

Session Meeting
First Presbyterian Church
Davenport, Iowa
June 15, 2026

The stated meeting of the Session of First Presbyterian Church of Davenport, Iowa was held on Monday, June 15, 2026. The meeting was held in Von Maur Hall and with Zoom available

Moderator Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM and stated that a quorum was present.

Using Revelation 22:1-2 and Micah 6-8, Pastor Kris led a discussion on the importance of community and connection of churches, one to another. He asked about times when we have felt connected to the greater church and what gifts our church had to share with other churches.

	Class of 2026		Class of 2027		Class of 2028
P	Dianna Darland <i>Worship & Music</i>	P	Dan Darland <i>Building Grounds & Safety</i>	P	Nancy Chapman <i>Finance</i>
P	Denny Jorgenson <i>Congregational Fellowship</i>	P	Craig Foster <i>Finance</i>	P	Colleen Dueñas <i>Hospitality and Welcoming</i>
E	Kathy Knox <i>Christian Ed & Fellowship with Youth</i>	P	Wendy Hammen <i>Worship & Music</i>	P	Nathan Kabel <i>Buildings Grounds & Safety</i>
P	Cathy Pratscher-Woods <i>Stewardship</i>	A	Paula Hartmann <i>Personnel</i>	P	Linda Meadors <i>Personnel</i>
P	Jed Steckel <i>Adult Spiritual Growth</i>	P	Sharon Simmonds <i>Adult Spiritual Growth</i>	P	RuthAnn Tobey-Brown <i>Personnel</i>
		P	Jay Williams <i>Adult Spiritual Growth</i>		
		A	Erin Yingling <i>Christian Ed & Fellowship with Youth</i>		
E	Julia Meyer <i>Clerk of Session, non-voting</i>	P	Mark Jones, Clerk Pro Tem	<i>P-present E-Excused A-Absent</i>	

Staff members:

P	Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer <i>Pastor / Head of Staff</i>	P	Kristine Olson <i>Director of Financial and Business Administration</i>	P	Darren Long <i>Director of Building and Grounds</i>
P	Marty Bowles Edwards <i>Co-Director of CEFY</i>	E	Jim Middleton <i>Director of Office Administration</i>	P	Matthew Bishop <i>Director of Music and Arts</i>
P	Abby Scholdelmeyer <i>Co-Director of CEFY</i>	E	Diana Miller-Bur <i>Admin Asst to Pastor</i>		

Guests: FPC Staff Members, Deacon Moderator Andy Edwards.

A Land Acknowledgement was read.

At 6:55, the Moderator opened the meeting with prayer.

On motion and second, the agenda was approved as presented.

On motion and second, the Session approved seating our guests, with voice and no vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were presented on the Consent Agenda:

- Approve the May 18, 2026, Session Meeting minutes
- Approve the June 1, 2026, Called Meeting minutes

On motion and second the consent agenda was approved.

Update from the Early Education Task Force

- The Moderator reported that the early education task force has formed its own 501(c)3 (Davenport Early Learning Project). Although members of this group are FPC members, they can now function independently. The focus of the task force is now on providing financial support to families to make early learning financially viable for them, and thus assisting parents in returning to the workforce; and providing financial support for child care workers to continue education, thus opening up more spots for children in existing centers. Original plans included the possibility of constructed a facility on the FPC campus. This now seems very unlikely to happen.
 - **Action:** On motion and second, the Session voted to dissolve the Early Education Task Force.
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CLERK'S REPORT

- The Clerk's Report for June 2026 was presented and attached to these minutes.
- Committees and Subcommittees were reminded to submit recommendations for changes to their portion of the FPC Operations Manual at the September 21, 2026, Session Meeting.
- Communications received by the Clerk: none
- Action Item
 - On motion and second, the Session approved removing a list of names from the Baptism Roll. The list included individuals no longer participating at FPC and have reached the age of majority. This list is attached to these minutes.
 - On motion and second, the Session approved forwarding bound annual church records for the years 2018-2023 to the Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia, PA, for storage. Copies of these same records are held in the Southwood Heritage Center.

DEACONS' REPORT – Deacon Moderator, Andy Edwards, highlighted that the Deacons received recent financial gifts of about \$7500. They are discussing how best to use these gifts. He said the Deacons are working on a different approach to the FPC Homecoming event to make it more of a church-wide event while still honoring those members over 70 years old. The full report from the Deacons is appended.

SESSION COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REPORTS

- Written Session committee reports were received and are appended to these minutes.
- Finance: Elder Craig Foster, on behalf of the Finance Committee, highlighted that our revenue is slightly ahead of projections and expenses slightly below projections. Because giving tends to be higher in the first half of the year as people take advantages of Birdies for Charity, the projected deficit for the end of the year remains the same.

	May 2026		May 2025	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	\$ 64,507	\$ 48,800	\$ 30,554	\$ 43,835
Custodial Accounts Income	7,797	-	4,121	-
Compensation Expenses	(54,445)	(54,287)	(50,738)	(51,846)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	(21,665)	(22,164)	(18,649)	(20,968)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(7,797)	-	(4,121)	-
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	(\$11,603)	(\$27,651)	(\$38,833)	(\$28,979)
Restricted Fund Grant Income	-	-	-	-
Net Insurance Claim Inc/(Exp)	-	-	-	-
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(\$11,603)	(\$27,651)	(\$38,833)	(\$28,979)
	2026 Year-To-Date		2025 Year-To-Date	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Fund Income	\$ 369,665	\$ 367,318	\$ 389,445	\$ 369,815
Custodial Accounts Income	\$ 17,498	-	23,076	-
Compensation Expenses	\$ (270,664)	(279,503)	(256,023)	(265,661)
Non Compensation General Fund Expenses	\$ (112,059)	(128,082)	(100,449)	(123,275)
Custodial Accounts Expenses	(17,498)	-	(23,075)	-
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	(\$13,058)	(\$40,267)	\$32,974	(\$19,121)
Restricted Fund Grant Income	-	-	-	-
Net Insurance Claim Inc/(Exp)	-	-	(2,396)	-
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(\$13,058)	(\$40,267)	\$30,578	(\$19,121)

All numbers are rounded.

- PAS: Matt Bishop, Director of Music and Arts, presented the proposed Performing Arts Series 2026-2027 Season and budget. An announcement party is planned for August 27, 2026. On motion and second, the Session approved the 2026-2027 Performing Arts Series and budget. Information on the season will be placed in upcoming Session minutes once the public announcement of the season has been made.
- On motion and second, the Session approved communion to be celebrated on Friday, June 19, 2026 at the conclusion of VBS-Compassion Camp for participants of all ages.

- On motion from the Personnel Committee, the Session approved a new job description for a Parttime Custodian. The job description is attached to these minutes.
 - On motion from the Personnel Committee, the Session approved collecting a love gift for Chad Dean, church custodian for 17 years.
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STAFF REPORTS

The previously submitted staff reports were received and appended to these minutes.

Report of Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer, Pastor/Head of Staff

This has been a full and meaningful month in the life of our congregation.

In worship, I completed a sermon series titled *Follow the Yellow Brick Road*, using themes and images from *The Wizard of Oz* to explore the gospel and our journey of faith. We also celebrated several significant worship services and special events. On Confirmation Sunday, Abby and I coordinated the confirmation process and welcomed two young people into membership. During that service, I had the privilege of baptizing Liam Yingling. As is my custom with anyone who is not a baby, I was generous with the water. Liam has vowed to return the favor at our planned dunk tank during the Community Picnic on Kick-Off Sunday in September. I say, bring it on.

