

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

July 18, 2021
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
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

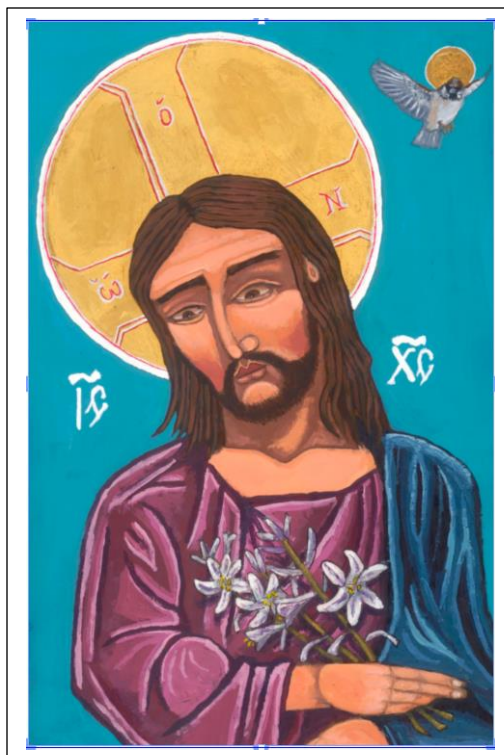
Matthew 25 congregations
identify themselves as
working toward one or
more of three goals:
building congregational
vitality, dismantling
structural racism and
eradicating systemic
poverty.

LECTIONARY
SCRIPTURE READINGS
FOR MEDITATION

2 Samuel 7:1-14a
Psalm 89:20-37
Ephesians 2:11-22
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Take delight in the Lord,
and God will give you
the desires of your
heart."

Psalm 37:4



This week's art meditation is a contemporary icon painting by American artist Kelly Latimore, whose updated takes on classic Orthodox Iconography are grounded in creating dialogue around social justice issues: "I do not wish to approach Iconography as an art form that simply follows an inherited tradition, knowledge, and practice. I want it to be a creative process, meditation, and practice that brings about new self knowledge for the viewer and myself. Who are the saints that are among us here and now?" Webpage: kellylatimoreicons.com.

Preparation for Worship

Worshippers are invited to meditate silently on art, music and Scripture.

The Church Gathers To...

Prelude 10:00 a.m.	Adagio from Trio Sonata No. 1	J. S. Bach
Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Pat Halverson
Interlude	Improvisation	Alex Gilson

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

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Praise Almighty God

Call to Worship

based on Psalm 33

We gather to rejoice in you, O Lord. Praise befits the upright.

We join with all peoples on earth to worship in awe of You.

Our soul waits for You, Lord; You are our help and shield.

Our heart is glad, we trust in Your holy name.

Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,

even as we hope in You.

Hymn

The Church Of Christ in Every Age

WAREHAM

1. The church of Christ in ev - ery age, Be - set by change but
2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street, The vic - tims of in -
3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, A car - ing church that
4. We have no mis - sion but to serve In full o - be - dience
5. Spir - it led, Must claim and test its her - i -
jus - tice cry For shel - ter and for bread to
longs to be A part - ner in Christ's sac - ri -
to our Lord: To care for all, with - out re -
tage And keep on ris - ing from the dead.
eat, And nev - er live un - til they die.
fice, And clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
serve, And spread Christ's li - ber - a - ting word.

Children's Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim

Confess to a Forgiving Creator

Call to Confession

Though we aspire to constant love, hope, joy, and peace in our faith, we often fall short as our thought, words and deeds reveal what is within our hearts. Let us confess to the Lord our need of forgiveness.

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we come as people often distracted by the many stresses of life. We are grateful to you for so many blessings, but we admit our faith grows lukewarm and distracted. Forgive our pride, our worry, our anger when things don't go our way. Remind us of your presence within us, and lead us to walk in your Spirit. We pray in the name of the ever-present Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

The Creator in heaven knows what we need. We place our trust in God, knowing that in Christ we are forgiven completely.

Thanks be to God!

Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

Psalm 37:1-8

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 6:25-34

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The Good Side of Tension

Rev. Pat Halverson

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 can separate us from God's love.

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

How Can I Keep from Singing?

