

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

March 6, 2022
First Sunday in Lent
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

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11
Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16
Romans 10: 8b-13
Luke 4: 1-13

"If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

Romans 10: 9



Jakob Cornelisz van Oostsanen (1472?-1553), "Temptation of Christ" (Suermondt Ludwig Museum | Aachen, Germany)

Preparation for Worship

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

**Worshippers who are comfortable doing so, please stand.*

Bold indicates congregational response.

Our Staff

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Bridging Pastor

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

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The Church Gathers To...

Prelude

Hymn to Freedom

Oscar Peterson

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Minute for Mission

Parkinsons' Support Group

Tom Vaccaro

Introit

So High
The Kirkwood Choir

arr. Bill Wolaver
text Robin Wolaver

Praise Almighty God

Call to Worship

from Psalm 91: 1-2

You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
**will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress;
my God in whom I trust."**
Let us worship God.

*Hymn #210

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE



1. Our God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or earth re - ceived its frame,
3. A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone;
4. Time, like an ev - er roll - ing stream, Soon bears us all a - way;
5. Our God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.
We fly for - got - ten, as a dream Dies at the o - pening day.
Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our e - ter - nal home.

Confess to a Forgiving Creator

Call to Confession

from Psalm 91: 14-15

Thus says the Lord: "Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble." With the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

Prayer of Confession

Feasting on the Word, adapted

O God, our refuge and our fortress, forgive us when we fail to trust you. We fall to temptation; we are swayed by false words; we speak false words of our own; we turn from you and settle for less than your abundant generosity; we choose our ease and comfort over your demanding claim upon us. Forgive us. Hear us as we call to you; show us your salvation. We ask it for your love's sake; Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

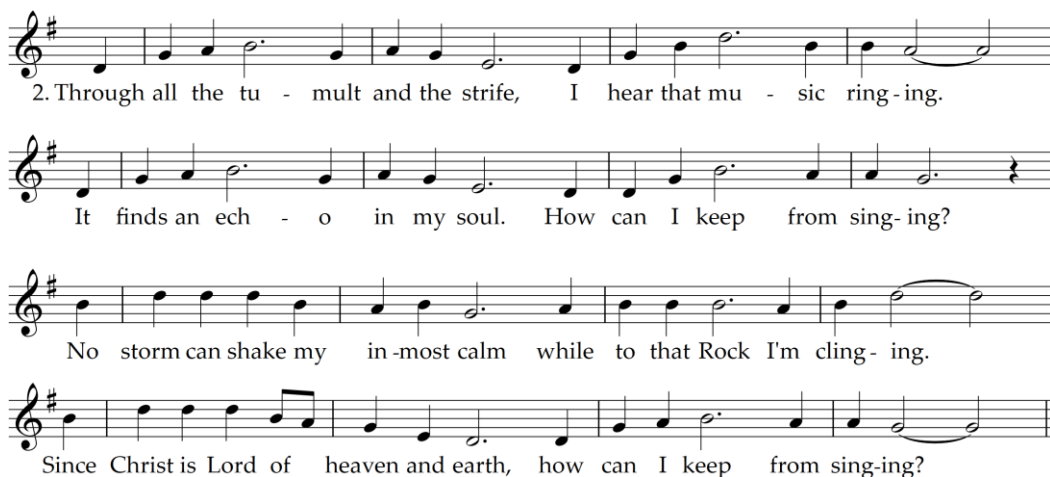
Romans 10: 13

The Apostle Paul writes, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." God does not turn away from us, but invites us into the freedom offered in Jesus Christ.

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

Thanks be to God!

*Response to Grace



2. Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing - ing?
No storm can shake my in - most calm while to that Rock I'm cling - ing.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing - ing?

Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination *from <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/prayers.php?id=118>*

God of deliverance and freedom, deepen our faith so we may resist temptation and, in the midst of trial, proclaim that Jesus is Lord; Amen.

Scripture Reading

Luke 4: 1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

JOYS & CONCERNS

In Our Prayers: **Ukraine;** comfort for the Families and Friends of Carol Ann Block, 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 Erin Middleton Cavan, 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.

