

1702 Iowa Street Davenport, IA 52803 A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) February 13, 2022 Souper Bowl Sunday Worship at 9:30 a.m. Black History Month

Welcome!

We are an open and affirming congregation, and a proud member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians (covnetpres.org).



COVENANT NETWORK OF PRESBYTERIANS

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

Jeremiah 17: 5-10 Psalm 1 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20 Luke 6: 17-26

"Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream."

-Luke 5: 4



tacklehunger.org

Preparation for Worship

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

*Worshipers who are comfortable doing so, please stand. **Bold** indicates congregational response.

The Church Gathers To...

Prelude Fuga in g, BWV 542,2

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

J. S. Bach

Prelude If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee, BWV 642 J. S. Bach

Praise Almighty God

Call to Worship

https://re-worship.blogspot.com

We gather to praise God's holy name today;

We give thanks because the Word of God gives us hope!

The Word is the strength of our faith;

Our spirits are refreshed in God's presence!

Let us worship God.





Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala **Bridging Pastor**

Rev. Sue Howes

Associate Pastor Emerita

Rev. Pat Halverson Parish Associate

Sarah Greim & Paula Hartmann

* Interim Christian Ed. Coordinators

Matt Bishop

Director of Music

Alex Gilson

Principal Organist

& Assistant Director of Music

Linda Bengfort*

Assistant Choral Director

Kathy Middleton*

Assistant Choral Director

for Children

Kristine Olson

Finance Manager

Susan Parker

Church Administrative Assistant

Kandis Cooper*

Nursery Coordinator

Darren Long

Facilities & Custodial Supervisor

Kevin Wilson

Custodian

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Custodian

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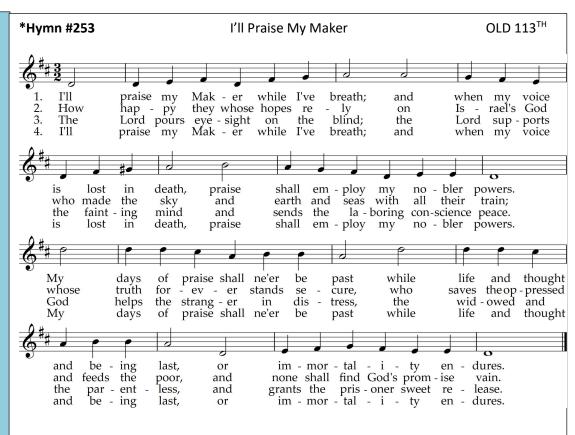
Outside office hours, this number will go to the pastor on call in case of emergency.

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

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Confess to a Forgiving Creator

Call to Confession

Psalm 138: 6

"The Lord God is high, yet regards the lowly, and perceives the haughty from far away." In the confidence of the children of God, let us confess our sin:

Prayer of Confession

Book of Common Worship, PC(USA)

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess how often we live for ourselves and apart from you. We turn from our neighbors and refuse to bear their burdens. We ignore the pain of the world, and pass by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive us and free us from our selfishness. Teach us to choose your will, through Jesus Christ our Savior, in whose name we pray; Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rom. 8:34; 2 Cor. 5:17

Hear the good news!

Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ,

and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,

Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

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

Thanks be to God!

Anthem

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above The Sanctuary Choir

Arr. Camp Kirkland

Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/prayers

Perfect Light of revelation, you shine in Jesus, the Word made flesh, whose epiphany we celebrate. Fill us now with your Word; and then may your truth and compassion shine in us and through us; Amen.

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 17: 5-8

Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. They shall be like a shrub in the desert and shall not see relief. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it will not be anxious and will not cease to bear fruit.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading

Luke 5: 17-26

Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Children's Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim and Friends

Sermon

Decision Tree

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Joys & Concerns

In Our Prayers: With thanksgiving at the birth of Franklin Joseph Hennes; for comfort for the Family and Friends of Karen Hean, Lynda Shawver, Tanya Barnes Smith, Rev. James Clark; for God's presence with all those who are grieving; for God's healing hands to touch Danielle, Dick Duncan, Jim Hall, Decklin, Teresa 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.

Anthem Texts

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Johann Schutz
Tr.: Frances Elizabeth Cox

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul he fills and every faithless murmur stilled: To God all praise and glory.

