc - es Give and give a - gain.

Benediction

Rev. Pat Halverson

Postlude

Phantasie on "Ein Feste Burg ist Unser Gott", Op. 27

Max Reger

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers are Welcome for: Marlene Gaston and family (*death of Robert Gaston*); Grant Gilson (*father of Alex Gilson*); family of Helen Hebbeln (*death of mother*); Katie Styrt and family (*death of mother, Lisa Brown Jasa*); Duane Timm and Jeff Gomez; Craig Van Hook and family (*death of Nancy Van Hook*); family of Dick Whisler; Wilton Retirement Community; families and victims of abuse, addiction, violence, loss, suicide, COVID-19, and all recent natural disasters.

A Note from Pastor Katie

Thank you for all of the warm wishes, cards, sympathy, and prayers after my mother's passing. Your support and kind words mean so much to me and my family!

Inclement Weather

As the weather gets colder, a reminder - if services need to be canceled due to rain or other severe weather, an announcement will be made that morning over Facebook and local TV. If we get rained out, just join us online for the video service!

Watch Alex Gilson's Virtual Organ Recital – Today, 3:00 PM

Tune-in to <https://www.facebook.com/BeaumontAGO> today at 3:00 PM to watch Alex Gilson perform in an online virtual organ recital hosted by the Beaumont Chapter of the American Guild of Organists! Alex will be playing an exciting collection of choral preludes composed by Naji Hakim alongside his friends and colleagues Andrew Segrest and Samuel Gaskin. Make sure to watch if you like amazing organ music!

Session Highlights – October 2020

- Approved limited use of the church building for groups smaller than 15 people. Reservations will be required. Masks will be required. Look for more information coming soon from the Pandemic Task Force.
- The Stewardship Campaign is underway. You are being asked to give in FAITH and your belief in God to provide.
- Fall education and fellowship programs are underway with activities for all ages. Please check out the weekly announcements and join in. All are welcome.
- Our monthly budget continues to run a deficit since the pandemic started. Please continue with your pledges and offerings for this year.
- Session met with the Synod Administrative Review Committee a second time to share information, concerns and goals for the future.

Volunteers and Donations Needed for PUNCH's Thanksgiving Dinner!

PUNCH is continuing our tradition of a free community Thanksgiving dinner with a drive-through and delivery meal! Volunteers are needed to portion, hand out, or deliver meals, either from 10:00-11:30 AM or 11:30 AM -1:00 PM on Thanksgiving Day. Donations are also needed to be delivered on Thanksgiving Day to First Baptist Church by 10:00 AM.

Donations are needed:

- 2- 20 lb. hot turkeys, sliced off the bone
- 4 – 5 lbs of hot mashed potatoes
- 2 - 1 gallon of green beans, prepared
- 1 56 oz. bag of cornbread stuffing, prepared
- 4 – 8 in pumpkin pies

If you can help, please call the church office or email Paula Hartmann at ppelhartmann@aol.com.

2020 PUNCH Free Drive-Up Thanksgiving Dinner, November 26



11 a.m. to 1 p.m. or until food runs out

Pick up at First Baptist Church

1401 Perry Street, Davenport, Iowa

To Place order for Dinners

(not required but encouraged)

call 563-323-4435 or 563-323-2765

If you need a meal delivered to you, please contact Pastor

Katie

Menu

Turkey

Mashed Potatoes with Gravy

Stuffing

Green Beans

Pumpkin Pie

Outside Service – Sundays, 9:30 AM

We invite the congregation to worship together in the parking lot for a 45 minute service of worship at 9:30 AM. We will continue to worship outside in this manner as long as the weather permits. We ask the congregation to follow the guidelines for our communion service. That means bringing your own bread and juice, wearing a mask, a chair, and having the bulletin on a device or printed out at home. The service will not be live streamed, but it will be recorded. We hope you will join us.

ACE Christian Education - Today, 10:45-11:45AM

Join us for ACE! We'll be meeting on Zoom at this address:

<https://zoom.us/j/91539050753?pwd=b2JYN0VyOW52N0ZESHQ2YUhyelhtUT09>,

or you can call in by dialing 312-626-6799 and entering the meeting ID 915 3905 0753 and passcode ACE.

