



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

**3rd Sunday after Epiphany**  
**January 22, 2023**  
**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 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.*



*Carnival masks in Barcelona, Spain; photographer, Llanydd Lloyd (Unsplash).*

## 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.

To help you get to know the people sitting in your pew/row, please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it to your neighbors.

## The Church Gathers To...

**Prelude**

Come Sunday

Duke Ellington

**Welcome and Announcements**

Rev. Dr. Kris Schondelmeyer

**Prelude**

The Lighthouse Song

Blind Willie Johnson

## Our Staff

Rev. Dr. Kris Schondelmeyer

*Pastor/Head of Staff*

Rev. Pat Halverson\*

*Parish Associate*

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*Director of Christian Education*

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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](http://www.fpcdavenport.org)

## Praise Almighty God

### Call to Worship

*Psalms 40, adapted*

Person 1: Doing something for you, O God, bringing something to you...that's not what you're after.

Person 2: Being religious, acting pious...that's not what you're asking for.

**All: Open our ears, O God, so we can listen.**

Person 1: We've read your Word. We know that you're inviting us into something deeper, so we're coming.

Person 2: We're coming to the party you're throwing us!

**All: May your Word enter our lives and become part of our very being.**

Person 1: Today is a good day!

Person 2: Today is a day to celebrate all that God has done!

**All: Let us party in God's house!**

### \*Hymn

Do Lord

TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL

1. I've got a home in glo - ry land that out - shines the sun.  
2. I took Je - sus as my Sa - viour, you take Him, too.

I've got a home in glo - ry land that out - shines the sun;  
I took Je - sus as my Sa - viour, you take Him, too.

I've got a home in glo - ry land that out - shines the sun. Way be - yond the blue  
I took Je - sus as my Sa - viour, you take Him, too. While He's call - ing you.

Do Lord, O do Lord, O do re - mem - ber me. Do Lord O do Lord, O do re - mem - ber me.

Do Lord, O do Lord, O do re - mem - ber me. way be - yond the blue.

## Confess to a Forgiving Creator

### Call to Confession

We are all human and we all fall short of the glory of God, individually and as a society. But it is God's nature to forgive us. God desires reconciliation, with God and with each other. God created us to be compassionate humans with clean hearts. So, let us humble ourselves as we go to God in our prayer of confession and reconciliation. Let us pray.

### Prayer of Confession

**We confess to you, Renewing Spirit, that we confuse unity with uniformity, and diversity with divisiveness. We speak and behave as if being a part of your family means assimilating others to our way of living. We deny and destroy the beauty of diversity that you created in each person.**

**We long to change these patters, O Creator, but we do not know how. By the power of the Holy Spirit, teach us to value challenge and change. Help us to see strength in difference. Open us up to welcome new people and new experiences. And empower us to build your kingdom in creativity and love. Amen.**

#### **Assurance**

In Jesus Christ, God forgives us, knows us and loves us as we are.  
**We give thanks and choose to be changed by God's amazing grace.**

#### **Anthem**

How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD

1. O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

*Refrain:* Then Sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim: "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

## **Listen for God's Word**

#### **Children's Message**

Rev. Dr. Kris Schondelmeyer

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

*Ancient Collect, Source Unknown*

Holy Spirit, pour out upon us wisdom and understanding, that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to receive all that leads to life and holiness. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

#### **Lesson from the Hebrew Scriptures**

Psalms 36:5-10

Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, your justice like the great deep. You, LORD, preserve both people and animals.

How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. Continue your love to those who know you, your righteousness to the upright in heart.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **JOYS & CONCERNS**

**In Our Prayers:** families and victims of gun violence; the people of Ukraine and all who groan under oppression; for God's presence with all who are grieving the loss of Dwight Wood, Juanita White Daugherty Briggs, Gayle Allard, Betty Nelson, Eleanor Beadles White, Kathy Goldsmith (Ruth Rensberger's daughter), Larry Kisler, Jim Lasala, Ella Johns, Georgia Sodawasser, Gloria Wadsworth, Chris Cook, Bruce Kahler, Jim Calhoun, Holly Rivera; for God's mercy and grace to touch Krik Christie, Lorraine Sewick, John Timm and family, Brandon Bufe, Allison Kennedy, Dylan's grandmother, Roberta Shadensack, Julia Pedigo, Jim Woods, Tammy Wood, Benjamin Bartnicke, Erin Middleton Cavan, Danielle, Dorothy Bain, Lynette, Brenda Cole, Karlyn Gomez, David Milnes, Hudson Stoner, Dorothy Downing, and those experiencing abuse, addiction, violence, loss, suicide, COVID-19, and natural disaster.

