



# First Presbyterian Church

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*Energy • Intelligence • Imagination • Love*

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Christmas in July  
Lessons and Carols  
July 9, 2023 at 9:30 AM



A congregation of the  
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)



# Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Davenport

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Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Davenport, a church where EVERYONE is welcome. On behalf of the entire First Pres family, we want you to know that we are so glad you're here. We are a proud congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), where We Choose WELCOME!

We welcome followers of Jesus who are solid in their faith, and we welcome questioning believers seeking deeper meaning in their life. We welcome those who come from different faith backgrounds, such as Methodists, Lutherans, and Catholics, and those with no faith background at all; for we are all one in Christ Jesus. No matter where you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome here!

We hope you experience the warmth and friendliness of our congregation. It is a place that long-term members have described as their spiritual home for generations. It is also a place where people newer to our community of faith have found a safe and sacred space for themselves and their families.

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**Nursery** care is available during the worship service for children (birth through age 4). The nursery is staffed by trained and background-checked caregivers from 8:45 AM to 12:15 PM. The nursery is on the third floor of the Christian Education (CE) building. Ask a worship host if you need assistance locating this space.

**Kirkwood Choir** is offered during the service, after the Children's Message, for all children ages five through sixth grade. Kirkwood Choir provides music for worship monthly throughout the program year.

**MusikGarten**, a program for parents/caregivers and young children (birth through age 4), is provided after the service in room #310 of the CE building. MusikGarten is our unique program that allows participation in a fun, energetic environment while instilling a love and understanding of music in young children.

**Sunday school** for children (preschool through grade six) and adults is offered after the service. Children's Sunday school is located on the third floor of the CE building. Adult Sunday school is located in Von Maur Hall. Please ask a worship host if you need assistance locating these spaces.

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COVENANT NETWORK  
OF PRESBYTERIANS

Our Session (church council) has adopted a bold vision of creating safe and sacred space for all. We aren't perfect at it, but we are joyfully beginning to live into this new vision. We are an open and

affirming congregation, and a proud member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians ([covnetpres.org](http://covnetpres.org)). The Session and members of First Pres extend a sincere welcome to all persons regardless of race, nationality, gender, or sexual orientation. This includes an open invitation to membership, the sacraments of baptism and communion, marriage, funerals, memorial services, and service as an officer of the church.



MATTHEW 25

We are a Matthew 25 church in the PC(USA). 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.

✠ Worshipers who are comfortably able are invited to stand in body or spirit.

**Bold** indicates congregational response.

# Christmas in July Lessons and Carols Order of Worship

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

*As we begin worship, please silence your cell phones.  
Take a quiet moment to center yourself in the presence of God.  
We invite you to meditate silently on art, music, and Scripture.*

## Preparing for the Word

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### Prelude

Fantasy on "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"

Alex Gilson

### Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Dr. Kris Schondelmeyer

*(Announcements are generally delivered by the pastor. If you have an announcement, you would like us to consider sharing, please send the information with all important details to the church office by noon on Thursday. Announcements will be selected by relevance to church programming and time limitations.)*

