



First Presbyterian Church

Energy • Intelligence • Imagination • Love

12th Sunday After Pentecost
August 20, 2023 at 9:30 AM



Artist: Pat Halverson

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



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Davenport

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.

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.



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). 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.



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.

12th Sunday After Pentecost

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

Prelude

Impromptu No. 1 in A-flat Major, Op. 29

Frédéric Chopin
(1810-1849)

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Dr. Kristopher D. 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

Bringing in the Sheaves

Goerge Minor
(1845-1904)

✠ Call to Worship

Diana Miller-Bur, Liturgist

One: Come with hearts that are fertile soil for seeds of grace.

All: Plant God's Word in us.

One: Pull the weeds so that God's love might take root.

All: Plant God's Word in us.

One: Come to the harvest ready to bear good fruit.

All: Plant God's Word in us.

✠ Passing of the Peace

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.)

1. A - wake, my soul, and with the sun, your dai - ly
 2. Lord, I my vows to sug - gest, the re - new. Dis - perse my
 3. Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest, this day, all I de -

stage of du - ty run; shake off dull sloth, and
 sins as morn - ing dew; guard my first springs, of
 sign or do or say, that all my powers, of

joy - ful rise to pay your morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 thought and will, and with your self my spir - it fill.
 all their might, in your sole glo - ry may u - nite.

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 the Harvest, we confess that we are sometimes not fertile soil for Your Word to take root in our lives. Our hearts are too often hard, like rocky ground, making it difficult for Your love to grow in us. We allow the weeds of pride, and privilege, and power to crowd out Your grace. Help us to remember that in order for Your Word to take root, to bear good fruit, to produce a harvest of love and compassion, that we need the Water of Life which is Jesus Christ, our Lord. Break ground in us, O God, while in silence we offer our personal confession to You. Amen.

A Time of Silence

(Please take this time in silence to offer your own prayers of confession—confessing your need for God and naming those barriers that keep you from knowing life as God's beloved child.)

Assurance

One: In Jesus Christ, God forgives us, knows us and loves us as we are.

All: **We give thanks, and choose to be changed by God's amazing grace.**

"But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Listening for the Word

Children's Message

Kristy Woodrow

Prayer for Illumination

Good and gracious God, plant Your Word in us as seeds of grace that we might bear good fruit of compassion and love in the world. Amen.

First Lesson

Song of Songs 2:8-13

⁸ The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. ⁹ My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. ¹⁰ My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away, ¹¹ for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. ¹² The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. ¹³ The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

¹³ That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ If you have ears, hear!"

¹⁸ "Hear, then, the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Rooted in Grace: Are You Good Soil?"
The Rev. Dr. Kristopher D. Schondelmeyer

Responding to the Word

♣ Hymn

A Sower Came from Ancient Hills

SEACHRIST

1. A Sow - er came from an - cient hills and cast good
2. A Sow - er walked through - out the land and, ev - ery -
3. The Seed was bur - ried deep in death, be - neath a
4. O Christ, you come a - mong us still, the Sow - er

seed a - broad: his field, ten thou - sand hu - man hearts; his
where he trod, he sowed his life be - cause he was him -
blood - red sky, and deep - er still was bur - ied of hope for
and the Seed. As once you sowed the truth of God in

seed, the word of God. And some who lis - tened would not
self the Seed of God. But then, a - top a bar - ren
those who watched him and die. But then, in Jo - seph's gar - den
glow - ing word and deed, im - plant your Word in wait - ing

hear, and some who heard for - got. But some re - ceived in
hill, be - neath a dark - ening sky, they threw God's Seed on
fair, as dawn broke o'er the land, the Seed, from three days'
hearts, and let it there take hold, un - til it bears in

fer - tile soil the truth the Sow - er taught.
ston - y ground and left it there to die.
si - lent sleep, a - woke at God's com - mand!
fruit - ful lives a har - vest hun - dred - fold.

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, 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.

