# First

# Presbyterian Church

# March 24, 2015



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### Sunday, March 29



9:00 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt

on the FPC playground for families with young children

9:45 a.m. – Fellowship with Hot Cross Buns and Coffee in Watts-Hill Hall for ALL to enjoy

**10:15 a.m.** – **Palms Parade**with our downtown neighbors
(Trinity UMC, St. Philip's Episcopal, FPC)
Parade begins in the FPC parking lot!

\*\*\* Announcements – 10:55 a.m. \*\*\*
Worship – 11:00 a.m.

**Sermon:** "Obedient into Death" **Sam R. Miglarese**, preaching

Worship Texts	
Old Testament	Isaiah 50:4-9
Epistle Lesson	Philippians 2:5-11
Gospel Lesson	Mark 15:1-39

Acolytes: Grace Abels, Juliana Miglarese

Crucifer: **Jenna Leonard** 

Croasdaile Driver: *Paul Cornsweet*Narthex Greeters: *Debbie Hamlin-Aggrey*,

**Gary Elliot** 

After Worship Greeters:

**Edward Kwon** (rear/narthex) **Marcia Lorimer** (side/font)

Ushers: **Jeanne Hervey** (head), **Carol Wills** (flowers), **Cris Rivera**, **Eric Wiebe**, **Luke** 

Everett, Dale Gaddis

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

All classes are invited to Watts-Hill Hall at 9:45 for a time of fellowship, hot cross buns (an Easter tradition), coffee and juice, prior to the Palms Parade, which will begin at 10:15 in the courtyard outside the glass doors. If classes want to meet, they can, but due to time constraints, we are building in time to mingle and to assemble before joining our Christian neighbors for a walk around the neighborhood to bless our historic downtown churches and their ministries. We will travel from FPC to St. Philip's Episcopal, to Trinity United Methodist and back in time for our worship service at 11:00. The nursery and playroom upstairs will be open for children who do not wish to join the Palms Parade.

#### **CONFIRMATION CLASS**

The Confirmation Class is invited to come early at 8:30 and help hide Easter eggs for the children to find. Let's meet on the playground at 8:30, and we'll make quick work of hiding the eggs before the children arrive. The Confirmation Class had a fantastic experience of visiting the Sikh Gurderwara last Sunday. We are grateful to *Kulpreet Singh* and our Sikh neighbors for opening their doors to us in such a gracious manner.

### **BOOK STUDY/BIBLE STUDY**

The Friday/Sunday study classes at FPC and Croasdaile Village are on spring break until after Easter. Stay tuned for future meetings following the Holy Days.



# Thursday, April 2 Maundy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Worship with Communion Susan Dunlap, preaching (The Chancel will be stripped.)
A light supper will be served at 6:30 p.m. RSVP to the church (919-682-5511) if you plan to eat with us.

# Friday, April 3 Good Friday

**12:00 Noon** Stations of the Cross (Begins at St. Philip's Episcopal Church) The Stations of the Cross is a liturgical way to reenact Christ's journey to the cross.

# Sunday, April 5

### Easter / Resurrection of the Lord

**9:00 a.m.** Holy Communion

(FPC Memorial Garden)

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship with Communion

The **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** will be received. Your generous gifts to this offering provide relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry and help empower the poor and oppressed.

# LAST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Officers' Nomination forms (with instructions) will be available on Sunday. Please give prayerful consideration to who should serve in the **Class of 2018** (ruling elders and deacons). The deadline for nominations is THIS SUNDAY, March 29.

### LAST CALL FOR LILIES

Easter Lilies will grace our sanctuary again on Easter Sunday. If you would like to honor someone or remember someone in the Easter worship bulletin, fill out a lily card and return it

with your donation (any amount) to the Church office by **Sunday, March 29**. Make check payable to First Presbyterian Church, memo: Lilies. Donations over and above the amount needed to purchase lilies will be given to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering.

# FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear friends,

Our celebration this weekend marks the beginning of Holy Week, the most sacred season of the Church's liturgical cycle. Today's commemoration is called Palm or Passion Sunday, since it remembers both the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and the events of his passion and death. On Maundy Thursday, we begin the Triduum, the heart of the paschal mystery. Please note our worship and prayer schedule for Holy Thursday and Good Friday.

