

FPC Calendar for the week of November 24 - December 1, 2013

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

Sunday, November 24; *Christ the King/Reign of Christ*

- 8:00 AM Prep/Promise Land Thanksgiving Feast - Fellowship Hall
- 8:45 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM PreSchool - 12th Grade - Promise Land Thanksgiving Feast - Fellowship Hall
Cherub Choir - in recess
- 9:45 AM Promise Land Thanksgiving Feast - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM Celebration Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM ACE Sunday Morning Video Series - *The "Conquest"* - Chapel
- 10:00 AM ACE - *Musikgarten: Teaching Music, Understanding Children; with Steve Jobman* - Von Maur Hall
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 4:00 PM Cathedral Choir of Young Men & Boys - Choir Room
- 4:00 PM Cecelian Carolers - Von Maur Hall
- 5:00 PM Celebration Singers - Choir Room
- 6:00 PM A.C.T. (Active Christian Teens) - Von Maur Hall

Monday, November 25

- 10:30 AM ACE Monday Morning Video Series - Parlor
- 5:00 PM New Member Committee - Room 304
- 5:30 PM ACE Committee - Parlor This recurring event is part of a series.
- 5:30 PM Boy Scouts - Potluck & Court of Honor - Room 105

Tuesday, November 26

- 3:00 PM Boys & Girls Club Homework Help - Room 304

Wednesday, November 27

- 8:30 AM Pastoral Staff Meeting - Parlor
- 9:00 AM Church Staff Meeting - Parlor
Boys & Girls Club Wednesday Night Supper - in recess .
Kirkwood Club - in recess
- 6:30 PM Kirkwood Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room T
- 6:30 PM Cherub Choir Rehearsal - Room 312
- 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service - Sanctuary
- 7:45 PM Thanksgiving Eve Pie Fellowship - Fellowship Hall

Thursday, November 28; Thanksgiving, No events scheduled, Church Office Closed

Friday, November 29; No events scheduled, Church Office Closed

Saturday, November 30

- 11:00 AM PUNCH Neighborhood Watch Meeting - Parlor

Sunday, December 1; *First Sunday of Advent; Sacrament of Holy Communion*

- 8:45 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
Promise Land Fellowship - in recess
- 9:45 AM Congregational Meeting for Election of Church Officers - Sanctuary
Cherub Choir - in recess
1st & 2nd Grade Promise Land Sunday School - in recess
10th, 11th & 12th Grade Promise Land Sunday School - in recess
3rd & 4th Grade Promise Land Sunday School - in recess
8th & 9th Grade Promise Land Sunday School - in recess
- 10:00 AM Celebration Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM Church Government & Personnel Open Forum - Parlor
- 10:00 AM ACE Sunday Morning Video Series - The Book of Judges, Part 1 - Chapel
- 10:00 AM ACE - Same Gender Marriage Study Group - Von Maur Hall
Pre-K and Kindergarten Promise Land Sunday School - in recess
- 11:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 4:00 PM Cathedral Choir of Young Men & Boys - Choir Room
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WELCOME FRIENDS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church. Please sign the Fellowship Register and pass it along to those around you. Visitors, please include your name, address, zip code, and phone number. When the register returns, note the names of people near you and greet one another after the service.

VISITORS, please accept our invitation to worship with us regularly.

Childcare for infants and toddlers through four-years of age is provided from 8:30 AM - 12:15 PM in the Little Saints and Angels Nursery (the third floor of the Christian Education building). Easy access is possible via the curved stairway just beyond the Sanctuary door to the right of the Chancel (the front of the Sanctuary).

