



First Presbyterian Church

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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Stewardship Series: One Faith, Many Voices
September 27, 2026 at 9:30 AM



Raphael (1483-1520), *Christ's Charge to Peter* (1515-1520) | Victoria & Albert Museum, London

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 pre-school). 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 September to April program year. Check today's bulletin for current schedule.

MusikGarten, a program for parents/caregivers and young children (birth through pre-school), 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

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

To help you get to know the people sitting in your pew/row,
Please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it to your neighbors.

*As we begin worship, please silence your cell phones.
Take a quiet moment to center yourself in the presence of God.
We invite you to meditate silently on art, music, and Scripture.*

Preparing for the Word

Prelude	Festival Piece on "NICAEA"	Arr. Jerry Westenkuehler (b. 1966)
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Welcome and Announcements	The Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer
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Minute for Mission	Homecoming	Andy Bowles Edwards
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Minute for Stewardship	This I Believe...	Video
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Introit	God Is Gone up with a Shout The Sanctuary Choir	Eric Thiman (1900-1975)
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✠ Call to Worship	Jay Williams, Liturgist
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One: Please rise, in body or in spirit, for the Call to Worship.

One: From generation to generation, God's people have gathered to tell the story of God's mighty acts.

All: We come to remember the faith once delivered to the saints and entrusted anew to us.

One: We gather to worship the One who created heaven and earth...

All: Jesus Christ, God's eternal Word made flesh, who lived among us full of grace and truth.

One: We gather in the power of the Holy Spirit...

All: Who breathes life into the Church, gathers us into one body, and sends us into the world.

One: This is the faith of the Church.

All: Come, let us worship the Triune God.

✠ 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.)

✠ Hymn One	Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Refer to Page 7-8 for music and lyrics.	NICAEA
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Call to Confession

The creeds of our Reformed faith proclaim what God has done before they describe what we believe. Yet we often live as though our hope rests in ourselves—our achievements, our certainty, our strength, or our wisdom. Before we confess our faith, let us first confess our need for grace, trusting the mercy of the One who became flesh for us and for our salvation.

Prayer of Confession

Holy and Triune God, you created us in your image, yet we have preferred images of our own making. You came among us in Jesus Christ, yet we have sought saviors who promise power instead of love, certainty instead of trust, success instead of faithfulness. Too often we confess you with our lips while denying you with our lives. We have reduced Jesus to a wise teacher when you proclaim him Lord. We have admired his compassion without following his way. We have celebrated his resurrection while living as though death still has the final word.

Forgive us when our faith becomes merely words instead of a life shaped by your grace. Restore in us the joy of our baptism, the courage of your Spirit, and the hope of your coming kingdom. Teach us not only to say, "I believe," but to live as people who belong to Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news. Before we ever confessed our faith, God confessed God's love for us. Before we ever sought Christ, Christ sought us. Before we ever found the right words, the Word became flesh and lived among us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Listening for the Word

Anthem

Lord, I Believe
The Sanctuary Choir

Rosephanye Powell
(b. 1962)

Lord, I believe, help my unbelief.

As I believe, so shall I receive.

Lord, help my unbelief.

A father cried to Jesus, "can you heal my only son?"
Jesus said, "If you will just believe, then it shall be done."
The father cried, "I do believe, help my unbelief." (*Refrain*)

All things are possible to the one who believes.
All things are possible, Lord, help my unbelief. (*Refrain*)

I will say to the mountain, "Be cast into the sea."
When I trust without doubting then shall I receive.
Jesus hears when I call him, he'll meet every need.
Lord, help my unbelief. (*Refrain*)

(based on Mark 9:15-24; Matthew 17:14-20)

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Living God, Your Word became flesh and dwelt among us. As your written Word is read and your living Word is proclaimed, send your Holy Spirit among us. Open our ears to hear not merely ancient words, but your voice speaking today. Amen.

First Lesson

Colossians 1:15-20

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson

Matthew 16:13-20

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Sermon

"The Church's One Foundation"
The Rev. Dr. Kristopher Schondelmeyer

Responding to the Word

✦ Hymn Two

The Church's One Foundation
(Verses 1, 2, 4, & 5)
Refer to Page 9 for music and lyrics.

