



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Asian American and Pacific Islander Month Fifth Sunday in Eastertide May 15, 2022 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 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.

Land Acknowledgement

First Presbyterian Church gratefully acknowledges the Indigenous Peoples on whose ancestral homelands we gather, as well as the diverse and vibrant Indigenous communities who make Iowa and Illinois their home today. The communities we serve through our ministries occupy the traditional homelands of the people of the Kiikaapoi, Myaamia, Očhéthi Šakówinj, Peoria, Sauk, and Meskwaki nations. We honor these and numerous Indigenous tribes who first made the banks of the Mississippi River a center for arts and commerce.



Jan Bruegel (1568-1625), "Paradise Landscape with Animals" (1613-1603)
Museum of Fine Arts (Budapest)

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.

SCRIPTURES FOR MEDITATION

Acts 11: 1-18

Psalm 148

John 13: 31-35

Revelation 21: 1-6

The Church Gathers To...

Prelude

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Arr. George Shearing

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Prelude

God Who Madest Earth and Heaven

J. S. Bach

Praise Almighty God

Our Staff

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*

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Director of Music

Alex Gilson

Principal Organist

& Assistant Director of Music

Linda Bengfort*

Assistant Choral Director

Kathy Middleton*

Assistant Choral Director

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Angie Hook*

Accounting Assistant

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Facilities & Custodial Supervisor

Kevin Wilson

Custodian

Chad Dean*

Custodian

** Part-time employee*

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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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Call to Worship

Easter Dialogue

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Alleluia!

Alleluia! Amen!

*Hymn

Sound a Mystic Bamboo Song

MYSTIC BAMBOO SONG



1. Sound a mys - tic bam - boo song; raise a chant - ing lyr - ic voice;
2. See the Christ in trib - al cloth, liv - ing in a squat - ter's shed;
3. Free the Christ with - in the poor; break the chains of wealth and power.
4. May your live - ly Spir - it, God, blow through-out this rav - ished earth,



beat the drum and play the flute; let the church of God re - joice.
bend - ing as she plants the rice, sleep - ing on a pave - ment bed.
Let the age of shar - ing dawn; sing the prom - ised gos - pel hour.
giv - ing cul - tures, crea - tures, plants, whole - ness, still - ness, growth, and worth.

Confess to a Forgiving Creator

Call to Confession

from 1 John 1: 8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In peace, let us pray:

Prayer of Confession

adapted from Book of Common Worship PC(USA)

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive those things our lips tremble to name and our hearts cannot bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

Assurance of Pardon

from Rev. 21: 1-6

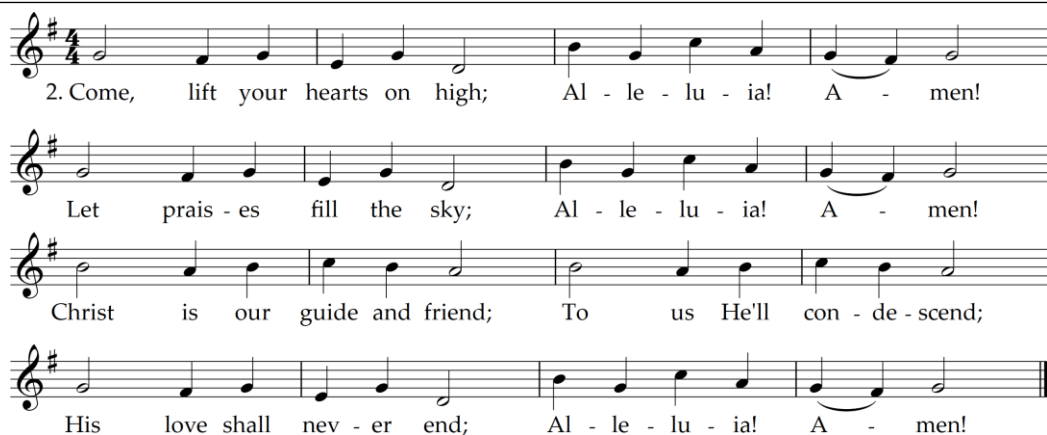
The home of God is among mortals and God will dwell with them. The Lord will be with them and wipe every tear from their eyes, for the first things have passed away.