**Mission Partners:** Rev. José Pilar Alvarez Cabrera and Rev. Nestor Eduardo Alvarez Cabrera in Zacapa, Guatemala; Alice Chikomo in Harare, Zimbabwe; Veda Gill in 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 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).

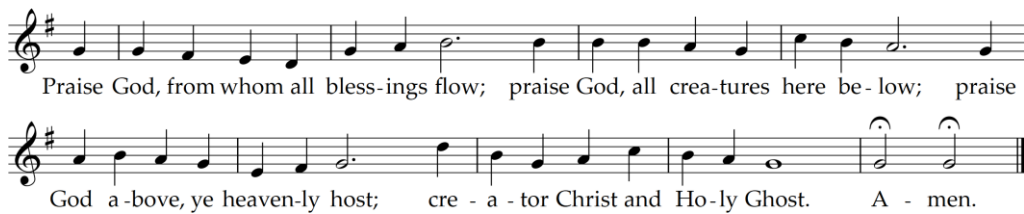
**Printed Prayer Requests** require permission from the person(s) in need of prayer before prayers are printed in the bulletin. The best way to assure a hospital visit or a prayer is to contact the church office directly (563-326-1691).

#### **Prayer Shawl Group**

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.





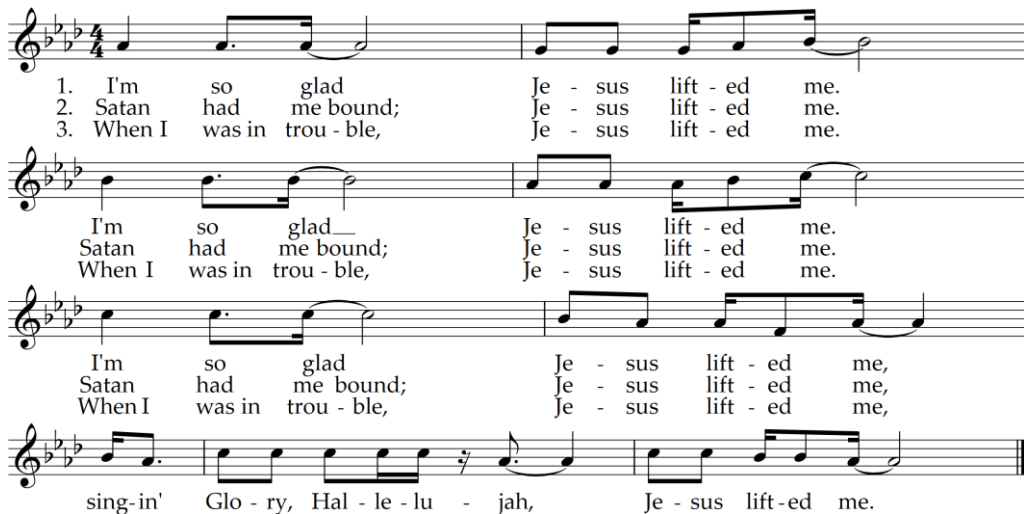


## Go To Serve With God's Blessing

### \*Hymn

### I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

### JESUS LIFTED ME



### \*Charge and Benediction

#### Postlude

#### When the Saints Go Marching In

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| 1. O when the saints go marching in,<br>O when the saints go marching in,<br>O I want to be in that number<br>When the siants go marching in.    | 2. O when the sun refused to shine,<br>O when the sun refused to shine,<br>O I want to be in that number<br>when the sun refused to shine. |
| 3. O when they crown him LORD of all,<br>O when they crown him LORD of all,<br>O I want to be in that number<br>When they crown him LORD of all. |  |

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The Prayer of Confession is from the *Re:Worship* website, written by Rev. Mary Nelson Abbott.