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers are Welcome For: Allison Bengfort (*student at Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago*), Ellen Boeye (*death of her husband, Robert*), Col. Thomas and Brenda Boyd, Georgia Brookstra, Lois Carpenter (*mother of LaWanda Roudebush*), Rob Cimmarusti, Jeff DeCoster and family (*friends of Tiffany Horvath*), Matt Downey (*student at McCormick Theological Seminary*), Alexander Dudeck (*great-grandson of Pat Anthony*), Tom Farnsworth (*son of Joann Farnsworth*), Wendy Frolich, Carol and Janice Gowan (*mother and sister-in-law of Tom Gowan*), Connie Gowan, Ruth Holmes, SSgt. Sean Jacobsmeier (*husband of Theresa Jacobsmeier, deployment to Kosovo*), Scott Karwath (*friend of Jim Florang*), Tim Koos (*son Bev and Dick Koos*), Marilyn McQuillen, June Ousley (*mother of Terry Ousley*), Dan Petrucci, Capt. Erik Rheinhart (*son of Don and Pat Rheinhart, deployment to Western Pacific*), Ron Ruitter (*father of Karla Ruitter*), Patty Scott and the Jeff Scott Family (*death of granddaughter and daughter*), Ward Shawver, Ron Solt, Dean and Mildred Taylor, Kelly Taylor, Chris and Lesley Taber (*son and daughter-in-law of Marilyn Irwin, birth of premature twin girls*), Richard Woodard, Family of Kelsi Youngerman, Rev. José Pilar Alvare Cabrera, Rev. Nestor Eduardo Alvarez Cabrera, amd Rev. Nidia Galdamez Cabrera (*leaders of ILUGUA, Zacapa, Guatemala*), Rev. Herbert and Alice Chikomo in Harare, Zimbabwe.

Note: Please share with the Pastor or the church office when you no longer wish to remain on the prayer list.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY

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.

NOVEMBER 24, 2013

Please Join Sunday School Today in a Feast of Thanksgiving

Or, at least a breakfast of Thanksgiving! Our Sunday School Youth would like to share a Thanksgiving Breakfast with the congregation this morning in Fellowship Hall from 9:45 -10:45 AM. Everyone is welcome!

ACE Sunday Von Maur Hall Series - Today at 10:00 AM

New at First Presbyterian Church – Musikgarten: Teaching Music, Understanding Children

Our Minister of Music, Steve Jobman, has introduced Musikgarten at First Pres. for infants, babies and toddlers. It is about enriching parent-child interactions while creating a musical and spiritual foundation. Come hear about this exciting program and see the Musikgarten in action.

ACE Sunday Video Series - Today at 10:00 AM in the Chapel

The "Conquest"

The Book of Joshua appears to present a blitzkrieg in which the Israelites rapidly and thoroughly conquer the land of Canaan. Although there is some archaeological evidence to support a "conquest," alternative scenarios such as peaceful migration or revolt by indigenous people have been proposed to explain the emergence of an identifiable Israelite presence.

A.C.T. (Active Christian Teens) - Sundays, 6:00 PM, Rooms 301 & 302

A.C.T. meets tonight at 6:00 PM in rooms 301 & 302.



Joyfully recognizing what we have accomplished together, while mindfully turning our eyes to the future. *Share Your Light* to keep First Presbyterian Church strong and vibrant.

Share Your Light by pledging your support for the work of First Presbyterian Church. Pledge cards can be found in the pew racks.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Thanksgiving Eve Service & Pie Fellowship

Wednesday, November 27, 7:00 PM

The traditional Thanksgiving Eve Service and Pie Fellowship begins at 7:00 PM on November 27, the Wednesday night before Thanksgiving. The *Cherub* and *Kirkwood Choirs* will provide music leadership. A sharing of home-made pies at a fellowship get-together after the service is sure to get the Thanksgiving holiday off to a sweet start. The evening is a great time for the church family to recount blessings and give thanks to God. So, bake your favorite pie and bring it to church on Thanksgiving Eve (you may drop off the pie earlier in the day, or before attending the service). This is a special time to worship and thank God for the abundant blessings received throughout the year.



Church Government & Personnel Committee Open Forum

Sunday, December 1, 10:00 AM, in Room 105

In an attempt to foster open communication, the Church Government & Personnel Committee will be available for church members to bring them any concerns they may have on Sunday, December 1, at 10:00 AM, in Room 105 (next to the Gym).

Congregational Meeting - Sunday, December 1, 9:45 AM

A Congregational meeting has been called for Sunday, December 1, at 9:45 AM in the Sanctuary for the purpose of electing Church Officers, Class of 2016.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday Von Maur Hall Series: 10:00 AM

December 1: *Same Gender Study Group*

Congregation member David Fairweather will give a presentation on the theology of marriage in the Presbyterian church. On December 11 there will be a light supper, followed by a program and discussion on same gender marriage in Fellowship Hall. Supper begins at 6:00 PM.

Sunday Chapel Video Series: 10:00 AM, *The Old Testament*

December 1: *The Book of Judges, Part I*

Repeatedly presenting a cycle of apostasy, punishment, repentance and rescue, the Book of Judges ultimately spirals into idolatry, rape, and near-genocide. Yet the barbarity is broken by moments of delight. Judges plays on traditional definitions of the hero: tricksters like Ehud, mothers like Deborah, cowards like Gideon, tragic figures like Jephthah, even blockheads like Samson. Offering high comedy and profound tragedy, Judges continues to raise historical, theological and moral challenges.

