



# First Presbyterian Church

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**Christmas Eve**  
**A Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols**  
**December 24, 2025 at 9:00 PM**



"Manger" (2021) | Liz Valente

# 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.

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**Nursery** care is available during the worship service for children (birth through kindergarten). The nursery is staffed by trained and background-checked caregivers from 8:15 AM to 11:30 AM. 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. Kirkwood Choir provides music for worship throughout the program year.

**MusikGarten**, a program for parents/caregivers and young children (birth through kindergarten), 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. Check today's bulletin for schedule.

**Sunday School classes** for children, youth, and adults are offered after the service. Children and youth Sunday school is located on the third floor of the CE building. High School youth are encouraged to be helpers in the elementary classes. Adult Sunday school is in Von Maur Hall. Please ask a worship host if you need assistance locating these spaces.



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 persons of all races, nationalities, genders, and sexual orientations. 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 Šakówiŋ, 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 Eve 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

Variations sur un Noël, Op 20

Marcel Dupré  
(1886-1971)

### Welcome

Rev. Dr. Kristopher D. Schondelmeyer

### Carol

I Saw Three Ships  
The Sanctuary Choir

Arr. Mack Wilberg  
(b. 1955)

### ¶ Call to Worship

Rev. Pat Halverson, Liturgist

One: Please rise, in body or in spirit, for the Call to Worship.

One: On this night, heaven came down.

**All: The Word became flesh and lived among us.**

One: On this night, eternity entered time.

**All: The Creator took the form of the created.**

One: **On this night, the silence was broken.**

**All:** And a new song began—

One: **The Song of Incarnation. Let us sing it together!**

### ¶ Passing of the Peace

The Rev. Dr. Kristopher D. Schondelmeyer

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

**All: And also with you!**

***“O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant...”***

## ¶ Carol

### O Come, All Ye Faithful (Verses 1, 2, & 3)

### ADESTE FIDELIS

1. O come, all ye faithful, Joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O come  
2. True God from true God, Light from light e - ter - nal, born  
3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, Sing in ex - ul - ta - tion! Sing,  
ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem! Come, and be hold Him,  
of a vir - - gin, a mor - tal he comes; ver - - y to God, be  
all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove! Glo - - ry to God, all  
Born the King of an - gels! O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let  
got - ten, not cre - at - ed! Glo - ry in the high - est! O come, let us a - dore Christ,  
us a - dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him, Christ, the Lord!

*Refrain*

## Prayer of the Night

Incarnate God, you came not with thunder or fear, but with skin and breath, with tears and cries, with a heartbeat like ours. As we gather on this holy night, surprise us again with your nearness. Open us to your light, to your love, and to the mystery of your birth. Amen.

## Prayer for Illumination

### O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Verse 2)

### Veni Emmanuel

2. O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest  
all things might - - i - ly: to us the path of knowl - - edge  
show; and teach us in her ways to go. Re - joice! Re - joice!  
Em - man - - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - - - ra - el.