Choral Anthem Texts

"Agnus Dei" from *Messe Solennelle de Sainte-Cécile*

Sung in Latin. Translation:
Lamb of God,
Who takes away the sins of the
world,
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
Who takes away the sins of the
world,
Grant us peace. Amen.

"Tebe Poem" from *The Orthodox Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom*

Sung in Old Church Slavonic.
Translation:
We sing to you,
We praise you,
We thank you, O Lord,
And we pray to you, our God.

Today's benediction "Tebe poem," is a work by Ukrainian composer Dmitro Bortnianskyi. The work is in Old Church Slavonic, a common liturgical language among Slavic Orthodox traditions, just as Roman Catholic composers used the Latin language as a common liturgical language in their church compositions. The choir offers this work in solidarity with our Ukrainian counterparts who this day are unable to fill their beloved churches with their song.

Anthem

Agnus Dei
from *Messe Solennelle de Sainte-Cécile*
The Sanctuary Choir
Theresa Jacobsmeier, soprano; David Bowles Edwards, tenor

Children's Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim and Friends

Sermon

Who Are We? Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed (*traditional*)

Hymnal p. 14

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

adapted from Moira Laidlaw

We offer our gifts and the service of our lives in gratitude for Jesus' witness to the power of God's Spirit. With gladness, we give of our life and labor to the Lord.

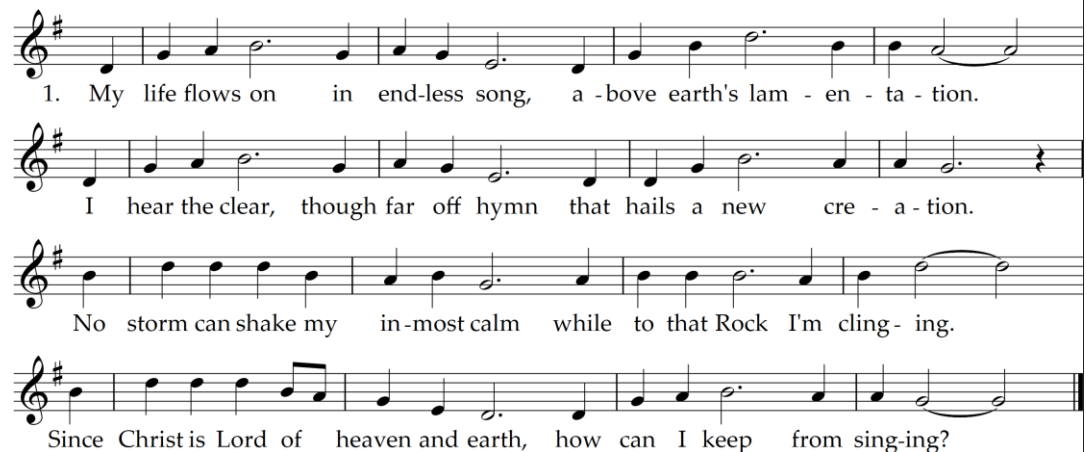
Offertory

Halle, Halle, Halle
The Vesper Bells

Arr. Sondra Tucker

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



1. My life flows on in end-less song, a - bove earth's lam - en - ta - tion.
I hear the clear, though far off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling - ing.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

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 Lord's Prayer (*traditional*)

Hymnal p. 16

Go To Serve With God's Blessing

***Hymn #81**

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN



1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty days For us didst fast and pray,
 2. As Thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, And didst the vic - tory win,
 3. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And through Thy Pas - sion - tide,
 4. A - bide with us, that so, this life Of suf - fering o - ver - past,



Teach us with Thee to mourn our sins, And close by Thee to stay.
 O give us strength in Thee to fight, In Thee to con - quer sin.
 Yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
 An Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy We may at - tain at last!