I spoke at the beginning of Lent to the Faith and Community class on the great ninety days of spiritual renewal: the 40 days of Lent and 50 days of Easter. Renewed sensitivity to the vision of the liturgical year now calls us to experience Holy Week and the entire Easter season as "prime time" for renewal. The aim of all our prayer and worship is that by Pentecost we might experience the full power of the Spirit working in our community.

I invite you to enter deeply into the coming days of our "Holy" Week that we might experience as fully as possible the renewal which God wants for us. These days and experiences are meant to prepare us to make a real commitment on Pentecost of our own gifts of time and talent. We ask everyone to indicate how they will be part of God's efforts for us to reach the mission and vision of being faithful stewards of His promise.

Grace and peace,

Sam

### Notes

**Primetimers and Scratch** had an enjoyable gathering at **Chuck and Jean Wilson's** home on Saturday evening.

**Daytimers** enjoyed lunch at Neo China today. Many thanks to **Carol McKnight** for making our lunch arrangements.

# SESSION BRIEFS MARCH 23, 2015

- Approved and is submitting an application from FPC to be certified as a "Living Wage Employer."
- FPC is discussing an online giving option.
- Several FPC teams will be making arrangements with other churches in the next few months to visit during worship as ambassadors of FPC.
- Session to have half-day retreat in April.
   Submitted by Barbara Gerwe,

Clerk of Session

Many Thanks to the FPC members and friends who participated in the CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday: Maryn Leonard; Lee Lee; Tom Bacon; Marcia Floding; Cherrie, Andy and Sam Henry, Mal King; Susan Buck, Lenore and Kayla Champion; Deborah, Carter, and Griffin Momsen-Hudson; Aurelia and Parker Klinck; Bob Breitweiser, Sydney Curtis, Felicia Sprincenatu; Grace Abels, Shirley Frederick; Sarah Finbow and especially Rebecca Barnes who coordinated our Walk again this year.

### **OUR CONCERNS**

#### Added this week:

**Daniel Neece - Silleto**, in NICU in Louisville **Rosemary Seve**, facing surgery **Walter Cleary**, facing outpatient surgery **Ken Goldner**, home after a hospitalization **Wajid Bangura**, grandson of Cecil and Mary Macaully, at Duke Hospital

**Dewey Lawson**, in rehab at Duke Regional

Bonnie Creadick Edward Kwon Ann Prospero Nowell Creadick Mercy Ndambiri Jacque Robins

Carolina House (Durham): Julian Boswell

Clare Bridge (CPHL): Helen Garrison

### Croasdaile Village:

Pavilion:

**Anne Davis**, **Bob Rankin**, **Jerry Tyren**Friendship Hall:

**Bob Keever** 

Hillcrest: Randall McLeod

### The Forest at Duke:

Fran Bryant Ken Goldner Joan Englund Peaches McPherson

<u>Treyburn</u> (Peak Resources): **Sara Anne Martin**, sister of Beth Neece

- Patricia Adcock, mother of Catherine Admay
- Ruby Brown, mother of Eugene Brown
- Ching-Chang Chin, father of Li-Chen Chin
- *Gino England*, nephew of Larry Reed
- Gera Fleming, mother of Christyn Klinck
- Cherie Haines, sister of Vernon Neece
- Lindsay Morris, sister of Emily McClure
- *Tshiek family*, friends of the Fricks

(Cynthia Bussey recently moved from the Urban Ministries Shelter. The entirety of her letter is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.)

To First Presbyterian Church,
. . . Thank you all, everyone,
all members of the church,
for everything you have
done for me. I am very grateful. . . . I got
everything that I needed. Thanks so much
for the help you all have given me.

-Cynthia Bussey

# PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Monday, April 13 Circle and Bible Study 10:30 a.m. – East Parlor

### **REAL DURHAM**

REAL Durham, a collaboration between End Poverty Durham, DCIA, East Durham Children's Initiative, Healthy Families Durham, and Durham Economic Resource Center, is seeking volunteers for their Circles program which matches a family in need of support with a group of volunteers who would meet weekly with the family for 18 months. Contact *Camryn Smith* at camrynrealdurham@gmail.com (910.978.8018) or *Aidil Hill* at coach.realdurham@gmail.com for more info.