### Prelude

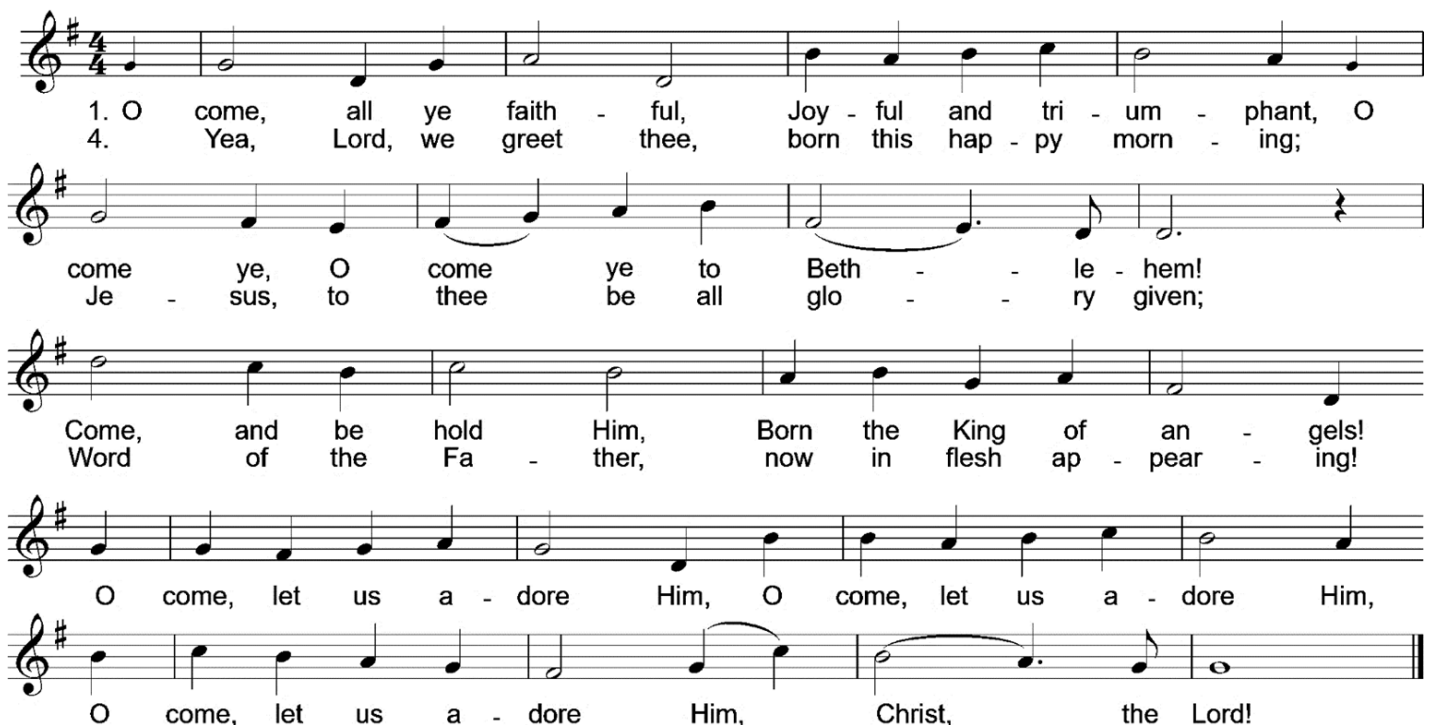
What Child is This  
Anna Putman - Flute, Rebecca Buening-Ferris - Harp

Arr. Alex Gilson

### ✦ Hymn

O Come, All Ye Faithful (Verses 1 and 4)

ADESTE FIDELES



1. O come, all ye faithful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O  
4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing;  
come ye, O come ye to all Beth - le - hem!  
Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry given;  
Come, and be hold Him, Born the King of an - gels!  
Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing!  
O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him,  
O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ, the Lord!

One: May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

**All: And also with you!**

*(In a way that is comfortable for you, please share the Peace of Christ with those around you.)*

## **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. Let us pray.

## **Prayer of Confession**

**God of Joy, we come to celebrate Love Incarnate here in our very midst. Your glorious love is enough to cause the forests to sing for joy, yet we still find reasons to complain and sigh. Your light of salvation is bright enough to illuminate every corner of our lives, yet we still find ourselves shrouded in the darkness of worry and doubt. Your gift of grace is big enough for the whole world, yet we still find ourselves resentful that your grace extends to those whom we deem to be unworthy. God, you invite us into the light of the stable where the overlooked and forgotten gathered to celebrate the miracle of your birth. Give us the strength and courage to join you at the manger, to live in the light of your love. Amen.**

## **Assurance**

One: Jesus knows our every weakness and loves us still. Awaken to the promise of Christ's amazing grace. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

## **Listening for the Word**

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### **Children's Message**

The Rev. Dr. Kris Schondelmeyer

### **Prayer for Illumination**

Kristy Woodrow

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

### **First Lesson**

John 1:1-14

# ♣ Hymn #31

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

MENDELSSOHN



1. Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King.  
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!  
 3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righ - teous - ness!

Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"  
 Late in time be - hold Him come, Off - spring of the vir - gin's womb.  
 Light and life to all He brings, Risen with heal - ing in His wings.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;  
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; Hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty,  
 Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die,

With the an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"  
 Pleased in flesh with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.  
 Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.

Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King!"