### Sunday School and Nursery Volunteers Needed!

Our Sunday School program has grown! Before we can get a second classroom up and running, we need some more volunteers. We have an amazing group of kids who are hungry to learn more about Jesus (and for snack time!). All we need are some equally amazing adults hungry to share the love of Jesus with our young people.

We are continuing to use a one-room classroom model for now. To comply with the Child Safety Policy, we need two unrelated adults at a time. There is no teaching requirement unless you would like to do so! Interested in volunteering? Curious to see what Sunday school is like? Sign up here:

<https://bit.ly/sundayschool2023>

We would also like to create a list of folks willing to volunteer in the nursery as needed. Our nursery staff are wonderful but could use some additional support occasionally! Could you be one of those volunteers? If so, email Kristy at [woodrow@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:woodrow@fpcdavenport.org).

### Weekly Program Schedule

<https://www.fpcdavenport.org/calendar/>

#### Worship Service

9:30 a.m. Sanctuary

Online Worship Watch Party

See e-News, website or Facebook

#### MusikGarten

8:30 a.m. Zoom

10:30 a.m. CE Building #307

#### Nursery Open

Sundays 8:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Thursdays 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

#### Kirkwood Choir

9:45 a.m. CE Building #301

#### Sunday School

10:35 a.m. CE Building 3d Floor

#### Adult Christian Education

10:35 a.m. Von Maur Hall

#### Chamber Chorale

11:20 a.m. Sanctuary

#### Caring Closet

Sundays, 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Tuesdays, 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.

#### Pickle Ball

Monday and Wednesday

9:00 - 11:00 a.m., Gym

#### Scout Troop 7/Scout Troop 1107

Monday, 6:30 p.m.

Gym, Game Room, Fellowship Hall, Library

#### Bible Basics 201

Wednesday 6:15 - 7:15 p.m.

#### Vesper Bells

Thursday 6:00 p.m.

#### Sanctuary Choir

Thursday 7:00 p.m.

### It's Carnival Sunday Time at First Church Today @ 9:30 AM

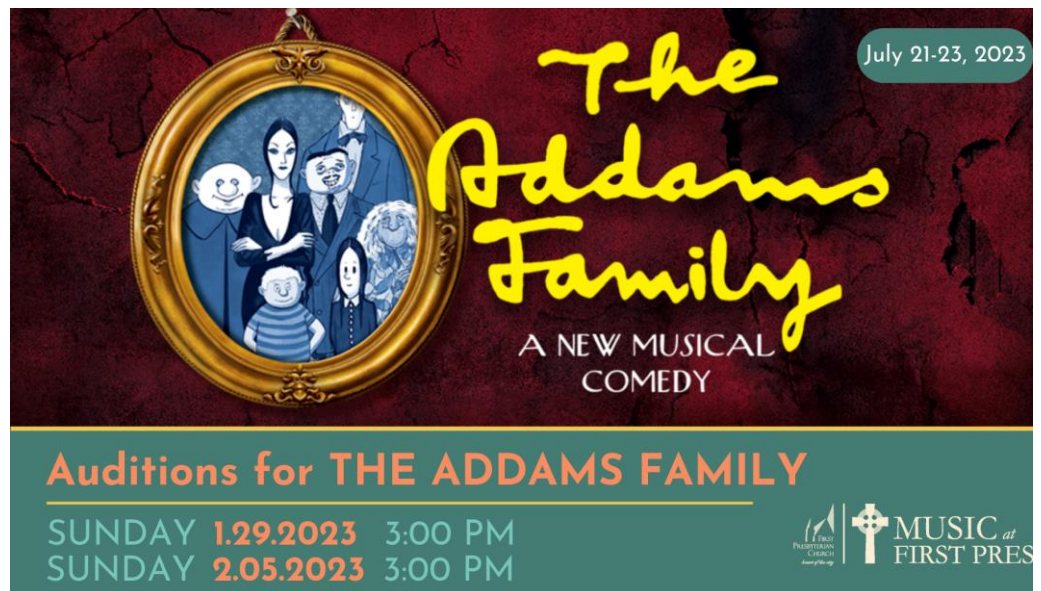
Celebrate Carnival Sunday Jan 22nd 9:30 with New Orleans music, Mardi Gras fun and a delicious brunch after worship. In the United States the principal Carnival celebration is in New Orleans, where the Carnival season opens on Twelfth Night (January 6) and climaxes with the Mardi Gras festivities commencing 10 days before Shrove Tuesday. For the third time, we have invited husband and wife Jazz duo Jeff (piano) and Anne (flute, vocals) Barnhart guest artists along with our Sanctuary Choir and organist, Alex, to lead this jazzy musical service. Our Sunday School children will get in on the action for the family friendly annual celebration. Sponsored by your Congregational Development/Fellowship and Music/Worship Committees be prepared for great music, and delicious food! Immediately following the service, follow the parade down into Fellowship Hall for a light meal including Jambalaya, and piece of the famous King Cake. A free-will offering for brunch will be taken.

