

1702 Iowa Street
Davenport, IA 52803
A Congregation of the
Presbyterian Church
(U.S.A.)

June 20, 2021
Father's Day
Worship at 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Welcome!

We are an open and affirming congregation, and a proud member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians (covnetpres.org).



People of all sexual orientations and gender identities are welcome here, along with their families.

**We are a
Matthew 25 church**



MATTHEW 25

Matthew 25 congregations identify themselves as working toward one or more of three goals: building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism and eradicating systemic poverty.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS
FOR MEDITATION**

- 1 Samuel 17: 32-49
- Psalms 107: 1-3, 23-32
- 2 Corinthians 6: 1-13
- Mark 4: 35-41

“Jesus said to them,
‘Why are you afraid?
Have you still no faith?’”
Mark 4: 35-41

The Church Gathers To...

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Preparation for Worship

Worshippers are invited to meditate silently during the following prelude.

Prelude

Improvisation

Alex Gilson

Praise Almighty God

Call to Worship

from 2 Corinthians 6: 2

God says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

Friends, now is the acceptable time!

Now is the day of salvation!

Together, let us worship the God of our salvation!

Hymn

Guide My Feet

GUIDE MY FEET

1. Guide my feet while I run this race;
2. Hold my hand while I run this race;
3. Stand by me while I run this race;
4. I'm your child while I run this race;
5. Search my heart while I run this race;

guide my feet while I run this race;
hold my hand while I run this race;
stand by me while I run this race;
I'm your child while I run this race;
search my heart while I run this race;

guide my feet while I run this race, for I
hold my hand while I run this race,
stand by me while I run this race,
I'm your child while I run this race,
search my heart while I run this race,

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

**The Staff of
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will go to the pastor on call in case
of emergency.

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Children's Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim

Confess to a Forgiving Creator

Call to Confession

based on Psalm 107: 2-7

The Psalmist writes, "Some wander in desert wastes, and find no way to an inhabited town. Some are hungry and thirsty and their souls faint within them. They all cry to God in their distress and God delivers them. God satisfies the thirsty, fills the hungry with good things and leads them until they reach an inhabited town."

With the confidence of the children of God, let us confess our need for God's deliverance.

Prayer of Confession

adapted from John van de Laar

<https://sacredise.com/loving-through-the-storm>

Holy Jesus, the worst storms are the ones we create with our fear. We are afraid of losing our power and are suspicious of the power of others. Most of all we refuse to acknowledge your mysterious authority. Forgive us. Help us to learn that peace and calm can be ours if we will loosen our grip on fear; we pray in Jesus' strong name; Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

based on Mark 4:41

Jesus declares peace, no matter what troubles our souls;
for Christ is the One whom even the wind and the sea obey.
In Jesus' love, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

<https://lifeinliturgy.wordpress.com/2015/06/04/proper-7b-4th-sunday-after-pentecost>

Revealing God, as we listen for your Word in the words of Scripture, bless us with your strength and guidance. In the power of your Spirit, show us how to hear, follow, and yield our lives to you: Amen.

Scripture Readings

Psalm 107: 23-37

Mark 4: 35-41

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith

From The Heidelberg Catechism, 1562

The almighty and ever present power of God upholds heaven and earth and all creatures, so that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty - all things, in fact - come to us by God's hand. We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence that nothing in creation will separate us from God's love.

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

Psalm 107: 1

God's steadfast love endures forever!
All that we have comes from God's steadfast love;
we give back so our provision might serve God's people.