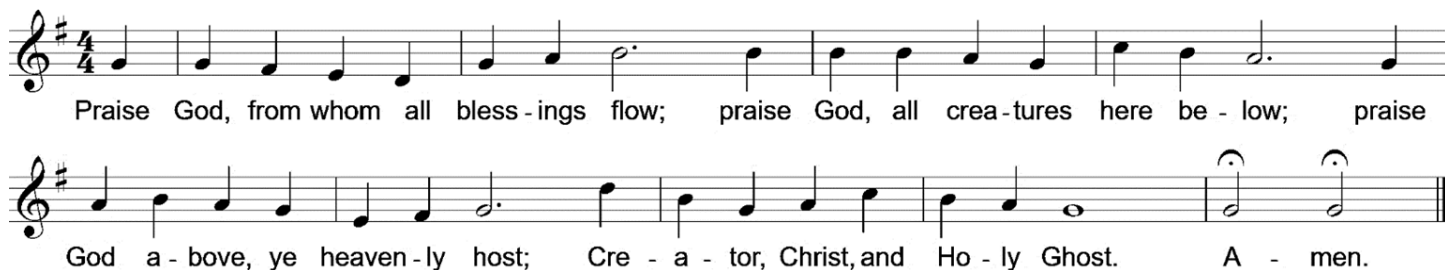
Offertory

Marchin' On Up
Theresa Jacobsmeier - Soprano, Alex Gilson - Piano

Arr. Mark Hayes
(b. 1953)

✦ Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all crea - tures here be - low; praise
God a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

✦ Prayer of Dedication

✦ Hymn

God of the Fertile Fields

ITALIAN HYMN



1. God of the fer - tile fields, shap - er of
2. We would be stew - ards true, hold - ing in
3. As grows the hid - den seed, fruit to that
4. God of the coun - try side, dear to the
earth that yields our dai - ly bread: forth from your
turst that you need, all that you reign give; help us in
serves our who, died, to make us one: Let all our
Christ who died, to make us one: Let all our
boun - teous hand come gifts your love has planned,
love to share, teach us your like you to care
toil be used, no in gift of ful yours love a - bused,
lives a new in faith - ful love to you.
that all in ev - ery land be clothed and fed.
for peo - ple ev - ery - where, that all may live.
no hum - ble task re - fused, your love will be - stows.
Guide all we say and do. Your will be done.

✦ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Two-part Invention No. 10

J. S. Bach
(1675-1750)

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Mark Hayes, Arr., "Marchin' On Up" (©2000 Jubilate Music Group, LLC)

JOYS & CONCERNS

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, Desiree (daughter of Colleen Dueñas), Verna Burrichter, Tom Ervin, Kevin Wilson, 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. 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

Visit the First Pres website to view the full calendar

www.fpcdavenport.org/calendar

Sunday, August 20

MusikGarten	8:30 AM	Zoom
Nursery Open	8:45 - 12:15 PM	CE Building 3 rd Floor
Worship Service	9:30 AM	Sanctuary & Online
Summer Sunday School	10:30 - 11:30 AM	CE Building
MusikGarten	10:35 - 11:05 AM	Room #310
Scout Troop 7 & 1107	4:30 - 6:00 PM	Gym, Game Room, Library

Monday, August 21

Pickleball	9:00 - 11:00 AM	Gym
BTC Book	12:30 - 2:00 PM	Parlor
Session Devotions	6:30 - 7:00 PM	Von Maur Hall & Zoom
Session	7:00 - 9:00 PM	Von Maur Hall & Zoom

Tuesday, August 22

Caring Closet	9:00 - Noon	CE Building 1 st Floor
Staff Worship Planning	12:00 - 1:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Church Staff Meeting	1:00 - 2:00 PM	Von Maur Hall

Wednesday, August 23

Pickle Ball	9:00 - 11:00 AM	Gym
Bible Basics 201	6:15 - 7:15 PM	Zoom

Thursday, August 24

TOPS	5:30 - 6:30 PM	Fireplace Room
Faith & Film: Hidden Figures	6:00 - 8:30 PM	Von Maur Hall