### Newcomer's Inquiry

Newcomer's Inquiry will be held this morning, January 22, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. We invite anyone interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church or exploring the possibility of becoming a church member. This event offers an opportunity to ask questions and meet some members of our congregation and leaders. This does not require making a membership decision. Please let the church office know if you are interested in attending @ 563-326-1691.

### Auditions for THE ADDAMS FAMILY

Announcing open auditions for all roles and chorus for First Presbyterian Church-Davenport's Performing Arts Series production of THE ADDAMS FAMILY! Auditions are January 29 and February 5 at 3pm at the church (1702 Iowa St.). Performance dates are July 21-23, with rehearsals set to begin in the spring. To request an audition packet or more information, please email Director of Music Matt Bishop ([bishop@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:bishop@fpcdavenport.org)). Only songs from the audition packet allowed.




The Addams Family  
A NEW MUSICAL COMEDY

July 21-23, 2023

**Auditions for THE ADDAMS FAMILY**

SUNDAY 1.29.2023 3:00 PM  
SUNDAY 2.05.2023 3:00 PM

 MUSIC at FIRST PRES

### **Beginning Handbell Ensemble**

Ever been interested in learning the art of handbell ringing? Handbell pro and longtime Vesper Bells member Dianna Darland is launching a class for beginners of all ages! This class will take place most Sundays from 11:20-12:20 in the Chapel. No experience but minimal music-reading experience acquired. To reserve your spot, please contact Director of Music Matt Bishop ([bishop@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:bishop@fpcdavenport.org)).

### **Manna and More**

Manna & More will also be in recess on February 12 but will resume on March 12. Dates for the breakfast will be the 3rd Sunday of the month in April and May because Easter and Mother's Day fall on the second Sundays. The requested donation for adults will be \$4.00 beginning in March because of increased food costs. The \$1.00 donation for children 12 and under will remain at this time. Hope to see you in March!

### **Ways to Give to First Presbyterian Church**

It is your generous financial commitment to First Pres that allows FPC to continue its ministries and missions to help support church members, community, and staff. With new technology and changes in tax law, the very meaningful act of placing your gift in the offering plate each Sunday is no longer the only way to financially support FPC. For anyone looking for alternative ways to give, below are additional options to give to FPC:

- Donate online by visiting [www.fpcdavenport.org](http://www.fpcdavenport.org)
- Required Minimum Distributions (RMD)
- Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD)
- Gifting Stock

As always, thank you for your continued support of First Presbyterian Church. For specific instructions or if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Finance Office at [olson@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:olson@fpcdavenport.org) or 563.326.1691 Ext. 219.

Please Remember:

### **Complete your Building Use Forms for 2023**

As the calendar turns to the new year, we all need to fill out new Building Use Forms for 2023.

Recurring meetings, one-time meetings, events, meals, gatherings, parties, receptions, classes, discussion groups, book studies, prayer meetings (Even if we've been meeting in the building for decades):

**ALL** of us need to complete new Building Use Forms for 2023.

Blank forms are available from Church Administrative Assistant Susan Parker or from Facilities Supervisor Darren Long.