Monday Morning Video Series: 10:30 AM, in the Parlor

The Apocalypse: Controversies & Meaning

In this series we'll investigate the background of the book of Revelation, the text itself, and the impact it has had on Western culture. There is no homework or pre-registration required.

November 25: *Awaiting the End in 1844 and Beyond; Rapture, Tribulation and Armageddon*

C. S. Lewis Book Club - Wednesday, November 20, 6:30 PM, in the Parlor

We hold a discussion each month on both fiction and non-fiction books by C.S. Lewis. It has been a wonderful experience. Those coming to the discussions change each month based on the book and the ability to attend. Please feel free to join at any time. We meet at 6:30 PM, in the Parlor, on the third Wednesday of the month. The schedule for November and December follows:

December 18: *Voyage of the Dawn Treader* (third in the *Chronicles of Narnia* series)

CEF Y (CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP FOR YOUTH)

Kirkwood Club is in recess on Wednesday, November 27

If you're here, join us for the Thanksgiving Service followed by massive amounts of pie. Tiffany has never been to a Pie Fellowship before, and she (and her stomach) is eager to experience it.

Promise Land and A.C.T. in recess, December 1

Promise Land Sunday School and A.C.T will be in recess, Sunday, December 1, due to the Thanksgiving Break.

All Promise Land Classes Will Meet in Worship Center, Sunday, December 8

Starting on December 8, all Promise Land classes will meet in the Worship Center, third floor of the CE Building, to work on the Christmas Pageant. Yes — we will still have snacks.

Promise Land Sunday School Teachers Still Sought!

Are you cool? Would you like to be? Then teach Sunday School! Shakespeare, Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Jefferson, Marie Curie, Queen Elizabeth the First: believe it or not, these are ALL people who (would have liked to have) taught Sunday School. You should surpass their mere dreams and become a part of the action! It's super easy: fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate. CEFY Director Tiffany provides EVERYTHING you need to teach: supplies, lesson plan, emails ahead of time, and more! All you have to do is show up to teach — and it's not every week! We aim to have enough teachers so that you only need to teach every other week. Come and join the cool people and teach Sunday School (and Vacation Bible Camp — but we still have a few more weeks before I jump on THAT train).

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

____ I want to teach Sunday School. I have always wanted to be a part of endowing the minds of the future leaders of the church with Bible stories and crafts involving popsicle sticks and sequins. This is a part of who I am...and who I want to be. My heart yearns to be a part of the Sunday School Teachers at FPC and this is truly one of the happiest moments of my life.

____ I will substitute as needed.

____ Nope. Not gonna teach. But have a nice day.

MISSION & OUTREACH



Angel Tree - Beginning November 24

Ask most children and they would probably say that the Christmas season is their most favorite time of the year. For children with an incarcerated parent, however, Christmas can be a very bleak time of year. The Angel Tree Project helps these children by having church members purchase gifts for them, on behalf of their imprisoned parent. For a child to know that they have not been forgotten may be even more important than the gifts themselves! For an incarcerated parent, it allows the opportunity for restored dignity and hope. You and your family can help in two ways: by purchasing gifts for the children and/or by helping deliver the gifts before Christmas. Ideas for gifts, sizes and ages of the children will be provided. Beginning Sunday, November 24, you will be able to claim Angels from the tree in Fellowship Hall between services or to sign up to help deliver presents. Contact Erika Schmidt (schmidte@isualum.com) or Susie Kardel (sbkardel@gmail.com) for more information or to offer to help.

Mission Connection Alternative Gift Giving Opportunities

Are you avoiding adding to your family and friends' accumulation of more stuff? Do shopping lists overwhelm you? Then, learn more about our annual Alternative Gift opportunities! Beginning November 24, Mission Connection will offer Alternative Gift Tags this year at the Mission Connection table in Fellowship Hall. Tags are "bought" as an alternative gift for someone who might "have it all". You may "buy" tags for \$10 apiece. The proceeds will be sent to support the inspiring work of our mission partners. This week's focus is on Pastor Pilar of the ILUGUA mission in Guatemala. Pilar has a long and loving relationship with FPC. ILUGUA has been the site of numerous FPC work trips and support. FPC has contributed to irrigation equipment for villagers who must grow food in dry seasons on steep terrain. Pastor Pilar was contacted and he verified that there is still a need for water tanks as ILUGUA has outstanding requests for irrigation systems from families on the mountain. The tank cost is \$300; an estimated \$500 would cover accessories (tubes, hoses, etc.) and transportation up the mountain. Please consider helping Pilar and other Mission Connection partners by buying at least one gift tag as part of your Christmas gifting.