I also led our annual PRIDE worship service to kick off Pride Month and our "Flip Flop and Slide into Summer" service, during which we collected footwear to distribute at the Juneteenth Fest next Saturday as part of our outreach efforts. Most recently, we held our annual Juneteenth service. This was also our first outdoor worship service of the summer. While the sound system presented some challenges for our volunteer, it was a meaningful celebration and an important witness to our commitment to building beloved community.

Beyond Sunday worship, I officiated two funerals this past month, walking with families through seasons of grief and remembrance.

Our Strategic Discernment Process continues to move forward. I met with both the Strategic Discernment Team and the Architect Task Force as we continue discerning how our facilities, staffing, and ministry priorities can best support faithful ministry in the years ahead. The Architect Task Force remains actively engaged with the architects while the larger team continues its work around programmatic priorities, sustainability, and future vision.

I also facilitated annual staff goal reviews and continued regular supervision and support of our staff team. During my scheduled vacation time, I utilized a portion of that time to help address a staff concern that required pastoral and administrative attention.

One of the great joys of this season has been the continued growth of our Young Adult Ministry. This month I hosted the group for a night of bowling. We were blown away by the turnout—quite literally. The evening was interrupted by tornado sirens, and we spent part of our gathering taking shelter together. Even so, it was a wonderful reminder that creating authentic community continues to be the best way to engage younger people seeking connection and belonging.

In addition to worship, I coordinated our Juneteenth Panel Discussion, which took place yesterday evening. The conversation extended well beyond the scheduled time because of the depth and quality of the discussion. It was a meaningful opportunity for learning, listening, and relationship building.

One operational concern that became evident during both the outdoor worship service and the panel discussion was our reliance on a very small number of volunteers for sound and streaming ministry. We experienced significant sound challenges at both events. These experiences highlight the need for intentional planning regarding succession, training, and volunteer development. If we were to lose the leadership of Jim and Mitch, our online worship ministry would face significant disruption immediately. As we think strategically about the future, we need to begin discerning how to broaden participation and develop additional volunteers with the skills necessary to sustain these ministries well.

Looking ahead, this week the CEFY department is hosting VBS: Compassion Camp, one of the most significant outreach and discipleship opportunities of our summer. With Jim on vacation, I had the privilege of being the tech guy.

Following VBS, my attention will increasingly turn toward the 227th General Assembly of the PC(USA). I have coordinated with the Deacon Moderator to take the lead on member care emergencies while I am away. Rev. Pat Halverson is also available, and she will be preaching on Sunday, June 28.

Just so that you are aware, General Assembly committee meetings begin virtually next Monday, followed by travel to Milwaukee for the plenary sessions where commissioners will debate and vote on matters affecting the life of the entire denomination. I will be unavailable during that time. Please reach out to Diana Miller-Bur if you need to be in touch with me.

The final item of business for the General Assembly will be the election of the next two individuals who will serve as Co-Moderators. Rev. Marta Pumroy-Cordero and I are grateful for the prayers, encouragement, and support many of you have already offered as we continue to discern this call and offer ourselves in service to the wider church.

Other Business

Report from the Strategic Discernment Team: Elder Nancy Chapman referred the Session to 2 sets of minutes from the SDT distributed in the June Committee Reports. She highlighted that between the April and May meetings, members had discussions with leaders of various church ministries. This information is being used to help formulate a staffing plan and budget. The SDT continues to meet with architects talking about building use & repurposing. A report to the congregation about SDT's progress is being drafted.

On motion and second, the Session approved continuation of the Strategic Discernment Team for another 2 years.

A motion was made and seconded to reconsider the motion to approve the PAS 2026-2027 schedule and budget in order to amend the original motion. The *motion to reconsider* was approved.

- A motion was made and seconded to amend the original motion (approval of the PAS season and budget) to make the FPC general fund the beneficiary of the May 16, 2027 spring concert.
 - A motion was made and seconded to amend the amendment to not have a beneficiary organization for any free will offering at the spring concert. This amendment failed.
 - Following discussion, the amendment to make the FPC general fund as the beneficiary of the May 16, 2027 spring concert failed.
- The original approval of the PAS 2026-2027 season and budget stands.

Evaluation of the Meeting: Discussion may have been closed too quickly on the PAS motion.

ADJOURNMENT

No new business was brought to the floor. The Moderator closed the meeting with prayer at 9:06 PM.

The next Stated Meeting of the Session of First Presbyterian Church, Davenport, Iowa is August 3, 2026, at 6:30 PM via ZOOM only.

Rev. Dr. Kristopher D. Schondelmeyer
Moderator

Mark Jones
Clerk ProTem of Session

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF SESSION

June 2026

I. Membership Changes

Death of Member

James "Jim" Tucker, 82, died on April 30, 2026. A memorial service was held on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Summit, Bettendorf, IA, with Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer officiating.

New Members: The following members of the confirmation class of 2026 were received as members at First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, May 24, 2026 after meeting with the Session on Monday, May 18, 2026.

- Brighton Greim
- Liam Yingling

II. Death of a former member

Ardell Christiansen Hawley (nee James) died October 24, 2025. A memorial service was held on May 23, 2026 at First Presbyterian Church, Davenport, officiated by Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer.

III. Baptism

Liam Yingling presented himself for baptism on Sunday, May 24, 2026. Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer officiated.

IV. CEFY and Adult Christian Education Attendance

	Children and Youth									
May 2026	Nursery	Pray-ground	Sunday School All Grades	1st/2nd	Tweens	Confirmation Class	Musik-garten*	Kirkwood Choir	Youth Choir	Youth Ministry*
5/3 - 5/9	2	9	14	4	6	4	4 children			10/9
5/10 - 5/16	2	15	Recess				Recess	Recess		Recess
5/17 - 5/23	2	9		for			Recess	for	15^	8/5
5/24 - 5/30	2	9			Summer		4/4	Summer		Recess
5/31	2	12					5/2			Recess
Total	10	54	14	4	6	4	13/6		15	18/14
Weekly avg	2	11	14	4	6	4	4/2		15	9/7
							*Child/Adult		^Concert	

Adult Spiritual Growth			
May 2026	Adult Sunday School (weekly)	Women of Hope (monthly)	Sermon Talks (weekly)
5/3 - 5/9	10		6
5/10 - 5/16	19	7	8
5/17 - 5/23	Volunteer Recognition		9
5/24 - 5/30	recess		9
5/31	recess		recess
Total	29	7	32
Weekly avg	15	7	8

V. Worship Attendance

May 2025		Cong. Count	Choir & Clegy	Totals	May 2026		Cong. Count	Choir & Clegy	Totals	
	9:30 AM	79	36	115		9:30 AM	96	33	129	
On-line Views				55	On-line Views				68	
4	Total			170	3	Total			197	
	9:30 AM	106	4	110		9:30 AM	127	4	131	
On-line Views				42	On-line Views				58	
11	Total			152	10	Total			189	
	9:30 AM	119	6	125		9:30 AM	89	36	125	
On-line Views				50	On-line Views				62	
18	Total			175	17	Total			187	
	9:30 AM	91	3	94		9:30 AM	138	6	144	
On-line Views				41	On-line Views				30	
25	Total			135	24	Total			174	
		Monthly Totals		632			9:30 AM	107	35	142
		Weekly Average		158			On-line Views			21
					31	Total			163	
Video counts are based on views 2 weeks after the last service of the month. Weekly average is figured on the in-person attendance plus watches on Vimeo and Facebook.										
							Monthly Totals		910	
							Weekly Average		182	
					On-line views are based on livestream views on Facebook and YouTube. Weekly average is figured on the sanctuary attendance plus Sunday morning views on Facebook and YouTube. Monthly totals and weekly average based on Sunday morning services only.					