**Many, many thanks!**

### **Boy Scout Troop 7 is back in our church building!**

First Presbyterian's 110-year-old Boy Scout Troop 7 and our brand-new Girls' Troop 1107 are seeking youth to become members. The troops meet in the FPC gymnasium, Monday evenings from 6:30 PM to 8 PM. Spread the word around! All are welcome.

## 2023 Stewardship Pledge Campaign Update

"Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; **great is your faithfulness.**" - Lamentations 3:21-23

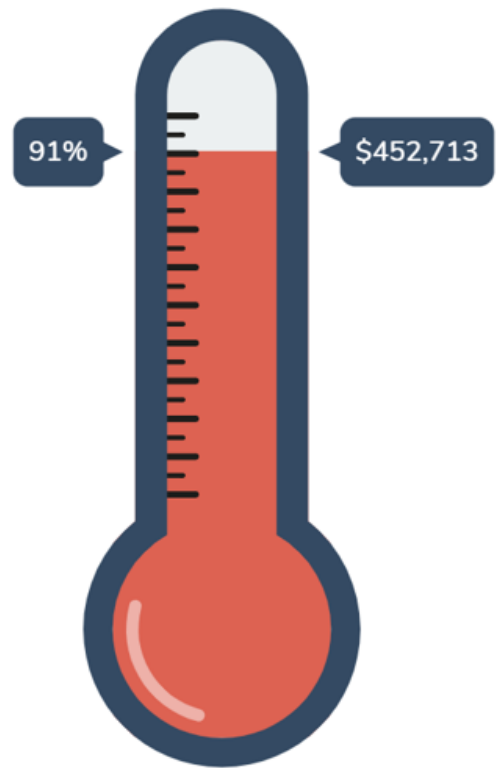
Giving, one of the ultimate acts of faith, demonstrates our belief in God who helps us provide for and serve others. Giving manifests our faith in First Presbyterian's role in God's future.

Your generosity and commitment to the many missions of FPC has resulted in confirmed pledges totaling \$452,713. If you have returned your 2023 Stewardship Cards or set-up your online pledge already: **a sincere thank you!**

**We're making great progress! We've surpassed the number of 2022 pledgers and we've reached 91% of our goal! Prayerfully, we hope to reach our finish line soon.** We realize many tune into our worship services virtually and have not been able to turn in your pledge card. **You can still show your faith in God's future by pledging online or sending a picture of your pledge card to Kristine Olson at [olson@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:olson@fpcdavenport.org).**

If you want help setting up your online pledge, please contact Kristine Olson, Finance Manager, at [olson@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:olson@fpcdavenport.org) or (563) 326-1691 x219.

**GOAL: \$500,000**



	November 2022		November 2021	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	\$ 68,520	\$ 62,522	\$ 35,125	\$ 67,130
Custodial Accounts Income	8,992	-	5,473	-
Compensation Expenses	(51,805)	(55,148)	(39,452)	(48,534)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	(16,799)	(17,502)	(25,018)	(15,397)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(8,992)	-	(5,473)	-
<b>Surplus (Deficit) Before PPP2 Grant</b>	<b>(\$84)</b>	<b>(\$10,128)</b>	<b>(\$29,345)</b>	<b>\$3,199</b>
PPP2 Grant	-	-	-	-
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$84)</b>	<b>(\$10,128)</b>	<b>(\$29,345)</b>	<b>\$3,199</b>
	2022 Year-To-Date		2021 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	\$ 554,155	\$ 592,178	\$ 670,691	\$ 591,724
Custodial Accounts Income	99,468	-	40,749	-
Compensation Expenses	(489,558)	(554,004)	(426,251)	(487,090)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	(208,070)	(246,438)	(186,576)	(188,042)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(99,468)	-	(40,749)	-
<b>Surplus (Deficit) Before PPP2 Grant</b>	<b>(\$143,473)</b>	<b>(\$208,264)</b>	<b>\$57,864</b>	<b>(\$83,408)</b>
PPP2 Grant	108,000	108,000	-	-
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$35,473)</b>	<b>(\$100,264)</b>	<b>\$57,864</b>	<b>(\$83,408)</b>

All numbers are rounded.