

FPC Calendar for the week of June 28 - July 5, 2015

(Also visit <http://www.fpcdavenport.org/Calendar.htm>)

Sunday, June 28; Fifth Sunday after Pentecost; Battle Hymn Sunday

- 8:30 AM Worship Service - West Lawn/Sanctuary (weather permitting)
- 9:15 AM Musikgarten - Parlor
- 9:15 AM Battle Hymn Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Fellowship Time - West Lawn/Fellowship Hall (weather permitting)
- 10:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Little Dresses for Africa Sewing Party - Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Prayer Vigil - West Parking Lot

Monday, June 29

- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - Room 105

Tuesday, June 30

- 9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Grade Basketball Practice - Gym

Wednesday, July 1

- 8:30 AM Pastoral Staff Meeting - Parlor
- 9:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Parlor
- 5:00 PM Buildings and Grounds Committee - Finance Office
- 6:30 PM PUNCH Kicks for Kids - Gym

Thursday, July 2

- 9:30 AM Heritage Committee Work Day - Heritage Room
- 5:30 PM TOPS - Parlor
- 6:30 PM AAU Boys 5th and 6th Grade Basketball Practice - Gym

Friday, July 3

** Church Closed in observance of Independence Day **

Saturday, July 4; Independence Day

Sunday, July 5; Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:30 AM Worship Service - West Lawn/Sanctuary (weather permitting)
- 9:15 AM Musikgarten - Parlor
- 9:30 AM Fellowship Time - West Lawn/Fellowship Hall (weather permitting)
- 10:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Summer Newsletter Schedule:

Articles for the August newsletter need to be submitted to Diane Pumphrey (pumphrey@fpcdavenport.org) by July 15.



Use your smartphone to donate! First Presbyterian Church is excited to announce that you can give online! It is easy and allows you to make a one-time contribution or set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Visit the church website at www.fpcdavenport.org to get started or scan the QR code (pictured at right) with your smartphone to go directly to the donations site.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Summer Worship Times

NOW through September 6 - 8:30 AM (outdoors, weather permitting) & 10:00 AM (in the Sanctuary)

August 2 - Bix Sunday services 8:30 & 10:30 AM (both services in the Sanctuary)

Summer Church Hours



NOW through August 14, 2015: The church will be open Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. The church will close at 12:30 PM on Fridays.

Find First Presbyterian Church on FACEBOOK, then "like us!"

That's right! Find out all the latest FPC news on the church's Facebook page. Follow the link on the church web page at www.fpcdavenport.org, or go directly to <http://www.facebook.com/pages/First-Presbyterian-Church-Davenport-Iowa/>



Please Share your Viewpoint!

The Church Government and Personnel Committee is interested in your viewpoint. How do you think things are going at First Pres.? Have you observed something that others might have missed? Please feel free to express a joy or concern and share your viewpoint by filling out a Viewpoint card and dropping it in the locked Viewpoint Box on the Welcome Desk. All viewpoints will be kept confidential and will only be viewed by the Church Government and Personnel Committee.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION — Sunday, June 28, 2015

The announcements that follow inform you of various First Church ministries, programs, and events to which you are invited. Some announcements require action today. Please save this publication; take it home and keep it for easy reference.

Battle Hymn Sunday - TODAY, 10:00 AM



The Sanctuary Choir, the Celebration Singers, and anyone else who wants to join, will SING the famed "Battle Hymn of the Republic" TODAY, for the 10:00 AM service of worship. We will meet at 9:15 AM in the Sanctuary. Anyone and everyone in high school and older, who is available to sing is welcome to join us. If you can be here, WE NEED YOU!

Summer Musikgarten TODAY! Bring your babies and toddlers (infants through 3 1/2 years) and come and join us for a summer of fun and music-making together. We'll be meeting **Sunday mornings, TODAY through August 30, from 9:15-9:45 AM** in the parlor. Friends and family are welcome so if you have summer visitors with little ones, bring them along!



Little Dresses for Africa sewing party - TODAY, 11:00 AM Fellowship Hall



Our next sewing "Party" for the Little Dresses for Africa is June 28, in Fellowship Hall from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. All sewers who would like to sew some simple dresses and shorts can join us at the "party." The dresses and shorts are sent to the children in Africa, Guatemala, Cambodia, Haiti and in the U.S., Appalachia and South Dakota. We will have snacks and drinks available. Please bring your own sewing machines and invite anyone else you know that would like to participate. If you have any questions about this outreach project, please call Roen Paulsen (563-355-3165).



Prayer Vigil for Victims of Violence - Sunday, June 28, 7:00 PM

Join with other fellow Christians from our PUNCH churches for a prayer vigil at First Presbyterian, June 28, from 7:00-7:30 PM. We will meet outside, if weather permits, at the porte cochere entrance by the west parking lot. We will pray for people in our country, and for families and friends who are victims of violence.