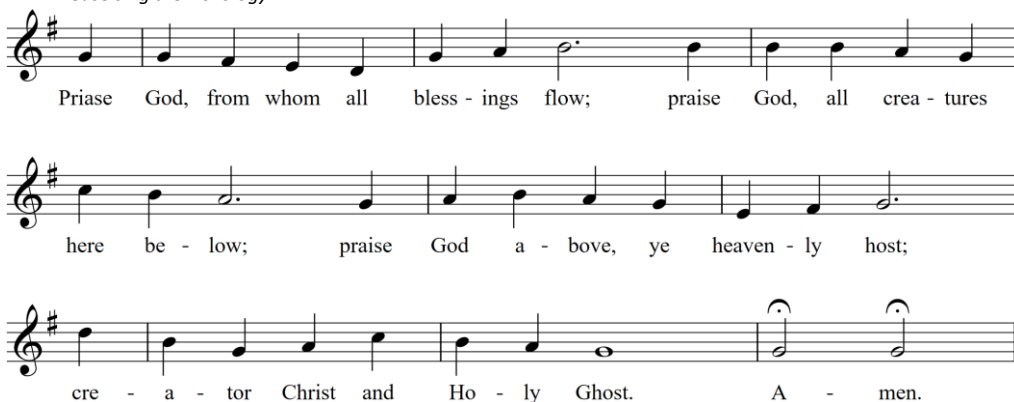
Arr. Alfred V. Fedak

Patrick Downing - Baritone, Alex Gilson - Piano

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Presentation of Our Gifts and Lives to God

Please sing the Doxology.



Priase God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all crea - tures
here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly host;
cre - a - tor Christ and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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 Alvare 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, 8:30 and 10:00 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.

Cherubs and MusikGarten –
Sundays, 10:30 AM and 11:00 AM
We're in recess today.
Looking forward
to seeing you again next week!

Prayer of Dedication

**As you, O God, have blessed us with so much, we present to you ourselves.
We offer this portion of what we have received from you, that it might be
used to further your work among us and in this world. Amen.**

Service of Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.

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....

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Communion of the People

The Prayer Following Communion

Prayers of the People 10:00 a.m.

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The Lord's Prayer

Go To Serve With God's Blessing

Hymn

Like a River Glorious

WYE VALLEY

1. Like a riv-er glo-rious is God's per-fect peace, o-ver all vic-to-rious
 2. Hid-den in the hol-low of God's might-y hand, where no harm can fol-low,
 in its bright in-crease: per-fect, yet still flow-ing full-er ev-ery
 in God's strength we stand. Not a surge of wo-rry, not a shade of
 day; per-fect, yet still grow-ing deep-er all the way.
 care, not a blast of hu-rry touch the spir-it there.
 Stayed up-on Je-ho-vah hearts are ful-ly blessed,
 find-ing, as God prom-ised, per-fect peace and rest.

Benediction

Postlude 10:00 a.m.

If I Were A Bell

Franck Loesser

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Announcements

FRAUD WARNING

There have been recent emails from dummy accounts impersonating church staff. If you receive an email from an unknown address (even with a staff member's name), please **do not respond**. No church staff member will ask you to give money or gift cards via email. If you have any questions or suspicions, please contact the office.

Between the Covers (BTC) Book Club – Monday, July 19, 12:15 PM

The BTC Book Club will meet at 12:15 PM in the Church parlor on Monday, July 19. Lois Boyer will lead the discussion on this interesting World War II historical fiction novel. It's not required to read the book. Please bring your masks and something to drink. Call Lois at 563-940-3024 with questions.



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

June 2021

- More good news on our opening of the church building! On the recommendation of the Pandemic Task Force, the Session approved building use to church groups of any size. Masks will be required. Please submit a Building Use Form to reserve your time and place.
- Approved the use of FPC for a Scott County Health Dept sponsored vaccine clinic for June 30.
- Elders Heather Calvert, Paula Burnett, and Karla Ruitter will represent FPC at the July Presbytery meeting.
- Approved a final Bridging Pastor contract and job description for Pastor Kathy Stoner-Lasala.
- The Synod-Presbytery-FPC committee has come to a verbal agreement with a reconciliation facilitator. The Session approved the principles of a contract with the facilitator. It is anticipated that she will begin her work with us soon.
- An in-person pastoral care restart is being looked into as facilities open to visitors.
- The Session will not meet in July as committees work individually on tasks related to the Synod ARC recommendations for FPC.