***"O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!"***

## First Lesson

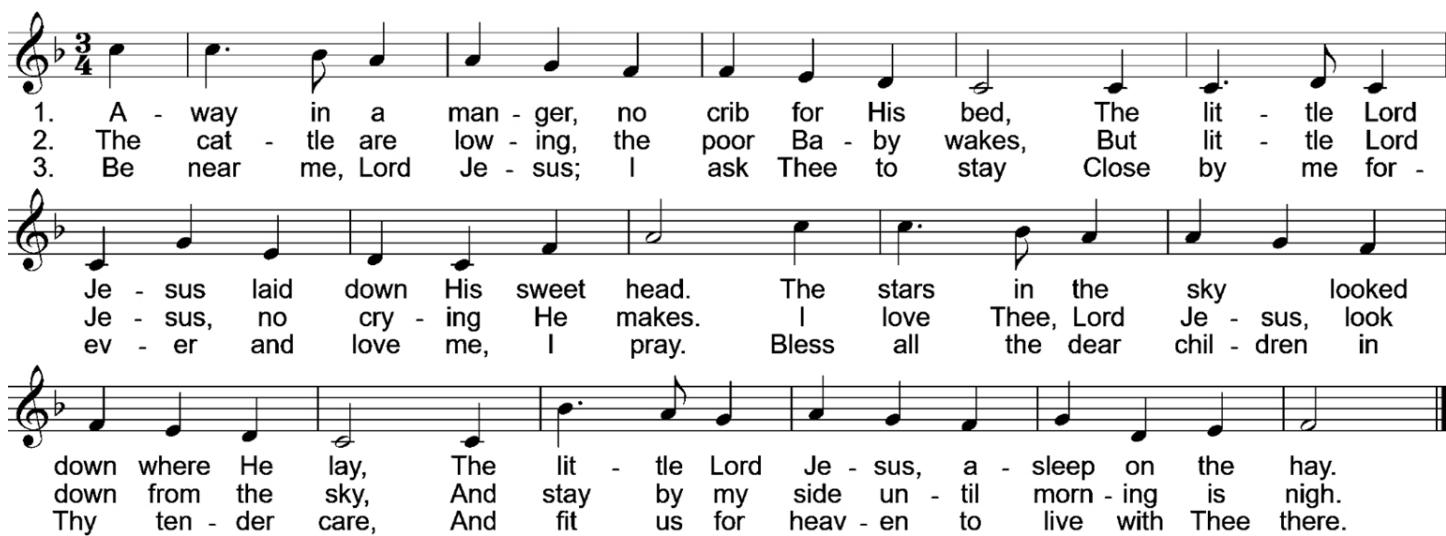
Luke 2:1-7

**2** In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. **3** This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. **4** All went to their own towns to be registered. **5** Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. **6** He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. **7** While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. **8** And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no place in the guest room.

## ¶ Carol

Away in a Manger

MUELLER



## Second Lesson

John 1:1-14

**1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was in the beginning with God. **3** All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being **4** in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. **5** The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.

**6** There was a man sent from God whose name was John. **7** He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. **8** He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

**9** The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

**10** He was in the world, and the world came into being through him, yet the world did not know him.

**11** He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. **12** But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, **13** who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

**14** And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

## Sermon

"Sing a New Song: The Song of Incarnation"  
The Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer

❖ Hymn

O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST. LOUIS

Carol

Patapan  
The Sanctuary Choir

Arr. David Conte  
(b. 1955)

**Christmas Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

**Our Creator who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offertory

Ding Dong! Merrily on High  
The Sanctuary Choir

Arr. Stephen Mager  
(b. 1956)



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.

❖ Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

## ❖ Prayer of Dedication

### Lighting of the Christ Candle

FPC Staff

Throughout the four weeks of Advent, we have lit candles symbolizing hope, peace, joy, and love. Tonight, we light the final candle—the Christ Candle—which tells us that the season of Advent is complete. This candle reminds us that Christ has come!

The light from these candles represents a new song, a song of love which came to dwell in the world through the birth of Jesus. That same light still dwells among us today. Jesus is a light that can never be extinguished, for the love of God can never be put out.

(Light the white candle in the center.)

Let us pray. Loving God, just as the light of these candles continues to burn, may the love of Christ burn brightly in our hearts this Christmas season. We ask this in Jesus' loving name. Amen.

### Sharing the Light of Christ

*(As we sing Silent Night, the pastor will light a candle from the Christ candle and share that light with the Worship Hosts. Our Worship Hosts will then share the light of Christ with those sitting near the ends of the aisle. Please share the light with others in your row until all are holding the light of Christ.)*

### ❖ Hymn

### Silent Night

### STILLE NACHT

1. Si - lent night, ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright 'round yon  
2. Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Shep - herds quake at the sight; glo - ries  
3. Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light; ra - diant  
4. Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Won - drous star, lend thy light; with the  
vir - gin moth - er and child! Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and mild,  
stream from heav - en a - far, heaven - ly hosts sing "Al - le - lu - ia:  
beams from thy ho - ly face, with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,  
an - gels let us sing Al - le - lu - ia to our King:  
sleep in heav - en - ly peace, sleep in heav - en - ly peace.  
Christ the Sav - ior is born; Christ the Sav - ior is born!  
Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.  
Christ the Sav - ior is born; Christ the Sav - ior is born!

***"Come, and behold Him, born the King of angels!"***

## ⊕ Christmas Blessing

Rev. Dr. Schondelmeyer

Out of the darkness God spoke to the world and God said,  
"Let there be light."

We celebrate that in the birth of Christ God gives us the Light of the World.

Unto us a child is born, unto us peace has come.

Know in your hearts that God's grace and God's love will never end.

God's grace and God's love lives in you...in your heart.

May you know that you have the power to add beauty and grace unto this world.

May you use your life to share the light of God's love.

Go out into the world with great joy that

the love of God.

the grace of Christ,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit

will be with you this holy day and forevermore.

Merry Christmas!