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

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

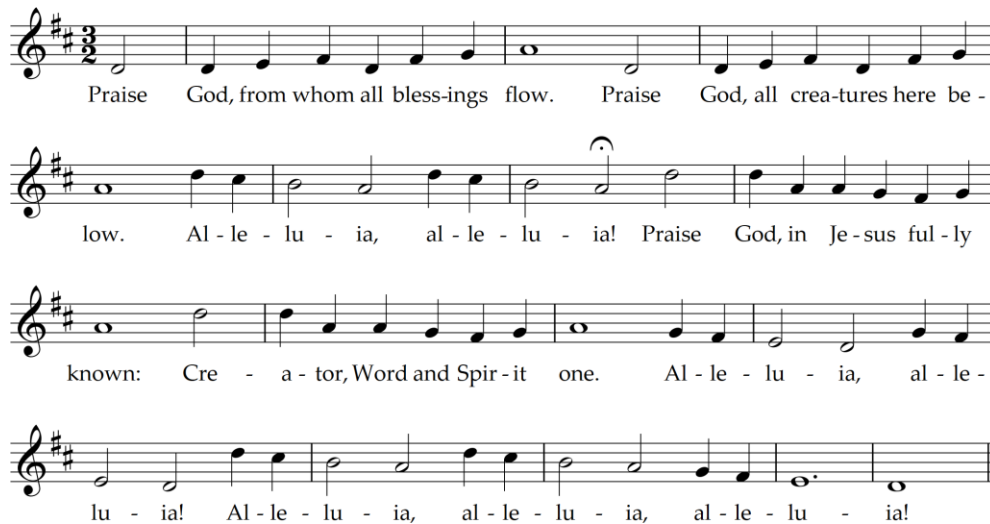
Arr. Harry T. Burleigh

Dawn Hickenbottom - Soprano, Alex Gilson - Piano

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.

Presentation of Our Gifts and Lives to God

Please sing the Doxology.



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here be - low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word and Spir - it one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Service of Holy Communion (at 8:30 a.m.)

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The Words of Invitation

Our God of power feeds the hungry and calms the storm. Our God of peace comforts the trembling and gathers all children to this table. The Holy One is here. Come, for all has been made ready.

JOYS & CONCERNS

In Our Prayers: Rebecca Koos; Barb Thede, families and victims of gun violence, abuse, addiction, violence, loss, suicide, COVID-19, and all recent natural disasters; FPC members and all others receiving the COVID vaccine.

For Your Information:

Mission Partners: Rev. José Pilar Alvarez Cabrera and Rev. Nestor Eduardo Alvarez (*leaders of ILUGUA, Zacapa, Guatemala*); Alice Chikomo in Harare, Zimbabwe; Veda Gill (*Presbyterian Education Board, Pakistan*).

Hospital visits by the Pastors are made only with a patient's permission.

InTouch Information: If you or a loved one is unable to attend church services and would enjoy a contact from one of First Presbyterian's In-Touch members, please contact Deacon Bev Koos (563-676-0292).

The Prayer Chain connects those in need of prayer with church members who are committed to a ministry of prayer. All requests may be directed to Mary Ann Francois (563-355-5292).

Printed Prayer Requests require permission from the person(s) in need of prayer before prayers are printed in the bulletin. The best way to assure a hospital visit or a prayer is to directly notify the church office (563-326-1691).

Prayer Shawls are available for you to give to those you know experiencing a challenge or joy. For your choosing, a variety of shawls are hanging on the coatrack near the main office).

Join Online:

Worship Watch Party

Sundays, 9:00 AM

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

Summer Services at FPC!

8:30 AM outside,
masks, communion, singing
Kirkwood Parking Lot

10:00 AM indoors,
masks and singing
Sanctuary

The Great Prayer of 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....

O God, who changed chaos into creation, you know the trembling hearts of your children and you promise to comfort and deliver and inspire. You are the still small voice, the tranquil waters, the parent's embrace, the prophet's voice, the healer's touch, the child's faith. You are peace beyond all understanding, you are perfect love in whom there is no fear, you are hope. Holy One, we bless you. Holy God, Holy Three, we thank you and we sing with all your creation:

Holy! Holy! Holy! God of majesty and love,

Creation sings your glory, O God Most High.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of our God.

Hosanna in the highest!

God of power, you sent your child Jesus to a fearful world with an announcement by angels who sang: "Be not afraid." Jesus came among us to teach, heal, confront and save. Jesus eased troubled minds, quieted turbulent seas, transformed followers, and threw rulers into turmoil. As we recall all these mighty acts, we remember Jesus' death and resurrection in which we place our hope.

Powerful and Peaceful God, breathe your Spirit upon us and on these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body, one holy people, a bold and faithful people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ. We ask it through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, One with the Holy Spirit. All glory is yours everywhere, now and forever; we pray in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray, saying:

The Prayer of Jesus

Aldersgate Church

**Loving God, through the Spirit's revelation,
may Your true nature be honored everywhere.**

May Your reign of love come.

