# First Presbyterian Church

#### May 5, 2015



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#### Sunday, May 10

**9:45 a.m.** Sunday School **10:55 a.m.** Announcements **11:00 a.m.** Youth Worship

The **Children's Choir** and **youth bells** will provide music during worship on Sunday. Parents of the Children's Choir: please have your child(ren) meet Kirsten at 9:30 a.m. in the sanctuary to warm up. Kathy will contact youth bell participants regarding a rehearsal before worship.

#### **Mother's Day Luncheon**

Give mom a break, avoid long restaurant lines, and join FPC for lunch following worship. Call the church office (919-682-5511) to make a reservation for your family. The menu will include items for younger appetites. *Cris Rivera* will be preparing the meal. Donations to offset meal costs will be received.

#### **Flowers Needed**

The Fellowship Committee would love to decorate the tables for the Mother's Day Luncheon with fresh flowers and greenery from members' flower gardens. If you have flowers you can share, please bring them to the church on Saturday, May 9 between 10 a.m. and 12 noon. Thank you.

Worship Texts	
Acts of the Apostles	Acts 10:44-48
Psalm Lesson	Psalm 98
Epistle Lesson	1 John 5:1-16
Gospel Lesson	John 15:9-17

Acolyte: *Riley Pienkowski* Crucifer: *Kennedy Wilkins* 

Procession: **Parker Klinck** (Bible), **Juliana Miglarese** (Cup), **Frances Zehmer** (Plate),

**Sophie Wilkins** (Water)

Youth Greeters / Ushers: **Sam Henry** (head), **Jack Kost, Minna Fullenkamp, Matt Brockman** 

Croasdaile Driver: Paul Cornsweet

After Worship Greeters: **Kate Busa** (rear/narthex) **Wes Carson** (side/font)

Finance Room / Flowers: *Karen Romines Tim Strauman* 

### **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**Faith and Community Class

The Scripture Readers group will meet with the Faith and Community Class this Sunday morning. The class will focus on the lectionary readings for this week (Acts 10:44-48, Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15: 9-17). **Steve Rimmer** will facilitate the discussion. Join us at 9:45 in Watts-Hill Hall.

#### **Lectionary Class**

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." Can love be commanded, especially love as profound as that? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

#### Journeys Class

Journeys will continue exploring chapters 14 and 15 of Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Newcomers are encouraged to join us. Class meets at 9:45 in our second floor classroom.

#### **Family Matters Class**

"Honoring our Mothers" is our topic this Sunday. Join us at 9:45, second floor, across from the Resource Room.

#### **Spiritual Formation Class**

This class for women is led by **Susan Dunlap**. Join us for discussion at 9:45, lower level classroom.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for **Sunday, May 10 at the beginning of worship** for the purpose of hearing reports from the Pastor Nominating Committee and the Officers' Nominating Committee, and to elect officers.

#### **OFFICER NOMINATIONS**

(See separate document for nominee profiles)

Ruling Elders Class of 2016

Wes Carson

Aurelia Klinck (Youth)

Talitha Kwon (Youth)

Ruling Elders Class of 2018

Al Arrowood Lenore Champion Miriam Morey Jerry Postema Caroline Rourk Eric Wiebe Jane Williams

<u>Deacons Class of 2016</u> **Almira Mbah** (Youth) **Carter Momsen-Hudson** (Youth) <u>Deacon Class of 2017</u> **Chris Brown** 

Deacons Class of 2018

Amy Dillon Karen Swope Gary Elliot Julie Whiddon Debbie Hamiln Aggrey Jennie Zehmer Michael Honeycutt

#### PNC PROGRESS REPORT

As reported to the Session last week, the PNC is making good progress in our search for a new Head of Staff. To date, we have reviewed and evaluated 90 Personal Information Forms (PIFs) and continue to receive new PIFs and candidate recommendations. We meet weekly on Sunday mornings (20 meetings have been held so far) to discuss each candidate's PIF and supporting materials. We are now in the process of creating a "short list" of top candidates and will begin interviews very soon. We have recently updated the church's website to include a link to an "Updates" page, which provides a more detailed checklist of where we are in the process of completing our work. We encourage you to check this "Updates" page as you have questions about our progress. Thank you for your expressions of support and for the trust you have placed in our Committee. We look forward to reporting back to you again soon. - Paul Baldasare

#### **CONFIRMATION**

The following youth completed the Confirmation process with the support of their mentors and were recognized and celebrated in worship on Sunday, May 3:

**Youth Mentor** Camille Kerner Rob Everett Sigfried Fullenkamp Cris Rivera **Brent Curtis** Sam Henry Caesar Ramirez Tvler M-Hudson Leslie McDow Ana Profeta Eleanor Dilworth Amy Wilson Lauren Boyle Jay Klinck Gisell Garcia Saldana Amy Sanchez Matt Brockman Andy Henry

We also thank the teachers who facilitated the classes: *Lea Bingham*, *Jim Johnson* and *Karen Romines*.