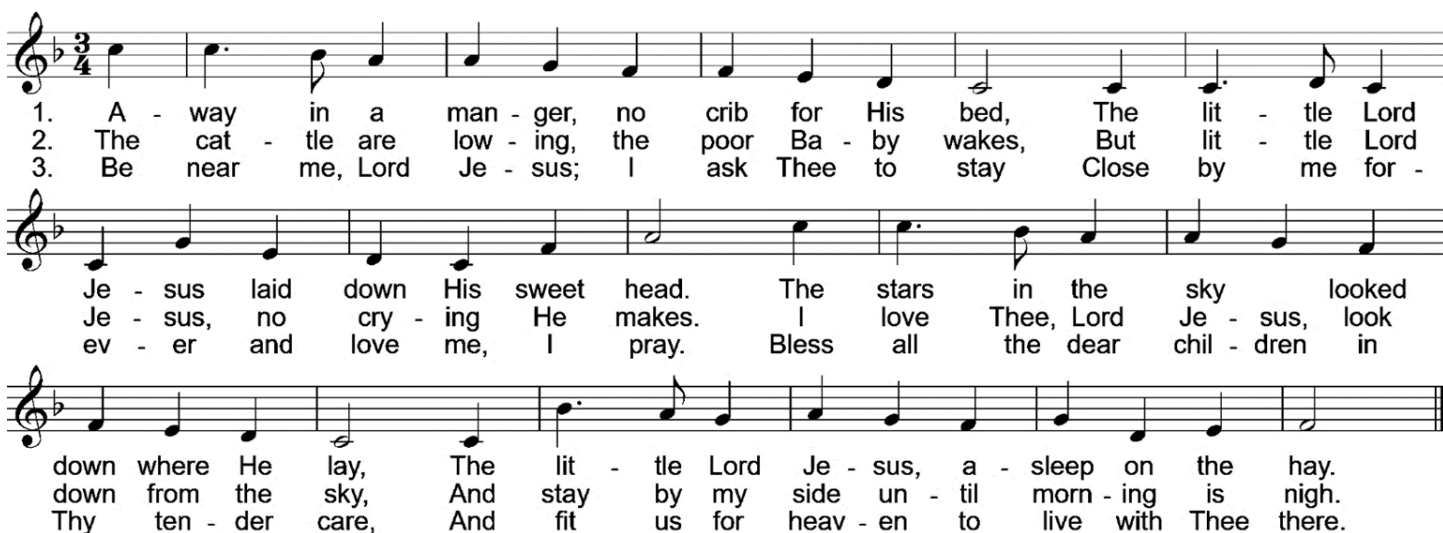
## Second Lesson

Luke 1:26-28, 30-35, 46-69; 2:1-7

# ♣ Hymn #25

Away in a Manger

MUELLER



1. A - way in a man - ger, no crib for His bed, The lit - tle Lord  
 2. The cat - tle are low - ing, the poor Ba - by wakes, But lit - tle Lord  
 3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask Thee to stay Close by me for -

Je - sus laid down His sweet head. The stars in the sky looked  
 Je - sus, no cry - ing He makes. I love Thee, Lord Je - sus, look  
 ev - er and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear chil - dren in

down where He lay, The lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.  
 down from the sky, And stay by my side un - til morn - ing is nigh.  
 Thy ten - der care, And fit us for heav - en to live with Thee there.

## Third Lesson

Luke 2:8-14

♣ Hymn #23

Angels We Have Heard on High

GLORIA

1. An - gels we have heard on high, Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,  
 2. She - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro-long?  
 3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;

And the moun - tains in re - ply Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.  
 What the glad - some tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?  
 Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.

Glo - - - - - ri - a  
 in ex - cel - sis De - o, Glo - - - - -  
 - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - - - o.

Fourth Lesson

Luke 2:15-20

♣ Hymn #53

What Child is This

GREENSLEEVES

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing?  
 2. Why lies He in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are feed - ing?  
 3. So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, one and all, to own Him.

Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?  
 Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.  
 The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let lov - ing hearts en - throne Him.

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;

Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!

# Responding to the Word

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## Prayers of the People

### Lord's Prayer

**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.**

### Offering Our Gifts and Lives to God



*To share your pledge or offering, you may place it in the offering plate as it is passed down the aisle. If it is more convenient for you, please visit the church website at [www.fpcdavenport.org](http://www.fpcdavenport.org), and click on "Donate Now," or you may donate directly from your smartphone by scanning the QR code with your phone's camera. You may also mail your pledge or offering to the church office.*

