

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

January 23, 2022
Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Observed
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.

SCRIPTURES FOR MEDITATION

Nehemiah 8: 1-10
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a
Luke 4: 14-21

"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body are one body, so it is with Christ."

-1 Cor. 12: 12



Lei Yixin, Stone of Hope (Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial, West Potomac Park, Washington, D.C.) - photographer, Raffaele Nicolussi (Unsplash).

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 Terra Beata and Whole World Arr. Brant Adams

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Prelude There Is a Happy Land arr. Dale Wood

Praise Almighty God

Call to Worship Katherine Hawke

Our Staff

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Bridging Pastor

Rev. Sue Howes

Associate Pastor Emerita

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Custodian

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

For more information, see the e-news, church website or Facebook www.fpcdavenport.org

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A child once dreamed the Voice was calling his name ... 'Samuel';
fishermen once heard the Voice when a young man bid them follow;
and still the Voice beckons today ... can you hear?

Here I am. Send me.

Moses protested as the Voice spoke at the burning bush;
Mary was amazed as the Voice proclaimed impending birth;
and still the Voice beckons today ... Can you hear?

Here I am. Send me.

Rosa Parks followed the Voice to the front of the bus;
Martin Luther King, Jr. heard the Voice as the bullet shattered;
and still the Voice beckons today ... Can you hear?

Here I am. Send me.

The Voice beckons from humble places ...
in the tears of hungry children,
in the cries of frail and frightened elderly,
in the pleas of those whose dreams have been too long deferred;
and still the Voice beckons today ... Can you hear?

Here I am. Send me.

*Hymn #339

Lift Every Voice and Sing

LIFT EVERY VOICE



1. Lift ev - ery voice and sing till earth and heav - en ring,
3. Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening rod,
3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears,
ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty.
felt in the days - when hope un - born had died.
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening skies;
Yet, with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry feet
thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the light,
let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?
keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;
Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;
sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us.
we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh - tered, thee;
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get thee;
Fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be -
out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at
shad - owed be - neath thy hand may we for - ev - er

gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.
last, where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

Confess to a Forgiving Creator

*Call to Confession

from Isaiah 59:2

The prophet Isaiah cried, "Our iniquities have been barriers between ourselves and God, and our sins have hidden God's face from us." Let us ask God to heal our brokenness:

Prayer of Confession

from J. Bennett Guess

God of justice, whenever we settle for the way things are instead of the way you would have them be, forgive us. Whenever we are paralyzed by fear or limited in vision, increase our trust. Whenever we offer charity but fail to work for justice, show us the more excellent way that your love requires. Whenever we tire of the struggle and tomorrow feels overwhelming, restore our hope. May the witness of our brother Martin impel us to be dreamers for Jesus' sake; Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

from Isaiah 62:4 and Cari Jackson, UCC

God has given the beloved people a new name:
"My delight is in them."

God forgives our slow action, our silence and our weariness;
empowers our work;
and invites us to become the Beloved Community God longs for.

Friends, I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ:
our sins are forgiven!

Thank you, God, for delighting in us, even now!

Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

As we turn to your Word, O God,
mold us into willing vessels for your Spirit; Amen.

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a, selections

"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God's Spirit arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as God chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work

JOYS & CONCERNS

In Our Prayers: For comfort, the Family and Friends of Linda Shawver, Rev. James Clark, Beverly Orcutt, Audre Zoeckler, Florabelle Smith, Lois Osterman, Dottie Tavor, Dick Wells and Cheryl McCulloh; for God's presence with all those who are grieving; for God's hands to touch Teresa Lasala, Lori Lasala, Dorothy Bain, Lynette, 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 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: 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 r/o to the church office directly (563-326-1691).

Prayer Shawls are available for you to give to those you know who are experiencing a challenge or joy. For your choosing, a variety of shawls are hanging on the coatrack near the main office.

Weekly Program Schedule

Online Worship Watch Party

Sundays, 9:30 a.m., for more information, see the e-news, church website or Facebook.