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing, an ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing. As with a mother's tender hand, he leads his own, his chosen band: To God all praise and glory.

Thus all my toilsome way along, I sing aloud his praises, that earth may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.

Be joyful in the Lord, my heart!
Both soul and body bear your part:
To God all praise and glory.

Let all who name Christ's holy name give God all praise and glory; let all who own his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story! Cast each false idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone: To God all praise and glory.

"The Blessing of Aaron"

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 life up his countenance upon thee,
And give thee peace.
Amen.

Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith

Second Helvetic Confession 5.117-118 Book of Confessions; PC(USA)

[Good] works ought not to be done in order [to] earn eternal life ... or for ostentation ... or for gain ... but for the glory of God We ... are not created or regenerated through faith in order to be idle, but rather ... without ceasing [to] do those things which are good and useful. For in the Gospel the Lord says that a good tree brings forth good fruit (Matt. 12:33)

Prayers of the People

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

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 Prayer of Jesus

2021-2022 Confirmation Class

Our God Who is above, Holy is your Name; allow us into Heaven.

May your requests of us be completed in our lives,

as well as where you have spread your word.

Give us this time to fill our souls.

Forgive us for what we have done wrong

and others who have done wrong to us.

Don't let us follow wrongdoings and shield us from harm,

for your home is our home.

Almighty love and glory we give to you now and for eternal life. Amen.

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

Luke 6: 38

Jesus said, "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Offertory

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

Arr. Dale Wood

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

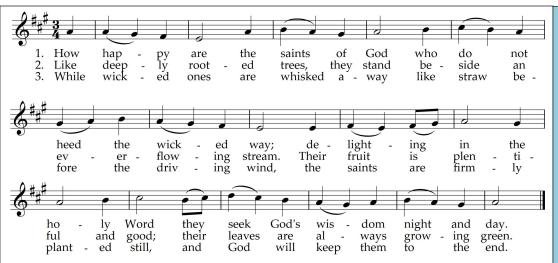


Go To Serve With God's Blessing

*Hymn

How Happy Are the Saints of God

WAREHAM



*Charge and Benediction

Thom Shuman, adapted

Invite God's grace, joy, and peace to flow into you so you may become like abundant trees planted by water; and then:

share your bounty with the poor,

feed all who hunger,

shelter the tears of all who grieve,

and lift up all despised by the world.

May you be grounded in God's love, blessed with Jesus' hope, and filled with the Spirit's delight.

Choral Benediction The Blessing of Aaron Arr. Walter Rodby

Postlude In Christ There Is No East or West Arr. Dale Wood

*Souper Bowl Sunday Collection in Narthex

Board of Deacons

January Session Highlights

- The Session welcomed new Elders to their first meeting Peter Bawden, Kirk Christie, Nancy foster, Bev Koos, Dawn Hickenbottom, and Jay Williams, along with returning Elders Paula Burnett, Diane Roebuck, and Karla Ruiter.
- Approve the request for the baptism: Bennett Lane Downing, son of Patrick and Kristine Downing. Baptism date to be Sunday, March 20, 2022, with Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner – Lasala officiating.
- Received a report from the finance Committee that the church ended the 2021 year with income over expenses of \$12,000. This was largely due to lower-than-expected compensation expenses.
- The Session approved a 2022 budget presented by the Budget Committee. The budget is a deficit budget of \$108,000.00. The deficit includes the necessary funds to search for, hire, and move a Head of Staff and a Christian Education Director. The budget discussion will be shared with the congregation at the Annual Meeting on February 27, 2022.
- Elders meeting with members of Presbytery of East Iowa (PEIA) organized as part of
 the reconciliation process reported on their meetings. One group is talking about
 how to best support our PNC. The other group is talking about improved
 communications. These discussions with PEIA are some of the final steps in the
 reconciliation process.

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 study 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

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Virtual Trivia Night Fundraiser February 25, 6:30pm (ZOOM)

First Presbyterian Church will hold a Virtual Trivia Night to raise funds for the Sanctuary Choir's 2022 tour to Ireland. This fun, family-friendly evening will require no technological prowess beyond using Zoom. As with in-person trivia events, teams of 8 are \$100/team; alternatively, you can pay \$12.50/person and be assigned to a team. Teams will be able to purchase "double downs" and "mulligans" for additional prices.