### Offertory

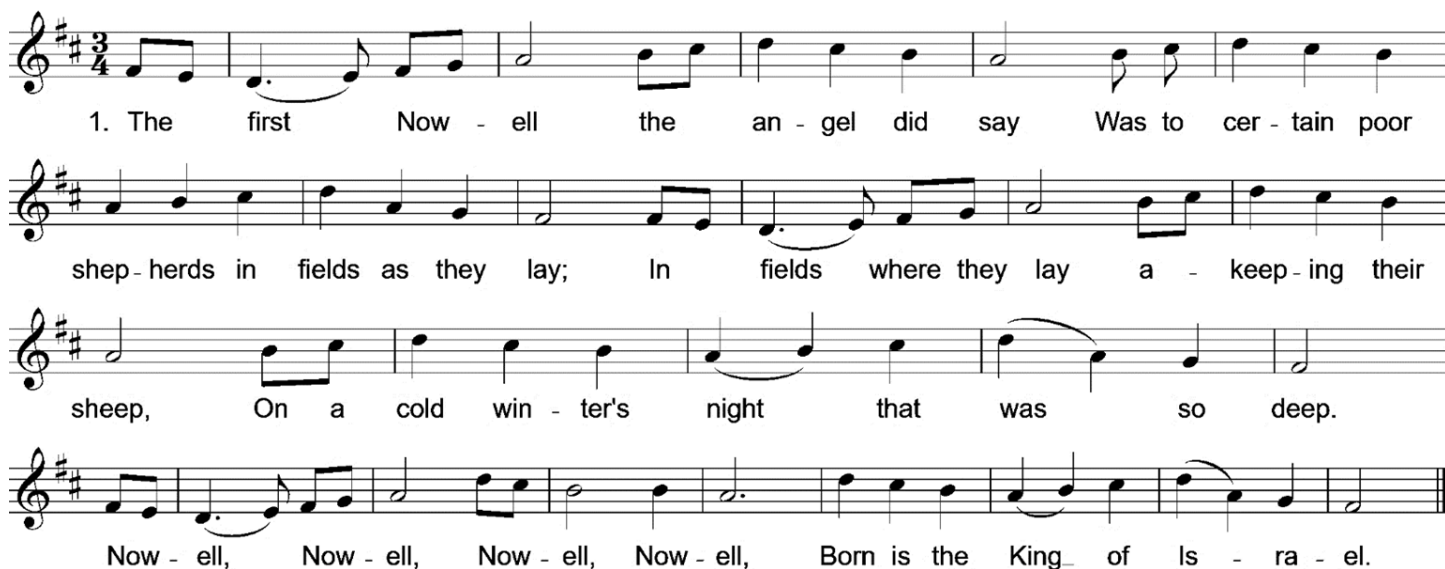
A Christmas Medley  
Julia Meyer, Alex Gilson - Handbells

Alex Gilson

### ✠ Doxology #56

The First Nowell (Verse 1)

THE FIRST NOWELL



1. The first Now - ell the an - gel did say Was to cer - tain poor  
shep - herds in fields as they lay; In fields where they lay a - keep - ing their  
sheep, On a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.  
Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell, Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

### ✠ Prayer of Dedication

## **Reception of new members**

### **Presentation**

### **Scripture**

### **Profession of Faith**

### **Questions for New Members**

Pastor: Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

**New Members: I Do.**

Pastor: Do you turn to Jesus Christ, and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

**New Members: I Do.**

Pastor: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

**New Members: I Will.**

Pastor: You have publicly professed your faith. Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry, through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

**New Members: I Will.**

### **Welcome**

## **Baptism**

### **Presentation**

### **Questions for the New Member**

Pastor: Putting your whole trust in the grace and love of Jesus Christ, do you desire to be baptized?

**Parents: I do.**

### **Questions for the Congregation**

Clerk of Session: Do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Josh, by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of his church?

