



First Presbyterian Church

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**Baptism of the Lord Sunday
January 11, 2025 at 9:30 AM**



Liz Valente, *Baptism of Christ*

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 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). 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 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

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

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

Prelude on "Richmond"

Healey Willan
(1880-1968)

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer

Introit

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing
The Sanctuary Choir

E.T. Chapman
(1902-1981)

✠ Call to Worship

Craig Foster, Liturgist

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

One: Come to the waters, all you who thirst.

All: Here we find grace and refreshment.

One: Come, beloved of God.

All: Here we are named and claimed in love.

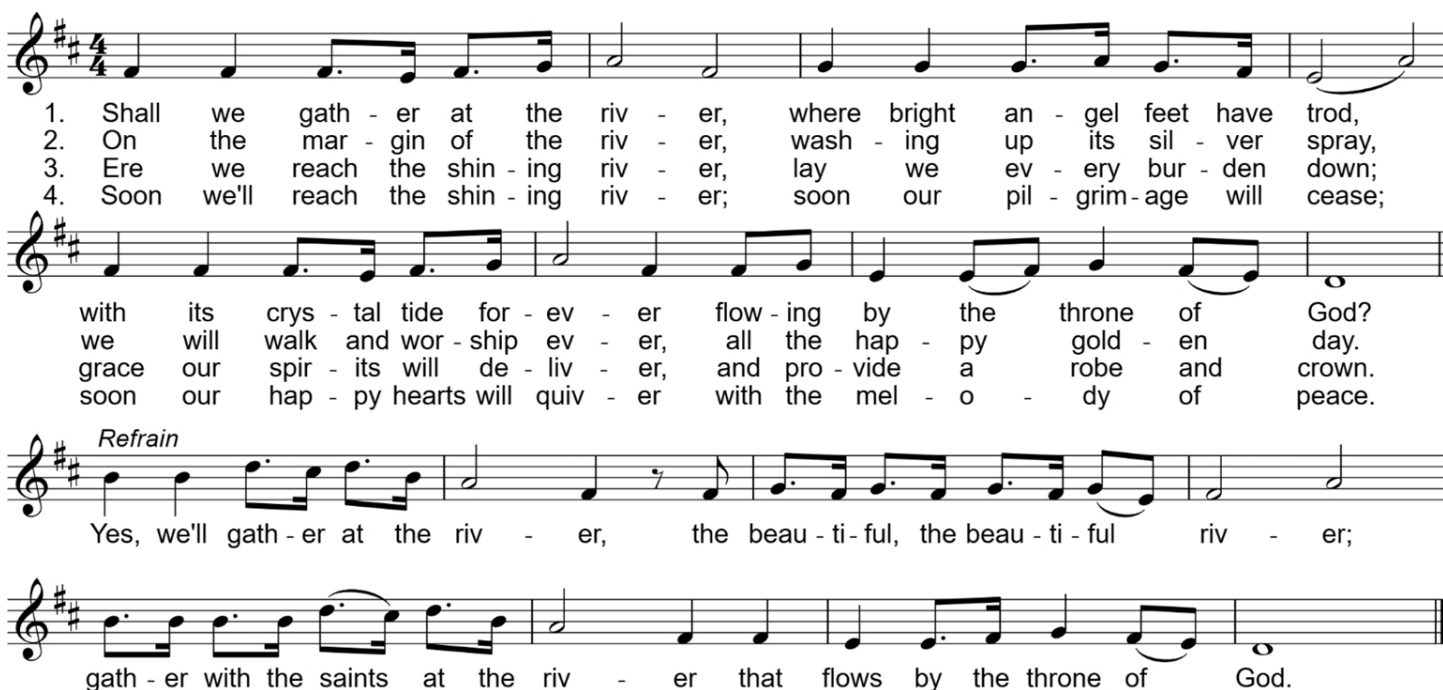
One: Come, let us worship the One who calls us beloved.

✠ 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. Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
 2. On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
 3. Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - ery bur - den down;
 4. Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er; soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
 we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
 grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
 soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain
 Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;
 gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Call to Confession

Please be seated.

Baptism washes us in God's mercy. Trusting that grace, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, we forget that we are your beloved children. We wander from your ways and resist the call to embody your compassion. Forgive us, O Lord. Immerse us once more in your grace. Renew us in your Spirit, that we may live as your people of love. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news: In Christ, the heavens are opened, and the Spirit descends upon us.

All: We are God's beloved children – forgiven, renewed, and sent to serve. Amen.