Get Out and Join Feet First!

First Church's walking fellowship walks for an hour Saturday mornings on the beautiful walking trails in the Quad Cities. Everyone is welcome to put on their walking shoes and join us at 8:00 AM.

- July 4 **Feet First will be in recess for Independence Day Weekend.**
- July 11 Eastern Avenue (bike path parking lot north of 29th St., Davenport)
- July 18 Middle Park Band Shell (23rd St., south of creek, Bettendorf)
- July 25 **Feet First will be in recess due to the BIX 7 today.**
- Aug. 1 Village of East Davenport Landing (foot of Mound St.)
- Aug. 8 Duck Creek Park picnic shelter (enter park from Locust St., Davenport)
- Aug. 15 Junge Park (35th St., west of fire station at 35th and Harrison St., Davenport)
- Aug. 22 Credit Island (off River Dr., meet by the sculptures, Davenport)
- Aug. 29 **Feet First will be in recess for Labor Day Weekend.**

SAVE THE DATE

Blessing of the Animals - Sunday, July 12, 8:30 AM

Bring your pet — large or small, all are welcome — to the 8:30 AM outdoor worship service. There will be unique music, prayers for creation and a special blessing for each pet. Pet photos will be taken following the service. Donations will be accepted for the Scott County Humane Society. Items needed include: dry or canned dog and cat food, cleaning supplies, hand sanitizer, laundry detergent, pump hand soaps, office supplies such as tape and paper clips.



Bix Race Party Offers Fun and Fellowship for All! Saturday, July 25, 7:00-11:00 AM



Grab a lawn chair, grab friends and loved ones, and join your First Church friends in the excitement of another Bix race morning! This year, the Bix Race Party is Saturday, July 26, from 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM on the Kirkwood Boulevard lawn.

Bix Jazz Service - Sunday, August 2, 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Bix Liturgy services are often a fun and interesting “first introduction” to First Presbyterian Church. Many guests return to worship throughout the year. Please take this opportunity to volunteer and make someone’s first impression of FPC a positive one. “Ask Me!” volunteers are asked to sign up for one of two shifts, 7:30-8:30 AM, or 9:30-10:30 AM. Those able to donate three dozen homemade cookies or help host the fellowship reception following each service. To sign-up or for more information, please contact a member of the Congregation Development & Fellowship Committee.

CEFY (Christian Education and Fellowship for Youth) Dates to remember:

- September 13: Sunday School Curriculum Open House
- September 16: First day of Kirkwood Club/Ice Cream Social
- September 20: First day of Sunday School
- September 20: First day of Middle School and High School Fellowship Youth Groups: Pizza Party/Ice Cream Social
- October 4: Tiffany’s Birthday’s (oh — how did that get in here?)

Come. See. Small Groups with Rev. Miller - starting in July

In the first chapter of John’s gospel we encounter a curious passage of scripture where Jesus notices some disciples who are beginning to follow him. He turns and asks them, “What are you looking for?”

They respond by asking, “Rabbi, where are staying?” What is curious about this passage is that Jesus doesn’t tell them where he is staying.

Instead he says, “Come and See.” John 1:38-39a.

Sign up now to be a part of our next small group experience. The groups will meet for 4 sessions in July. Join Pastor Miller as we discover ways to abide with God through some new disciplines of praying, as well as how to notice where God is at work in your daily life and in the world. To sign up, please fill out the registration form below and place it in the collection plate, or use the link in the weekly eNews blast email. Not receiving the FPC eNews email? Contact the church office to get signed up (326-1691).

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I would like to be a part of Come. See. Small Groups with Rev. Miller

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

- select one please: Sunday at 11:15 am in the Parlor; July 5, 12, 19, 26
 Tuesday at 10:30 am in the Parlor; July 7, 14, 21, 28
 Wednesday at 5:30 pm in the Parlor; July 8, 15, 22, 29
 Thursday at 5:30 pm in the Parlor; July 9, 16, 23, 30

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Grant Funds Available - The Deacons’ Endowment Fund

The Deacons’ Endowment Fund (DEF) was established to help groups and organizations within the First Presbyterian Church community that are developing new mission and outreach programs by providing seed money in the form of matching grants.

What is the Deacons’ Endowment Fund? These funds are awarded for the purpose of helping to establish new mission, outreach, pastoral care, and spiritual development programs within our church community.

What type of grant is available? The DEF grants are designated to help defray the start-up cost of new projects or programs according to guidelines established by the Board of Deacons.

- ▶ Programs or projects need to be of an ongoing nature rather than a one-time event.
- ▶ Any money that is awarded is in the form of a matching grant. In other words, funding from other sources should be part of the initial planning process.
- ▶ The maximum grant that can be awarded is \$5,000.

