



First Presbyterian Church

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15th Sunday After Pentecost
Kick Off Sunday
September 10, 2023 at 9:30 AM



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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.

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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

Ballade No. 3 in A-flat Major, Op. 47

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.)

Introit

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing

E.T. Chapman
(1902-1981)

✠ Call to Worship

Karla Ruiter, Liturgist

One: We are one body.

All: Each body has many members.

One: Each member has a function.

All: Each of us has a part to play.

One: We are one body in Christ.

All: And individually we are members one of another.

One: We come to share our gifts with God.

All: And we come to share our gifts with each other.

✠ 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.)

Refrain

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love; show
us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from you. *Fine*

1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
2. Neigh - bors are wealth - y and poor, var - ied in col - or and
3. These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should
4. Lov - ing puts us on our knees, will - ing to wash oth - ers'

to Refrain

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
race; neigh - bors are near us and far a - way.
love; all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
feet; this is the way we should live like you.

Call to Confession

We are called to be one body in Christ. Yet, too often we find ways to divide ourselves. We cast judgment on others, and neglect the command to love our neighbor as ourselves. But, it doesn't have to be that way. If we will come before God, open to God's love, God is ready to show us grace and reconcile us one to another. So, in the sure hope of grace that we know in Jesus Christ, let us go to God in our prayer of confession. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. 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: Hear the good news of the gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever. Hallelujah! Amen.

Listening for the Word

Anthem

Clap Your Hands

Alfred V. Fedak
(b. 1953)

Clap your hands, O faithful people! Shout to God a song of praise!
From the dust of conquered nations, God a realm of grace shall raise.
In appointed courts of glory faithful to God's name always,
may we prosper all our days.

With a shout, and blast of trumpet, God shall mount a throne on high;
let our praise, as finest incense, rise to meet God in the sky.
Fill the world with glad rejoicing, heaven shall sing, and earth reply,
all God's works to glorify.

Let your hearts be filled with gladness, as the Lord your life shall bless;
live as heirs of God's great justice, wear the cloak of righteousness.
God will grant us earth's dominion, all things good, and nothing less,
for our gift of faithfulness.
(Psalm 47, paraphrased by Michael Morgan)

Children's Message

Blessing of the Backpacks

Prayer for Illumination

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Lesson

Psalms 149

- ¹ Praise the Lord!
Sing to the Lord a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the faithful.
- ² Let Israel be glad in its Maker;
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.
- ³ Let them praise his name with dancing,
making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.
- ⁴ For the Lord takes pleasure in his people;
he adorns the humble with victory.
- ⁵ Let the faithful exult in glory;
let them sing for joy on their couches.
- ⁶ Let the high praises of God be in their throats
and two-edged swords in their hands,
- ⁷ to execute vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples,
- ⁸ to bind their kings with fetters
and their nobles with chains of iron,
- ⁹ to execute on them the judgment decreed.
This is glory for all his faithful ones.
Praise the Lord!

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson

Romans 13:8-14

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"We Are One: Love is the Law"
The Rev. Dr. Kristopher D. Schondelmeyer

Responding to the Word

Hymn

Though I May Speak

GIFT OF LOVE

1. Though I may speak with brav - est fire,
2. Though I may give come, all I pos - sess,
3. Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol;
and have the gift to all in - spire,
and our spir - its long my love be pro - fess, whole.
and have not love, my words are vain,
but not be given, by love ev - every in,
Let in - ward love guide love ev - every deed;
as sound - ing brass, and hope - less gain.
the prof - it soon, turns strange - ly thin.
by this we wor - ship, and are freed.