## † Hymn

## 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 Let our -  
 3. No more let sins and rows 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 to floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
 fest the ground; He comes glo - ries make His bless - ings flow  
 na - tions prove The glo - ries of of His righ - teous ness,

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

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

## Postlude

## Final from *Organ Symphony No. 1, Op. 14*

Louis Vierne  
(1870-1937)

## **WORSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS**

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**Worship Hosts** - Kirk Christie, Glenn Simmonds, Sharon Simmonds, Andy Bowles-Edwards

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

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Marcel Dupré, "Variations sur un Noël" ©1923 Alphonse Leduc

## **JOYS & CONCERNS**

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**In Our Prayers:** families and victims of gun violence; the people of Ukraine, Israel and Palestine, all who groan under oppression, and those in need of God's healing grace; Harold Saunders, Alan Havercamp, Linda Bengfort, Brenda Boyd, Shawn Lambrecht (son of Cathy Lambrecht), Jim Woods, Carol Phoenix, Julie Pedigo (sister of Carol Phoenix), and Wayne Hean.

(Names will be listed in the list above for 30 days unless otherwise requested.)

**Mission Partners:** Humility Homes and Services; Churches United; Habitat for Humanity Quad Cities; and P.U.N.C.H.

**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)

### **Wednesday, December 24**

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service      9:00 PM - 10:00 PM      Sanctuary & Online

### **Thursday, December 25**

Office Closed

### **Friday, December 26**

Office Closed

### **Saturday, December 27**

Office Closed

### **Sunday, December 28**

Nursery Open	8:15 AM - 11:30 AM	CE Building 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor
Worship Service	9:30 AM	Sanctuary & Online
Fellowship Hour	10:35 AM - 11:30 AM	Fellowship Hall
Scouts Donut Sunday	10:35 AM - 11:30 AM	Fellowship Hall

### **Friday, December 29**

Office Closed

### **Saturday, December 30**

Office Closed

The church office will be closed for Christmas and New Years - December 25 through January 2.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### LIFE OF THE CHURCH



#### New Member Inquiry Class

Are you excited about the new things that are happening here at FPC? Are you a new visitor or long-time attender who is not yet a member? Would you like to transfer your membership from another church to First Pres.? Please speak with Pastor Kris about the process for making a commitment to the FPC community. This is a wonderful church, and we are blessed as we welcome new members like you. Our next new member inquiry class will be held in February 2026. For more information, contact the church office: [office@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:office@fpcdavenport.org)

### CHILDREN & YOUTH

#### Children's and Youth Ministry at FPC

We are so excited to kick off a new year at FPC! 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 2026.

**Children's and Youth Sunday School** - This year we are offering three separate classes following the worship service! The breakup of classes will be 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and Confirmation for 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade.



**Confirmation Class** - All youth in **6th grade and up** who are ready to take the next step in their faith journey are invited to join us each Sunday morning!

**What is Confirmation?** - In the **Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**, Confirmation is a special season of learning, growth, and exploration. It's a time for young people to ask big questions, deepen their understanding of the Christian faith, and explore what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ within the Presbyterian tradition. At the end of the class, participants will have the opportunity to **profess their faith, become full members** of the church, and take ownership of their faith journey.

Our Confirmation Class is a 3-year program with youth having the opportunity to be Confirmed at the end of 8th grade. Those currently in 8th grade and above will have an opportunity to participate in a retreat this spring making it possible to be Confirmed at the end of this school year.

**Youth Group** - Our youth group is open to any youth in 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade! Meetings are from 5 to 7 PM on most Sunday evenings of the month. Dinner will be served.

If you have any questions, or would like help getting involved, please contact our Co-Directors of Christian Education: [cefy@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:cefy@fpcdavenport.org)

#### SAVE THE DATE: VBS Compassion Camp 2026

Join us June 15-19 for a week of fun, fellowship, and mission! More details and registration will be coming soon!

## **Christian Ed Needs You!!**

Do you enjoy working with children and helping them grow in faith? We're looking for caring volunteers to teach Sunday School one Sunday a month—or more if you're able.

The Sunday School hour happens after church so you will still be able to attend worship. The lessons will already be planned we just need you to teach the lesson and come with excitement and joy! We have different age groups so you can choose your preference. If you don't feel called to lead the lesson, we also need a helper in each classroom.

Questions? Want to volunteer?

Please reach out to Marty Bowles-Edwards or Abby Schondelmeyer: [cefy@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:cefy@fpcdavenport.org)

## **MUSIC**

### **Choirs/Music Education at FPC**

**Musikgarten** - A music ministry for infants and toddlers and their parents, led by Kathy Middleton ([middleton@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:middleton@fpcdavenport.org)). Meets Sundays from 10:35 - 11:05 AM.

**Kirkwood Choir** - Vocal choir for grades 1-5, led by Kathy Middleton ([middleton@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:middleton@fpcdavenport.org)). Rehearses Sundays from 10:00 - 10:30 AM.