Friday, August 25

Caring Closet	2:00 - 5:00 PM	CE Building 1 st Floor
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Saturday, August 26

Memorial to the Lost- (move shirts)	9:30 - 10:30 AM	Rock Church to Salvation Army
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

KICK-OFF SUNDAY... Save the Date! **Deacons' Community Picnic**

Mark your calendars now, and plan to join us on Sunday, September 10th for our Kick-Off Sunday as we kick off a new season of ministry here at First Presbyterian Church. We will begin with inspiring worship at our regularly scheduled time of 9:30 AM. Immediately following worship, we will participate in a community-wide picnic sponsored by our Deacons.

Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share with the congregation. During the picnic, there will be yard games and activities for all ages, and a bounce house for children.



Upcoming Worship Themes

Sunday, August 27	Preaching Series: Rooted in Grace: The Weeds in our Lives
Sunday, Sept. 3	Preaching Series: Rooted in Grace: Planting Seeds
Sunday, Sept. 10	Preaching Series: We Are One: Love is the Law
Sunday, Sept. 17	Preaching Series: We Are One: I Love Bacon!
Sunday, Sept. 24	Preaching Series: We Are One: Abound in Hope

Presenting.... Our PRAYGROUND!



**This is one of the ways
that we can show that
children are loved and
welcomed here at FPC!**

What is a prayground?

It is an intentional space for children in the sanctuary. Children learn to love liturgy by seeing it and by being around it. Our prayground is a space for children where they can play quietly, worship, and participate in the Sunday service as they are able. From this space, they can see everything that is happening and can get a quiet explanation for what is going on. We have coloring items, reading material, and soft toys for children of all ages. Our staffed nursery remains available for those who wish to use it.

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
Kristy Woodrow	
August 28 – September 7	Vacation

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.

Caring Closet Request

The Caring Closet is in need of towels, sheets and blankets of all sizes, if anyone has some to donate we would be most grateful. Donations can be dropped off at church during regular business hours. Thanks!

Between the Covers (BTC) BookClub

Between the Covers BookClub will be meeting Monday, Aug. 21 at 12:30-2 in the church parlor. We will be discussing *The Last Train to London* by Clayton which tells the story of Jewish children being rescued during the War.

Come join us! Contact Bev Koos for questions at dbcdtr6@yahoo.com

Bible Basics August 2023 Schedule

In August, 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. The lessons in August will concentrate on Jesus' ministry. No preparation is needed. We will watch and discuss one 20-25 minute video each week. The series will continue into September. Please join us on Zoom as often as you are able. All are welcome. Please contact Mark Jones (mkjones@mchsi.com) for more information.

Here is the Zoom information: <https://zoom.us/join>
Meeting ID: 891 7284 9383 Passcode: 831525

Scotland Tour Update

Only 9 Places Left for the 2024 Scotland Tour with Pastor Kris

If you missed the group presentation on our Travel Fellowship trip to Scotland in August 2024, see this week's eNews for a link to the brochure and registration form.

There is no risk in depositing now as everything is refundable until Dec 31, 2023. For more details contact Linda Meadors 309-235-5806

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.

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 ruthtobeybrown1@gmail.com

Pastor Pilar Establishes New Latino Ministry in Quad-Cities

Less than a year after bringing his family from Guatemala as refugees to the U.S., Rev. Jose Pilar Alvarez Cabrera has a new pastoral position! Pilar has been commissioned by the Iowa/Illinois synods of the ELCA (Lutheran) denomination to develop an outreach to the Hispanic population of the Quad-Cities, with the goal of participating in different mission initiatives in the Quad-Cities.