Session Committee/Commission Reports: June 2026



**Buildings, Grounds, & Safety Committee Meeting:
8 June 2026**

In Attendance: Dan Darland, Nathan Kabel, Matt Kabel, Andy Edwards, Pete Madden, ~~Karla Rutter~~, ~~Nancy Chapman (Finance)~~, Rev Kris Schondelmeyer (Pastor, Head of Staff), Darren Long (staff)

1. Call to order at 5:35 PM
2. Approval of May Minutes – Pete/Andy
3. Old Business:
 - a. Removal of old mower and metal in foundation garage – Darren and I will cut power to garage on 10 June, 0800hrs. The Foundation BOT has approved the removal of the garage. Once the removal is scheduled, **Dan** will bring dump trailer over just prior to raze to load the metal and mower and remove.
 - b. Old snow blower status – one is absolutely fine, other two are still be evaluated. - **Dan**
 - c. Space needed for wheelchairs in sanctuary. Andy and Dan reviewed and determined to remove a pew just behind the pillar on the west side of the center section. **Andy**
 - d. Reviewing water softener use for boilers to gauge consumption. Deferred to fall. **Darren**
 - e. Engage with potential new chemical providers for the boiler system – **Matt/Darren**
 - f. Porte Cochere light power is being isolated from stairwell lights so it can remain on at night without leaving inside lights on. Isolation has been completed. Need to install a different track for the wire. **Dan/Sean**
 - g. Potential gas leak / smell around ovens. Dan contacted CONES and they came out to clean and adjust pilots. All seems to be functioning properly now. Fixed! **Dan**
 - h. Chapel roof repair by White Roofing scheduled for last week of June. – **Darren**
4. Needed Repairs:
 - a. Minor <= \$1000
 - i. Heat tape needed in downspout, east side of Sanctuary bldg., after White Roofing is completed (see above). **Darren**
 - ii. Lights in bell tower (visible through the narrow windows on the tower. – one replaced and is much brighter, but reviewing for even brighter. Another one still needs to be changed. **Dan**, 10 June
 - iii. Flood lights on dormers of bell tower (only south one works) – waiting for warmer weather. **Dan**, 10 June
 - iv. North dormer window blank – waiting for warmer weather. **Dan**, 10 June
 - v. The motor for #1 boiler possibly has a dead short. RIEMR states it is too small to be worthwhile rebuilding. **Matt** is looking into replacement cost.
 - vi. Oven temperature thermostat/regulator issue to where temp is running low about 25 degrees. Thermostat has been remounted. Need to check temp when running. **Andy**

- vii. 1st floor drinking fountain unit repaired and is getting quotes on 2nd and 3rd floor replacement. **Dan**
- viii. Lights in sanctuary ceiling. Need to replace bulbs that are not working. Darren to get with Jim on replacing. **Matt** is looking for correct bulb size and style.
- ix. Lights in Sanctuary ceiling under the balcony, **Darren** to contact DECCO to have them assess the situation and recommend repairs.
- x. Assoc Pastor office radiator cover being built. **Matt**

b. Moderate \$1000 < X < \$5000

c. Major >= \$5000

- i. Leak in the men's restroom next to Fellowship Hall. Modern companies have lowest bid of \$7000. Session approved. Large leaking pipe has been replaced. Still small leak from steam trap. IT needs a new gasket and is on order.
Darren/Andy
- ii. Bell repair, session approved contingent upon financing from the Armil Fund via the Foundation. \$6060 + \$1000 labor. Request sent to Foundation for financial support from Armil Fund. Foundation BOT denied at this time. **Dan** received quote for Verdin Carillon Virtuoso of \$19,490. Additional \$4000 for install. Self-Install can be performed without impacting on the warranty. **Andy** made a motion to recommend to the **Session** that the Church's portion of the Magnusson gift for music be used to purchase the Verdin Carillon Virtuoso, which plays music as well as strikes the physical bell for a sum NTE \$25K. Pete seconded. Passed unanimously. Discussion to have Andy speak during the discussion phase at Session meeting. Passed unanimously.

5. New Business:

- a. Spring Cleaning date for the maintenance area – 6/13/2026, 9:00AM. **Dan**
- b. Compassion Camp BGS to serve lunch on Monday 6/15/2026 11:00AM. **Karla's in charge!** Andy and Dan (if available) have agreed to help serve.
- c. Boiler pressure gauge replacement for insurance purposes. **Darren** to confirm that insurance has received and documented new gauges. Will work with Kristine.
- d. Additional Congregational member of BG&S consideration. Dan recommended Sean Jacobsmeier be added to the committee. Matt motioned, Nathan seconded, passed unanimously.
- e. Removal of the three trees by playground and trimming of spruce tree by transformer, Iowa Street side. Dan 10 June. This request was made by our landscape subcommittee. Nate motioned to proceed, Andy seconded, passed unanimously.
- f. Review of FPC Manual of Operations. We need to review pages 15 & 16 and make recommended changes by 21 Sep. Focus on what should remain in Manual of Operations and what should just be in the BG&S handbook. Goal to decide during July's meeting. The Manual of Operations can be found at [2025--OPERATIONS-MANUAL---Last-Updated-19-November-2025.pdf](#)
- g. Dan notified the committee that Chad (custodian) is no longer employed by FPC.

6. Motions made for Session –

Dan: Move to use a sum NTE \$25k of the Church's portion of the Magnusson gift (directed for musical attributes) be used to purchase the Verdin Carillon Virtuoso system, which plays music as well as strikes the physical bell. Quote and product sheet attached. **Dan** will begin discussion to provide context for newer Session members and refresher for all, plus explain the virtuoso system. **Andy** to lead discussion on the use of the Magnusson gift for this purpose.

7. Next Meeting: 6 July 2026, 5:30PM – Parlor

8. Closing prayer (Pastor Kris) & Adjournment: 6:40PM



Finance Committee
May 12, 2025

Attendees: Tom Spitzfaden, Nancy Chapman, Craig Foster, Kirk Christie, Karen Moore, Stephanie Arp, Kristine Olson and Kris Schondelmeyer

Excused: Pam Paulsen

Identify note taker for this meeting: Stephanie Arp

Additions/Changes to agenda: None.

Approve minutes: April 14 meeting minutes were approved.

January, February and March 2026 Financial reports:

- Reports were provided.
- January and February reports are good to forward to Session.
- March reports were preliminary. Final reports will be available for the Session meeting.
- QuickBook report formats still need to be enhanced.

January, February and March 2026 Reconciliations:

- January, February and March reconciliations that are performed by Wendy, will be sent very soon.
- Other reconciliations for January, February and March are being worked on.

Magnusson bequest status: No change to status. Waiting on the finalization of tax returns.

BG&S project status: No new major projects were identified.

Cash Position: Tom, Pam and Kristine will review our cash position in relationship to the Birdies for Charity temporary outflow in August.

Compassion Camp:

- Committee is responsible for lunch on Tuesday, June 16.
- Menu is hot dogs, individual bags of chips, grapes, Oreos, gluten free Oreos ketchup and mustard.
- Stephanie will make the Sam's run.