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

Great is Thy Faithfulness
Patrick Downing - Piano
In Loving Memory of Thomas B. Ervin

arr. Cindy Berry

✠ Doxology

We Are One in the Spirit (Verse 1) THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS



1. We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our
love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

✠ Prayer of Dedication

♣ Hymn

Sing a New Song unto the Lord

SING A NEW SONG

Refrain

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 3/4 time. It consists of several staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff begins with the word 'Refrain'. The lyrics are: 'Sing a new song un - to the Lord; let your song be sung from moun - tain high. Sing a new song un - to the Lord, sing-ing "Al - le - lu - ia."' The word 'Fine' is written at the end of the first line of music. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: '1. Yah - weh's peo - ple dance for joy. O come be - 2. Rise, O chil - dren, from your sleep; your the Sav - ior 3. Glad my soul for I have seen the glo - ry fore now the Lord. And play for him on of has the Lord. The He trum - pet sound; your the glad tam - bou - rines, and let your trum - pet sound. sor - row to joy, and filled your soul with song. dead shall be raised. I know my Sav - ior lives.' The word 'to Refrain' is written at the end of the second line of music.

♣ Charge and Benediction

Sending Anthem

Go Forth into the World in Peace

John Rutter
(b. 1945)

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.

(Book of Common Prayer, 1928)

Postlude

Fugue and Chaconne in C Major, BuxWV 137

Dietrich Buxtehude
(1637-1707)

WORSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS

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Prayer of Confession from the *Book of Common Worship*, p. 88

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 Tom Ervin, and David Nelson (Tim Nelson's father); for God's mercy and grace to touch Melanie Steckel, Dorothy Downing (Patrick Downing's grandmother), Desiree (daughter of Colleen Dueñas), Verna Burrichter, Tom Ervin, Kevin Wilson, and all who are in need of God's healing grace.

(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, September 10

Nursery Open	8:45 - 12:15 PM	CE Building 3 rd Floor
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	8:45 - 9:15 AM	Sanctuary
Kick Off Worship Service Sunday	9:30 AM	Sanctuary & Online
Kick Off Sunday Picnic	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	West Parking Lot
Scout Troop 7 & 1107	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Gym, Game Room, Library

Monday, September 11

Pickle Ball	9:00 - 11:00 AM	Gym
Building & Grounds	5:30 - 7:00 PM	Parlor
Deacons' Outreach	6:15 - 7:00 PM	Parlor
Member Care	6:30 - 7:00 PM	Library
Mission Connection	6:30 - 7:00 PM	Von Maur Hall - Zoom
Board of Deacons	7:00 - 8:00 PM	Von Maur Hall

Tuesday, September 12

Caring Closet	9:00 - Noon	CE Building 1 st Floor
Church Staff Meeting	12:00 - 1:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Church Worship Planning	1:00 - 2:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Homecoming Dress Giveaway	4:30 - 6:30 PM	Fellowship Hall
Finance Committee	7:00 - 8:45 PM	Zoom

Wednesday, September 13

Pickle Ball	9:00 - 11:00 AM	Gym
Women of Hope Bible Study	10:00 - 12:00 PM	Parlor
Bible Basics 201	6:15 - 7:15 PM	Zoom
CEFY Meeting	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Zoom

Thursday, September 14

Foundation Bot	5:30 - 6:45 PM	
CDF Meeting	5:30 - 6:30 PM	Parlor
TOPS	5:30 - 6:30 PM	Fireplace Room

Friday, September 15

Caring Closet	2:00 - 5:00 PM	CE Building 1 st Floor
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Saturday, September 16

Deacon Retreat	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Memorial to the Lost- (move shirts)	9:30 - 10:30 AM	First Baptist Church of Davenport To Sacred Heart

Sunday, September 17

Musikgarten on Zoom	8:30 - 9:30 AM	Zoom
Nursery Open	8:45 - 12:15 PM	CE Building 3 rd Floor
Choir Rehearsal	8:45 - 9:15 AM	Sanctuary
Worship Service	9:30 AM	Sanctuary & Online
Sunday School	10:35 - 11:30 AM	CE Building 3 rd Floor
Adult Christian Education	10:35 - 11:20 AM	Von Maur Hall
Musikgarten in Person	10:35 - 11:05 AM	Room 310
Scout Troop 7 & 1107	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Gym, Game Room, Library

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Prayer Shawl Group

The Prayer Shawl Group will meet on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. Judy Hawthorne is hosting the group in her home, 4404 Royal Oaks Drive, Davenport. All who enjoy knitting or crocheting shawls for the Prayer Shawl Ministry of FPC or hats, scarves, and blankets for Knit for Kids, a World Vision program are welcome. Questions? Contact Judy at 563-370-4078 or thornebj67@gmail.com or Karla Jones at 563-349-4000 or mkjones@mchsi.com.