**Congregation: We do.**

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

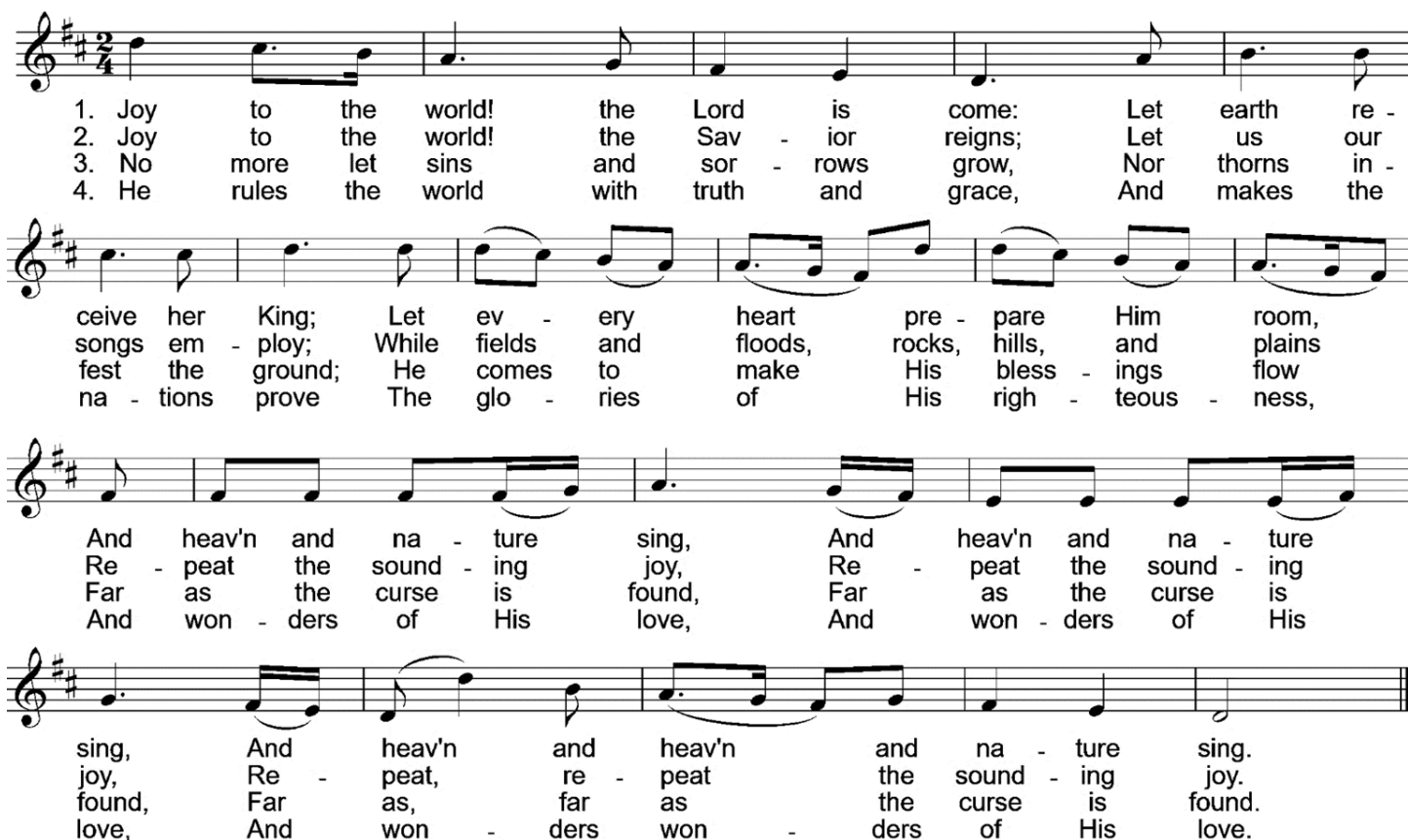
Joshua John Crow



♣ Hymn #40

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH



1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let earth re -  
 2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let us our  
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, Nor thorns in -  
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the

ceive her King; Let ev - ery heart pre - pare Him room,  
 songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
 fest the ground; He comes to make of His bless - ings flow  
 na - tions prove The glo - ries of His righ - teous - ness,

And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture  
 Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing  
 Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is  
 And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His

sing, And heav'n and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
 joy, Re - peat, and re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 found, Far as, far as the curse is found.  
 love, And won - ders won - ders of His love.

♣ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Final from Organ Symphony No. 1, Op. 14

Louis Vierne  
 (1870-1937)

## WORSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS

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**Worship Hosts** – Doug Wells (Lead Host), Ami Wells, Craig Foster, Sharon Simmonds, Nancy Foster

**Sound/Video Technicians** – Mitch Doremus, Jim Middleton

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## JOYS & CONCERNS

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**In Our Prayers:** families and victims of gun violence; the people of Ukraine and all who groan under oppression; for God's mercy and grace to touch Kathy Yoke, Kevin Wilson, Marilyn McQuillen, and all who are in need of God's healing grace.

*(Beginning June 4, names will be listed in the list above for 30 days unless otherwise requested.)*

**Mission Partners:** Rev. José Pilar Alvarez Cabrera and Rev. Nestor Eduardo Alvarez Cabrera in Zacapa, Guatemala; Ray of Vision in Harare, Zimbabwe; Veda Gill in Pakistan.

**Hospital Visits:** The Pastors and Deacons make hospital visits when patients give permission.

**In-Touch Information:** For anyone who is homebound and would enjoy contact from one of First Presbyterian's In-Touch members, please contact Deacon Colleen Dueñas (563-514-6396).