**The Caring Closet Update –
Donations Needed:
New Men's & Women's
Undergarments!**

The Caring Closet opened for business June 4. We're open 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 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 or email me

(ruthobeybrown1@gmail.com)

**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.

PAS *Guys and Dolls* Update: Two Shows in the Sanctuary – Friday, July 23, 8:00 PM and Saturday, July 24, 4:00 PM

Guys and Dolls is in the sanctuary on Friday, July 23 at 8:00 PM and Saturday, July 24 at 4:00 PM! Patrons who currently hold Saturday tickets will be moved to the new Friday evening show, those who hold Sunday matinee tickets will be moved to the new Saturday matinee show. New tickets will not be reissued; please make the correction on your existing ticket. If you prefer a different arrangement, we will honor any request for a transfer or a full refund; please call the church office at (563)326-1691, or [email bishop@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:bishop@fpcdavenport.org). To purchase tickets, please call or visit the church office Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM-noon, or purchase directly from the PAS page on the church website.

Mitigation efforts remain in place for the performances. Face coverings must be worn at all times by the audience and the cast and crew. Please enter the sanctuary through the sanctuary elevator or the porte cochère door (1S). This production will remain shortened to cut down on movement and on the run-time. Thanks for your flexibility and support.



Bix Jazz Liturgy



Sunday, August 8 - 8:30AM

Outdoors | Masks Required

JOSH DUFFEE | DAVID BUDIMIR | STEVE PIKAL | COREY KENDRICK
THE FPC SANCTUARY CHOIR

Bible Basics 201 - Tuesdays, 6:15 PM

For the summer, using the book, *They Were Christians*, by Cristobal Krusen, as a starting place, we will be learning about inspiring people of faith. Here are some up-coming topics:

- July 20 – John Brown
- July 27 – Mahalia Jackson
- August 3 – Jean-Henri Dunant
- August 10 – Dag Hammarskjold
- August 17 – Joseph Lister and Louis Pasteur

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

A Message from Your Deacon's Outreach Committee

Are you an avid gardener? A so-so gardener? Never had a garden in your life? No matter- we can use you! The community garden on Iowa Street needs your help. Watering the garden is easy, can be done in your schedule, and the results are so with the effort! If you are interested, please contact Paula Hartmann (563-940-5477;

Ppelhartmann@aol.com) for details. Your help is needed and appreciated!

News from the Finance Office

May Financials

	May 2021		May 2020	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	44,990	43,380	47,645	57,470
Custodial Accounts Income	613	-	21,426	-
Compensation Expenses	39,809	40,036	46,671	47,558
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	12,190	14,218	12,295	18,550
Custodial Accounts Expenses	612	-	21,426	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(7,008)	(10,874)	(11,321)	(8,638)
	2021 Year-To-Date		2020 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	338,526	326,134	420,976	443,318
Custodial Accounts Income	8,167	-	91,621	-
Compensation Expenses	197,588	208,205	246,270	252,536
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	80,146	91,073	72,891	98,485
Custodial Accounts Expenses	8,167	-	91,621	-
Surplus (Deficit)	60,792	26,856	101,815	92,297
All numbers are rounded.				

June Financials

	June 2021		June 2020	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	60,425	37,335	47,373	49,420
Custodial Accounts Income	2,731	-	2,191	-
Compensation Expenses	42,387	40,947	48,228	48,041
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	22,358	16,923	13,840	20,565
Custodial Accounts Expenses	2,732	-	2,191	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(4,321)	(20,535)	(14,695)	(19,186)
	2021 Year-To-Date		2020 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	398,951	363,469	468,349	492,738
Custodial Accounts Income	10,898	-	93,812	-
Compensation Expenses	239,976	249,152	294,498	300,577
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	102,502	107,996	86,731	119,050
Custodial Accounts Expenses	10,900	-	93,812	-
Surplus (Deficit)	56,471	6,321	87,120	73,111

Save the Date! Deacon's Church Picnic! – Sunday, August 29, 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

More information to come!

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