MusikGarten

Sundays, 8:30 am.
Zoom

Cherub Choir/ Kirkwood Choir/ Sunday School

Sundays, 10:35 – 11:20 a.m.
CE Building 3d Floor

Confirmation Class

Sundays, 10:35 – 11:20 a.m.
Fireplace Room

Adult Christian Education

Sundays, 10:35 – 11:20 a.m.
Zoom

Chamber Chorale

Sundays, 11:20 a.m.- 12:20 p.m.
In Recess

Pickle Ball

Mondays and Wednesdays,
9 – 11:00 a.m.; Gym

Caring Closet

In Recess

Welcome/Hospitality Committee

Monday, 5:00 p.m.
Zoom

CEFY Committee

Monday, 6:00 p.m.
Zoom

Worship/Music Committee

Monday, 6:15 p.m.
Zoom

Session

7:00 p.m.
Zoom

Caring Closet

Tuesdays, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Fridays, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Staff Meeting

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.
Zoom

Bible Basics 201

Wednesdays, 6:15 p.m.
Zoom

Vesper Bells

Thursdays, 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.
Chapel

Sanctuary Choir

Thursdays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Sanctuary

miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading

Luke 4: 14-21

“Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because God has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
The Lord has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.’

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Children’s Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim and Friends

Honoring Dr. King with his Words, Witness and Song *from Carolyn Landers Pettigrew*

Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.

We proclaim the saving justice of Almighty God.

The hope of a secure and livable world
lies with disciplined nonconformists
who are dedicated to justice and peace.

Hymn #379

We Shall Overcome verses 1 and 2

1. We shall o - ver - come; we shall o - ver - come;
2. We'll walk hand in hand; we'll walk hand in hand;

We shall o - ver - come some - day. O, deep in my
we'll walk hand in hand some - day.

heart I do be - lieve that we shall o - ver - come some day!

Love is the only force that can change an enemy into a friend.

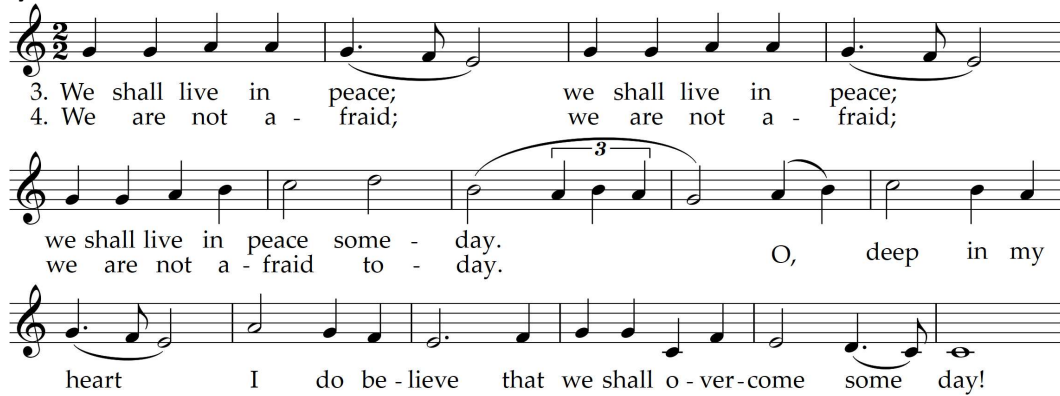
We proclaim the saving justice of Almighty God.

Human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable.
Every step toward the goal of justice requires

sacrifice, suffering and struggle
and the tireless exertions and passionate concern of dedicated individuals.

Hymn #379

We Shall Overcome verses 3 and 4



3. We shall live in peace; we shall live in peace;
4. We are not a - fraid; we are not a - fraid;
we shall live in peace some - day. O, deep in my
heart I do be - lieve that we shall o - ver - come some day!

Humans must meet human conflict with a method which rejects
revenge, aggression and retaliation.

We proclaim the saving justice of Almighty God.

Have we not come to such an impasse in the modern world
that we must love our enemies or else?
The chain reaction of evil -
hate begetting hate -
wars producing more wars -
must be broken,
or else we shall be plunged into the dark abyss of annihilation.

Hymn #379

We Shall Overcome verses 5 and 1?



