

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

August 1, 2021 Tenth 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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15 Psalm 78: 23-29 Ephesians 4: 1-16 John 6: 24-35

"... (L)ead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." Eph. 4: 1b-3



"Israelites Gathering Manna" (National Gallery, London) is one of the few surviving works by the Bolognese early Renaissance artist Ercole de' Roberti (ca. 1451-1496). This painting is a portion of a polyptych altarpiece commemorating Eleanora of Aragon, Duchess of Ferrara, the artist's employer in his final decades. Moses and Aaron, on the left, look on while the Israelites scoop up the bread that has fallen onto the desert.

Preparation for Worship

We invite you to meditate silently on art, music and Scripture.

The Church Gathers To...

Prelude 10:00 a.m. Adagio from Symphony No. 5 Charles-Marie Widor

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Interlude Improvisation Alex Gilson

Praise Almighty God

Call to Worship

adapted from Spill the Beans, Issue 39

We come like the prophets because we are called to follow Jesus. We come like the disciples because we are called to follow Jesus. We come like beloved children because we are called to follow Jesus. Followers, let us worship God!



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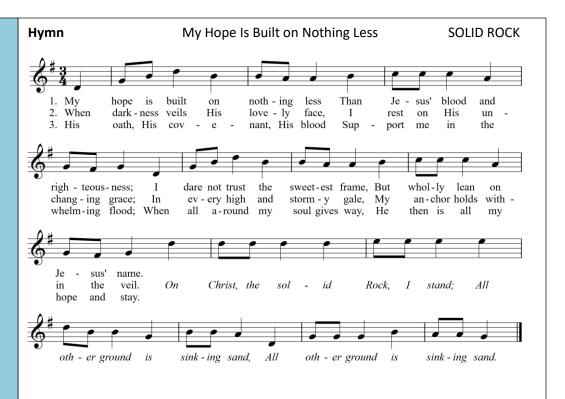
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Outside office hours, this number will go to the pastor on call in case of emergency.

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Children's Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim

Confess to a Forgiving Creator

Call to Confession

adapted from Spill the Beans, Issue 39

If God were to hold a mirror before our faces, what image would be reflected back? In self-understanding, and in the comfort of God's love, let us tell the truth about ourselves before God and each other:

Prayer of Confession

adapted from Spill the Beans, Issue 39

Merciful God, we come as we are, in need of your care, comforted in your love, and grateful for your grace. We need your forgiveness for what we have done And what we have failed to do. Help us to follow in the footsteps of those who came before, to live like Jesus, and to be strengthened in the Spirit; for we seek to leave the darkness of fear and walk into your light of hope; Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

from John 6: 32b-33

Jesus said, "... (It) is God our Creator who gives the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which ... gives life to the world."

Friends, in the life God has given to the world; our sins are forgiven; **Thanks be to God!**

Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

adopted from Feasting on the Word

Creator of Unity, Body of Peace, Spirit of Community, bind us together around your Word and then send us out to do your justice, show your mercy, and embody your redeeming love; Amen.

Scripture Readings

Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 6: 24-35

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon Beyond Bread Rev. Dr. Beth McCaw

Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith

from Ephesians 4: 4-7, 12b-13

"There is one body and one Spirit, just as (we) were called to the one hope of (our) calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Creator of all, who is above all and through all and in all (And) each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith ... and to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ."

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

adapted from Feasting on the Word

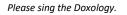
Each of us has been given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Let us give a measure of what God has already given us.

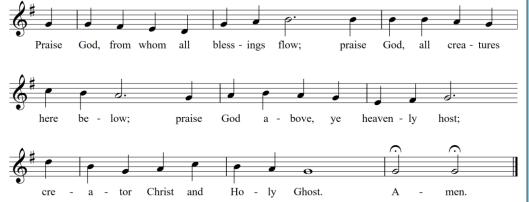
Pass Me not, O Gentle Savior Arr. Dale Wood

Elisabeth Riedesel – 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





Service of Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.

