

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

October 17, 2021
 21st Sunday after Pentecost
 Worship at 9:30 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

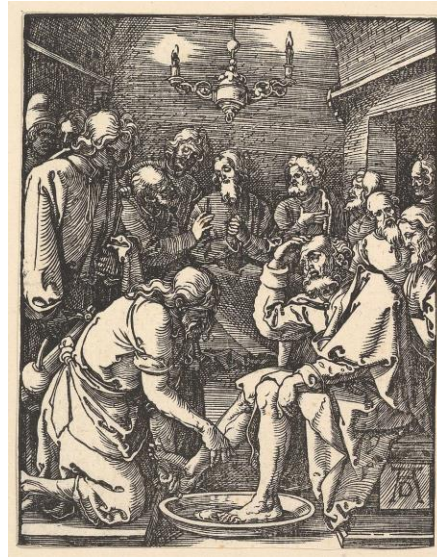
Matthew 25 congregations identify themselves as working toward one or more of three goals: building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism and eradicating systemic poverty.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS
 FOR MEDITATION**

Isaiah 53:4-12
 Psalm 91:9-16
 Hebrews 5:1-10
 Mark 10:35-45

"...whoever wishes to be first among you must be the servant of all."

-Mark 10:44



This week's artwork is a woodcut by the early 16th-century German master Albrecht Dürer (1414-1528). "Christ Washing the Feet of His Disciples" is a great illustration of Jesus's view of servant leadership, which he explains to James and John in this week's Gospel lesson.

Preparation for Worship

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

*Worshippers who are able, please stand. **Bold** indicates congregational response.

The Church Gathers To...

Prelude Toccata in D Minor, BWV 565 J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Pat Halverson

Prelude Improvisation on "My Hope Is Built" Alex Gilson

Praise Almighty God

Call to Worship *adapted from Psalm 34:9-14*

We have made the Lord our refuge, the Most High our dwelling place,
We turn our eyes to You, O God, in praise and gratitude.
We sense your presence and are strengthened to follow wherever you lead.

**The Staff of
First Presbyterian Church:**

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

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***Hymn**

The Church of Christ in Every Age

WAREHAM

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**

God of Heaven and Earth, we come to you today because of Christ, and if we come with thoughts that we deserve your attention and favor, forgive us. If we have sought special blessings and doubted you when they are absent, forgive us. Help us to remember that even the "righteous" suffer. Help us to be faithful when you do not fix our situations. Help us to find comfort in your presence and in the One who went before us and secured our salvation. We pray with hope eternal in Jesus' name, 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. Through Christ's humble obedience we have complete forgiveness. We have access to the throne room of God where we can find grace to help in time of need.

Anthem

His face shone like the sun

Jonathan Dove

The Sanctuary Choir

World Premiere

Commissioned by First Presbyterian Church, Davenport

Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Book of Common Worship, PC(USA)

God our helper, open our hearts so that, as your Word is read and proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will; we pray in Jesus' name; Amen.

Scripture Readings

Hebrews 5:1-10

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Mark 10:35-45

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Children's Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim and Friends

Sermon

"Kingdom Hierarchy"

Rev. Pat Halverson

Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith

adapted from Philippians 2: 5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of one who was enslaved, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

Melody

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

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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

Creator God, you provide all that we have. We thank you for the abundance of our lives and praise you for the opportunity to share what you have so freely given. As we present these gifts, we dedicate our lives to your service, that all may know you. Amen.

JOYS & CONCERNS

In Our Prayers: The Family and Friends of Cheryl McCulloh, Dorothy Bain, Lynette, Matt and Mariann Kabel, Brenda Cole, David Milnes, 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 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: the Pastors make hospital visits when patients give permission and when pandemic precautions permit.

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).

Anthem Texts

“His face shone like the sun”

Text: Matthew 17:2, 5

He was transfigured. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light.

A bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!”

“The Blessing of Aaron”

Text: Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless thee, the Lord keep thee;

Make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee,

The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee,

And give thee peace. Amen.

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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

All Who Love and Serve Your City

CHARLESTOWN

1. All who love and serve your cit - y, all who
2. In your day of wealth and plen - ty, wast - ed
3. For all days are days of judg - ment, and the
4. Ris - en Lord, shall yet the cit - y be the
bear its dai - ly stress, all who cry for
work and wast - ed play, call to mind the
Lord is wait - ing still, draw - ing near a
cit - y of de - spair? Come to - day, our
peace and jus - tice, all who curse and all who bless:
word of Je - sus, "You must work while it is day."
world that spurns him, of - fering peace from Cal - vary's hill.
judge, our glo - ry. Be its name "The Lord is there!"

*Charge and Benediction

adapted from Gal. 5:22-23; Num. 6: 24-26

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, and 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.

Choral Benediction

The Blessing of Aaron

Arr. Walter Rodby

The Sanctuary Choir

Postlude

Fugue in D Minor, BWV 565,2

J. S. Bach

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