Visit https://bit.ly/3GmyVz6 or email bishop@fpcdavenport.org to purchase a ticket and reserve your spot - participation is limited!

Adult Christian Education February Update

Hybrid Zoom From Von Maur Hall Sundays, 10:35 - 11:20 a.m.

February 13, 20, 27: *Living in* Community from PC USA's Follow Me series: When God looked at the first human in Genesis 2:18, God proclaimed that it was not good for the human to be alone and created a partner to provide companionship. Since the beginning, humans have lived in some type of community. At their best, these communities work together to share abundant life. The church is a living community committed to gathering together across differences, feasting and listening together, uplifting those in need, and supporting those who depart. This vision of believers worshiping God together as they learn to live a life worthy of the gospel is strong evidence that life in community is intrinsic to being a Christian.

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Between the Covers Book Club will meet Monday February 21, 2022 @12:30 in the Parlor.

2022 Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation

Sunday, February 27 | 10:30am

The Session has scheduled the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Congregation and the Corporation for Sunday, February 27, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. to transact any business of the church, ecclesiastical or corporate, that may properly come before it, including a review of the budget adopted by Session and receipt of the reports of all official boards and organizations. Fifty-four (54) church members are required for a quorum and we encourage you to attend! The meeting will be conducted in person and over Zoom.

Liturgists Wanted!

If you are interested in serving as a liturgist for Sunday services, please reach out to Diana Miller-Bur, our new Liturgist Coordinator.

But you ask:

What is a Liturgist?

Liturgists stand at the lectern, lead the congregation in all the responses and share the Word of God by reading the Scripture lessons.

How often would I have to volunteer?

As much or as little as you want, that is up to you.

Please contact Diana with any questions or with your interest. Her email is: diana.miller.bur29@gmail.com Thank you!! We hope to see you at the lectern soon!

Deacons' Paper Hearts Drive

Once again, the Deacons are sponsoring a toilet paper drive to benefit the Humility of Mary emergency shelter. From now until March 31 you may bring your toilet paper donations to the church; our Deacons will deliver them to the Humility of Mary Shelter services. Our goal is 1,500 rolls. Not shopping during the pandemic? Send your monetary donations to the church office. Our Deacons are delighted to do your toilet paper shopping for you! Let's demonstrate love in action by supporting this worthy cause.

Do You Want to Receive Your Church News Electronically?

It's easy to sign up! Simply sign up on the church website or send an email to staff members Matt Bishop at bishop@fpcdavenport.org or Susan Parker at parker@fpcdavenport.org

2022 Per Capita - \$38 per member

Per Capita is the annual contribution each Presbyterian makes to support our denomination's local, national, and international ministries. The 2022 Per Capita is \$38 per member, the same amount as in 2021. A member is one who has been confirmed or welcomed into the congregation by confession of faith, letter of transfer from another congregation, or reaffirmation of faith. You can submit your annual Per Capita contribution by mail or you can pay online.

It's Almost Time for the Next Broadcaster

We will publish the next edition of The Broadcaster, our news magazine, in the last two weeks of February. There's no time like the present to be thinking about your contribution! We will welcome your committee news, feature stories, photographs, activity reports and/or announcements of upcoming events – please send your information to Church Administrative Assistant Susan Parker at parker@fpcdavenport.org

December 2021 Financial Report

Calendar year 2021 ended with a positive financial outcome. This resulted from strong giving from the congregation and lower compensation expense than anticipated. Lower compensation expense was due largely to not having a full-time Christian Education staff member for most of the year. Non-compensation expenses for the year included purchasing multimedia equipment for Von Maur Hall and elsewhere in the church and establishing a reserve for future building maintenance expenses.

	December 2021		December 2020	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	85,945	67,380	175,083	83,646
Custodial Accounts Income	12,543	-	5,097	
Compensation Expenses	(40,444)	(51,690)	(39,030)	(50,348)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	(90,295)	(19,047)	(38,874)	(28,785)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(12,543)	-	(5,097)	
Surplus (Deficit)	(44,794)	(3,357)	97,179	4,513
	2021 Year-To-Date		2020 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	756,636	659,104	952,503	865,754
Custodial Accounts Income	53,292	-	81,794	-
Compensation Expenses	(466,695)	(538,780)	(550,296)	(598,954)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	(276,870)	(207,089)	(187,485)	(248,260)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(53,292)	-	(81,794)	-
Surplus (Deficit)	13,072	(86,765)	214,723	18,540

All numbers are rounded.