**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 Shawls:** 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 coat rack near the main office.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

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Visit the First Pres website to view the full calendar

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

## Sunday, July 9

MusikGarten	8:30 AM	Zoom
Nursery Open	8:45 - 12:15 PM	CE Building 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor
Worship Service	9:30 AM	Sanctuary & Online
Summer Sunday School	10:30 AM	CE Building
MusikGarten	10:35 AM	Room #310
Scout Troop 7 & 1107	4:30 - 6:00 PM	Gym, Game Room, Library
TAF Rehearsal	6:30- 8:30 PM	Von Maur Hall

## Monday, July 10

Pickleball	9:00 - 11:00 AM	Gym
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## Tuesday, July 11

Caring Closet	9:00 - Noon	CE Building 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor
Staff Worship Planning	12:00 - 1:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Church Staff Meeting	1:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
TAF Rehearsal	3:30 - 4:30 PM	Von Maur Hall
Finance Committee Meeting	7:00 - 8:45 PM	Zoom

## Wednesday, July 12

Pickle Ball	9:00 - 11:00 AM	Gym
TAF Rehearsal	6:00 - 8:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Bible Basics 201	6:15 - 7:15 PM	Zoom
CEFY Meeting	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Zoom

## Thursday, July 13

TOPS	5:30 - 6:30 PM	Fireplace Room
TAF Rehearsal	6:00 - 8:00 PM	Von Maur Hall

## Friday, July 14

Caring Closet	2:00 - 5:00 PM	CE Building 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor
Wedding Rehearsal	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Sanctuary

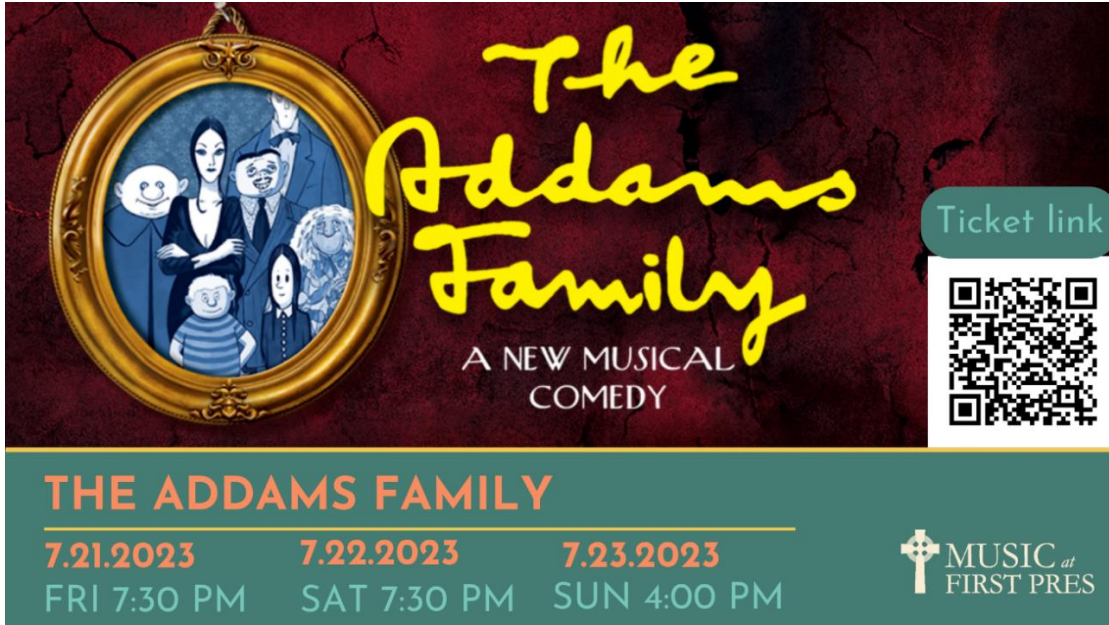
## Saturday, July 15

TAF Rehearsal	9:30 - 11:30 AM	Von Maur Hall
Wedding	4:00 - 6:00 PM	Sanctuary

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### First Presbyterian's Performing Arts Series presents:

A promotional poster for 'The Addams Family' musical. The top half features a dark red, textured background. On the left is a gold oval frame containing a stylized illustration of the Addams Family. To the right of the frame, the title 'The Addams Family' is written in a large, yellow, cursive font. Below the title, in smaller white capital letters, is 'A NEW MUSICAL COMEDY'. In the top right corner, there is a green button with the text 'Ticket link' and a QR code below it. The bottom half of the poster has a teal background. It features the title 'THE ADDAMS FAMILY' in large, bold, orange capital letters. Below this, the performance dates and times are listed: '7.21.2023 FRI 7:30 PM', '7.22.2023 SAT 7:30 PM', and '7.23.2023 SUN 4:00 PM'. In the bottom right corner, there is a logo for 'MUSIC at FIRST PRES' featuring a white cross icon.

