

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

Pride Month Day of Pentecost June 5, 2022 Worship at 8:30AM and 10AM

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 gender identities are welcome here, along with their families.

We are a Matthew 25 church



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 Šakówin, 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.



El Greco (1541-1614), "Descent of the Holy Spirit" (1604-1614) | Museo del Prado, Madrid

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.

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURES FOR MEDITATION

Acts 2: 1-21 Psalm 104: 24 – 34, 35b Romans 8: 14 – 17 John 14: 8 – 17 (25 – 27)

The Church Gathers To...

Prelude 10:00 a.m. Prelude and Fugue in A, BWV 536 J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements Matt Bishop

Prelude 10:00 a.m. Come, Holy Ghost, our Lord and God Harm. by. J. S. Bach

Our Staff

Rev. Dr. Kathy Stoner-Lasala Bridging Pastor Rev. Pat Halverson Parish Associate

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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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Praise Almighty God

Call to Worship

from Psalm 104

We will sing to the LORD as long as we live; we will sing praise to God while we have being. May our meditations be pleasing to God; bless the LORD; praise the LORD!

Let us worship God.



Confess to a Forgiving Creator

Call to Confession

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Jesus did not leave his disciples alone. Instead, Jesus promised them the Holy Spirit would be present in their lives, together with his peace. In the presence of the Holy Spirit and in the peace of Christ, let us pray:

Prayer of Confession

from <u>The Abingdon Worship Annual</u> Mary J. Scifres & B.J. Beu, eds., © Abingdon Press Holy Spirit, we're not sure we're ready for your awesome power to blow through our lives. We've grown comfortable with our familiar habits and bland routines. Wake us up, shake us up, and breathe your life into us. O God, give us the courage to follow the way that is lit by the fire of your Spirit. On this Day of Pentecost, fill us with the courage to ride your winds of change; Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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Even after the resurrection, when the disciples were weighed down with worry, Jesus assured them that they were not alone. When they were burdened by their fears, Jesus calmed their troubled hearts.

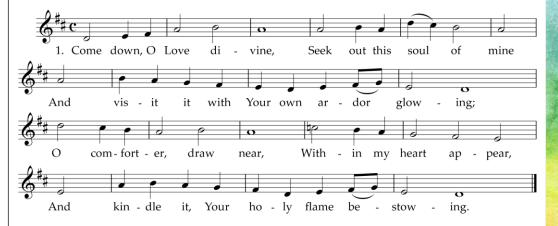
When we struggle with our faith, Jesus blesses us with comfort and hope. When our souls are dry and barren, the Holy Spirit blows through our lives to bring us new life.

Friends in Christ, our sins are forgiven!

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Response to Grace

v. 1 of "Come Down, O Love Divine" Hymn #313



Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

adapted from John van de Laar https://sacredise.com/building-blocks-of-the-kingdom

God of life and breath, as we listen for your Word, we pray your Spirit will whisper through every heart where the voice of your Presence is silent; empower all who are weak, broken, diseased or weeping; inspire all to think, speak and live as true imitators of Christ; and challenge us to serve you with such passion that our world and all who live in it will know peace, healing and reconciliation.

Lesson from the Christian Scriptures

Acts 2: 1-21

"When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And

JOYS & CONCERNS

In Our Prayers: families and victims of gun violence including the communities of Geneva Presbyterian Church in Laguna CA, TOPS grocery in Buffalo NY, and Robb Elementary School in Uvalde TX; the people of Ukraine and all who groan under oppression; for God's presence with all who are grieving the loss of Rev. Sue Howes, Carolyn Draper Math, Jim Hall, Jim Keenan, Rebecca Koos, Ron Solt, Karen Hean; for God's grace and mercy to touch Jim Woods, Jim Lasala, 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 and those experiencing abuse, addiction, violence, loss, suicide, COVID-19, and natural disaster.

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 enjoya contact from one of First Presbyterian's In-Touch members, please contact Deacon Colleen Duenas.

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.

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.

 June 8: Resistance and Delay (II Thess 2) and 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/82 283095977?pwd=VnJFdmowcF Jua3hSWEpQanNBVFhFdz09

> 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 or phone number 949-302-7542

Thank you!! We hope to see you at the lectern soon!

how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.""