AURELIA

Creed

Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

Let All Things Now Living

Arr. Lloyd Larson
(b. 1954)

✦ Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Refer to Page 10 for music and lyrics.

OLD HUNDREDTH

✦ Prayer of Dedication

Sending Anthem

The Blessing of Aaron
The Sanctuary Choir

Arr. Walter Rodby
(1917-2005)

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Adolphus Hailstork
(b. 1941)

HYMNS

♣ Hymn One

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

NICAEA

Descant

4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,

3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,

4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.

cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;

though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,

All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

ho - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

1 The chur-ch's one foun-da-tion is Je-sus Christ her Lord.
 2 E-lect from ev-ery na-tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn-ful won-der this world sees her op-pressed,
 4 Mid toil and trib-u-la-tion, and tu-mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has un-ion with God, the Three in One,

She is his new cre-a-tion by wa-ter and the word.
 her char-ter of sal-va-tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
 by schis-ms rent a-sun-der, by her-e-sies dis-tressed,
 she waits the con-sum-ma-tion of peace for-ev-er-more:
 and mys-tic sweet com-mu-nion with those whose rest is won:

From heaven he came and sought her to be his ho-ly bride.
 One ho-ly name she bless-es, par-takes one ho-ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep-ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi-sion glo-rious her long-ing eyes are blest,
 O hap-py ones and ho-ly! Lord, give us grace that we,

With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press-es, with ev-ery grace en-dued.
 And soon the night of weep-ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic-to-rious shall be the church at rest.
 like them, the meek and low-ly, may live e-ter-nal-ly.

This hymn was one of twelve written by an English curate to affirm the articles of the Apostles' Creed with biblical allusions such as 1 Corinthians 3:11 here. Though not created for this text, the tune was joined to it in 1868, and the two have been inseparable ever since.

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.

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

OLD HUNDREDTH
LM

World Communion Offering (thru 10/4/2026)



The World Communion Offering works to ensure all God's people flourish as God intends through ministries working for racial justice, gender justice, peacemaking, global witness, and ecumenical and interfaith relations. Donations can be placed in the offering plate or using the QR code.

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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.

We also pray for those in need of God's healing grace; Paul Hartmann, Gloria Osborne, Col. Thomas Boyd, Pat Cresap, Frances Keller, Sandra and Dave Millage, Alan Haverkamp, Jim Woods, Carol Phoenix, and Julie Pedigo (sister of Carol Phoenix).

(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 the FPC Office at 563-326-1691 x200 or office@fpcdavenport.org.

The Prayer Chain: Connects those who need prayer with those who commit to a ministry of prayer. Contact Mary Ann Francois (563-355-5292).

Printed Prayer Requests: Require permission from the person(s) in need of prayer before prayers are printed in the bulletin. The best way to assure a hospital visit or a prayer is to contact the church office directly (563-326-1691).

Prayer Shawls: Prayer shawls are available for you to give to those you know who are experiencing a challenge or joy. For your choosing, a variety of shawls are hanging on the coat rack near the main office.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Visit the First Pres website to view the full calendar

www.fpcdavenport.org/calendar

Sunday, September 27

Nursery Open	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	CE Building 3 rd Floor
Worship Service	9:30 AM	Sanctuary & Online
Scouts Donut Sunday	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Sanctuary
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	10:45 AM - 11:30 AM	Von Maur Hall
Member Inquiry Class	10:45 AM - 11:30 AM	Parlor
Chamber Corale	11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Sanctuary
Quad City Youth Choir	3:45 PM - 5:00 PM	Choir Room
Youth Group	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	CE Building
Justice Choir of the Midwest	5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Choir Room
Scout Troop 7 Meeting	7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Fellowship, Gym & Library

Monday, September 28

Pickle Ball	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Gym
Staff Meeting	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Von Maur Hall

Tuesday, September 29

Caring Closet & Lunches	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	CE Building 1 st Floor
Cub Scouts Meeting	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 30

Pickle Ball	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Gym
SDT Architect Task Force	3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Zoom
HND Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Choir Room

Thursday, October 1

Clean Team	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	FPC Building
TOPS	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Von Maur Hall
Vesper Bells	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Chapel
Sanctuary Choir	7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Choir Room

Friday, October 2

Caring Closet	2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	CE Building 1 st Floor
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Saturday, October 3

Caring Closet	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	CE Building 1 st Floor
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Interested in Membership at FPC?