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

Alleluia! Amen!

*Response to Grace

v. 2 of "Come, Christians Join to Sing"



Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

adapted from Book of Common Worship PC(USA)

Living God, empower us to hear your holy Word so we may truly understand; and understanding, we may believe; and believing, we may follow faithfully; and following, we may seek your honor and glory in all that we do; we ask it through Christ our Lord; Amen.

Lesson from the Christian Scriptures

Revelation 21: 1-6

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her spouse. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. God will dwell with them as their God; they will be God's people, and God will be with them. The Lord will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the One who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' And also, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then the One who was seated on the throne said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'"

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Lesson from the Christian Scriptures

Acts 11: 1-18

"Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a

JOYS & CONCERNS

In Our Prayers: the people of Ukraine and all who groan under oppression; comfort for the Families and Friends of Carolyn Draper, Jim Hall, Jim Keenan, Rebecca Koos, Ron Solt, Karen Hean; for God's presence with all those who are grieving; for God's hands of healing and protection to touch Allison Kennedy, Tammy Wood, Benjamin Bartnicke, Chris Cook, Janice Reichard, Erin Middleton Cavan, Danielle, Dorothy Bain, Lynette, Brenda Cole, David Milnes, Hudson Stoner, Dorothy Downing, families and victims of gun violence, abuse, addiction, violence, loss, suicide, COVID-19, and all recent natural disasters.

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: For anyone who is homebound 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 who need prayer with those who commit to a ministry of prayer. Contact 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 church office.

Anthem Texts

When in Our Music God is
Glorified

Text: Fred Pratt Green

When in our music God is
glorified,
And adoration leaves no room
for pride,
It is as though the whole
creation cried:
Alleluia!

How often, making music, we
have found
A new dimension in the world of
sound,
As worship moved us to a more
profound
Alleluia!

So has the Church, in liturgy and
song,
In faith and love, through
centuries of wrong,
Borne witness to the truth in
every tongue:
Alleluia!

Let every instrument be tuned
for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice
to raise!
And may God give us faith to
sing always:
Alleluia!

Go Forth into the World In
Peace

Text: Book of Common Prayer

Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage; Hold fast
that which is good; Render to no
one evil for evil; strengthen the
fainthearted; Support the weak;
Help the afflicted; Honour all
people; Love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the
Holy Spirit. And the blessing of
God Almighty, the Father, the
Son, and the Holy Ghost, be
upon you, and remain with you
forever. Amen.

distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'"

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

When in Our Music God Is Glorified
The Sanctuary Choir

Arr. Mary McDonald

Children's Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim and Friends

Sermon

God's Menu Plan

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala

Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA)

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God

from Hebrews 13: 1-16

"Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have; for God has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God."