Finance Committee significant projects:

- Determine what QuickBook reporting should look like. Goal is to minimize manual work to create the reports.
- Tom and Pam will work on changing banks from Wells Fargo to Green State.
- 2025 procedural review will be completed by Craig, Tom, Stephanie and Chris Pitcher. Timeframe to be determined.
- Follow up on Agreed Procedure recommendations will be addressed later in the year.
- Definition of 'long term' savings will be addressed later.

Next meeting date: June 9, 2026 at 7pm via zoom.

Prayer: Kris closed the meeting with prayer.

Submitted by Stephanie Arp; June 1, 2026.



Christian Education and Fellowship with Youth Committee Meeting

Date: Monday, June 1, 2026, via Zoom

Time: 7:31 PM – 8:03 PM

Attendees: Marty Bowles Edwards, Deanna Herman, Kathy Middleton, Abby Schondelmeyer, Sherry Williams

Guests: Judy Hawthorne and Carole Scherz

Opening Prayer: Marty

The CEFY Committee met to review summer programming, Compassion Camp preparations, budget updates, and ongoing ministry activities. The committee reported that the budget remains in good shape and well under budget, though clarification is being sought regarding some confusing financial reports.

A significant portion of the meeting focused on Compassion Camp, which has grown to more than 30 registered children, more than doubling participation from two years ago. Registrations have come through church outreach efforts, including the Caring Closet, social media, and community advertising. The week will emphasize creativity, choice, and intergenerational participation, with activities including cardboard construction projects, quiet spaces, active play, yoga, and opportunities for older youth to serve as helpers and mentors.

The committee also reviewed summer programming. Outdoor worship services will be on the second Sundays during the summer, the playground remains available throughout the summer, and youth activities are being planned around the Scout calendar. Nursery hours will shift to a summer schedule of 9:00–11:00 a.m., and Musikgarten continues to provide meaningful engagement for younger children and families.

Ongoing work to move ministry communications and forms into Breeze to improve organization and communication with families. Efforts are also being made to strengthen coordination among church ministries and community partners.

The committee scheduled June 29 as a combined Compassion Camp debrief and July meeting, with the August meeting moved to August 4. The meeting concluded with appreciation for the volunteers and leaders supporting the church's children and family ministries and with excitement for a busy and promising summer ahead.

Adjournment: 8:03 PM

Closing Prayer: Abby



Adult Spiritual Growth Committee Update 06/26

Adult Spiritual Growth Committee did not meet in the month of June. However, there are relevant updates regarding Bible Basics and the Speakers Program.

1. Bible Basics Status

Bible Basics is moving from a regular Wednesday night program into a hiatus. This is more than a short recess. The program may return later, but likely in a different form and on a different night.

The reasons are practical. The program has required significant preparation, attendance has declined to around five or six people, and Wednesday night is valuable church programming space. Since other church programming has had to work around Bible Basics, it makes sense to free that time for broader congregational use, especially with a possible new associate pastor coming.

The group has discussed this direction, and the general feeling is that this is a healthy and realistic decision. If Bible Basics returns, it should not return in its current Wednesday night format.

2. Possible Future Bible Study Resources

Two Great Courses video series were identified as especially strong options for future adult education or small-group programming.

The first is a course on Revelation. It includes twenty-four 30-minute lectures. The content was better and more useful than expected, and it could work well if someone were willing to facilitate or teach it. A related book is available but not necessary.

The second is Reading Biblical Literature, a broad survey from Genesis to Revelation. It includes thirty-six 30-minute lectures and focuses on how to read and interpret Scripture through literary forms, imagery, values, and genre. It is accessible for people with little Bible background while still offering value to more experienced readers.

These resources could be used for future programming on another night, as part of adult education, or possibly in connection with broader church programming. If used in a larger church setting, the church may need to clarify proper licensing or group-use permission with Great Courses.

3. Speakers Program Update

The Speakers Program was approved by Session in November as a subcommittee connected with ASG. Operating rules have now been drafted, mostly following the original proposal. These rules should be shared with Session for approval.

The group has already begun meeting and developing its first event proposal, though Session still needs to approve the nominations to the group. This timing is not ideal, but the work has moved forward because of scheduling needs.

4. Proposed First Speaker Event: David LaMotte

The first proposed event is with David LaMotte in October, pending Session approval. LaMotte is an author, musician, speaker, and church-related presenter who has worked often with Presbyterian congregations and PC(USA) settings.

The proposed event would be more than a single lecture. It may include a children's program, a public talk, a concert, preaching on Sunday, singing with the choir, and an adult education session. This makes him a strong fit because his work combines music, faith, justice, and public engagement.

His work also aligns well with ASG's general outlook. One of his key themes is that meaningful change happens through movements rather than through a single heroic individual. This could connect well with fall programming and possibly a related book study before his visit.

The goal is for future speaker proposals to reach ASG earlier, allowing the committee to review them, offer feedback, and suggest connections with other church programs.

5. Possible Future Programming: Indigenous Spirituality and Justice

Another possible future area of interest is Indigenous spirituality, history, and justice. The First Nations Version of the New Testament has already been used in some sermon discussion settings and has opened interest in learning more about Native American spiritual perspectives, especially their connection to creation, land, and community.

There may be local or regional Indigenous voices who could speak about Native history in the Quad Cities, ongoing justice concerns, and spiritual traditions. This could fit well with the church's larger commitments to learning, justice, and respectful engagement. ASGC chair Jay Williams is exploring resources with Native American Coalition of the Quad Cities and the Meskwaki Cultural Center & Museum.

6. Additional PC(USA) and Presbyterian Resources

Several Presbyterian resources may be useful for ASG to track. One example mentioned was the book *Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America*, which compares Presbyterian theology with distorted forms of evangelicalism connected to white nationalism, exclusion, and Christian nationalism. It may be useful as a class, discussion series, or resource for understanding Presbyterian identity in the current public climate.

There are also PC(USA) and Presbyterian Outlook webinars, some free and some low-cost, that could be shared with the congregation through church communications. ASG may want someone to monitor these resources and recommend occasional opportunities for adult education or personal study. Many thanks to Mark Jones for his support.

Bottom Line

Bible Basics is stepping back so the church can use Wednesday night more effectively. At the same time, strong Bible study resources remain available for future use. The Speakers Program is moving forward, with David LaMotte proposed as a strong first event because his work connects faith, music, justice, and public witness. ASG has an opportunity to guide these efforts, so they support the church's larger mission and fall programming.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

DATE : June 10, 2026

ATTENDEES: Pastor Schondelmeyer, Ruthann Tobey-Brown, Dan Brienach, Vicki Stegall, Linda Meadors, Paula Hartmann

OPENING WITH PRAYER: Meeting began at 10:00 AM with devotions led by RuthAnn

TOPICS & DISCUSSION POINTS

Love Gift recommendation for Chad Dean after 17 years of service to First Presbyterian

Review of existing Part Time Custodian Job Description

Review of staff member regular weekly schedules as prepared by each

Our committee strategy and scheduled to review the entire personal policy

MOTIONS MADE IN COMMITTEE

A motion was passed to recommend to Session on Monday June 14, 2026 that a love gift collection be made for Chad Dean

A motion was passed to submit our revised Custodian job description to Session on Monday June 14, 2026

MOTIONS FOR SESSION APPROVAL

Love Gift for former employee, Chad who served 17 years with our church,

Approval of revised Part Time Custodian Job Description

CLOSING PRAYER & TIME

Meeting closed at 2:00.