**Quad City Youth Choir** - Community youth choir for grades 6-12, led by Matt Bishop ([bishop@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:bishop@fpcdavenport.org)). Rehearses Sundays from 3:30 - 5:00 PM.

**Sanctuary Choir** - Flagship adult vocal ensemble, sings in worship throughout the year and tours regionally and internationally, led by Matt Bishop ([bishop@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:bishop@fpcdavenport.org)). Rehearses Thursdays from 7:00 - 9:00 PM.

**Chamber Chorale** - Auditioned 20-voice vocal choir, sings at special services during the program year, led by matt bishop ([bishop@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:bishop@fpcdavenport.org)). Rehearses Sundays from 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM.

**Vesper Bells** - Auditioned 13-person handbell choir, led by Matt Bishop ([bishop@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:bishop@fpcdavenport.org)). Rehearses Thursdays from 6:00 - 7:00 PM.

**Justice Choir of the Midwest** - community vocal ensemble focusing on social and environmental justice, led by matt bishop ([bishop@fpcdavenport.org](mailto:bishop@fpcdavenport.org)). Rehearses Sundays from 5:30 - 7:00 PM.

### **Alex Gilson's PAS Concert - *The General***

**Friday, February. 20, 7:30PM.**

Assistant Director of Music/Principal Organist Alex Gilson's solo recital this year combines two great art forms: music and cinema. Buster Keaton and Clyde Bruckman's 1926 silent comedy film *The General* will be projected on First Pres's own silver screen while Alex accompanies the film from the Magnusson Memorial Organ. Bring a movie-loving friend and enjoy the film as it would have been shown in the early movie theaters with the added drama of Alex's virtuosic improvised musical scoring. Popcorn and other refreshments will be available for purchase. General admission tickets are \$15/adults, \$10/students.



## FINANCE

### Ways to Give at FPC Davenport

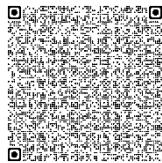
Your generosity helps share God's love—within our church family, our community, and beyond! Thank you for supporting the ministries and mission of First Presbyterian Church, Davenport.

**Traditional Giving:** Give by cash or check during worship, mail your gift to the church, or stop by the Finance Office, M-F, 9am-5pm.



**Online Giving:** Give securely through our church website—anytime, anywhere! Scan the QR code or visit us at [www.fpcdavenport.org/donate](http://www.fpcdavenport.org/donate).

**Text-to-Give:** It's quick and easy! Text "GIVE" to (563) 724-5998 and follow the prompts to make a one-time or recurring donation.



**PayPal:** Give directly through PayPal using your account or card by simply scanning the QR code.



**Venmo:** Prefer using your phone? For quick, easy giving, log into your Venmo account & search for @FPCDav or scan the QR code.

**\*Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD) & RMDs:** If you're age 70½ or older, you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution directly from your IRA. These gifts can count toward your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) and may offer tax benefits.

**\*Gifts of Stock:** You can also give by donating appreciated stock or securities. This is a great way to support FPC and may help reduce capital gains taxes.

Thank you for giving faithfully and joyfully. Every gift—large or small—tells the story of God's grace at work through you.

\*For help with QCD, RMD, or stock gifts, please contact the church office or a member of the Finance Committee.

### Year-End Pledge Reminder

As we approach the end of another year, we are filled with gratitude for the generosity and faithfulness of our FPC family. Your pledges and gifts make a real difference in the ministries we share, the lives we touch, and the hope we extend together in Christ.

If you have not yet fulfilled your 2025 pledge—or if you intend to make a year-end contribution—thank you for prayerfully considering your gift. Every gift, no matter the size, helps us to continue the work God is calling us to do.

To be counted for the 2025 tax year, **year-end gifts must be received, postmarked, or submitted online by December 31, 2025.** Online donations completed before midnight on December 31 also qualify.

Thank you for your generosity and faithful partnership in ministry! 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.

### 2026 Per Capita - \$46.63 per member

2026 Per Capita is \$46.63 per member. A member is one who has been confirmed or has been welcomed into the congregation by confession of faith, letter of transfer from another congregation, or reaffirmation of faith. **If you wish to pay your 2026 Per Capita prior to 12/31/2025, please indicate as such with your payment.** You can submit your annual Per Capita by placing it in the offering plate, mailing it in, or you can pay online. Also, if you have not yet paid your 2025 Per Capita, it is not too late! 2025 Per Capita is \$45.34 per member.