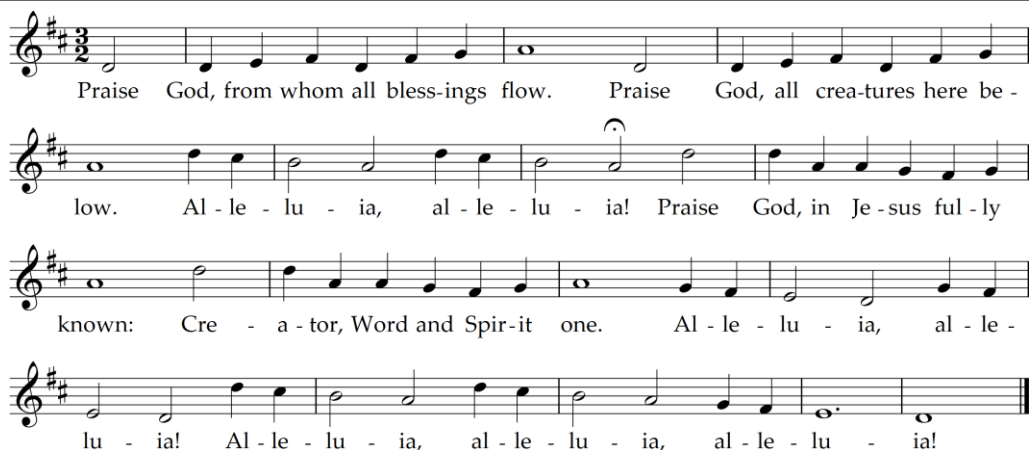
Offertory

Prayer in B-flat

Alexandre Guilmant

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**



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.

It is truly right ...

... we pray in Jesus' name and as he taught us:

The Prayer of Jesus

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.

Go To Serve With God's Blessing

*Hymn #434

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

Bible Basics for the month of May

We are progressing through an 8-week study on I and II Thessalonians. Here is our schedule for the upcoming lessons.

- May 18: Eschatology and Final Admonitions (I Thess 5)
- May 25: More Thanksgiving (II Thess 1)
- June 1: Resistance and Delay (II Thess 2)
- June 8: Some Practical Advice (II Thess 3)

All are welcome. Please contact Mark Jones

(mkjones@mchsi.com) for more information or study material. Here is the Zoom link:

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

Meeting ID: 822 8309 5977

Passcode: 215593

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!



1. To - day we all are called to be dis - ci - ples of the Lord,
2. God made the world and at its birth or - dained our hu - man race
3. Pray jus - tice may come roll - ing down as in a might - y stream,
4. May we in ser - vice to our God act out the liv - ing word,

to help to set the cap - tive free, make plow-share out of sword,
to live as stew-ards of the earth, re - spond-ing to God's grace,
with righ-teous-ness in field and town to cleanse us and re - deem.
and walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard.

to feed the hun - gry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast,
But we are vain and sad - ly proud; we sow not peace but strife.
For God is long - ing to re - store an earth where con-flicts cease,
As stew-ards of the earth may we give thanks in one ac - cord

to serve the poor and home-less first, our ease and com - fort last.
Our dis-cord spreads a dead - ly cloud that threat-ens all of life.
a world that was cre - at - ed for a har - mo - ny of peace.
to God who calls us all to be dis - ci - ples of the Lord.

*Charge and Benediction

1 Cor. 16:13; 2 Tim. 2:1; Eph. 6:10

1 Thess. 5:13–22; 1 Peter 2:17

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord be kind and gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Alleluia!

Amen.

*Choral Benediction

Go Forth into the World in Peace
The Sanctuary Choir

John Rutte

Postlude

Allegro from *Organ Sonata No. 1* Felix Mendelssohn

FPC Choirs Spring Concert

"When in Our Music God Is Glorified"

Saturday, May 21 | 7:30pm

Complimentary Tickets Required (reserved seating)

We conclude the 29th season of the Performing Arts Series with a celebration of the role the musical arts have historically played at First Presbyterian Church and continue to play even in the midst of a global pandemic. This concert features many odes across multiple styles to the joy of music and its ability to transform, transport, heal, illuminate, and focus. The Sanctuary Choir, Chamber Chorale, and Vesper Bells are excited to present an evening of engaging music, including hymns, spirituals, psalms, settings of poetry, and more. Also featured on the concert is the grand *St. Cecilia Mass* by Charles Gounod in honor of the patron saint of music. Be sure to reserve your complimentary tickets in advance! Masks required. Complimentary tickets required, available on Eventbrite: <https://bit.ly/3Kv9OfT>

First Presbyterian Church Welcomes Angie Hook as Accounting Assistant



Please welcome Angie Hook to our team as our new Accounting Assistant. Angie brings over 20 years of business experience to the Finance Department and is a welcomed addition to the staff of the church. She enjoys a good cruise with family and friends and learning foreign languages. Angie is looking forward to being in a role that will contribute to the good of the community." Please stop by the office and say "hello" to Angie on Tuesdays or Thursdays, or you may contact her at: hook@fpcdavenport.org or (563)326-1691, ext. 212.

