

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

August 15, 2021  
Twelfth 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**

1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

Psalm 111

Ephesians 5:15-20

John 6:51-58

*"Ephesians 5:17 So do  
not be foolish, but  
understand what the will  
of the Lord is."*

Ephesians 5:7



*This week's artwork meditation is a bronze sculpture titled "Jesus Breaking Bread" (1976) by German-American sculptor Walter Erlebacher (1933-1991). This work was commissioned by the 41st International Eucharistic Congress and is in the collection of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. Photo © James Abbott, courtesy of the Association for Public Art.*

### Preparation for Worship

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

## The Church Gathers To...

**Prelude**

Vêpres du commun des martyrs: III Vincent d'Indy

**Welcome and Announcements**

Rev. Pat Halverson

**Interlude**

Pastorale

Louis Lefébure-Wély

## Praise Almighty God

**Call to Worship**

*adapted from Psalm 34:9-14*

We gather together in reverence for God.

**We come knowing that God cares for us.**

We come needing to learn the ways of the Lord.

**Let us listen and learn of the goodness of God**

**May the grace and peace of God be upon us.**

**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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**Hymn**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

MARION

1. Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!  
 2. With voice as full and strong as o - cean's surg - ing praise,  
 3. Yes, on through life's long path, Still chant - ing as ye go;  
 4. At last the march shall end; The wea - ried ones shall rest;  
 5. Then on, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

Your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.  
 send forth the stur - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.  
 from youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe:  
 the pil - grims find their home at last, Je - ru - sa - lem the blest.  
 your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

**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**

**Gracious God, we acknowledge with the prophet Isaiah, that your ways are above  
our ways; your thoughts are higher than our thoughts; your words are truth.  
Forgive us for assuming we know best, that our wisdom is flawless, and that our  
opinions are right. Forgive us for our pride and for our actions that are not in line  
with your will. We confess our sin, and ask that your Spirit fill us, that we may  
walk this day in your ways, bearing your Spirit's fruit in love towards all. 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 6:51-58

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Ephesians 5:15-20

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Interlude** – *Children are invited to proceed to Compassion Camp at this time*

**Sermon**

Wise Living

Rev. Pat Halverson

## Respond to God's Word

**Affirmation of Faith**

*adopted from John 6:48-51a*

**We believe Jesus is the living bread that came down from heaven. We believe that through Christ we live forever, and the life he offers is life for the world.**

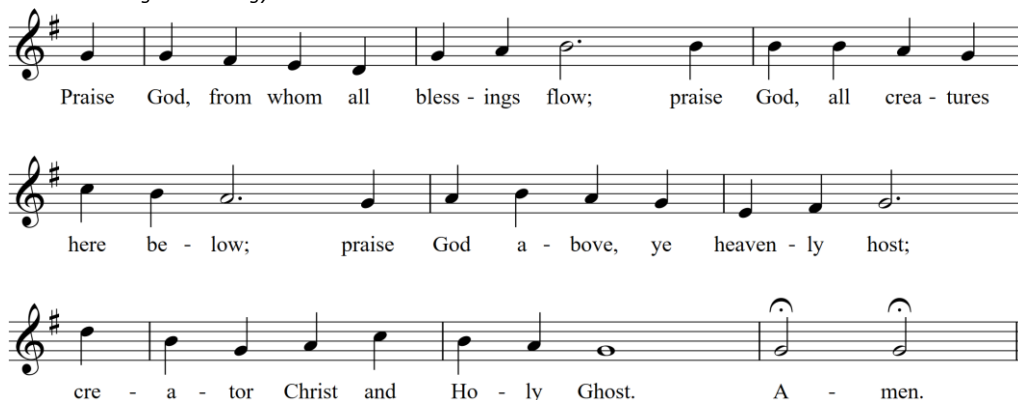
**Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God**

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee  
Setting by Dale Wood  
Wendy Hammen – Alto, Matt Bishop - Piano

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**Presentation of Our Gifts and Lives to God**

*Please sing the Doxology.*



Praise 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.

**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**

## JOYS & CONCERNS

**In Our Prayers:** Hudson Stoner, Rebecca Koos; Duane Schipull, 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 still Zooming through the  
summer! 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 the list, let me know.  
We would love you to join us!  
Please contact Kathy Middleton  
([kathyrnb15@gmail.com](mailto:kathyrnb15@gmail.com)) for  
more information.

## Go To Serve With God's Blessing


### Hymn

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

TRENTHAM



1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life a - new,  
2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Un - til my heart is pure,  
3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am whol - ly Thine,  
4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I nev - er die,



That I may love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.  
Un - til with Thee I will one will, To do and to en - dure.  
Un - til this earth - ly part of me Glows with Thy fire di - vine.  
But live with Thee the per - fect life Of Thine. e - ter - ni - ty.

### Charge and Benediction

**As God sent Christ, God also sent the Spirit to dwell within us, and to fill our hearts.  
Therefore:**

**Let us walk in God's wisdom, sharing Christ's love, bearing the Spirit's fruit of joy,  
gentleness, kindness and self-control.**

**May the Lord bless and keep you. May the Lord be gracious to you. May the Lord lift  
up his presence upon you and give you peace.**

### Postlude

Sortie in F

César Franck

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## 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!**

## Announcements

### Between the Covers (BTC) Book Club - Monday, August 16, 12:30 PM



BTC Book Club meets Monday, August 16 at 12:30 PM in the Parlor. Masks are required. Sue Shawver will lead the discussion on *Lady Clementine*. Mary Jane Andrews, a friend of Sue's will provide some personal experiences about living in England during World War II. All are welcome whether you've read the book or not. Call Lois Boyer (563-940-3024) with questions.

### 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 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=TUdyMXltRTMrRXdFWnBEZ0NEKzBYUT09>

Meeting ID: 989 6538 1440      Passcode: 240979

### Broadcaster Articles Due! – Wednesday, August 18

Article for the Fall 2021 Broadcaster, covering September and October, are due no later than Wednesday, August 18. Please send your information to Bobette Maginas ([office@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:office@fpcdavenport.org)) to share your news about what's coming up at FPC in the next couple of months!

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

It's 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 Sunday, August 22 at either service! Adults and Kids are welcome to receive the blessing! We can't wait to help you prepare for a fantastic school year (or Monday)!

### Three-ring Binders Available

If you need a three-ring binder – or a several three-ring binders – there are plenty on the cart in front of the church office. Please help yourself to as many as you need – any left at the end of the week will be donated to The ReStore.

### The Caring Closet Update – Donations Needed: Hangers & Gently Used Backpacks!

The Caring Closet is open 9:00 AM -noon on Tuesdays and 2:00-5:00 PM on Fridays. 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.

Please call or email me ([ruthbrown1@gmail.com](mailto:ruthbrown1@gmail.com)) if you can help!



### **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.

### **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.

### **Bix Sunday at FPC!**



### 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.*

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## **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, September 18 committee members will meet you at the Twilight dock at 10:30 AM with your “will call” tickets.



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