Who can apply? Grants can provide funding to any organization or group within the FPC community that is trying to start a new mission or outreach program or project within the church community.

How does one go about applying for a grant? First each group, individual, or organization should establish a projected budget for the program, create a description of the program goals as well as an outline of how those goals will be achieved, and an organizational structure. These are critical elements of the process. A grant application form must then be completed and submitted for consideration by the Board of Deacons. **The grant application process will be open for the period May 15 - July 15, 2015.**

If you have questions about DEF grants or applications, information is available through the church office, at the Welcome Desk, the Deacons’ Corner, the church’s website at www.fpcdavenport.org, or from Linda Larson (hawkeyetoo@msn.com, 563-332-7703).

Sunday Morning Sanctuary Flowers

The Chancel Guild wishes to thank the Church members who have given a gift of flowers for Sunday morning services. We appreciate this contribution which beautifies our sanctuary. If anyone would like to donate flowers in memory of loved ones or in celebration of an event, please call Judi Driscoll, Memorial Chair, (563-370-9548). There are still several Sundays available this year.

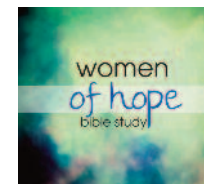
Need to Know What’s Happening & When?

Check out the calendar page on the church website, where you will find all of the latest information on what’s happening at the church. Simply follow the links or go directly to www.fpcdavenport.org/Calendar.htm.

CARING FOR SELF & OTHERS

Women of Hope Bible Study - Wednesday, July 15, 10:00 AM

The next Women of Hope Bible Study will be Wednesday, July 15, in Von Maur Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Rev. Kristy Parker (563-590-3071).



Pickleball is at FPC! Our recreational pickleball group is playing outside this summer. Are you an experienced player or just interested in learning more and trying out the game? Either way, we have you covered! We have extra equipment for those just getting started. For more information, please contact Diane Schroder (563-326-5753) or David Fairweather (563-359-9712).

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

Special Summer Sermon Series

Throughout the summer, Rev. Richard Miller, Rev. Kristy Parker and Tiffany Horvath will be focusing their preaching on specific books. The scriptures, book titles and preachers are below.

Date	Scripture	Book Title	Preaching
July 5	Acts 9:1-9	<i>Pilgrims Progress</i> by John Bunyan	Rev. Miller
July 12	Matthew 5:1-12	<i>Jayber Crow</i> by Wendell Berry	Rev. Miller
July 19	Ephesians 6:10-18	<i>The Screwtape Letters</i> by C.S. Lewis	Rev. Parker
July 26	Exodus 13:17-22; Luke 1:1-4	<i>Gilead</i> by Marilynne Robinson	Rev. Miller
August 2	Mark 2:1-12	Bix Sunday Service	Rev. Miller
August 9	Psalms 32:6-7	<i>The Hiding Place</i> by Corrie Ten Boom	Rev. Parker
August 16	Ps. 68:3-4; Ps. 70:4; Ps. 32:11	<i>Pollyanna</i> by Eleanor H. Porter	T. Horvath
August 23	Matthew 18:1-5	<i>The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe</i> by C.S. Lewis	T. Horvath
August 30	Romans 8:18-28	<i>The Problem of Pain</i> by C.S. Lewis	Rev. Miller

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Don’t Let Your Pledge Take a Summer Vacation

The lazy days of summer are here. Summer invites us to rest, relax, and re-create ourselves. This time of year finds most of us very active and frequently gone for several weeks at a time, or maybe several weekends at a time. Even though you may be planning on being away, the church’s financial obligations continue during the summer months. We simply ask that you keep your pledge current. There are a number of ways you can maintain your pledge this summer: set up a monthly automatic deduction from your bank account; set up monthly credit card payments; mail checks in to the Finance Office; or pre-pay your summer giving. We appreciate your ongoing and timely giving of your pledges and offerings. This makes all the difference and is good stewardship.



Financial Summary for the month of May 2015

	May 2015	May 2015	May 2014	May 2014
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Income	69,428	63,355	61,172	61,216
Custodial Accounts Income	5,461	-	17,187	
General Expenses	71,349	76,543	71,449	72,611
Custodial Accounts Expenses	5,461	-	17,187	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(1,921)	(13,188)	(10,277)	(11,395)
	2015 YTD	2015 YTD	2014 YTD	2014 YTD
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
General Income	446,620	415,532	401,512	393,980
Custodial Accounts Income	46,725	-	156,479	-
General Expenses	391,082	408,488	393,309	396,684
Custodial Accounts Expenses	46,725	-	156,479	-
Surplus (Deficit)	55,538	7,044	8,203	(2,704)