Upcoming Worship Themes

Sunday, Sept. 17	Preaching Series: We Are One: I Love Bacon!
Sunday, Sept. 24	Preaching Series: We Are One: Leaning into Transition

Hold the Date!

Congregational Information Meeting

September 24, 2023

We will be having an informational Congregational Meeting following the 9:30 AM church service on September 24th. There will be no formal church business conducted at the meeting, rather it is a time to share information about the activities, goals and plans of the church with the congregation.

Session Highlights - August 2023

- Welcomed Jim Middleton as the new Director of Office Administration.
- Approved modifications to the Holiday Policy and the Shared Leave Policy.
- Received news that the church received the generous donation of \$100,000 for the Birdies for Charity match. The Birdies donations will be received this fall with a Birdies bonus payment. The church also applied for and received funds through the Federal Employee Tax Credit program.
- Approved Sunday, September 24, 2023 for our fall Informational Meeting of the Congregation. The meeting will follow morning worship. Our Transitional Executive Presbyter, Seth Normington, will preach that day and attend the meeting that follows.
- A fall Leadership Retreat for church leaders will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2023.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Bible Basics September 2023 Schedule

In September, Bible Basics will complete the 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 this month will discuss the arrest & trial of Jesus and the rise of the early church that follows Jesus' death and resurrection. No preparation is needed. We will watch and discuss one 20-25 minute video each week. 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 link:
<https://zoom.us/join> Meeting ID: 891 7284 9383 Passcode: 831525

Christian Education at FPC

We are so excited to kick off a new programming year! Among other opportunities for education and faith formation that will be announced throughout the year, the following will be available most Sundays through the end of May 2024.

Adult Christian Education – Our Adult Christian Education class will meet following the worship service in Von Maur Hall. We have a lot of exciting topics lined up for this coming year and would love for you to join us!

Youth and Children's Sunday School – This year we are offering three separate classes following the worship service! The breakup of classes will be pre-k – 2nd grade (Fireplace Room), 3rd – 5th grade (Room 311), and 6th – 12th grade (Room 302/youth room).

Confirmation – Pastor Kris and Kristy will be leading the 2024 confirmation class this year. Confirmation will be open to any youth in 7th through 12th grade and will meet from 5 to 7 pm on the 1st and 3rd Sunday evening of the month. Dinner will be served.

Youth Group – Our youth group will be open to any youth in 6th through 12th grade! Meetings will be from 5 to 7 pm on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. Dinner will be served.

More information on these programs, including seasonal calendars, will be available in the coming fall newsletter and on the church website. Relevant registrations will be available in the back of the sanctuary, on the church website, and sent via email. If you have any questions, or would like help getting involved, please contact Director of Christian Education, Kristy Woodrow, at woodrow@fpcdavenport.org.



Youth Ministry Dinners

Do you have a gift for cooking for groups? We are looking for folks willing to provide dinner for our youth on Sunday nights at 5 pm. You could also sponsor the cost of a pizza dinner if cooking isn't your gift (or if the time just doesn't allow it)! If you can provide, or sponsor, a youth-friendly meal, please sign up here or scan the QR code: <http://bit.ly/47La4ny>. Trouble with the website? Email or call Kristy and let her know you'd like to provide or sponsor one (or more) dinners.



Youth Ministry Kick-Off

Call all FPC youth in 6th - 12th grades and their families (parents and siblings)! You are invited to join us for the 2023 - 2024 Youth Group Kick-off. We will meet on Sunday, September 17th from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM for a family dinner (provided by FPC). Around 5:30 PM we will begin our program for the evening; our very own Game Show: "Name That Youth Mentor." The event will include group and individual games involving the audience (that's you), and the Youth Ministry Leaders. Afterwards we will have a quick overview of the 2023 - 2024 Youth Ministry season including Youth Sunday School, Confirmation, and Youth Group.

MISSION & SERVICE

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

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!

Habitat for Humanity work a huge success!