**May desire of Your heart for the world be done,
in us, by us and through us in the power of the Spirit**

Give us the bread we need for each day.

Forgive us.

Enable us to forgive others.

Keep us from all anxiety and fear.

**For You reign in the power that comes from love which is Your glory
forever and ever.**

Amen.

The Words of Institution

The Communion of the People

We partake of the elements that we brought with us today.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS May 2021

Great news. The Session approved a recommendation from the Pandemic Task Force that responded to the recent COVID-19 updates from the public health experts. In-person sanctuary worship and outdoor worship will begin June 6, 2021 without limits to the number in attendance or requirements for social distancing. Masks will continue to be required. Look for details provided throughout usual church publications. Thanks to the Pandemic Task Force's on-going work responding to the changing COVID-19 related guidelines.

The task force charged with identifying a person to facilitate a reconciliation process has been in contact with 3 candidates. The group is meeting on May 18 with hopes of finalizing their recommendation.

The Session received a revised Personnel Policies and Procedures manual proposed by the Personnel Committee. Jo Johnson-Meineke reviewed the major changes and answered questions. A final vote on the changes will be done at the June meeting. The Session appreciates the professional expertise that Jo provided to this revision.

The finance committee reported that our YTD income exceeds our expenses with the caveat that both income expectations and the annual budget is smaller than in years past.

The Session approved installing LED lights in all of the exterior lights in the parking lot and surrounding the church building. With a current rebate and the lower electricity use, the cost of this conversion will be recovered in four years.

The Prayer Following Communion

<https://www.communityofjesus.org/sacred-seeing-stilling-the-storm/>

Open-hearted God, we have brought the storms raging within us to this moment, and you have calmed the weather in our spirits. Around this table you have reminded us that the wind and sea obey you, and so we can trust you to pilot our souls. You have spoken peace into our hearts; help us to listen to your voice as we go from this place; we pray in the name of the One who speaks peace; Amen.

Prayers of the People (at 10:00 a.m.)

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Amen.

Go To Serve With God's Blessing

Hymn

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

PRECIOUS LORD

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, help me
2. When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger
stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; Through the
near; When my life is al - most gone, Hear my
storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light; Take my
cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall; Take my
hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

Charge and Benediction

from Feasting on the Word

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Lay your fears at the feet of Jesus.
In every circumstance, trust in God.

May the God of power uphold you;
the peace of Christ rest upon you;
the Holy Spirit defend you;
now and always; Amen.

Postlude

Toccata from Organ Symphony no. 5

Charles-Marie Widor

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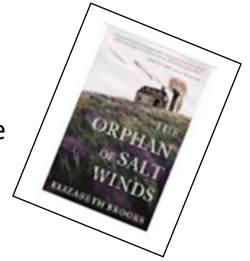
Announcements

Card Shower for Joe Diehl on his 100th Birthday!

Our member Joe Diehl is turning 100 on June 27 and we're holding a card shower for him. To wish Joe a Happy 100th Birthday, you can send a card to him care of the church. We'll collect the cards at the church office and take them over to him in time for his big day. Thanks to all!

Between the Covers (BTC) Book Club -Monday, June 21, 12:30 PM

Between the Covers (BTC) Book Club will meet in the Parlor on Monday, June 21 at 12:30 PM! All are welcome to join the discussion of *The Orphan of Salt Winds* by Elizabeth Brooks.



Bible Basics 201 - Tuesdays, 6:15 PM

For the summer, we have decided, as we have on occasion, to veer from a strict bible study. Using the book, *They Were Christians*, by Cristobal Krusen, as a starting place, we will learn about inspiring people of faith. Our June schedule:

June 22 – Florence Nightingale;

June 29 – John D. Rockefeller, Sr.

Please consider joining us if your summer schedule allows. Please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com) for more information or handout material. We continue, for now, meeting remotely. Here is our Zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/98965381440?pwd=TUdyMXltRTMrRXdFWnBEZONEKzBYUT09>

Meeting ID: 989 6538 1440 Passcode: 240979

Please Join Us For the Blessing of the Animals Worship Service – Sunday, June 27, 8:30 AM

One of our favorite worship services is BACK! June 27 is the day to bring your furry, feathered, hooved, or other beloved animal family member to be blessed at our outdoor service at 8:30 AM. And...Christmas card photo ops will be offered, as usual, in front of the Dog House after the service.