Weekly Program Schedule

Online Worship Watch Party

Sundays, 9:30 a.m. See e-news, website or Facebook

MusikGarten

Sundays, 8:30 am. Zoom

Cherub Choir/ Kirkwood Choir/ Sunday School

10:35 – 11:20 a.m.

CE Building, 3d floor

Confirmation Class.

10:35 – 11:20 a.m.

CE Building, 3d floor

Adult Christian Education

10:35 - 11:20 a.m.

Hybrid Zoom, Von Maur Hall

Caring Closet

Sundays, 10:35 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Open to Receive Donations

Chamber Chorale

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

Choir Room

Pickle Ball

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

Gym

Caring Closet

Tuesdays, 9:00 – 12:00 p.m. Fridays, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Finance Committee

Tuesday, 5:00 p.m.

Zoom

Board of Deacons

6:00 p.m.

Zoom

Pastor Nominating Committee

Tuesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

Zoom

Staff Meeting and Training

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.
Hybrid Zoom

Bible Basics 201

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Wednesdays, 6:15 p.m.

Zoom

Foundation Board of Trustees

Thursday, 5:00 p.m.

Zoom

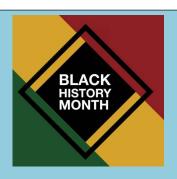
Vesper Bells

Thursdays, 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.

Chapel

Sanctuary Choir

Thursdays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Sanctuary



The Presbyterian Historical Society (PHS) is excited to announce a new subject guide to records related to Historically Black Presbyterian Schools.

PHS holds collections that document the educational work of Presbyterians among freedmen after the Civil War and the African American schools founded and supported by Presbyterian pastors and leaders. Several of these schools continue to flourish as fully independent institutions or through affiliations with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

The importance of these institutions can be heard in the words of former students such as the late Rev. Dr. Katie Geneva Cannon, whose story about attending Barber-Scotia College on the day when Dr. King was assassinated reveals a pivotal moment in American history and the history of historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs). "I went as a Negro," Cannon said about life at Barber-Scotia. "I became Black, April 4th, 1968."

At HBCUs, students take on a new identity that shapes their world view as much as it shapes the way the world looks at them. HBCUs connect students to a network of students, faculty and administrators providing support as students and as individuals.

New Mission Opportunities!

Souper Bowl of Caring is Today, February 13!

Our Deacons will be in the back of the sanctuary following the worship service TODAY to collect your donations to tackle hunger. Look for the Deacons with the big soup pots! Last year the Souper Bowl of Caring topped \$5 million - let's do our part to crush last year's number!



EXPO (EX-incarcerated People Organizing)

Quad Cities Interfaith is working with EXPO to support formerly incarcerated people to be restored to full participation in the lives of their communities. This project involves making phone calls to formerly incarcerated people who are now eligible to be restored as voters. Formerly incarcerated people are not automatically restored to their former voters' rolls, but not everyone knows this. These phone calls are to inform formerly incarcerated people that their right to vote has been restored and to share the contact information they will need to re-register to vote. If you're interested, contact Pastor Kathy via email here: stoner-lasala@fpcdavenport.org



Pastor Katie Styrt's church in Milan and Refugee Resettlement

Pastor Katie's church, First Presbyterian Church in Milan, IL, has a refugee partnership team that is working to resettle Afghan Allies and other refugee families; the team would love to partner with First Davenport members in this work. World Relief has matched Milan's refugee partnership team with an established refugee household in the Quad Cities. One member of the household needs transportation to and from dialysis appointments on Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday from noon to 3:00. Volunteers can sign up for as many round trip rides as they wish – it's not necessary to commit beyond a volunteer's capacity. Volunteers must complete an application with background check, go to an orientation and be vaccinated. Here's the volunteer application:

https://worldrelief.powerappsportals.com/new-vol-app/?wroffice=quadcities