Listening for the Word

Anthem

Listen Sweet Dove
The Sanctuary Choir

Grayston Ives
(b. 1948)

*1 Listen sweet dove unto my song,
And spread thy golden wings in me;
Hatching my tender heart so long,
Till it get wing and flie away with thee.*

*2 Such glorious gifts thou didst bestow that
That th' earth did like a heav'n appeare,
The starres were coming down to know
If they might mend their wages and serve here.*

*3 The sunne, which once did shine alone,
Hung down his head and wisht for night,
When he beheld twelve sunnes for one
Going about the world, and giving light.*

*4 Lord, though we change, thou art the same,
The same sweet God of love and light:
Restore this day, for thy great name,
Unto his ancient and miraculous right.
(George Herbert, 1593-1633)*

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Spirit of God, descend upon us now. Open the scriptures, open our hearts, and immerse us in your living Word. Amen.

First Lesson

Psalms 29

- ¹ Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- ² Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name;
worship the Lord in holy splendor.
- ³ The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the Lord, over mighty waters.
- ⁴ The voice of the Lord is powerful;
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.
- ⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- ⁶ He makes Lebanon skip like a calf
and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- ⁷ The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.
- ⁸ The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁹ The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl
and strips the forest bare,
and in his temple all say, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰ The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.
- ¹¹ May the Lord give strength to his people!
May the Lord bless his people with peace!

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson

Matthew 3:13-17

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶ And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

A New Year's Resolution: Practicing the Way of Engaged Compassion

"Immersed in Compassion"

The Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer

Responding to the Word

✦ Hymn

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters

BEACH SPRING

1. Wash, O God, your sons and daugh - ters, new - born crea - tures
2. Ev - ery day we need your nur - ture; by your milk may
3. O how deep your ho - ly wis - dom! Un - i - mag - ined,
of your womb. Num - ber them a - mong your peo - ple, raised like
we be fed. Let us join your feast, par - tak - ing cup of
all your ways! To your name be glo - ry, hon - or! With our
Christ from death and tomb. Weave them gar - ments bright and
bless - ing, liv - ing bread. God, re - new us; guide our
lives we wor - ship, praise! We your new peo - ple stand be -
spark - ling; com - pass them with love and light. Fill, a - noint them;
foot - steps, free from sin and all its snares, one with Christ in
fore you, wa - ter - washed and Spir - it - born. By your grace, our
send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light.
liv - ing, dy - ing, by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs.
lives we of - fer. Re - cre - ate us; God, trans - form!

Prayers of the People

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.

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

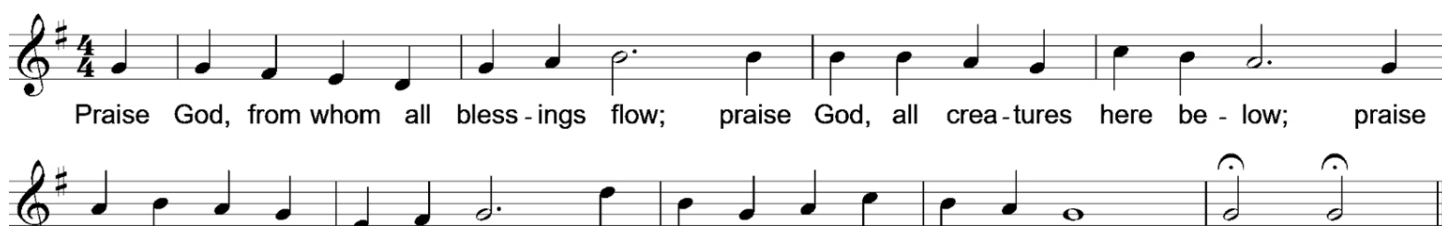
Bicinium on "Winchester New"

Alessandro Sisti
(b. 1960)

✦ Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

As part of worship today we take time to ordain and/or install Nathan Kabel, Nancy Chapman, RuthAnn Tobey-Brown, Linda Meadors, and Wendy Hammen who have been elected to the office of Elder, and Cherri Umland-Burns, Carrie Braun, Scott Johnson, Bill Yingling, Gail Yingling, Kris Woodard, and Dan Breinich who have been elected to the office of Deacon.

Questions for Elders/Deacons-elect:

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the church, and through him believe in one God, father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

I do!

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the church universal, and God's Word to you?

I do!

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

I do and I will!

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ., under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

I will!

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with the subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

I will!

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?

I will!

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

I do!

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

I will!

To those elected as elders. Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

I will!

To those elected as deacons. Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

I will!

Questions for the congregation:

Do we, the members of the church accept Nancy Chapman, Wendy Hammen, Nathan Kabel, Linda Meadors, and RuthAnn Tobey-Brown as Elders, and Carrie Braun, Dan Breinich, Scott Johnson, Cherri Umland-Burns, Kris Woodard, Bill Yingling, and Gail Yingling as Deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do!

