

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

August 8, 2021  
Eleventh 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 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Psalms 130

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

John 6:35, 41-51

*"Be kind to one another,  
tenderhearted, forgiving  
one another, as God in  
Christ has forgiven you.  
Therefore be imitators of  
God, as beloved children."*

Ephesians 4:32-5:1



*This week's artwork is a meditation on John 6:35 by contemporary American artist Mindi Oaten. "The bread on the table represents many layers. First, it is a picture of Jesus. He is the bread of life, all we need is him. He sustains us, saves us, feeds us. He was showing me the power of who he is in the simplest form, bread. The feathers represent the Holy Spirit, the angelic assistance the Lord provides for us, and the protection under his mighty wings. The bread also represents God's provision." Website: [mindioaten.com](http://mindioaten.com)*

### Preparation for Worship

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

## The Church Gathers To...

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Pat Halverson

### A Bit About Bix

Josh Duffee

### Interlude

Improvisation

Alex Gilson

**The Staff of  
First Presbyterian Church:**

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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 34*

We bless the Lord at all times; God's praise shall continually be on our lips.

**Let us magnify the Lord; let us exalt God's name together.**

We seek the Lord who answers and delivers us from all fears.

**Let us look to God, and be radiant: may we never be ashamed.**

**O taste and see the Lord is good;**

**Happy are those who take refuge in God.**

### Hymn

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

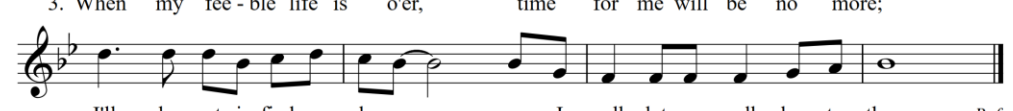
CLOSER WALK

*Refrain*



2. Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?

3. When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



Who with me my bur-den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Refrain*

guide me gent-ly safe-ly o'er to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore. *Refrain*

### Children's Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim and Brighton

## Confess to a Forgiving Creator

### Call to Confession

Though we aspire to love God and others, we often fall short as our thoughts, words and deeds reveal what is still within our hearts. Let us confess to the Lord our need of forgiveness.

### Prayer of Confession

**Loving God, we come as flawed people. We often are dissatisfied even though you have blessed us greatly. Show us where our inner cravings result in sin, and forgive us for all that does not reflect your presence within. Instead of feeding on the world's ideas of how we should be, help us to digest the Living Bread you offer, the Bread that gives life now and forever. We pray in the name of the ever-present, risen 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 John 6:35, 41-48

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

#### Sermon A Healthy Diet Rev. Pat Halverson

#### Hymn He's Got the Whole World WHOLE WORLD

1. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

2. He's got the wind and the rain in his hands. . .  
He's got the whole world in his hands.

3. He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. . .  
He's got the whole world in his hands.

4. He's got you and me, sister, in his hands. . .  
He's got the whole world in his hands.

5. He's got everybody here in his hands. . .  
He's got the whole world in his hands.

## Respond to God's Word

#### Affirmation of Faith *adopted from John 6:48-51a*

Christ is the bread of heaven. Our ancestors ate manna in the wilderness, and they died...Jesus is the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever.

#### Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

## 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 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!

8:30 a.m. Walk in the Light

Arr. André Thomas

The Sanctuary Choir

10 a.m. Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

Text and music: Will L. Thompson

Alex Gilson - Organ

To donate, please visit the church website, [fpcdavenport.org](http://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; praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly host;  
cre - a - tor Christ and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

#### 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.**

#### Prayers of the People

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

## Go To Serve With God's Blessing

### Hymn

When the Saints go Marching In O WHEN THE SAINTS

1. O when the saints go march-ing in, O when the  
2. O when the sun re-fused to shine, O when the  
3. O when they crown Him Lord of all, O when they

saints go march-ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that  
sun re-fused to shine, O Lord, I want to be in that  
crown Him Lord of all, O Lord, I want to be in that

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### Benediction

**Choral Benediction 8:30 a.m.** The Lord Bless You and Keep you Peter C. Lutkin  
The Sanctuary Choir

### Postlude

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### The Caring Closet Update –

#### Donations Needed:

#### Hangers &

#### Gently Used Backpacks!

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 ([ruthsobeybrown1@gmail.com](mailto:ruthsobeybrown1@gmail.com).)

## Announcements

**Bix Jazz Liturgy**

Sunday, August 8 - 8:30AM  
Outdoors | Masks Required

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



**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.

# Compassionate Kids Camp

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

**First Presbyterian Church  
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**tie dye \* water balloons  
stained glass project  
sign language \* snacks**

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

**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 upcoming 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/j/98965381440?pwd=TUdyMXltRTMrRXdFWnBEZONEKzBYUT09>

Meeting ID: 989 6538 1440      Passcode: 240979

**Blessing of the Backpacks - Sunday, August 22, 8:30 & 10:00 AM**

It is August and yes, that means we are gearing up for another school year! Whether it is your first year in school or your 35<sup>th</sup> year, bring your bag to be blessed for the 2021-2022 school year on August 22 at both services! Adults and Kids are welcome to receive the blessing! We can't wait to help you prepare for a fantastic school year (or Monday)!

**Neighborhood Picnic - Sunday, August 29, 11:30 AM**

We'll serve hamburgers, hot dogs, coleslaw, chips, lemonade and tea. Sign up below to bring a dish to share!

There'll be activities for the kids – face painting, balloon animals, a magician...

Come share a meal with your church friends and neighbors!

**Neighborhood Picnic Sign Up – Sunday, August 29, 11:30 AM**

- ☐ Yes, I will bring a salad
- ☐ Yes, I will bring a side dish
- ☐ Yes, I will bring a dessert

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Place this completed form in the church offering plate.*

**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](mailto:Ppelhartmann@aol.com)) for details. Your help is needed and appreciated!

**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://www.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.

**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.



**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](http://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).

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