The Words of Invitation

adapted from Spill the Beans, Issue 39

Come, you who are hungry for God's love.

Come, you who are yearning the Christ's presence.

Come, you who want community; know that you are welcome here.

Joys & Concerns

In Our Prayers: Hudson Stoner, 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 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 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 kathrynb15@gmail.com.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

adapted from Spill the Beans, Issue 39

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....

Creator God, from the beginning of time you have loved and fed and nourished your people. When our ancestors were slaves in Egypt you heard their cry and brought them to freedom. Their bread did not have time to rise — even so, they followed when you called. Yet when they became hungry on the journey they complained to you, and you offered them manna. Centuries later, your people came to Christ Jesus, hungry for a healing word and strength for their journey. Christ fed them, and yet they demanded more. We are like those people: we complain when we think we don't have enough and we demand more. You offer us all the things we need each day but sometimes we feel unsatisfied. Yet in face of all this, you have never given up on us.

The Sanctus

And so we join our voices with all your followers in every age, singing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory;
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest!

Thank you, Provisioning God, for sending Jesus, the Bread of Life, to be one of us and share our very life. Help us to know the presence of Christ in this bread we share. Pour out your Spirit upon these elements from your good earth, that they might become for us the communion of our Redeemer Jesus. e ask it for your love's sake; using the words Jesus taught us:

The Prayer of Jesus

adapted from Monica Furlong

God who cares for us, the wonder of whose presence fills us with awe:

Let kindness, justice and love shine in our world.

Let your mysteries be experienced here as they are in heaven.

Give us the food and the hope we need for today.

Forgive us our wrongdoing as we forgive the wrong done to us,

for you feed us always and everywhere with your divine presence.

Protect us from pride and from despair,

and from the fear and hate which can swallow us up.

For in you is truth, meaning, glory and power,

while worlds come and go; Amen.

The Words of Institution

The Communion of the People

We partake of the elements that we brought with us today, taking first the bread as a symbol of our life together in the Body of Christ, and then the cup as embodiment of our individual relationships with Jesus.

The Prayer Following Communion

adapted from Spill the Beans, Issue 39

Generous God, you have nourished us at this table. Now as we turn our faces to the world you love, we hear your call to follow Jesus. You have blessed us and so we offer our lives to you: to spread your message, to build your kin-dom, to love ourselves and to love each other. As we walk your path of love for all creation, use us and our gifts to build your beloved community; Amen.

Prayers of the People 10:00 a.m.

The Lord be with you. adapted from Feasting on the Word & Spill the Beans And also with you.

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Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise....

With thanks and praise, and with eyes open to the wonder of your grace, we offer ourselves before you, Loving God, and ask for your presence among us. Join us together and shine your light on the possibilities and the potential for your future. As we continue to discern our path forward we ask for the boldness to hold what is good, and to overturn those things which block us from your path. We pray for those who bear the heavy burden of leadership, that they find the wisdom to serve all peoples; we pray for those who are grieving or isolated or lonely, that they will find strength and comfort in you; we pray for those who are ill, that they will find healing in your love. And as we strive to follow Jesus, empower us to be the manna to meet the hungers of the world. We ask it for your love's sake in the words Jesus taught us; Amen.

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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 lowa 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!

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

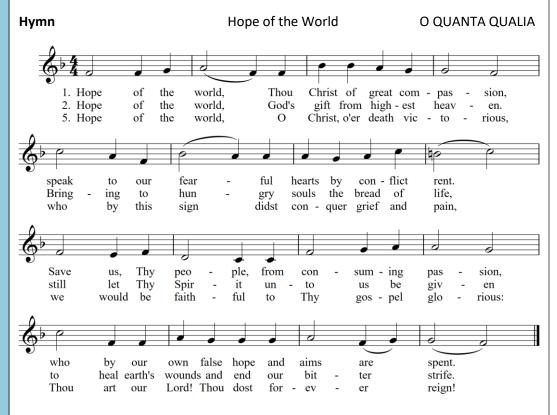
(ruthtobeybrown1@gmail.com)

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.