Churches United and Chordbusters Barbershop Chorus present

Celebrate the Holidays! - Friday, December 6, 7:00 PM, Heritage Church

Join us at Heritage Church, 4801 44th St. Rock Island, 7:00 PM, Friday, December 6, for a Quad City Variety Show to *Celebrate the Holidays!* The show finale will include an audience sing-along of Christmas favorites. A free will offering will be taken to support Churches United food pantries in the Quad City area.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Nursery Volunteers Needed

Nursery volunteers are needed for the month of December, for all services of worship. Contact Jessie Munn, Nursery Coordinator, if you can help (munnn@fpcdavenport.org).

Committee Members needed for First Presbyterian's 175th Birthday Party Celebration - January 19, 2014

First Presbyterian's 175th Birthday Party Celebration Committee is looking for committee members. The celebration is scheduled for Sunday, January 19, 2014. If you are interested, please contact Muffy Ellard (vandymme@aol.com).



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Advent Tours, 1:30 PM Sundays in December

Celebrate the season with a themed tour of specially selected artworks. No reservations required. Free with admission or membership.

December 8 with Sylvia Martin

The Art for Meditation Tour will feature several pieces of religious art as well as two secular pieces with a focus on how this art was used for meditation in the past and how it can be used for meditation today. Tour participants will also learn about the relationship between meditation and devotions.

Destino

Back by Popular Demand!
Guest Artists of the 2010 QCSO
Holiday Pops Concert!

Co-sponsored by Quad City Arts
Visiting Artist Series

Reserved seating
Sunday, December 15 - 2:00 PM
Adults \$15 Students \$10

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Piccolo Christmas Concert - Saturday, December 7, 5:00 PM in the Sanctuary

Piccolo Christmas is back and hoping to be bigger than ever! Piccolo Christmas is a musical day when area flutists (Grade 7 through adult) will gather together and play Christmas Flute Choir music with piccolos, flutes, altos, bass, and contrabass flutes. We look forward to having you join us for this free concert, on Saturday, December 7, at 5:00 PM in the Sanctuary of FPC, as we continue our new tradition in the QC Area!

Church Officer Training - Saturday, December 7, 8:30 AM

Newly elected officers, please plan to attend officer training on Saturday, December 7, 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM in the Parlor. A make-up date, for those who cannot attend that meeting, is set for Saturday, January 11, from 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM. Currently serving Elders and Deacons may also attend. Installation and Ordination of church officers will be on Sunday, January 12, 2014, during the 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM worship services. Please R.S.V.P. to the church office (563-326-1691).

Ten of Ten Tours - Sunday, December 8, 9:50 AM

Please join us on Sunday, December 8, at 10 minutes to 10:00 (9:50) AM for a tour of the church! We encourage guests, visitors and those new to the church to join the New Member Committee at the back of the Sanctuary for the tour. We start with a brief tour of the Sanctuary and follow through to the educational wing of the building. We will finish up with coffee and questions in Fellowship Hall. We look forward to sharing our church home with you.

Save the Date for the Women's Retreat - February 28 - March 2, 2014

This year's theme is *Reflections of Hope and Women in the Bible*. For more information please contact Janet Stensrud (563-359-7189).

Christmas Concert Tickets - Tickets for the *O Holy Night* Christmas Concert are in great demand. If you have reserved seating tickets and will not be using them, please return the tickets to the church office as soon as possible so that others may enjoy the performance.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

November 27	Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary
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December 1	Congregational Meeting, 9:45 AM, Sanctuary
December 8	Manna & More, Fellowship Breakfast, 8:15 AM, Fellowship Hall
December 8	Ten of Ten Tours, 9:50 AM, Sanctuary
December 10	Church Staff Christmas Party; Church Office Closed 11:15 AM - 2:45 PM
December 15	PAS; <i>Destino</i> , 2:00 PM
December 21	<i>O Holy Night</i> , PAS Christmas Concert, 7:30 PM
December 22	<i>O Holy Night</i> , PAS Christmas Concert, 4:00 PM