**THE ADDAMS FAMILY**

**7.21.2023** **7.22.2023** **7.23.2023**  
FRI 7:30 PM SAT 7:30 PM SUN 4:00 PM

**MUSIC at FIRST PRES**

### Hands-On Ministry Opportunity

The Caring closet has started a sandwich mission on Tuesdays from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. We will be passing lunches out to our patrons that morning as they shop. We felt that this would be very well accepted by our neighbors and so we decided to try it this summer. If you're interested in helping us make sandwiches or want to come and help pass out the sack lunches, we'd be happy to have you join us. Just call or email Ruth Ann Tobey-Brown and we will be sure to include you.

RuthAnn: 563-370-6215 or [ruthsobeybrown1@gmail.com](mailto:ruthsobeybrown1@gmail.com)

### Bible Basics July 2023

In July, Bible Basics is continuing to share a video series called, In Search of the Historical Jesus. This series is created and led by Jean-Pierre Isbouts, a biblical scholar, historian, author, and an engaging presenter. No preparation is needed. We will watch and discuss one 20-25 minute video each week. The series will continue all summer. Please join us on Zoom as often as you are able. All are welcome. We meet Wednesdays at 6:15 PM. Please contact Mark Jones ([mkjones@mchsi.com](mailto:mkjones@mchsi.com)) for more information.

**Here is the Zoom information:** <https://zoom.us/join>

Meeting ID: 891 7284 9383

Passcode: 831525

### Scout Troop 7/Scout Troop 1107

Troop 7 would like to introduce their new Scout Master, Dan Darland. Dan grew up in T7 in the 70's and 80's. He has several years' experience as a Scout Master with Troop 92 in DeWitt where his boys attended scouting. Troop 7 and Troop 1107 (our newly formed girls' troop) always welcome new members. If you are 11 years old or older and are interested in Scouting, please feel free to join us at one of our meetings. Meetings are held on Sundays at First Presbyterian Church from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM. For more information contact Dan Darland at 563-210-0350.

## Summer Worship Schedule

Session has voted to continue our single service worship format through the summer. We are aware that many enjoy summer opportunities to worship outside on our beautiful campus. Session has designated that the third Sunday of each month (June, July, and August) will be an outdoor service, weather permitting. Worship will continue to be held on Sundays at 9:30 AM, including on the third Sunday.

## Upcoming Worship Themes

Sunday, July 16	Blessing of the Animals (outdoor service)
Sunday, July 23	Pat Halverson preaching (Pastor Kris on vacation)
Sunday, July 30	Pat Halverson preaching (Pastor Kris on vacation)
Sunday, August 6	Bix Jazz Service
Sunday, August 13	Kristy Woodrow preaching (Pastor Kris on continuing education leave)

## Transition in the Church Office

We are continuing in a transition period in the church office. Please offer grace to all the staff as we search for our next Director of Office Administration. Interviews will be starting very soon.

*VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:* Office hours are from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. We will be staffing the front office with volunteers to assist with minor receptionist responsibilities. You are invited to help us out by signing up to serve one or more days. Volunteers can choose to serve the full 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, or you can serve half of that time (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM or 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM). Please contact Ruth Ann Tobey-Brown before showing up to volunteer in the church office.

## Staff Summer Vacation/Continuing Education Schedules

Our staff work hard to serve the congregation and community, and it is important for them to take time to rest, or to continue growing in their own knowledge and faith to better serve the church. To help respect the staff during their time away, please note the following vacation/continuing education dates for our staff.

Matt Bishop	
August 7 – August 26	Vacation
August 27 – August 31	Continuing Education
Alex Gilson	
August 4 – August 14	Vacation
Kristy Woodrow	
July 23 – July 27	Continuing Education
August 28 – September 7	Vacation
The Rev. Dr. Kristopher D. Schondelmeyer	
July 10 – July 12	Vacation
July 23 – August 5	Vacation
August 12 – August 18	Continuing Education

## Summer Sunday School

This summer we are offering Sunday School most Sundays throughout the summer, open to kids in pre-school and up! We will continue using the one-room schoolhouse model and will meet following the morning worship service. During worship, we will remain in the sanctuary so the kids can hear the Scriptures read and the Word proclaimed. Either coloring pages or a quiet activity will be offered in the back of the sanctuary after the Children's Message. When the weather is nice, we will go outside for Sunday School and if it rains, we will be in the gym.

## Faith and Film Series

This August, Pastor Kris invites you to join for a series we're calling Faith and Film. On four Thursday evenings in August from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM we'll be showing a motion picture in Von Maur Hall. This year, each motion picture is set in the period of the 1960's and deals with racial tensions. We'll start shortly after 6:00 PM and run the movie until its conclusion. Then, we'll have a few minutes for group discussion about how the film can speak to our faith. Feel free to bring dinner with you. We will have lite refreshments.

Childcare: If you need childcare, please speak with Kristy Woodrow, Director of Christian Education.