## Christmas Flowers 2025

***The poinsettias that grace the chance are given in memory or honor of the following loved ones who are held in grateful affection.***

*In loving memory of my mother, Lola Paulsen, and daughter, Rachel D'Auben*  
Given by Pamela J. Paulsen

*In loving memory of John Phoenix, Ruth & Harold Pedigo*  
Given by Carol Pedigo Phoenix

*In loving memory of Binc & Jean Bawden*  
Given by Ron & Susie Kardel and family

*In loving memory of Roberta Darbyshire*  
Given by Hobe Darbyshire, and Jean, Julie, and Mary

*In loving memory of parents and Grandparents, Howards and Eileen Meadors*  
Given by Linda and Gayle Meadors, Jenni and Heather Salisbury

*In loving memory of Henry and Miriam Lamb,*  
Given by Rob & Kathy Lamb

*In loving memory of Kenneth and Dorothy Kinney,*  
Given by Rob & Kathy Lamb

*In loving memory of Tom Ervin and K.C. Griesenbeck*  
Given By Sue Ervin

*In loving memory of Warren & Marilyn Kabel and Audrae Zoeckler*  
Given by Matt & Mariann Kabel and Family

*In loving memory of Helen & William Chapman, my parents*  
Given by Nancy Chapman

*In loving memory of Norman & Ruth Mary Lau and Nels & Rhoda Evans*  
Given by Sue & Kim Evans

*In loving memory of Robert Francois, Sr., husband and Jeff Francois, son*  
Given by Mary Ann Francois

*In loving memory of Irene Huffman*  
Given by Kirk Christie

*In loving memory of Marlys Turnquist*  
Given by Kirk Christie



## Christmas Flowers 2025

***The poinsettias that grace the chance are given in memory or honor of the following loved ones  
who are held in grateful affection.***

*In loving memory of Cathy Spitzfaden & Paul Hammond  
Given by Tom Spitzfaden*

*In loving memory of Dave Hill, Tom Ervin, and all Scout leaders who came before them  
Given by Scout Troop 7*

*In loving memory of Bob Sutherland, Wendal & Emily Jacobsmeier, Ed Clingenfelter, Bill & Judy  
Ramig, Todd Jacobsmeier, and Don & Marie Cox  
Given by Theresa & Sean Jacobsmeier and kids*

*In loving memory of Forest & Beulah Fowler, Vernell & Dorothea Browne and Bruce Darland  
Given by Dianna Darland and the Jacobsmeier family*

*In loving memory of Bud & Lorrie Darland  
Given by Dianna Darland, Theresa & Sean Jacobsmeier and family*

*In loving memory of Sandy & Mickey Meeks  
Given by Dianna Darland, Theresa & Sean Jacobsmeier and family*

*In loving memory of Harold & Eunice Hayes and Frank & Jane Kane  
Given by Stacy & Rocky Kane*

*In loving memory of Lucy Hartmann  
Given by Paul & Paula Hartmann*

*In loving memory of Sarah M. Woods  
Given by Jim Woods, Cathy Pratscher-Woods, and Cassie Johnson*

*In loving memory of Lois & Maurice Simmonds, Ruth & Raymond Rust, and Debra Rust  
Given by Cleen & Sharon Simmonds*

*In loving memory of CC & Shirley Earp, Ed & Gladys Schmidt  
Given by Stephen & Dorothy Earp*

*In loving memory of G.D. & Edna Shawver, Don Shawver, Fran Shawver,  
Ward Shawver, and Bruce Shawver  
In Honor of Suzanne Shawver  
Given by Janet Shawver-Parker*



# FPC STAFF

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## ELDERS AND DEACONS

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### Elders

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Dan Breinich	Dianna Darland	Dan Darland	Julia Meyer
Nancy Chapman	Denny Jorgenson	Craig Foster	Mark Jones
Bonnie Johnson	Kathy Knox	Paula Hartmann	
Nathan Kabel	Cathy Pratscher-Woods	Sharon Simmonds	
Zoe McCullum	Jed Steckel	Jay Williams	
Julia Meyer		Erin Yingling	
Kristine Oswald			
Mark Ruebling			
Vicki Stegall			

### Deacons

<i>Class of 2025</i>	<i>Class of 2026</i>	<i>Class of 2027</i>
Colleen Dueñas ( <i>Vice Moderator</i> )	Andy Bowles Edwards	Elizabeth Breinich
Terri Sheetz ( <i>Moderator</i> )	Lois Boyer	Andrew Darland
Doug Wells	Connie Connolly	Steve Earp
	John Gere	Sue Ervin
	Al Frohlich	Heidi Pedersen
	Bob Lehnher	Mason Pedersen
	Amy Saskowski	Sherry Williams
	Sarah Soenksen	
	Katrina Williams	