Go To Serve With God's Blessing



Charge and Benediction

1 Cor. 16:13; 2 Tim. 2:1; Eph. 6:10; 1 Thess. 5:13–22; and 1 Peter 2:17

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit

The Lord bless you and keep you.

Num. 6:24-26

The Lord be kind and gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Postlude 8:30 a.m. Improvisation Alex Gilson

Postlude 10:00 a.m. Toccata in D Minor, BWV 538 J. S. Bach

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Announcements

Preaching at FPC Today!

Beth McCaw is Associate Professor of Ministry at the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary where she has pastored and taught for 17 years. She also serves pastors and 18 Montana congregations as Presbytery Leader for Glacier Presbytery (PCUSA). In previous chapters of her vocation, she has counseled and helped direct care at a half-way house in New England, served with her husband and a fledgling church in rural Namibia (Africa), and pastored in care and outreach with a congregation in Florida. In all of these she has found the gospel of Christ full of hope and life. She completed a Doctor of Ministry degree in the areas of congregational systems and spiritual renewal, and an M.Div. in Pastoral Care and Counseling. She, her husband, and their three young adult children enjoy photography, home-canned raspberry jam, and being on the water.

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:

August 3 – Jean-Henri Dunant; August 10 – Dag Hammarskjold; August 17 – Joseph Lister and Louis Pasteur; August 24 – St. Teresa of Avila; August 31 – Frank Pais

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/i/98965381440?pwd=TUdyMXltRTMrRXdFWnBEZ0NEKzBYUT09

Meeting ID: 989 6538 1440 Passcode: 240979

Compassionate Kids Camp

Sundays, August 1 - August 29 9:00 - 11:00 am

First Presbyterian Church 1702 Iowa Street

tie dye * water balloons stained glass project sign language * snacks

> To register, call the church office, 563-326-1691!



Prayer Shawl Group and Knit for Kids - Wednesday, August 11, 6:30 – 8:00 PM

The Prayer Shawl Group is meeting on Wednesday, August 11, at 6:30 PM. Mary Ann Francois is hosting the group in her home, 2205 Kimberly Road, # 335, Bettendorf (Thomas Place). All who have an interest in making prayer shawls for the church or blankets, hats or sweaters for Knit for Kids are welcome to attend. Questions, contact Karla Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com; 563-349-4000).

WE'RE FIRING UP THE GRILLI FLANE ON UP THE REGHBORHOOD PICNIC SUNDAY AUGUST 29 11:30-1:30	Neighborhood Picnic Sign Up – Sunday, August 29, 11:30 ам			
	☐ Yes, I will bring a salad			
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Place this completed form in the church offering plate.				

All Aboard! First Presbyterian Travel Fellowship's Mississippi Paddle Wheeler Sightseeing Cruise - with commentary! Saturday, September 18, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM - \$20 per person

Limited seats have been reserved by your Congregational Development and Fellowship Committee for a round trip cruise aboard the *Riverboat Twilight* from the Le Claire docks with ample free parking. Enjoy complimentary beverages and bring your own snacks. Members and friends welcome for fellowship! Reserve your cruise passage by going to www.fpcdavenport.org and clicking on the *Donate OnLine* button and then Travel Fellowship using your credit card. All tickets are \$20 each. Remaining tickets will be available from committee members between services on Sunday, August 29 and September 5, and before and after worship on September 12 (or until all tickets are gone)!

On Saturday Sept 18 committee members will meet you at the Twilight dock at 10:30 AM with your "will call" tickets. For more information call Linda Meadors (309-235-5806).

News From the Finance Office: 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
All numbers are rounded.				

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