August 10: *Green Book*, rated PG-13

*Green Book* is a 2018 American biographical comedy-drama film directed by Peter Farrelly. Set in 1962, the film is inspired by the true story of a tour of the Deep South by African American classical and jazz pianist Don Shirley and Italian American bouncer Frank "Tony Lip" Vallelonga who served as Shirley's driver and bodyguard. The film was written by Farrelly, Brian Hayes Currie and Vallelonga's son, Nick Vallelonga, based on interviews with his father and Shirley, as well as letters his father wrote to his mother. The film is named after *The Negro Motorist Green Book*, a mid-20th century guidebook for African American travelers written by Victor Hugo Green.

August 17: *Selma*, rated PG-13

*Selma* is a 2014 historical drama film based on the 1965 Selma to Montgomery voting rights marches led by James Bevel, Hosea Williams, Martin Luther King Jr., and John Lewis. The film stars actors David Oyelowo as King, Tom Wilkinson as President Lyndon B. Johnson, Tim Roth as George Wallace, Carmen Ejogo as Coretta Scott King, and Common as Bevel.

August 24: *Hidden Figures*, rated PG

*Hidden Figures* is a 2016 American biographical drama film loosely based on the non-fiction book of the same name by Margot Lee Shetterly about black female mathematicians who worked at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) during the Space Race.

August 31: *The Butler*, rated PG-13

*The Butler* is a 2013 American historical drama film directed and co-produced by Lee Daniels. It is inspired by Wil Haygood's Washington Post article "A Butler Well Served by This Election." Loosely based on the real life of Eugene Allen, who worked in the White House for decades, the film stars Forest Whitaker as Cecil Gaines, an African-American who is a witness of notable political and social events of the 20th century during his 34-year tenure serving as a White House butler.

## Don't Let Your Pledge Take a Summer Vacation

Can you believe summer is here? Summer invites us to rest, relax, and re-create ourselves. This time of year finds most of us very active and frequently gone for several weeks at a time, or maybe several weekends at a time.

Even though you may be planning on being away, the church's financial obligations continue during the summer months. We simply ask that you keep your pledge current.

There are a number of ways you can maintain your pledge this summer:

- set up a monthly automatic deduction from your bank account;
- set up monthly credit card payments;
- mail checks in to the Finance Office;
- or pre-pay your summer giving.

If you would like auto deductions or credit card payments, contact Kristine in the Finance Office for set-up.

We appreciate your ongoing and timely giving of your pledges and offerings. Your contributions make all the difference here at First Presbyterian Church!

## Introducing our New Members



### Debbie Bates

I grew up with a religious background in the Lutheran church. I am looking for my spiritual path through Pastor Kris' sermons and the congregation. I heard the call of the Lord to reach my peace of mind and guidance in Christ through the church and its congregation. I am coming to First Presbyterian through my relationship with Wayne Hean. I enjoy crochet, bingo, cooking, and baking. I am looking forward to working with Pastor Kris and the congregation to find and keep God's grace in guidance of my faith.



### Josh Crow

I reside with my spouse, Sam, within the city limits of Davenport Iowa. I have been attending First Presbyterian Church intermittently since our wedding in 2014. Though you may not hear me sing, I enjoy listening to the rowdy FPC choir. I am looking forward to officially joining the church and getting Baptized.



### Rebecca Chomycia

My fiancé, Eric, and I have 6 children between us, four (4) girls, two (2) boys (one left in school). We have one grandbaby; he is seven (7). I work fulltime for the VA and love serving veterans. I am also in school fulltime until December...hopefully. I like to run/walk. I especially like to bike and am training for a triathlon. I hope to run\walk a 10k this year, maybe a half-marathon. I am from Burlington originally. I lived in the Iowa City area most of the past 30 years. My fiancé brought me here, and I have a sister here.



### Eric Sholl

I was married for nearly 19 years in Rock Island and have 3 children with my former wife. I am now engaged to Rebecca Chomycia. My children mostly stay with their mother. I am an avid runner and I have completed three (3) marathons and six (6) half-marathons. I am a member of Cornbelt Running Club. I have a Master of Accounting degree from St. Ambrose and I got my Bachelors from the University of Tennessee - Knoxville.

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Patrick Downing	Paula Burnett	Nancy Chapman
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Michael Ferris	Nancy Foster	Nathan Kabel
RuthAnn Tobey-Brown	Bev Koos	Kristine Oswald
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	Karla Ruiter	Vicki Stegall
	Jay Williams	
		<i>Clerk of Session</i>
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### Deacons

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Katrina Williams		
Sherry Williams		