This week we'll welcome guest speaker Rob Fohr, the Director of Faith-Based Investing and Corporate Engagement for the Presbyterian Church (USA), who will speak with us about ethical investments and how our faith affects our finances.

Women of Hope Bible Study

Wednesday, Oct. 28, 10:00 AM - FPC west parking lot by the Kildalton Cross

Christian Education for Youth (CEFY) Fall 2020**Sunday School is Online!**

Attention parents! Join us on Zoom for Sunday School! We meet from 10:30-11:00 AM every Sunday for Bible stories, sharing, and learning together. For security, the Zoom link is being emailed - please be sure to register for Sunday school (or contact Pastor Katie) so we can get your kids involved!

Kirkwood Club Schedule

We hope you had fun at our September Kirkwood Club meeting! Here's the schedule of our fall activities, which will all be from 6:00-6:45 PM at church:

Wednesday, October 28: Halloween Party

Wednesday, November 18: Scavenger Hunt

Wednesday, December 16: Cookie Decorating

Hope to see you there! To get Kirkwood Club updates, email Katie at styrt@fpcdavenport.org, or text @fpcdkids to 81010.

Youth Group Schedule – New Meeting

We got rained out last week, so join us for pumpkin games outside on Sunday the 25th from 1-2pm! Until COVID rates go down, ACT and EPIC will be meeting monthly for games and activities. Our meetings will be from 1:00-2:00 PM on Sundays. Save the dates for fun on November 22 and December 13. To get youth group updates, email Katie at styrt@fpcdavenport.org, or text @612thgra to 81010 (or add @612thgra on the Remind app).

Cherubs and MusikGarten – Sundays, 10:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Cherubs and MusikGarten continue to meet this fall on Zoom at new times to coincide with our Sunday School schedule. MusikGarten will meet from 10:30-11:00 AM. Infants through three year-olds and their parents are invited to come to MusikGarten. Cherubs will meet from 11:00-11:15 AM following their Sunday School class that begins at 10:30 AM. Cherubs are in pre-school and Kindergarten. If you have questions about either group, contact Kathy Middleton (kathrynb15@gmail.com; 563-505-0471.)

Join Online!

For more information, see the e-news, church website or Facebook:

Worship Watch Party - Sundays, 9:30 AM

Midweek Prayer - Wednesdays, 12:00 PM, via Facebook

Stump the Organist! – Every other Friday, 12:00 PM

Join the fun on Friday, November 6!

Online Harpsichord Recital - Tuesday, October 27, 12:00 PM

Matt Bishop will offer a free online harpsichord recital on Facebook on Tuesday, October 27 November 10 at noon. This will be a 30-minute recital featuring works by Thomas Tomkins and J. S. Bach on the church's Lindholm harpsichord. The video will be available on the church's Facebook page. Enjoy some Baroque music with your lunch!

Bible Basics 201 – Tuesdays, 6:15 PM - That's in the Bible?!

Join us on Zoom to discuss some of the strange and scandalous stories in the Bible! We'll meet on Tuesdays from 6:15-7:15 PM on Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/98965381440?pwd=TUdyMXltRTMrRXdFWnBEZ0NEKzBYUT09>.

If you'd like to call in, you can call 312-626-6799 and enter 989 6538 1440 for the ID and 240979 for the password.

October 27: 1 Samuel 28, Saul's Séance

News from the Finance Office

	September 2020		September 2019	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	45,680	50,150	57,877	65,185
Custodial Accounts Income	(28,035)	-	4,847	-
Compensation Expenses	44,168	50,348	60,787	66,321
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	11,137	21,070	14,281	19,991
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(28,035)	-	4,848	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(9,625)	(21,268)	(17,192)	(21,127)
	2020 Year-To-Date		2019 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	617,256	650,958	646,751	657,120
Custodial Accounts Income	75,570	-	67,737	-
Compensation Expenses	434,104	447,000	435,729	480,264
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	121,826	184,250	170,133	228,107
Custodial Accounts Expenses	75,569	-	67,737	-
Surplus (Deficit)	61,327	19,708	40,888	(51,251)

All numbers are rounded.