5. God will see us through; God will see us through;
6. We shall o - ver - come; we shall o - ver - come;
God will see us through to - day. O, deep in my
heart I do be - lieve that we shall o - ver - come some day!

I refuse to believe that humankind is so tragically bound
to the starless midnight of racism and war
that the bright daybreak of peace and justice
can never become a reality ...

I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love
will have the final word.

We proclaim the saving justice of Almighty God.

Have we not come to such an impasse in the modern world
that we must love our enemies or else?

The chain reaction of evil -
hate begetting hate -
wars producing more wars -
must be broken,

Bible Basics 201 – January 2022 Lessons

On January 19, we started the Yale series of 12 lessons on Women in the Bible. [Women in the Bible | Study Mary Madgalene | Yale Bible Study.](#)

Bible Basics participants are volunteering to facilitate lessons from the series between January 19 and March 9 (7 lessons as we are likely skipping Ash Wed – March 2).

After pivoting to a series of lessons on Passover and Easter between March 16 and April 13 with a Holy Week recess on April 13, we may complete the series on Women in the Bible or choose another curriculum for the remainder of the spring.

For more information, contact Mark Jones at mkjones@mchsi.com

Here is the zoom link for the Bible Basics 201 group.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82283095977?pwd=VnJFdmcwcFJuY3hSWEpQanNBVFhFdz09>

Meeting ID: 822 8309 5977
Passcode: 215593

**2022 Update from
Adult Christian
Education**

ACE is kicking off 2022 with Virtual meetings for January. Join us!

January 16- Immediately following the Congregational Meeting: Respectful Listening/Responding

January 23: [Reading the Bible: History and Literature](#) (online study guide available)

January 30: [Reading the Bible: Ethical Issues](#) (online study guide available)

Our zoom link remains the same:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87142275458?pwd=ekt6VTBWd1BBMU1PdHErVENEZnVsQT09>

Meeting ID:
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Passcode: 1702

Annual Report

A friendly reminder: annual reports are DUE

or else we shall be plunged into the dark abyss of annihilation.

Dear God, help us to realize that although we have all come on different ships, were in the same boat now. Open us to see that we are all your children and remind us to extend our hospitality to those in need. When we neglect the ministries of love, peace and justice, impel us to be instruments of your reconciliation and peace. Help us to work to alleviate the circumstances that cause the oppressive conditions in our world; in Jesus' powerful name we pray; Amen.

Respond to God's Word

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

from Carolyn Landers Pettigrew

God's love is always present
and God's justice, faithfulness, love of peace and reconciliation
reach out to all.

Let us imitate God by creating hope and reconciliation through our giving.

Go Down Moses

Arr. Harry T. Burleigh

Ted Brown, Bass

To share your treasure, 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**

What can I give Him, Poor as I am?
If I were a shep - herd I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man, I would do my part; Yet
what I can I give Him: Give my heart.

Ordination and Installation of Officers

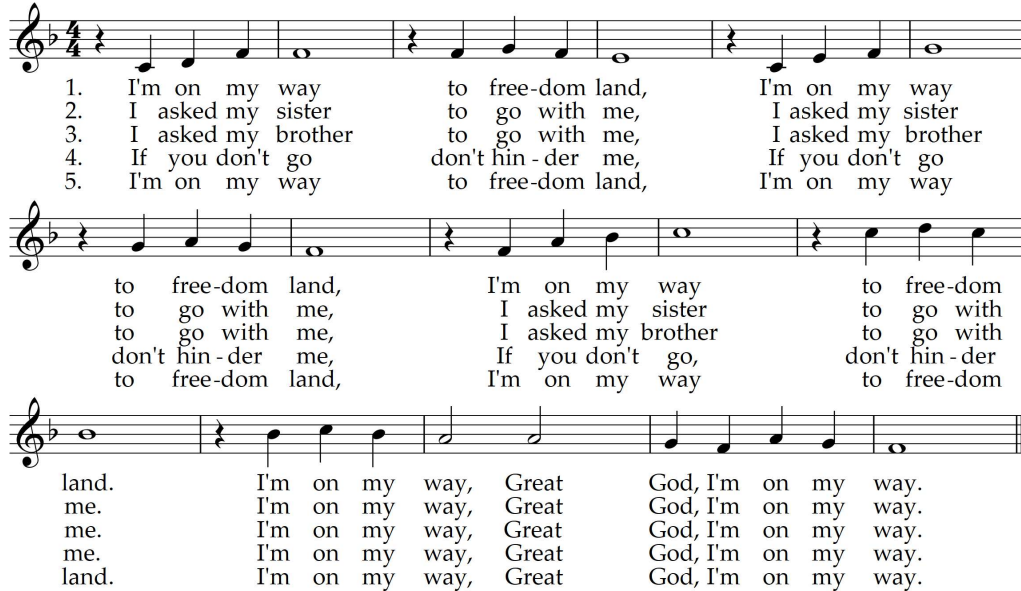
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Go To Serve With God's Blessing