MINUTES PREPARED BY

Minutes prepared by Linda Meadors and approved by RuthAnn Tobey-Brown



Congregational Fellowship Committee

June 8, 2026 Meeting Notes

The meeting was held at 5:00pm in the church Parlor. Committee members present were Denny, Marilyn, Carole, Bill, Mariann and Val. Pastor Kris was also present.

- Opening Prayer: Denny
- Reviewed the CF Committee's Custodial and Pass Through Funds as of 5/31/26.
 - First Night Out \$72.56
 - Bix Race Day Fellowship Donations \$760.87
 - Manna and More Breakfast \$3,243.64
 - Travel Fellowship \$823.29
 - \$4,900.36
- Discussed Bix Race Day on July 25th. Marilyn and Denny will order and pick-up 10 dozen doughnuts and waters. Darren will make lemonade and coffee so we will not provide juice this year. Marilyn will submit the BUF and several of the committee members are available to help that day. The budget for this event is approximately \$160.00
- Discussed the Bix Jazz Liturgy Cookie Reception on August 2. Marilyn and Denny will order 3 trays of cookies and buy flowers for a centerpiece. (The hydrangea bushes we usually use for flower arrangements have been removed from the front of the church.) Marilyn will submit the BUF and we need volunteers to set-up, serve and clean-up. The budget for this event is approximately \$100.00.
- Discussed whether we are going to sponsor a church outing for the Bix Jazz Celebration Belle Boat Tour on July 31. The tour/ride is 4 hours long and costs \$64.95 per person which includes a live Bix Jazz performance, a hot 2-entrée buffet lunch, river sightseeing, tax and meal gratuity. Last year the CF Committee funded part of the cost of each ticket for church members and are willing to do the same this year. We need a committee member to organize this event and we will make final decisions at our July 13 meeting.
- Discussed the First Night Out Potluck on August 8. Judy Hawthorne is coordinating the event which will take place at Kimberly Village Park, 4044 Lillie Ave, in Davenport. We will need help getting tables to the site and with other set-up activities. The budget for the main dish and prizes is approximately \$70.00
- There will be no Manna & More in September as that is the date of the Deason's Picnic.
- We have been informed that our annual Blessing of the Animals service is scheduled as a stand-alone event on October 4 in the afternoon. This has caused some consternation for our committee and we will discuss ways to encourage church members to come back a second time that day to have their animals blessed.
- Our next meeting will be on July 13 in the Parlor at 5:00pm.
- Closing Prayer was led by Denny.
- We adjourned at 5:50.



Strategic Discernment Team

April 2026

Present: Co-Chairs Nancy Chapman and Ted Brown, Rev. Dr. Kris Schondelmeyer, Darren Long, Pam Paulsen, Karla Ruiter, Matt Kabel, Chris Connelly, Dan Darland, Matt Bishop, Theresa Jacobsmeier, Marty Bowles Edwards, Nancy Foster, Jim Middleton, and Julia Meyer.

*Pastor Kris opened the meeting in prayer.

*Update from Architect/Design Committee. Will meet every two weeks with architects to start to access the total project and to develop a master plan. Minutes of those meetings are shared with the SDT and a report will be developed to share with Session.

*Received minutes from last meeting March 7

*Discussed steps for moving forward (Slides)

*Reviewed Ministry Functions, each Ministry Priority was assigned a Leader to work with staff support and other people to consult to help discern how the commitments for each priority will be reached, who and how much time will be needed to make those commitments successful. This will lead to a staffing plan and an operational budget. See separate page of Ministry Priorities, the SDT Leader assigned and people to consult.

*The SDT meeting on May 5th was cancelled, instead this SDT will be meeting on Wednesday May 27th 7pm-9pm in order to give the Ministry Priority leaders time to consult staff and others and will be reporting back to the SDT at that meeting.

*Pastor Kris closed us in prayer

* Minutes prepared by Theresa Jacobsmeier

See chart on following page.

First Presbyterian Church of Davenport
Strategic Discernment Team
Ministry Functions

Ministry Priority / Leader	Staff Support	People to Consult
Excellence in Worship: Julia Meyer	Pastor Kris Matt Jim	Mitch Doremus Worship & Music Kristine Olson CEFY Darren
Music Ministry: Chris Connolly	Matt	Worship & Music Alex Pastor Kris Choirs Darren
Children, Youth, & Families: Theresa Jacobsmeier	Marty Pastor Kris	Abby CEFY Deacons Adult Spiritual Growth Darren
Community Center: Karla Ruiter	Pastor Kris	Ruth Ann Tobey Brown Deacons Glen Roebuck Adult Spiritual Growth Fellowship Darren
Caring Closet: Nancy Foster	Pastor Kris	Ruth Ann Tobey Brown Deacons Glen Roebuck Darren
Digital Presence: Staff	Pastor Kris Matt Jim	Diana Miller-Bur
Finance: Pam Paulsen	Pastor Kris	Kristine Olson Tammy Versluis Finance

4/22/2026

Strategic Discernment Committee Meeting Minutes

5/27/2026

Present: Nancy Chapman (Co-Chair), Rev. Dr. Kris Schondelmeyer, Darren Long, Pam Paulsen, Karla Reuter, Chris Connolly, Matt Bishop, Theresa Jacobsmeier, Marty Bowles Edwards, Nancy Foster, Julia Meyer.

Pastor Kris called the meeting to order at 7:06 and reminded the committee that members would be asked to report back on the 'commitments' expressed earlier by the group, with one committee member assigned to provide details on how each of the commitments could be carried out by the church and how much staffing would be needed in each case. He also asked that all reports be submitted to him in writing no later than June 1.

1) Nancy Chapman-----meeting with architects

Nancy shared that they had met with the architects hired for our project to discuss the meaning of the church's "preliminary space" by providing estimates of the approximate needs for space, based on each church program. On a preliminary basis, they estimate that there would not be a need for building additional space onto the church, but we could repurpose existing spaces to better fit our needs.

- a) There was discussion on relocating the shed on the west side of the church.
- b) It was suggested that we could consider building an additional entrance/exit from the Fellowship Hall for future expansion on the west side of the building.
- c) An estimate was given for a cost of \$5MM for 15,000 sq. ft. of new space.
- d) A suggestion was made to use one or two rental properties for the future home of the Caring Closet, based on the perception that it would be less expensive to remodel the homes for this purpose rather than remodeling the church building.

2) Excellence in Worship----Julia Meyer

Julia met with Jim Middleton and Mitch Doremus and asked several questions:

- a) What would we do to replace Jim/Mitch in the future, when needed?
- b) What could we do to improve acoustics and what would be the cost to do so?
- c) What do we need to budget to maintain/update our electronics (cameras, computers, monitors, etc.)?
- d) Jim and Mitch pointed out that our cameras are now 12 years old and they would like to have a joystick to change camera angles, etc. instead of the current button system.
- e) Jim and Mitch are currently working each Sunday from 815 am to 1130 am or so, in addition to meeting with Pastor Kris to plot strategy for broadcasting each service. They are not currently open to working with students or other candidates for training to produce a church service, so there is no plan for replacing them when needed.
- f) Julia met with Pastor Kris and verified reasons why we have a need for an Associate Pastor, e.g., to handle the minutiae of the pastors' job, to expand our presence on social media, to offer a contemplative or Taize-style service, plus whatever else that would come to mind. How many hours would be needed to do that?
- g) Julia met with Abby and Marty to discuss their work with Christian education for youth and they shared that the additional hours that they have added to their schedules have allowed them to better reflect the hours they have already been working and the various responsibilities they take on around the church.