Charge and BenedictionCeltic Christian Church*

For each step we might take,
be our guide, O Lord of life.
 For each load we might bear,
be our strength, O Lord of life.
 For each mountain we might face,
be our power, O Lord of life.
 For each river that might impede,
be our safety, O Lord of life.
 For each place where we might rest,
be our peace, O Lord of life.
 For each sunrise and sunset
 we might experience,
be our joy, O Lord of life.

Choral Benediction

Tebe Poem
 The Sanctuary Choir

Dmytro Bortnianskyi

Postlude

The Great Gate of Kyiv
 From *Pictures at an Exhibition*
 Patrick Downing, pianist

Modest Mussorgsky

Clocks Turn Ahead Next Week!

Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday night, March 12! Otherwise, you'll arrive – or tune in online – just in time for the Postlude

Preaching Next Week: the Rev. Dr. Beth McCaw

Our Reconciliation Facilitator, Rev. Dr. Beth McCaw, will be with us next week to preach, serve communion, and close out our Reconciliation Process with a blessing for us.

Bible Basics 201**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 in recess on 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

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82283095977?pwd=VnJFdmcwcmFJuZ09a3hSWEpQanNBVFhFdz09>

Meeting ID: 822 8309 5977
 Passcode: 15593

Adult Christian Education
Update

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

March 6: Postponed for last week's Annual Meeting: the final session of *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.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87142275458?pwd=ekt6VTBWd1BBMU1PdHERVENeZnVsQT09>

Meeting ID:
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February Session Highlights

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!

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

Caring Closet Update

The Caring Closet will be getting ready for Spring in the next few weeks and we welcome donations of spring clothing including formals and accessories. Prom Night(s) will be March 29 and April 5!

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 begin to assemble the next edition of The Broadcaster, our news magazine, tomorrow, Monday, March 7. 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

January 2021 Financial Report

	January 2022		January 2021	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	106,807	106,807	99,473	99,472
Custodial Accounts Income	441	-	541	-
Compensation Expenses	40,862	40,862	37,728	37,037
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	15,258	15,258	12,168	12,107
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Surplus (Deficit)	50,687	50,687	49,577	50,328
	2022 Year-To-Date		2021 Year-To-Date	
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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.

Personnel Committee

Monday, 7:00 p.m.

Zoom

Pastor Nominating Committee

Tuesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

Zoom

Women of Hope Bible Study

Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.

Parlor

Bible Basics 201 Resumes

Wednesdays, 6:15 p.m.

Zoom

Staff Meeting/Training

Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Von Maur Hall

Congregational Development/

Fellowship Committee

Thursday, 5:00 p.m.

CE Building, 3d Floor

Vesper Bells

Thursdays, 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.

Chapel

Sanctuary Choir

Thursdays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Sanctuary

Dare to Ask:
A Lenten Exploration

Facilitated by Bruce Bufe and Kathy Stoner-Lasala, Dare to Ask is a Lenten exploration of faith questions: questions we were reluctant to ask, questions we thought nobody wanted to hear, questions we thought we were the only person asking.

On Sundays in Lent starting March 13, Bruce and Kathy invite you to gather at 10:35 a.m. in Von Maur Hall or on zoom to explore your own and others' faith questions.

Bruce and Kathy hope you will begin to reflect now so your insights have time to develop: We're asking questions to learn, expand our understanding, and deepen our relationships. Some questions, though they are worth asking, may not have definitive answers.

We encourage open-ended questions about which people disagree, that may not have an answer or have more than one answer, that deepen our faith or spirituality, that we've been reluctant to ask.

When a question is posed, we want to struggle with it. We don't want to give simplistic answers, dismiss any question, question the validity of a question, or rebuke our fellow questioners.

There are several ways to share your question: you can write it down and place it in the question box in the back of the sanctuary; you can email it to Bruce brucenbufe@gmail.com or Kathy stoner-lasala@fpcdavenport.org; if you'd like your question to remain anonymous you can email it to Church Administrative Assistant Susan Parker parker@fpcdavenport.org



Holy⁺Week **SCHEDULE**

April 14 (Maundy Thursday)	7:30 PM
April 15 (Good Friday)	7:30 PM
April 17 (Easter Sunday)	9:30 AM

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