Thanks to the many hands from FPC who contributed to building the Habitat for Humanity house on Nevada Street in Davenport. Given the significant interest in this work from our congregation, we will be working with Habitat to create more opportunities to serve on this site, and others. You can always go out to the Habitat site independently and signed up to work at:

<https://www.habitatqc.org/>

In addition, Deacons will lead an effort for some level of regularly scheduled time for a group from our church to participate together.

As we continue our efforts for greater congregational vitality and working together, we are inspired by the work the past two weeks! Thank you for sharing Christ's love in our community!



COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP

First Night Out

As the kids start up school, let us look back at the way school was back in 1873. Come join us as we take a tour of the Forest Grove School on September 9 at 3:00. Directions to the school (24040 195th St.) In Bettendorf go to Middle Road, north to Hopewell, turn right to Criswell then left on Forest Grove Rd. After the tour we will gather at the park near school for an ice cream treat.

RSVP to Paula Burnett 349-9046 or prburnett1@gmail.com

Scotland Travel Fellowship Trip August 2024

Now open to friends and family
If ever there was an opportunity to share your passion for First Church with others, now is the time. Travel experiences are priceless and a trip to Scotland will be life-changing as you discover the roots of Presbyterianism and the beauty and charm of Scotland. Worship at Edinburgh's St. Giles's Cathedral (where John Knox was pastor); attend the famous Military Tattoo; see the Highlands and isles of the West Hebrides; stroll along Loch Lomond; visit castles, battlefields and learn songs, lore and the legends of Scotland with Pastor Kris and local guides.



A refundable deposit of \$698 plus travel protection insurance holds space on this "once only" Travel Fellowship sponsored tour August 9-21, 2024. Brochures are available in the church office.

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 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. For more information contact Dan Darland at 563-210-0350.

FINANCE

July Financial Report

	July 2023		July 2022	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	\$ 43,999	\$ 49,127	\$ 41,289	\$ 47,962
Custodial Accounts Income	16,364	-	45,572	-
Compensation Expenses	(56,008)	(60,420)	(45,119)	(53,623)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	(15,234)	(17,836)	(14,965)	(23,792)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(16,364)	-	(45,572)	-
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	(\$27,243)	(\$29,129)	(\$18,795)	(\$29,453)
Birdies Donor Challenge	100,000	-	-	-
Pandemic Relief Funds	151,059	-	-	-
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$223,816	(\$29,129)	(\$18,795)	(\$29,453)
	2023 Year-To-Date		2022 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	\$ 401,014	\$ 415,153	\$ 351,681	\$ 400,300
Custodial Accounts Income	43,318	-	76,270	-
Compensation Expenses	(395,585)	(420,542)	(298,000)	(334,936)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	(113,579)	(132,731)	(129,990)	(169,560)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(43,318)	-	(76,269)	-
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	(\$108,150)	(\$138,120)	(\$76,308)	(\$104,196)
Birdies Donor Challenge	100,000	-	-	-
Pandemic Relief Funds	151,059	-	108,000	108,000
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$142,909	(\$138,120)	\$31,692	\$3,804

All numbers are rounded.

In late July, FPC received some excellent news related to our financial position:

1. The 2023 Birdies Challenge of \$100,000 was not only met, but blown away due to the enormous support from the members of FPC. The donor who so generously made the challenge match of \$100,000 was informed and submitted the donation to FPC in July. A check for total 2023 Birdies for Charity donations designated to FPC, estimated at \$172,000, is expected to be received by early November. A second check for the 2023 Birdies for Charity/John Deere Classic Bonus (5%-10%) should also arrive at that time. **A Special Thank You to the generous donor initiating the challenge, to all those who were able to give, and to those who helped to spread the word about this amazing opportunity!**
2. In April of this year, FPC determined that it was eligible to apply for additional federal government pandemic relief in the form of the Employee Retention Tax Credit. This resulted in total refundable payroll tax credits and interest of \$151,059, which were received in July.

These two extraordinary items resulted in an additional \$251,059 of income that were not anticipated at the time the 2023 budget was finalized. These items are not a result of "normal" activities in the church and are reported below the "normal" financial results of the church. It is amazing to have received these one-time-only items in July, but we need to continue to support FPC financially and by controlling costs.

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