3) Music Ministry-----Chris Connolly

- a) Need to budget for and hire a replacement for Linda Bengfort but need to quantify hours, responsibilities, etc.
- b) Request for four-part music in bulletins and adding more information on the origin and background of hymns can be solved with purchase of an additional digital license for our hymnals; a donor has stepped forward to pick up the tab once Music and Worship Committee approves the purchase.
- c) Additional volunteers are needed to provide materials and reinforcement of a program for commitment on the part of choir members to come to rehearsals and church services.
- d) Continue to offer Justice Choir and QC Youth Choir as ways to get community singers and their families to attend our church and be exposed to our pastor and congregation.
- e) Look for other opportunities for community involvement, e.g., Beer Choir or Pride Weekend concerts.

4) Children, Youth, and Families-----Theresa Jacobsmeier

- a) Theresa met with Abby Schondelmeyer to discuss the various methods that Abby uses to keep in touch with students and parents regarding their program activities. Texting or emailing.... what is the best way to reach the most people? Is there duplication that can be eliminated?
- b) Can senior members/empty nesters provide support for kids' activities?
- c) Can a volunteer help with creation and execution of craft projects to support kids' Sunday School lessons?
- d) Design t-shirts for young people to wear as a group at events or during activities?
- e) Use volunteers outside of youth program parents to help cover needs for meals.
- f) Encourage church member involvement in major Scout activities to demonstrate support on the part of the church?

5) Community Center concept----Karla Ruiter

- a) Caring Closet should do a hot meal once a month...need volunteers for prep, serving, and cleanup.
- b) Invite members of outside community services to have conversations with Caring Closet visitors as they wait to enter? (Glen Roebuck has offered to assist if he can have a couple of volunteers to help him.)
- c) Could we have PA students or Chiropractic students available for basic screens such as blood pressure, vision, hearing, etc.?
- d) Connections with Sudlow----Amy Saskowski is changing schools and new staff at Sudlow is not encouraging additional programming with them at this time because of all the changes coming with the new school building.
- e) Could we still host the Sudlow art show here?

6) Caring Closet----Nancy Foster

- a) We are currently open Tue, Fri, Sat and it is run entirely by dedicated volunteers.
- b) We provide FREE unlimited clothing where other facilities charge fees and/or set limits on quantities.
- c) Facility operates on donations from Deacons and congregational members.
- d) What can we do to create more space for sorting and processing of clothing?
- e) Can we create a process for purging older clothing that is not moving off the shelves?

- f) What process do we have to keep the program going if we lose Ruth Ann or any of the other key volunteers?

7) Digital Presence-----Pastor Kris

- a) More work needs to be done to train others to assist/replace Jim and Mitch
- b) Working on specific figures for cost of technology updates and budgeting accordingly
- c) What will we do if something happens to Jim M as he maintains all of our current computer network? Hire a contractor on call?
- d) Can a contractor do computer repairs remotely?

8) Finance-----Pam Paulsen

- a) Need to continue and expand stewardship program each fall.
- b) Need to educate congregation annually about legacy giving through the Foundation of FPC and segregate from stewardship.
- c) Do more to encourage all to participate in financial giving, regardless of age
- d) Basic accounting procedures and separation of duties necessitate having two people in the finance office.

Pastor Kris summarized the meeting with the challenge to all of us who are addressing the various priorities in the church that we need to quantify our needs for staffing and related expenses in order for all of us to better understand how these points of emphasis will affect our future budget needs. He closed the meeting with prayer; meeting was adjourned at 9:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Connolly

FPC Staff Reports, June 2026



Abby Schondelmeyer and Marty Bowles Edwards, Co-Directors of Christian Education June 15, 2026

Confirmation Sunday was held on May 24. There were 2 young people that affirmed their commitment to the church. Confirmation was celebrated in the worship service and with a cake reception.

Each Sunday morning, we work together, intentionally welcoming and assisting visiting children and their adults feel comfortable, safe, and included in present and upcoming activities. The Playground numbers are increasing, requiring expanding options for quiet Sanctuary activities.

Compassion Camp preparations have been the dominant focus:

- 1) Gathering supplies
- 2) Cleaning and preparing spaces for the scheduled activities
- 3) Communicating with teachers, committees, assistants, and families
- 4) Worship planning for June 21st
- 5) Appreciated the team support of fellow Staff Members:
 - a. Working with Music Staff for combined efforts in CC week and worship
 - b. Working with Office Staff for the bulletin and for sanctuary decoration hanging
 - c. Working with Finance director to assigning CC expenses to custodial funds where appropriate
 - d. Working with Custodian for facility and setup needs.

Worked the Pride booth, sharing information about FPC and VBS-Compassion Camp.

Attended the Sunday afternoon, June 8th, dance recital to support a Youth and their family.

Continue to serve on the SDT. Conversations were had with different leaders of the SDT as that discernment process is ongoing.

Support for Musikgarten will continue all summer on the Sundays scheduled by the Music Staff. Older siblings are invited to participate in Musikgarten or enjoy board games provided for them on the 3rd floor.

The process to move CEFY communication to Breeze has begun and will be ongoing over the summer.

Staff mid-year reviews with personnel took place late May.



Kristine Olson, Dir. of Financial & Business Administration June 8, 2026

- As a reminder, **please submit APPROVED expense reimbursements on completed expenditure forms to the Finance Office by the 8th and 23rd of each month** to ensure payment by the 15th and Last Day of each month, respectively. **Unapproved expense reports may result in delayed processing of reimbursement requests.**
- **Please let me know of any unusual or large expenditures between now and October 8th.** The Finance Committee is diligent in maintaining a great balance of having available

cash to pay bills and yet investing funds to earn interest. Knowing when unusual or large expenditures will be requested with help Finance to maintain that balance.

- Draft Committee Financials have been provided to all committees' meetings through June 9th. **If Deacons or Committees would like me to review financials in more detail, please let me know and we can schedule time to meet.**
- QuickBooks Online: All Q1 2026 financials, all monthly/quarterly reconciliations, and journal entries are completed and have been reviewed. April financials, reconciliations, and journal entries have been completed and are pending review. May financials have been completed, and we are working on the May reconciliations and journal entry review package. While not fully caught up, much progress has been made. A meeting with members from Finance and Pastor Kris has been scheduled for June 18th to discuss this transition in more detail.
- REVISED April General Fund Financials were provided to the Finance Committee on Tuesday, May 26th. DRAFT May General Fund Financials were provided to Finance on Friday, June 5th.
- Q1 Restricted Fund Financials and Q1 Managed Fund Financials were provided to Finance on Monday, June 8th. Q1 Foundation Financials were originally provided to the Board of Trustees Wednesday, May 27th.
- The Magnusson Music Fund at New Covenant has been established and distribution from her estate is being processed as of Thursday, June 4th.
- I worked with Matt Bishop to create a website for PAS Musical Ticket Purchases using Square. You can visit this site by clicking on the following link: [FPC Davenport PAS - Tuck Everlasting](#).
- Breeze Giving - **Reminder: Online Giving via Breeze will replace Vanco in 2026.** I continue working with existing Vanco givers with the transition.