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Ruling Elder Sarah Greim and Friends

Sermon

A New Community

Rev. Elissa Bailey

Romans 8: 14 - 17

Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith

"All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. We did not receive a spirit of enslavement to fall back into fear, but we have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ."

Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God; Pentecost Offering from Rev. Dr. Terri Ott
Presbyterian Outlook 2022

God has blessed us most generously with gifts to serve and share. As God's Spirit moves among us and make all things new, we participate in this new creation by offering our gifts to God's kin-dom.

Offertory

If I Say That You Are Holy Dave Bowles Edwards - Tenor

Michael Burkhardt

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



Sacrament of Communion

Rev. Elissa Bailey

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

by Rev. Thom M. Schuman

On this day of Pentecost, may the Spirit dance with you!

May the Spirit dance with you as well!

May God's grace be poured into your hearts.

Come, Holy Spirit, and fill our hearts with love.

May God's Word become your language of praise.

Come, Holy Spirit, and teach us new songs of thanksgiving.

God of wonder and joy, with a Word, you scattered chaos and created everything imaginable. When you poured out your Breath of life, dolphins frolicked in seas, dogs chased their tails in circles, songbirds twittered to welcome the sunrise, and we were shaped in your image so we might enjoy life with you in goodness. But we tried to build a tower to reach those temptations just out of our reach, convinced they would make us happier than your joy. Old men and women, young girls and boys, those we call prophets and those we call meddlers, came speaking your words of invitation so we might return to you, but we thought they were drunk, or foolish, or didn't have a clue as to what is really important in life. So you chose to send us your Child, who spoke of your whispers to his heart and called us to trust in you again.

With those who dare to imagine your wonder and with those who wonder what is going on, we sing of the thanksgivings filling our hearts:

Holy, holy, holy are you,
God who would gather us.
All creation joins in praising you this day.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One
who sends the Advocate to us.
Hosanna in the highest!

God of every moment, you alone are holy, and your Heart, Jesus, comes to bring us new life, new hopes, new spirit. As the Spirit rested upon him at baptism, so he calls us Beloved; as the Spirit accompanied him in the wilderness, so he is with us in moments of struggles; as the Spirit anointed him to serve, so he gives us the words to challenge injustice, the courage to resist easy choices, the determination to be faithful in welcoming all people. And as the Spirit strengthened him to confront fear of death and abandonment, so the Spirit opens our closed hearts to the gracious news that death is no more and has been defeated once and for all by your resurrection love.

As we come to this Table, we remember the Spirit who was poured out at our

Letter to the Congregation of FPC from the Pandemic Task Force

COVID-19 and its variants have continued to be present in the area but at a low risk level. This virus risk level has stabilized in the last two weeks; while not ideal, we are at a place that makes this a good time to start optional masking on June 5. If the level goes to high-risk CDC recommends masking indoors.

Also, starting June 5th, FPC will start the summer outside service at 8:30 am. The inside service will move to 10:00 am and will also be live-streamed.

Along with the move to summer service times, FPC will restart some traditional service practices. You will find that the fellowship pads will be passed to those sitting in your row. This will let you connect with those seated near you and help you to greet each other by name. The offering plate will be passed as we did in 2019 and, eventually, the Communion elements will once again be passed with tray service. On June 5, though, we will be using separate pre-packaged communion cups and wafers.

You will also see that the choir will continue to be masked because of the amount of aerosols their breathing and singing generate. Also, masks will continue to be worn in the staff area (the entire second floor of the education building). Signs will be posted to indicate the staff area.

The Pandemic Task Force will continue to monitor hospitalization and community outbreaks in the area, but if the risk levels greatly increase FPC may, at some point, be required to return to masking. We hope and pray that COVID risk levels remain stable and do not increase or peak.

Weekly Program Schedule

Summer Worship Schedule

Outdoors, Pershing Lot 8:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Sanctuary & Live-Stream 10:00 a.m.