*Hymn

I'm on My Way to Freedom Land

Traditional Song



1. I'm on my way to free-dom land, I'm on my way
 2. I asked my sister to go with me, I asked my sister
 3. I asked my brother to go with me, I asked my brother
 4. If you don't go don't hin-der me, If you don't go
 5. I'm on my way to free-dom land, I'm on my way

to free-dom land, I'm on my way to free-dom
 to go with me, I asked my sister to go with
 to go with me, I asked my brother to go with
 don't hin-der me, If you don't go, don't hin-der
 to free-dom land, I'm on my way to free-dom

land. I'm on my way, Great God, I'm on my way.
 me. I'm on my way, Great God, I'm on my way.
 me. I'm on my way, Great God, I'm on my way.
 me. I'm on my way, Great God, I'm on my way.
 land. I'm on my way, Great God, I'm on my way.

*Charge and Benediction

adapted from J. Bennett Guess

I charge you now to go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. Do not pray for easy lives; pray to be stronger women and men. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers, but for power equal to your tasks. Then the doing of your work will be no miracle – you will be the miracle.

Postlude

Go Tell it on the Mountain

Arr. Norah Duncan IV

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Session Highlights for December 2021

- Thanks were given and blessings offered for Elders Dan Ellard, Jeffrey Gomez, Pete Madden and Don Wood, who have completed their active service on the Session.
- Received a report from the Finance Committee that we will end the year with a positive balance (income over expenses) due to a few estate gifts and lower than budgeted compensation expenses.
- A requested update on the FPC Response to the Synod Administrative Committee recommendations was submitted to Synod on December 14, 2021.
- The Reconciliation Circles offered by Rev. Dr. Beth McCaw have been completed.
- The Wedding Coordinator position at the church was eliminated as it duplicated much of what the wedding officiant must do.
- Adopted a formal policy for conducting electronic voting on Session motions between stated meetings, if necessary.

SYSTEMIC CHANGE THROUGH

FAITH IN ACTION

Quad Cities Interfaith, in conjunction with MCQC, will host a night of leadership training for members of MCQC on how to create systemic change and dismantle injustices by living out our faith and values in the public arena.

FEBRUARY 04, 2022

7:45-9:00 PM

MUSLIM COMMUNITY OF THE
QUAD CITIES



Next Sunday – January 30, 2022!

*Sponsored by
Congregational Development/Fellowship and Music/Worship Committees*

Celebrate **Carnival Sunday next Sunday, January 30th**, at the **9:30 worship service** with New Orleans music and Mardi Gras fun!

In the United States the principal Carnival celebration is in New Orleans, where the Carnival season opens on Twelfth Night (January 6) and climaxes with the Mardi Gras festivities commencing 10 days before Shrove Tuesday.

For the second time, we have invited guest artists **Ivory and Gold**, a husband and wife jazz duo Jeff (piano) and Anne (flute, vocals) Barnhart, together with our Sanctuary Choir, to lead this jazzy musical service.

Be prepared for great music, and a take-home a slice of the traditional Mardi Gras King Cake – perhaps YOU will be the one to find the baby in your slice?

Immediately following the worship service follow the parade down into Fellowship Hall for Mardi Gras fun!