Whether you're new to FPC, a longtime attendee, or looking to transfer your membership, we invite you to learn more about becoming part of our church family. Our Member Inquiry Class will be held in the Parlor immediately following today's service.

If you have questions, please speak with Andy Bowles Edwards or Pastor Kris. We would be delighted to welcome you as a member of the FPC community!

First Night Out - Planning - Today!

First Night Out is an adult fellowship program providing monthly opportunities for connection. **Planning** for the **2026-27 First Night Out** group will take place following worship today. Adults of any age category are invited. Bagels and beverages will be provided. Come with your ideas/suggestions for activities for the year. If you have any questions, contact Marilyn Jorgenson dmjorgenson@hotmail.com.

Musical Interludes with Alex Gilson

Join us **October 7th** for a Bach themed musical interlude from our very own Principal Organist Alex Gilson. Alex will play two of Bach's **Trio Sonatas for Organ**. Bach wrote these pieces as teaching vehicles for his children to learn to play the organ. They represent a significant challenge with three different independent voices playing at the same time!

Join us in **Von Maur Hall at 11:30 AM** with your own lunch and then enjoy a brief musical performance in the sanctuary at **Noon**.

SAVE THE DATE: - October 25 - Homecoming Celebration

"Taking Care of and Celebrating God's Family"

Program to start at **10:45 AM** with hors-d'oeuvres and music followed by an all-church meal at **11:30 AM**. We are celebrating all our church family and especially honoring our seniors.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, November 7 - BRAND NEW Kirkwood Seminars on Faith and Life

FPC's **BRAND NEW Kirkwood Seminars on Faith and Life** is hosting award-winning speaker, songwriter, and writer David LaMotte on **Saturday, November 7**. There will be a **10:00 AM** program for children and their families, followed by an evening presentation at **6:30 PM** titled "You Are Changing the World Whether You Like It or Not" and at **7:45 PM** - David LaMotte in Concert. Then on Sunday, David LaMotte will be leading us in worship, followed by an Adult Sunday School program.

Men's Breakfast - October 10

All men are invited to join us for breakfast on **Saturday, October 10 at 8:00 AM** in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy breakfast pizza, homemade muffins, juice, and coffee for just \$5. Please RSVP by Thursday, October 8 to Steve Earp (563-320-0398, sdearp46@gmail.com) or the church office so we can prepare enough food.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Christian Ed Needs You!

Do you enjoy working with children and helping them grow in faith?

We're looking for caring volunteers to teach Sunday School one Sunday a month, once in a while—or more if you're able. The Sunday School hour happens after church so you will still be able to attend worship. The lessons will already be planned, we just need you to teach the lesson and come with excitement and joy! We have different age groups so you can choose your preference. If you don't feel called to lead the lesson, we also need a helper in each classroom. Questions? Want to volunteer? Please reach out to Marty Bowles-Edwards or Abby Schondelmeyer: cefy@fpcdavenport.org

Sunday Morning Children's and Youth Programming

Musikgarten - A joyful early childhood music and movement program for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers with their caregivers. Meets at 10:35 AM most mornings.

Kirkwood Choir - A vibrant choir for children in Kindergarten - 5th grade. Rehearsing weekly during the program year, the choir provides children with a fun and nurturing space to grow in faith through music. Meets after the children's sermon most Sundays.

Sunday School - A fun, faith-filled space where children **explore Bible stories, ask questions, and grow in faith** through stories, crafts, music, and activities. Our groups are **K-2nd Grade:** Room 311 and **3rd-5th Grade (Tween):** Room 312.