As a centerpiece to the new mission, Pilar has begun leading weekly services. At 1:00 each Sunday afternoon, he leads the service at Trinity Lutheran, Moline, 1330 13th St. At 5:00 each Sunday, he leads the service at St. Mark Lutheran Church, Davenport, 2383 W. 3rd St. Both services are primarily in Spanish but non-Spanish speaking members would be more than welcome as a way to support both Pilar and the new ministry.

The relationship between First Pres and Pastor Pilar originated in 2006, when a joint mission team from FPC and Grace Lutheran churches visited ILUGUA, the church in La Trementina, Guatemala, led by Pilar and his brother Eduardo. Many subsequent visits have strengthened the bond and provided support for ILUGUA's outreach programs to the indigenous population of the region. Pastor Eduardo continues to lead this ministry since Pilar's departure.

Habitat for Humanity

Come join members of FPC Davenport as we support the construction of a Habitat for Humanity home in Davenport! Through the generous support of Craig and Nancy Foster, Habitat is building a new home on Nevada Street, in the neighborhood where Craig grew up. Whether you are a fabulous carpenter or not sure which end of a hammer to hold, there is work for everyone on the Habitat site. We will be having 1/2 day and full day volunteer opportunities on Saturday, 26.

Follow this link to sign up for a spot on the 26th.
<https://app.giveeffect.com/reservations/15532/join?auth=1690922941>
or contact
Glen Roebuck at roebuckg2013@gmail.com

Be advised that there will be an orientation you will have to attend prior to the volunteer day. If you have already volunteered in a Habitat site, this orientation is not necessary. Volunteers must be 16 years of age or older.

As we continue to embrace our Matthew 25 initiatives to address congregational vitality and poverty in our community, this project provides all of us with an excellent opportunity to work together and support our community. We hope to see many FPC members on site supporting this Habitat project.

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!

June Financial Report

	June 2023		June 2022	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	\$ 33,323	\$ 44,892	\$ 35,633	\$ 53,817
Custodial Accounts Income	2,795	-	19,830	-
Compensation Expenses	(52,755)	(60,423)	(42,961)	(51,272)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	(12,440)	(17,776)	(21,626)	(26,567)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(2,795)	-	(19,830)	-
Surplus (Deficit) Before One Time Income Items	(\$31,872)	(\$33,307)	(\$28,954)	(\$24,022)
One Time Income Item(s)	-	-	-	-
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(\$31,872)	(\$33,307)	(\$28,954)	(\$24,022)
	2023 Year-To-Date		2022 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	\$ 357,015	\$ 366,026	\$ 310,391	\$ 352,338
Custodial Accounts Income	26,953	-	30,698	-
Compensation Expenses	(339,577)	(360,122)	(252,879)	(281,313)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	(98,343)	(114,895)	(115,025)	(145,768)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(26,954)	-	(30,698)	-
Surplus (Deficit) Before One Time Income Items	(\$80,906)	(\$108,991)	(\$57,513)	(\$74,743)
One Time Income Item(s)	-	-	108,000	108,000
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(\$80,906)	(\$108,991)	\$50,487	\$33,257

All numbers are rounded.

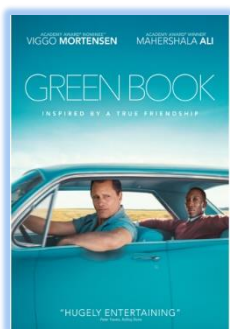
One Time Income Items:

2022: Paycheck Protection Program Grant \$108,000



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.



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.

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Class of 2023

Jim DeReus
Patrick Downing
David Bowles Edwards
Michael Ferris
RuthAnn Tobey-Brown
Jim Woods

Class of 2024

Peter Bawden
Paula Burnett
Kirk Christie
Nancy Foster
Bev Koos
Diane Roebuck
Karla Ruiter
Jay Williams

Class of 2025

Dan Breinich
Nancy Chapman
Bonnie Johnson
Nathan Kabel
Kristine Oswald
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Vicki Stegall

Clerk of Session

Mark Jones

Deacons

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Ted Brown
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