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is the Head of the Church?

We do

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

Sending Anthem

The Blessing of Aaron
The Sanctuary Choir

Arr. Walter Rodby
(1917-2005)

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Wade in duh Wadduh!

W. Farley Smith
(1941-1997)

WORSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS

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JOYS & CONCERNS

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 Haverkamp, 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

Visit the First Pres website to view the full calendar

www.fpcdavenport.org/calendar

Sunday, January 11

Nursery Open	8:15 AM - 11:30 AM	CE Building 3 rd Floor
Worship Service	9:30 AM	Sanctuary & Online
Kirkwood Choir	9:45 AM - 10:30 AM	CE Building 3 rd Floor
Sunday School	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	CE Building 3 rd Floor
Fellowship Hour	10:35 AM - 11:30 AM	Fellowship Hall
Musikgarten	10:35 AM - 11:05 AM	CE Building 3 rd Floor
Adult Sunday School	10:40 AM - 11:30 AM	Von Maur Hall
Boundary Training #2	2:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Child Protection Training #4	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Youth Group	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	3rd Floor CE Building
Scout Troop 7 Meeting	7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Gym

Monday, January 12

Pickleball	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Gym
Devotional Staff Meeting	10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Von Maur Hall
Staff Meeting	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Congregational Fellowship Meeting	5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Parlor
Deacons' Outreach	6:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Parlor
Member Care Meeting	6:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Library
Mission Connection	6:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Board of Deacons	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Von Maur Hall/Zoom

Tuesday, January 13

Caring Closet	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	CE Building 1 st Floor
Finance Meeting	7:00 PM - 8:45 PM	Zoom

Wednesday, January 14

Pickle Ball	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Gym
Women of Hope Bible Study	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Parlor
DELP Meeting	5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Parlor
Bible Basics 201	6:15 PM - 7:15 PM	Zoom

Thursday, January 15

Sermon Talks	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Von Maur Hall
Clean Team	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	FPC Building
PUNCH Meeting	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
TOPS	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Vesper Bells	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Choir Room
Sanctuary Choir	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Choir Room

Friday, January 16

Caring Closet	2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	CE Building 1 st Floor
First Night Out - Crazy Bridge Cards	6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Von Maur Hall

Saturday, January 17

Caring Closet	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	CE Building 1 st Floor
Carnival Sunday Setup	9:00 AM - 11:30 PM	FPC Building

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Snowflakes for Sudlow

Throughout the month of January FPC will be continuing our participation in the **Snowflakes for Sudlow** project. There are snowflake tags on the Christmas tree in the narthex (back of the sanctuary) with items to support students and teachers through our partnership with Sudlow Middle School. You are invited to take one or more tags, purchase the items listed, and return them under the tree on Sunday mornings.

It's Carnival Sunday Time at FPC! - Jan 18 at 9:30 AM followed by Carnival Brunch in Fellowship Hall



Celebrate Carnival Sunday Jan 18th 9:30AM with New Orleans jazz music, Mardi Gras fun and a hearty Louisiana brunch after worship. Every attendee gets a chance for one of our 4 themed baskets drawn during brunch. You could win: Family Game Basket, Italian Dinner Basket, It's Cold Outside Basket, Quilt and Stuffed Animals Child's Basket ... all donated by church members!

This is our 7th Annual First Pres Carnival celebration. This world-wide Carnival celebration opens on Epiphany (January 6) celebrating the revelation of Jesus Christ to the world by the visit of the Three Kings and climaxes with the Mardi Gras festivities commencing 10 days before Lent begins. This is an ideal Sunday to invite friends to our church as everyone is welcomed with their choice of festive Mardi Gras beads and the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall will glitter with gold, purple, and green streamers and balloons. Our guest musicians, Sanctuary Choir and our jazzy organist, Alex, will keep the beat going all morning!

Sponsored by your Congregational Fellowship and Worship & Music Committees be prepared for great music, and delicious food! Immediately following the service, follow the parade down into Fellowship Hall for a light meal including Jambalaya, French bread, (a kid's table will offer macaroni and cheese) a piece of the famous King Cake and beverages. A free-will offering for brunch will be collected.



Fellowship Hour Treats Sign-up

Now you can help make it happen! Sign up at the back of the sanctuary (or use the QR code or this link <https://bit.ly/FPCTreats>) to bring 40 servings of any treat—sweet or savory. Two people can split a Sunday (20 each), or one person can bring all 40.

Note: No treats are needed during Manna and More breakfasts or Scout Sundays.



ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Adult Sunday School - Nooma w/ Pastor Kris

Looking for a thoughtful and engaging way to start your week this new year? Join Pastor Kris for Adult Sunday School as we dive into the Nooma video series—short, creative, and conversation-starting films that connect faith with real life.

Each week we'll watch a brief video and then jump into lively discussion that makes room for curiosity, laughter, honest questions, and meaningful faith reflection. No homework. No pressure. Just good conversation and shared discovery.

All adults are welcome, whether you come every week or drop in when you can. Come grab some coffee, bring your questions, and be part of the conversation.

Bible Basics for January

"Turn, turn, turn...there is a time for every purpose under heaven." You likely remember the song. Do you know its biblical context? Join us on Wednesdays at 6:15PM on Zoom. In January, starting on the 7th, we will be discussing the OT book, Ecclesiastes. All are welcome.

Please contact Mark Jones (markandkarla75@gmail.com) for more information.
<https://www.zoom.us/join> Meeting ID: 881 1687 5549 Passcode: 630481

Sermon Talks w/ Pastor Kris

Sermon Talks is a midweek daytime Bible study led by Pastor Kris where participants explore the Scripture passage for the upcoming Sunday sermon. Sermon Talks meets in person in Von Maur Hall **each Thursday from 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM**. A Zoom option is not available. All are welcome to join the conversation.

MISSION & SERVICE

Blessing Box Drive

On **January 19**, Davenport People Uniting Neighbors and Churches (PUNCH) and Friends of Martin Luther King are coming together to host a Blessing Box drive at the KWQC station, located at 805 Brady St. The event will run from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, aiming to gather essential items for members of our community.

We're looking for volunteers to receive and sort donations as they are delivered. Shifts are one hour long, and our church needs four volunteers to cover the **10:00-11:00 AM** shift. If you're available at a different time, we'd still love your help.

Please reach out to the church office or email office@fpcdavenport.org if you would like to help out.

FPC Clean Team - New Time!

Come and join the First Pres Clean Team to help maintain a clean, welcoming, and safe environment. Volunteers are needed on **Thursdays between 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM** to dust, vacuum, sweep, mop, or pick up unused bulletins. Even if you cannot join us every week, you are welcome to participate. If you can help, please contact the church office.

The FPC Caring Closet - Updated Requests

Our shoppers at the FPC Caring Closet are **in need of winter items** especially jackets and coats; **hygiene products** such as diapers, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, body wash, and feminine pads. We appreciate all that you do for our neighbors!

Need a Ride? We're Building a Ride Team!

In recent weeks we've received several requests from different members for rides—to Sunday worship, medical appointments, the grocery store, etc. We'd love to form a small team of volunteer drivers to help members stay connected and cared for.

Ways to help (pick any):

- Sunday morning rides to church (one way or round-trip)
- Weekday appointments (as you're available)
- Quick errands/grocery runs for those who need a hand

If you're willing to be on the "Ride Team" list—even occasionally—please contact the church office at: office@fpcdavenport.org

Basic expectations: a valid driver's license, no major driving violations, and personal auto insurance as the church is not responsible for accidents. Thank you for helping our church be the hands and feet of Christ—one ride at a time!

CHILDREN & YOUTH

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!

All Tweens (3rd-5th grade) are Invited for Ice Skating!

All tweens in **3rd-5th grade** are invited to join us for a fun winter outing at **The Landing in Bettendorf** (2255 Middle Road)! On **Saturday, January 24**, we'll be heading to the ice from **11:00am to 12:30pm** for a morning of skating, laughter, and time with friends. Whether it's your first time on the ice or you already love to skate, this is a great chance to have fun and try something new. **Snacks and plenty of fun are included**, so come ready to enjoy yourself.

Please be sure to **RSVP by January 22 to Marty or Abby at cefy@fpcdavenport.org** so we can plan for everyone. We hope to see you there for an exciting day on the ice!

Youth Ministry - Sponsor a Dinner

All FPC youth (and friends) in 6th - 12th grades are invited to join us for Youth Group. We will meet most Sunday evenings from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Dinner will be served.

The Youth Group is looking for families or individuals to **sponsor** a dinner(s) for us on Sunday nights at 5pm. If you would like to donate money (suggested donation: \$50) for our Youth Group to buy pizza or would be willing to provide a meal (for approximately 15-20 youth and mentors) please reach out to Abby Schondelmeyer.

Donations? https://fpcdavenport.breezechms.com/give/online?fund_id=1965301
Questions? Please contact Abby Schondelmeyer: cefy@fpcdavenport.org.



MUSIC

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.

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.

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