Online Worship Watch Party

Sundays, 10:00 a.m.
See e-news, website or Facebook

MusikGarten

Sundays, 8:30 am., Zoom

Cherub Choir/ Kirkwood Choir/ Sunday
School/Confirmation Class/
Adult Christian Education
Summer Recess

Caring Closet

Sundays, 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.
Tuesdays, 9:00 – 12:00 p.m.
Fridays, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Open for Shopping and Donations

Ireland Tour Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, 2:30 p.m.

<u>Tabitha's Circle</u> Fellowship Hall, 9:30 a.m.

<u>Personnel Committee</u>

Zoom, 7:00 p.m.

Primary Election

Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, 7:00 am. – 8:00 p.m.

Staff Meeting

Tuesday, 1 p.m.
Von Maur Hall, Hybrid Zoom

Building & Grounds Committee

Tuesday,4:00 p.m., Parlor

Pastor Nominating Committee

Tuesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Zoom

<u>Development Committee</u>
<u>Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Zoom</u>

Pickle Ball

Wednesday, 9 – 11:00 a.m., Gym

Congregational Development and

Fellowship Committee
Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. offsite

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Bible Basics 201 Wednesday, 6:15 p.m., Zoom

Vesper Bells and Sanctuary Choir

In Recess

Ireland Tour Choir Rehearsal

Thursday,7:00 p.m.

baptism, the Spirit who fills us with new hope and life, the Spirit who transforms us into faithful people, and so we share that mystery we call faith:

Jesus gave his life, entering the silence of death; Jesus was raised, as resurrection's new song was sung; Jesus will come, and so we sing with the breath of the Spirit filling us.

Once again, as you did so long ago, pour out your Spirit upon those gathered in this place and upon the gifts gracing this Table. With the bread, you feed us, as you feed all creation, so we can go forth, each day, to offer hope to those who are forgotten, to share joy with those who grieve, to be the words of love for those who hear only judgment and hate. With the cup, you nourish us, as you fill all of creation, so we can be poured out, each day, for the children attacked in schools, for the seniors mistreated by society, for the most vulnerable who bear the brunt of budget and tax cuts.

And when your Spirit comes at the end of all time and space, gather us with our siblings around your Table of grace and wonder where we will be filled with the Spirit's breath so we can sing your praises for all eternity.

We pray in Jesus' name and as he taught us:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer Following Communion

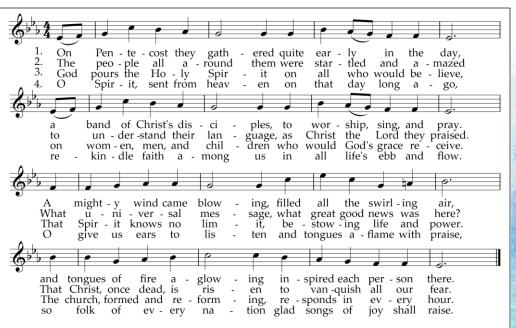
We have heard the voice of God, who now scatters us to gather the world into a community of grace and hope. We go out to fill the emptiness of others, to bring fresh air into stagnant places. We have heard the words of Jesus, who calls us to share his whispers of healing, reconciliation, and renewal. We go out to comfort those hiding in shadows, to be the breath of kindness to the ridiculed and to share in the silence of the broken and grieving. We have heard the rush of the Spirit's wind, who shatters our complacency and give us voices for justice and righteousness. We go out to sing songs of strength to the weak, whisper words of love to those who know only hate, and shout for the renewal of all people everywhere; Amen.

Go To Serve With God's Blessing

*Hymn #128

On Pentecost They Gathered

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*Charge and Benediction

from Rev. Dr. Terri Ott Presbyterian Outlook 2022; Nathan Nettleton

https://laughingbird.net/index.php/occasion/c40/2022-06-05

Go now in the power of the Holy Spirit. Love Jesus and do the things he has done. Dream dreams, pursue visions and speak of God's wonders in the languages of those who will hear.

May the spark of God ignite you; May the love of Christ renew you; May the Holy Spirit fill you; on this Pentecost Day and all the days to come.