Matt Bishop, Director of Music and Arts
June 2026

- The rehearsal schedule for *Tuck Everlasting* is increasing as we move closer to performance weekend (June 26-28). All components of the show are coming together beautifully. You won't want to miss this production!
- The Sanctuary Choir and Vesper Bells wrapped up their season with a Festival of Hymns on May 17 (though the Sanctuary Choir sang again on May 31 as part of the Pride Kickoff Service. The Quad City Youth Choir held its spring concert on the evening of May 17 - the kids sang BEAUTIFULLY!
- Auditions for *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* took place at the Spotlight Theatre on May 30-31. As a reminder, the Sanctuary Choir will be the resident choir for this huge production (and I am music director), the goal being to invite people from the community to join us in this choir (which

will hopefully serve as an on-ramp to join our choir full time). So far, there will likely be at least 25 additional singers who will join us for this production, which is the second and third weekends of October.

- I continue to attend meetings of the Affirming Congregations of the Quad Cities as FPC's representative; this group held its second annual "Light Up Pride" event at the Spotlight Theatre on May 31, which I helped coordinate and attended.
- In partnership with Clock, Inc., the Justice Choir of the Midwest and Sanctuary Choir collaborated and expanded to form the second iteration of the QC Pride Pop-Up Choir, which rehearsed four times at First Pres this past month and sang on June 5 at the QC Pride Fest at Schwiebert Park in Rock Island. This collaboration brought in new singers, some of which have already expressed interest in joining either Justice Choir or the FPC community. One of the pieces was a new work that I arranged for the choir.
- In addition to leading the QC Pride Pop-Up Choir, I (along with 8 scheduled volunteers from the choir) staffed a booth at the QC Pride Fest on June 5 and June 6 - we had wonderful conversations with many people about the welcoming nature of FPC (some of whom are likely to visit in the future) and were thanked by numerous attendees for showing up at the festival.
- I have been working with Linda Meadors and ACFEA to plan a music-related overseas travel fellowship for winter 2027. Details to come later.
- I am also continuing to manage logistics and payments for the Sanctuary Choir's weekend tour to Kansas City at the end of July, working to coordinate the jazz musicians for the Bix Jazz Liturgy on August 2, and planning for the annual Sanctuary Choir Retreat on September 5 at St. Ambrose.
- I have also been finalizing details for the 2026-2027 season of the Performing Arts Series, which I will present at this month's Session meeting.

Appendix 4: Deacon Board Meeting, June 2026

Deacons Minutes

June 8th, 2026, 7:00PM

Attendance: Andy Edwards, Elizabeth Breinich, Dan Breinich, Kris Woodard, Gail Yingling, Bill Yingling, Scott Johnson, Steve Earp, Bob Lehnherr, Sarah Soenksen, Pat Halverson, Carrie Braun, Connie Connolly, Kris Schondelmeyer, Doug Wells, Lois Boyer, Katrina Williams

Absent: John Geere, Al Frohlich, Andrew Darland, Cherrie Umland-Burns, Heidi Pedersen, Mason Pedersen, Amy Saskowski

Devotions: Sarah Soenksen

Minutes and Matthew 25: Andy Edwards: Minutes Approved

Money received to Deacons in May: \$4000 \$ \$3500

Succession Planning: Andy Edwards: Plan for Chairman and Co Chairman for next year

Green Envelops: Andy Edwards: Need minute for mission last Sunday of July and October

Member Care follow-up: Steve Earp and Lois Boyer

- Birthday Cards: new list for birthday cards
- Furthest Pew Status: No new names. There were two that Andy and Marty went to see. Andy will give Steve a list of people who want to be trained.
- Homecoming: Needs to be in E-news and heavily advertised. The committee will need an RSVP including allergy notifications. The plan is to have the lunch catered by someone of reasonable price but good quality food. A discussion was had about having an old fashion hymn sing a-long before the lunch begins. Share your favorite hymns. This would give the adult Sunday school time and kids Sunday school time to have their sessions before lunch. Kids perhaps would sing to the group after the meal. Date: October 25th
- Baseball Game: June 30th Announcement went into the bulletin for this week. There is no need to have a sign up sheet.
- Young adult outing: June 10 Young adult gathering for Bowling at TBK
- Sherry Williams made a motion and it was seconded for Deacons to pay for the bowling lanes. It was passed unanimously by the board.
- Funeral helper list on breeze. A template needs to be created for future funerals and other needs. Andy will come for a specific place to put information for funerals.
- Men's fellowship: Start sometime in the fall and meet to make plans for future breakfasts. Perhaps once a month on a Saturday will probably work the best. A place will need to be decided. The committee will come up with a specific date in August

Tapestry Farms: Andy Edwards: Work is continuing on the two homes.

Punch: Sherry Williams: update: We need green envelopes in the pews. Andy said they are in the pews but would check to make sure they are there.

Clean team can also check on the envelopes. Punch talked about the Memorial to the Lost. Talking about doing it differently this year. Splitting the shirts up amongst the involved churches with a sign and list of people.

Sunday was the graduation at the Center. Student's name was Damion. We purchased everything on his list. He also received a lap top amongst other needed items. This year there were 15 foster students that graduated and aged out of the system. Cost spent on his gifts was close to \$800 dollars.

Outreach: Sarah Soenksen and committee

- Caring Closet: Always have a lot of donations. Still switching from Winter to Summer. The closet needs hygiene products. The committee will look into a partner ship with Oral B in Iowa City.
- Picnic date- September 13th
- Dunk tank: \$255. Do we want to do this instead of bounce house?
- Juneteenth: June 20th Flip flops collected, Andy will put up the tent, 11:00-4:00 Sign up sheet going around for Deacons to volunteer
Cards are going to be attached to the flip flops. Volunteers are needs to tag the flip flops

Meal Site: Bob Lehnerr: 67 were served. We have volunteered to serve next month.

Mission Connection: Gail Yingling

- Response to natural disasters
- Planning Boarder outreach next year, any interest?
- Mission trip next year in fall. Possibly in the Midwest
- Habitat for Humanity: Possible date in the fall [September 19th]
- Kids Against Hunger-next spring
- Waste commission: I live here- Extreme clean up: area gets assigned and you clean up the area. Gail will call the organization. They provide bags and gloves. We organize a date and group of people.

Special Gift: What do we do with the money? Suggestion: Help pay for graduations gifts.

\$4000 & \$3500

Serving lunch to compassion camp: June 18th: Mac and cheese and hot dog. Need fruit, desert and clean up. Plan for 50

Closing Prayer: Sarah Soenksen

Appendix 5: Names to be removed from the Baptism Roll

It is recommended that the Session of FPC remove the names listed here from the FPC <i>Baptism Roll</i> for one or more of the following reasons: age over 18 years, parents no longer members at FPC, or no known contact information. FPC maintains permanent records of all persons baptized at FPC. This is called the <i>Baptism Register</i> . Names are never removed by the Baptism Register. The <i>Baptism Roll</i> identifies baptized children in the fellowship of FPC.		
Bangert, Zachary	Holman, Archer	Rink, Chelsea
Bangert, Nicholas	Holst, Erin	Rink, Melissa
Blackman, Lillian	Hoogheem, Simone	Rink, Andrew
Blackman, John (JD)	Hoogheem, Lucie	Romans, Gabriel
Boddorf, Mailey Rae	Lawler, Glenn	Romans, Sophia
Bohannon, Kyra Lorraine	Lofgren, Adelina	Romans, Rafe
Bohannon, Paige Eliz	Lofgren, Brielle	Rouda, Michael
Cantana, Emmah	Logan, Conner	Rouda, Matthew
Cartellone, Meadow	Martin, Eleanor	Schaffer, Valerie
Chamberlain, Deanna	Meracle, Alison	Skyles, Tabitha
Coon, Lauren Eliz	Merrill, Brooks	Skyles, Gabriel
Dresing, Charlie	Moore, Jorden	Snyder, Cameron
Dresing, Luke	Page, Amelia	Snyder, Caiden
Duncan, Alaina	Page, Alexander	Stell, Garin
Feeney, Lincoln	Patterson, Ayden	Stellinga, Natalie
Fensterbusch, Lindsay	Paul, Alex	Stelling, Ruby
Fensterbusch, Kristin	Peters, Derek	Stephens, Carter
Fensterbusch, Robert	Peters, Dylan	Taylor, Avery
French, Tyler David	Peterson, Ethan	Weldon, Paige
Fromi, Abbey	Pierson, Lillian	Weldon, Aubrey
Fromi, Tyler	Raes, Daniel	Williams, Payton
Geurink, Alexis	Ricaurte, Ella	Willimas, Sawyer
Gilbert, Audrey	Ricaurte, Dylan	York, Logan
Hayman, Tyler	Rigdon, Sarah	Zellman, George
Hein, Maya	Rigdon, Ava	Zellman, Benjamin
Herrin, Brittany		