On a serious note, we will have a special, supplemental offering at the Blessing service for the Kings Harvest Pet Rescue No Kill Shelter in Davenport. Kings Harvest takes in animals both from our local community and kill shelters in other areas of the country to help them find their "forever" homes in our area. Their success rate is phenomenal! They would be so grateful for any monetary or food, cleaning product, cat litter donations we can give to them.

The Blessing of the Animals service is always a fun time. We look forward to seeing you there!

Vacation Bible Camp! – Compassion Camp 2021!



Calling all Compassionate Kids! Come join us for our Compassion Camp! We will be meeting virtually from 10:00-11:00 AM on June 27-July 2! During the week we will have opportunities to put our kindness into action with in person mission projects! Who is ready for some fun, music, and learning about how God's Love can be spread through us? Please email Sarah Greim to register your child at segreim@gmail.com or use this link to register!

Pickleball is Back! – Monday and Wednesday, 9:00-11:00 AM

We're playing pickleball here in the FPC gym on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00-11:00 AM. All are welcome to join the fun. Please contact Diane Schroder for more information.

Food Pantry Donations Needed!

Friends, whether we attend services in the parking lot, via livestream, or in the church, the need for donations to the Food Pantry is always with our community. You may drop off goods in the church office during the week. Monetary donations are also accepted. All donations go to Sacred Heart Food Pantry located at The Center on Brady Street.

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

We're continuing to Zoom through the summer together on Sunday mornings! Join Musikgarten from 10:30-11:00 AM. We talk, laugh, and share what's going on in our lives, sing together and just enjoy seeing each other. Cherubs continue from 11:00-11:15 AM. If you're on my email list, you will continue to get the Zoom link each week. If you would like to be added to our list, let me know. We have room for everyone and would love to have you join us! For more info contact Kathy Middleton at kathryn15@gmail.com.

The Caring Closet Update – Donations Need: Travel Size Personal Care Products!

Our new Caring Closet opened for business June 4. Our regular hours are 9:00 AM -noon on Tuesdays and 2:00-5:00 PM on Fridays, by appointment. The Caring Closet is a free "store" for whoever can use it. If you have clothing or shoes that you no longer need, please drop them off after the service, or bring them to the Iowa door on Monday and Friday from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Can't make it then? Contact RuthAnn Tobey-Brown at 563-265-1439 and we will set up a time. Please make sure all items are clean and ready for our customers. We are also looking for volunteers to help set up the store or help in the store once it opens. If you can help, please call me or email me at ruthobeybrown1@gmail.com.

A Note from Rev. Joseph Phipps of FPC, Fairfield, Iowa

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stone-Lasala,

It is said, often sarcastically, that the more things change the more they stay the same. While this may seem true for much of our lives, it, gladly, is true in our life with God. This week we are praying for you, your family, and the folks of First Pres. in Davenport; asking that you know the power of the unfailing love of our unchanging God.

Pastor Joe Phipps

Birdies for Charity



The 2021 John Deere Classic's Birdies for Charity program has officially kicked off its annual drive to help raise donations for more than 450 Quad City area charities. If you wish to give through Birdies for Charity, please consider First Presbyterian Church of Davenport (#2196) as your designated charity. You can submit your 2021 Birdies for Charity pledge to any of the many charities via mail or online through June 21, 2021. For more information and a printed pledge form, check out the Summer Broadcaster. You can also donate online by going to <https://birdiesforcharity.com/donate>.

Making it as easy as possible to find a Vaccination Appointment

Want to get vaccinated or help someone else get vaccinated? Text your ZIP Code to GETVAX — G-E-T-V-A-X — (438829) and you will be texted back three locations near you with vaccines in stock. If you prefer the information in Spanish, text your ZIP Code to VACUNA. That's 822862. Prefer a specific vaccine? No problem. Click on the text or visit [Vaccines.gov](https://vaccines.gov). There are more than 75,000 places you can go to get a shot. In fact, 90 percent of Americans live with — have a vaccine, right now, within five miles of them.



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