Postlude 10:00 a.m. Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy Arr. George Shearing

We welcome to our pulpit today the Rev. Elissa Bailey, Interim Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of East Iowa. Elissa is a graduate of the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary. She has served congregations throughout Great Rivers Presbytery in west-central Illinois. She has also served as the Assistant Stated Clerk and then the Stated Clerk in Great Rivers since July of 2012. She was elected as the Stated Clerk of PEIA in March and started on May 1st, 2022. Elissa loves the work of Stated Clerk and especially helping Session clerks navigate the process of being a clerk. Elissa is a self-proclaimed polity geek. She also enjoys teaching and learning and sees it as a life-long process. Elissa is also a full-time graduate student working to complete a Master of Mental Health Counseling and as she works towards licensure as a mental health counselor. In Elissa's free time, she enjoys her family. Elissa and her husband, Don, have six children total. Three of them live at home as well as two cats. Elissa and Don also have two grandchildren. Elissa also loves reading and she enjoys traveling. She is Grace and Sophia's Girl Scout leader and Sophia's soccer coach. Lastly, what you need to know about Elissa is that she is a born and raised lowa girl and a piece of her heart will always belong here in her home state!

Pentecost Offering is this Sunday,
We will receive the Pentecost
Offering in worship services next
Sunday, June 5, the Day of
Pentecost. Pentecost Offering

Today we receive the Pentecost
Offering in worship services. A
gift to the Pentecost Offering
helps the national, regional and
local church to:

- · encourage, develop and support its young people, and
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and

· address the needs of at-risk children.

Our congregation retains 40% of the Pentecost Offering to make an impact in the lives of young people within our own community.

This year, our Session has designated 40% of the Pentecost Offering to a new partnership with Washington Elementary School.

The remaining 60% of the Pentecost Offering is used to support children-at-risk, youth and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

Today's liturgy was written for the Presbyterian Outlook by the Rev. Barbara Chaapel, a retired minister in Philadelphia Presbytery who serves as Parish Associate at the First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia. Barbara is a past Director of Communications at Princeton Seminary and is a board member of the Presbyterian Outlook.

HOWES, John & Sue

John and Sue Howes were married in 1954. Sue was raised in Red Oak, Iowa by a multigenerational family. Sue often quoted wisdom from her Grandmother.



Associate Pastors Sue Howes and Ken Arentson prformed with puppets as the choir sang "It's A Small World After All" during the first Performing Arts show in 1992.



Candidate Sue Howes was under care of our Session and Presbytery until 1987 when the Rev. Sue Howes was ordained in our sanctuary.

Remembering Rev. Sue Howes by Linda Meadors

Our Pastor Emerita, Rev. Mary "Sue" Howes, has passed away and her Memorial Service was on Wednesday May 25th at 11:00 AM in the Chapel of Ridgecrest Village, Davenport, IA.

Rev. Sue was our first female Associate Pastor. She and her husband, John, raised five children within our church walls, and then she went to law school, attending the University of Iowa. Sue finished her educational quest by attending the Presbyterian seminary in Dubuque. Rev. Sue Howes was ordained right in our beautiful Victorian Sanctuary in 1987.

When asked about ordained ministry, Sue was quoted saying, "One of the privileges of this profession is entering people's lives and realizing the *great courage* that most people bring to their lives and the *great good will* that most people have for other people. It's true regardless of denomination or economic or social status".

I think Sue had a photographic memory. She preached her sermons from the center of the Chancel with no notes. Her prayers reached into people's very souls. Members cherished her words of comfort and support as she administered pastoral care. Sue provided leadership and programming with our Deacons, book clubs and church circles with charm and a dry wit. Lucky were the bride and groom when Rev. Howes said "yes" to performing their marriage vows.

After Sue retired as an Associate Pastor, she continued to say "yes" to so many church members. I asked her if she would work with me on a project with our Bix Beiderbecke Jazz Society to host their Festival Jazz Liturgy in the very sanctuary where our local traditional jazz cornet legend, Leon "Bix" Beiderbecke, was baptized and his mother, Agatha Beiderbecke, played the organ. Sue, a music enthusiast and historian agreed. With the help of our Music Ministry, we hosted over 1500 jazz enthusiasts with 2 services our first year. This tradition has continued to this day.

Rev. Sue Howes was a blessing to our church, to our community and to my family.