Appendix 6: Job description: PT Church Custodian

Position Title: Part-Time Custodian

Approved: June 15, 2026

Reports To: Director of Buildings & Grounds

Directly Supervises: N/A

Summary of Position: The Part-Time Custodian is responsible for maintaining the congregation's buildings and grounds in good physical condition with a clean and neat appearance, for maintaining proper security of church property, ensuring that the facilities are ready for scheduled use, and providing input for both preventative and long-term maintenance planning for the church. Instructions to the custodian are generally specific (following weekly checklists); however, the custodian must be able to evaluate work and make changes as needed to complete the task on a daily basis without the presence of a supervisor.

I. Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds

1. Responsible for maintaining the facilities of the church including:
 - a. Heating (boilers) and air conditioning maintenance— adding chemicals, blowing the boilers down, etc. Repairs to be done by a licensed vendor.
 - b. Snow and ice removal from parking lots and sidewalks.
 - c. Lawn mowing, weed control, and landscaping, as needed.
 - d. General custodial care of church facilities, including the maintenance of the buildings' floors, carpets, walls, restrooms, kitchens, etc. in a clean, orderly, and sanitary manner.
 - e. Working conditions include: restricted movement, dirty environments, and bending down and lifting and/or carrying heavy objects (at least 50 lbs.).
 - f. May be exposed to hot and cold temperatures, noise, slippery surfaces, rain and snow.

II. Services to Church Members, Committees, and the Community

1. Ensure that rooms and facilities are set up and ready as scheduled.
2. Coordinate the clean-up and reorganization of rooms in a timely manner after special use to be ready for the normal activities of the church.
3. Work schedule may also include special church services, weddings, and the Performing Arts Series events.

III. Security

1. Ensure the building is secure during church programming.

2. Ensure the building is secure at the end of each day and whenever the church is scheduled to be closed by maintaining lock-up procedures (turning off lights, ensuring no one is left in the building, ensuring doors are latched and locked, and setting the alarm).

IV. Preventative Maintenance and Long-Term Maintenance

1. Monitor equipment for proper operation and recommend any corrective action as appropriate.
2. Monitor custodial supplies and inform Director of Buildings and Grounds when reorders are needed.
3. Give input on a long-term maintenance plan, including a preventative maintenance schedule.

V. Other Responsibilities

1. Regular check-ins with the Director of Buildings and Grounds.
2. Semi-annually, develop personal and professional goals in conjunction with the Personnel Committee.
3. Participate in an initial probationary review after 90-days and an ongoing annual performance review with the Personnel Committee. This will include an appraisal of job performance, a review of results achieved on previously set goals, and goals created for the next year.
4. Other duties as assigned.

VI. General Terms of Employment and Benefits:

1. General terms of employment and benefits are set forth in the Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual of the Church.
2. Wages are established annually by the Session at the recommendation of the Personnel Committee.
3. Must establish and maintain effective, harmonious, cooperative, and productive working relationships with Director of Buildings and Grounds, Pastor/Head of Staff, all other staff, members, and guests.
4. Work Time: This is a part-time, non-exempt position. The position may average up to 25 hours per week, based on church needs.
5. Specific schedule may be negotiated, but will include weekends based on church needs.



Session Agenda
June 15, 2026
Von Maur Hall and Zoom

FPC is a Matthew 25 church in the PC USA. The three core pillars of the Matthew 25 initiative are:

- ❖ Building Congregational Vitality
- ❖ Eradicating Systemic Poverty
- ❖ Dismantling Structural Racism

Call to Order (6:30 PM)

Declaration of a Quorum

Devotion and Study (6:30 – 7:00 PM)

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.

Approval of the Agenda

Guests: Introductions, seating of guests with voice and no vote

Consent Agenda

All items placed under the Consent Agenda are normally considered to be routine. If any item is in question, you may contact the appropriate committee chair or staff person and make an inquiry. If further discussion is helpful, anyone may request the item be pulled off the consent agenda.

- Approve the May 18, 2026, Session Meeting minutes.
- Approve the June 1, 2026 Called Meeting minutes

Update from the Early Education Task Force: Glen Roebuck

- Recommendation to dissolve the Early Education Task Force.

Clerk's Report

- Report from the Clerk of Session for June 2026, (see Session packet)
- Each Committee & Subcommittee are to submit recommendations for changes to their portion of the FPC Operations Manual at the Sept 21, 2026 Session meeting. An email was sent May 22, 2026 assigning areas of responsibility. Please contact Julia with questions.
- Communications received by the Clerk: None

- Action Items:
 - Recommendation to remove persons from the Baptism Roll who are no longer affiliated with FPC or who reached the age of majority (see Session Packet).
 - Recommendation to approve sending FPC bound annual records, 2018 – 2023, to the Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia, PA for storage.

Deacons' Report – Deacon Moderator, Andy Edwards

Session Committee/Commission Reports:

- See Session packet for written reports. Session members can ask for discussion or pose questions on any written report. Committees may request time to comment on specific items in the report. Reports will be received as a whole unless a request is made to remove an item for discussion.
 - Discussion:
 - Finance: May 2026 Income/Expense and Custodial/Pass-Through reports.
 - PAS 2026-2027
 - Motions:
 - CEFY Staff request: move to approve serving Communion to the VBS-Compassion Camp participants of all ages on Friday morning, June 19, 2026.
 - Personnel: Approve job description for Parttime Custodian
 - Personnel: Approve a love gift collection for Chad Dean.

Staff Reports – Written staff reports have been provided. Session members may discuss or pose questions on any staff report.

Report of the Pastor/Head of Staff

Other Business

- SDT meeting, Nancy Chapman, Co-Chair.
- Recommendation to approve the Strategic Discernment Team for 2 more years.

Evaluation of the Meeting

Adjournment

DATES TO REMEMBER		
Outdoor Sunday Morning Service Schedule	June 14, 2026 July 19, 2026	August 16, 2026

Upcoming Session Meetings	Monday, August 3, 2026 Monday, September 21, 2026
Next Presbytery Meeting, 221th	Saturday, September 19, 2026, 10 AM Camp Bear Creek (in-person & Zoom)
227 th General Assembly of PC(USA) Sunday, June 21 – Thursday, July 2, 2026 Baird Center, Milwaukee, WI Live-streaming available	Highlight: Election of Co-Moderators: Thursday, July 2 nd , 8:30AM – 12 noon. Closing worship and installation of the Co-Moderators, 12N – 1PM.