### **YOUTH NEWS**

Dear friends,

This past Sunday, the youth joined fellow FPC members and others from all over to walk 4.8 miles in the Durham CROP Walk for hunger! It was truly an amazing turn out and great day!

This Sunday, we will meet at our regular youth group times for games, fellowship, and to talk about Holy Week and what it means to us.

Blessings, Sarah

### **SCRATCH / YOUTH ADULTS**

#### PALM CROSSES PROJECT

SATURDAY, MARCH 28 - 10:00 A.M.

Cherrie Henry's home (1407 Arbor St) Come help cut and fold several hundred palms into crosses (origami) to give out on Palm Sunday. Coffee and tea will be available. Bring a snack to share (optional).

#### **WEEKLY GATHERING**

**7:30 PM on Tuesdays** at Social Games and Brew

### DAY HIKE TO HANGING ROCK SATURDAY, APRIL 25

\*\*\* Note date has changed back to the original date! \*\*\*

**8:00 a.m. 'til early evening**Will you need a ride? Let *Cherrie Henry*or *David Lorimer* know and they will investigate the rental of a van.

### **FPC MEN OF FAITH**

Breakfast / Conversation Friday, March 27 8:00 a.m. at Nosh's Café

2812 Erwin Road Come by and stay as long as you can!

### Annual Men's Retreat April 17 – 18

6:00 p.m. Friday – 2:00 p.m. Saturday Avila Retreat Center, Durham Homer Ashby is leading this retreat

Save the Date!

# Wednesday, April 22 SENIORS SPRING

### LUNCHEON

**11:30 a.m. Gathering** (East Parlor) **12 Noon Luncheon** (Watts-Hill Hall) More details forthcoming

# THE GREAT HUMAN RACE Saturday, March 28 at 8:00 a.m.

Help Genesis Home and Crayons2Calculators by participating in this 5K race. Sign up at: <a href="http://greathumanrace.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=5017">http://greathumanrace.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=5017</a>. Use promo code "genhome" to provide for summer camps for Genesis Home kids. Support Crayons2Calculators using promo code "GHRC2C."

### **CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!**

The Deacons are recruiting members of the congregation who are willing to volunteer for various needs around the congregation. Volunteers may serve on a one time-basis, or as much as they would like. Currently, the church needs help with:

- **Congregational lunches** (set-up, clean-up, etc.);
- **Drivers to and from church** for members who cannot drive.

If you are interested in volunteering in either of these areas, please email *Lucie House* (luciehouse@gmail.com) or email *Johanna Bernhardt* (Johanna.bernhardt@gmail.com).

### VCS AND MUSIC CAMP REGISTER NOW!

Registration forms are now available for VCS at Camp New Hope, **June 15-19** from 8:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m., and for Music Camp for FPC members only, June 15-19 at the church from 1:30 – 5:00 p.m. Forms are available on the FPC website, in the church foyer, and also will be mailed out to parents.

### **BREAD** FOR THE WORLD

2015 CONVENTION Saturday, March 28 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Highlands United Methodist Church 1901 Ridge Rd, Raleigh

Registration \$25, includes lunch. Speakers, including *Gene Nichol*, will speak on advocacy for hunger and poverty. Contact PMTONEILL@aol.com for registration info.

## MENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE Friday, April 10

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. sponsored by Faith Connections on Mental Illness

St. Thomas More 940 Carmichael Street, Chapel Hill

For more info, contact: 919-942-6227; faithconnectmi@aol.com www.faithconnectionsonmentalillness.org

## NC PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL SPRING TOUR April 10-11

We will visit historic houses, a restored lighthouse, the colonial courthouse, as well as Episcopal and Presbyterian churches in **historic Edenton** and learn about colonial religion. Registration is \$21. The schedule and registration form can be found at www.ncphsociety.org or contact Program Chair *Sam Martin* at 910- 428-4165.

The **THESE DAYS** devotional booklets for April – June 2015 have arrived. Pick up a copy (regular or large print edition) from the tables in the foyer or narthex while supplies last!

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