Confirmation Class - Confirmation Class begins this fall for 6th grade and up! Youth who have already been confirmed are invited to join us. Confirmation is a time to ask questions, grow in faith, and explore what it means to follow Jesus within the Presbyterian tradition. Youth will have the opportunity to profess their faith and become full members of the church. We meet most Sundays 10:45 AM - 11:30 AM in the Youth Room.



Register here for
Children's and
Youth Programs

Youth Group

The Youth Group is a welcoming and vibrant community for middle and high school students to grow in faith, build lasting friendships, and serve others. Meeting regularly throughout the year, youth participate in fun activities, Bible study, mission projects, worship, and fellowship events. Guided by caring Adult Mentors, the group creates a safe and scared space where young people can ask questions, explore their beliefs, and develop a deeper relationship with God while making a positive impact in their church and community. Youth Group meets on Sunday evenings 5pm - 7pm with dinner included. Questions? Please contact Abby Schondelmeyer: abby@fpcdavenport.org.

Youth Group Meal Sponsor



The Youth Group is looking for families or individuals to **sponsor** a dinner(s) for us on Sunday nights at 5:00 PM. 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 contact Abby Schondelmeyer: abby@fpcdavenport.org.

Donations can be placed in the offering plate, given to Abby, or using the QR code.

MISSION & SERVICE

Tabitha Circle

Tabitha Circle is one of First Presbyterian Church's mission outreach programs. Participating in the mission of **Little Dresses for Africa**, we are a sewing group that creates simple dresses cut from brightly colored fabrics in an assortment of sizes with drawstring ties at the shoulders. The boys' shorts are a pull-on style with an elastic waist.

The mission focus of Little Dresses for Africa is 3-part: providing a message of dignity and worth to children through what they wear, building wells for clean water, and supporting communities with primary education. The primary efforts are in Malawi, Africa, but they have a presence in 97 countries. Worldwide, there are around 12,000 "stitchers" who have created over 11 million dresses and shorts since the organization began in 2008. Many of the dresses we contribute stay here in the US.



This month, 196 dresses and 11 shorts were delivered to the main distribution center in Brownstown, Michigan. This was an accumulation of about 1½ years of our sewing.

We would WELCOME all sewing enthusiasts who would like to join this mission effort. For questions and more information, please email Sharon Simmonds at srsimmonds50@gmail.com or call her at 563-355-7008. AND watch the church calendar for our next sew-in.

Urgent Call for Donations - Help Stock the Caring Closet!

The Caring Closet is in urgent need of donations to help meet the needs of our community. We are currently seeking children's underwear in all sizes, adult underwear (T-shirts, boxers, socks), and hygiene products such as deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and other personal care items. Donations can be dropped off at the church during the week or on Sunday mornings. If you don't have time to shop, monetary donations are always appreciated, and we will gladly purchase the needed items on your behalf. Thank you for your generosity and for helping us provide care, dignity, and support to those in need in our community.

STAFF UPDATE

Interested in a Meet & Greet with our NEW Associate Pastor?

The APNC is pleased to host a series of Meet & Greet sessions, providing the congregation an opportunity to get to know our new Associate Pastor, **Kari Swanson**, in a relaxed and informal setting.

Four sessions will be held in the **Parlor**, with attendance limited to **15 participants per session**:

- **Tuesday, October 6 at 1:00 PM**
- **Wednesday, October 7 at 7:00 PM**
- **Sunday, October 11 at 2:00 PM**
- **Thursday, October 15 at 10:00 AM**

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to **Diana Miller-Bur** at millerbur@fpcdavenport.org. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until each session reaches capacity.

We look forward to seeing you there!

FPC STAFF

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* Part-time employee

ELDERS AND DEACONS

Elders

<i>Class of 2026</i>	<i>Class of 2027</i>	<i>Class of 2028</i>	<i>Clerk of Session</i>
Dianna Darland	Dan Darland	Nancy Chapman	Julia Meyer
Denny Jorgenson	Craig Foster	Colleen Dueñas	
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