Little Dresses for Africa AKA Tabitha's Circle

Little Dresses for Africa was first founded in 2008 and since that time, has been improving the lives of children all across the Continent of Africa. The primary goal is to encourage self-worth and love in little girls by providing them with simple but beautiful dresses. The project also has added a program for boys called BRITCHES FOR BOYS. FPC has been a part of this mission since 2012 and is in need of additional members to continue this program. If your talent isn't using a sewing machine, help is always need for cutting, pressing, sorting and labeling. Please join us for the next "meeting" Sunday May 22, 2022 from 10:30-12:30 in Fellowship Hall. For more information, please contact Sharon Simmonds at srsimmonds50@gmail.com or 563-355-7008.

Barb Thede is turning 99 Years Young!

Barb's 99th birthday will be on Monday, May 30, and we're planning to surprise her with a card shower. Please send your warmest greetings and congratulations to Barb at Ridgecrest – Oakwood Place: 4126 Northwest Blvd., Apt. 204, Davenport, 52806

Weekly Program Schedule

Online Worship Watch Party

Sundays, 9:30 a.m.

See e-news, website or Facebook

MusikGarten

Sundays, 8:30 a.m., Zoom

Cherub Choir/ Kirkwood Choir/ Sunday School/Confirmation Class

Summer Recess

Adult Christian Education

Summer Recess

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

Between the Covers Book Club

Monday, 12:30 p.m., Parlor

Christian Education and Fellowship for Youth Committee

Monday, 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Worship and Music Committee

Monday, 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Session

Monday, 7:00 p.m., Zoom

Staff Meeting

Tuesday, 1 p.m.

Von Maur Hall, Hybrid Zoom

Pastor Nominating Committee

Tuesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Zoom

Caring Closet

Tuesdays, 9:00 – 12:00 p.m.

Fridays, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Pickle Ball

Wednesday,

9 – 11:00 a.m., Gym

Bible Basics 201

Wednesday, 6:15 p.m., Zoom

Vesper Bells

Thursday, 6:00 p.m., Chapel

Spring Concert Dress Rehearsal

Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Spring Concert

When in Our Music God is Glorified

Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

March Financials

	March 2022		March 2021	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	49,280	52,767	70,587	63,800
Custodial Accounts Income	5,135	-	2,976	-
Compensation Expenses	42,826	47,837	43,448	41,490
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	19,665	22,024	19,974	29,026
Custodial Accounts Expenses	5,135	-	2,976	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(13,211)	(17,094)	7,165	(6,716)
	2022 Year-To-Date		2021 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	191,200	194,687	242,489	226,154
Custodial Accounts Income	6,476	-	3,957	-
Compensation Expenses	126,434	131,447	121,019	123,791
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	49,305	51,664	50,618	58,055
Custodial Accounts Expenses	6,476	-	3,957	-
Surplus (Deficit)	15,461	11,576	70,852	44,308

All numbers are rounded.

April Financials

	April 2022		April 2021	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	33,495	53,432	51,048	56,600
Custodial Accounts Income	2,515	-	3,597	-
Compensation Expenses	41,700	50,058	36,759	44,378
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	28,448	39,880	17,371	18,800
Custodial Accounts Expenses	2,515	-	3,597	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(36,653)	(36,506)	(3,082)	(6,578)
	2022 Year-To-Date		2021 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	224,695	248,119	293,536	282,754
Custodial Accounts Income	8,991	-	7,554	-
Compensation Expenses	168,137	181,505	157,778	168,169
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	77,749	91,544	67,958	76,855
Custodial Accounts Expenses	8,991	-	7,554	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(21,191)	(24,930)	67,800	37,730

All numbers are rounded.