## FROM THE YOUTH MINISTER

Dear friends,

Each Sunday night I get to spend three hours listening to, talking with, asking questions of, and journeying alongside an incredible group of young people who call First Presbyterian Church their home. We engage in a wide variety of discussion topics which get even wider as each person explains their point of view. We fellowship together, learning to lean on one another when life is great and when things are hard. And each week we break bread together, sharing a meal as Christ did with his friends. It is truly a blessing for me and their advisors to experience them as they grow in this church and to walk the path beside them.

It is my pleasure to invite everyone to our annual Youth Sunday this Sunday, May 10. The youth have poured over the scriptures, written all the prayers, and thoughtfully chosen the hymns to emphasize the message they have heard in God's word. Our theme this year is "Making footsteps with God" which came from careful consideration of the scriptures. The youth realized that Christ was calling the disciples to continue on the path even after he died. While we are often called to live like Christ or "follow in his footsteps", the youth also explored what it meant to keep making footsteps, knowing that God walks with us even though Christ no longer physically walks the earth with us. Come worship God with

Blessings,

Sarah

## THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Our Spring **Day of Service** was a great success, and the weather could not have been more perfect. We want to thank all those who participated and represented our church in the community. Working at Habitat were: Lea Bingham, Jane Wettach, Ken Schlecht, Mal King, Delia Kwon, Jane Williams, and Miguel and Margaret Rubiera. Mickey **Velkey** and **Phyllis Supple** provided some welcome and nutritious snacks. Lending a hand at SEEDS were: Jane Williams, Harold Dunlap, John Brantly, Katherine Higgins, Sally Higgins, Phyllis Verhey, Mary-Jo Schlecht, and Anne Lazarides. Sharing their creative talents to decorate the doors of the Day School were: **Bob** and Lina Yoder, Will McDow, Dale Gaddis, Jo Bernhardt and Barbara

Special thanks to *Cynthia Shimer and Eric Wiebe* for hosting **First Friends** at their home this past Friday evening.

#### **OUR SYMPATHIES**

The love and concern of the congregation is extended to the following:

- Chris, Meredith, and Logan Brown on the birth, baptism, and death of **Seth Greyson Brown** on April 29, 2015. A memorial service was held at FPC on May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- *Jim Robins and family* on the death of his wife and FPC member *Jacque Robins* on May 5<sup>th</sup>. A Service of Witness to the Resurrection is being planned.

#### **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

#### **Added this week:**

Julio Ramirez-Eve, hospitalized briefly

**Doug Oldenburg** (former moderator of the PCUSA and former president of Columbia Theological Seminary), recovering from heart surgery

**Wajid Bangura**, grandson of Cecil and Mary Macaully, at Duke Hospital

Dewey Lawson, recovering at Hillcrest

Bonnie Creadick Mercy Ndambiri Edward Kwon Ann Prospero

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
- Roy Blackwell, father of Sheila Miglarese
- Becky Brown, mother of Amy Sanchez
- Ruby Brown, mother of Eugene Brown
- *Ching-Chang Chin*, father of Li-Chen Chin
- Geneva Day, friend of Jeanne Hervey
- Gino England, nephew of Larry Reed
- Gera Fleming, mother of Christyn Klinck
- Cherie Haines, sister of Vernon Neece
  Genie V. Martin, cousin of Emily Wilkins
- **Brooks Minks**, grandmother of Lucie House
- Lindsay Morris, sister of Emily McClure
- *Judy Robertson*, cousin of Marilyn Hedgpeth

Students graduating from high school or college (Class of 2015) will be acknowledged in worship in June. Please provide the student's name, school, and degree info to *Valerie*\*\*McMillian\*\* by Sunday, May 24: v.mcmillian@firstpres-durham.org.

SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY SCHOOL
TEACHERS' APPRECIATION
BREAKFAST
Sunday, May 31 at 9:45 a.m.

#### **LAST BIBLE STUDY**

The Friday/Sunday Study groups will conclude our study on *Reconciling Paul* this week, looking at lesson nine: "A Call to Apostleship in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century". The Friday group meets at 10:30 at the church through May 8<sup>th</sup>; and the Sunday group meets at 3:00 at Croasdaile Village in Heritage Hall through May 10<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome! Stay tuned for summer opportunities!

#### **FPC COMMITTEES**

Sunday, May 10 following Worship Committee Chairpersons

#### Monday, May 11

6:00 p.m. Christian Education

6:00 p.m. Property

**6:30 p.m.** Service and Mission

7:00 p.m. Worship and the Arts

#### **BOOK GROUP**

The next meeting of the **Things That Matter Book Group** will be held **Tuesday, May 12, at 7:00 p.m. at Delia Kwon's home**, (Bravehart Court). **Lee Courtland** will be leading the discussion of *My Promised Land: The Triumph and Tragedy of Israel* by Ari Shavit. Please RSVP to Delia by email, delmelkwon@hotmail.com, to let her know if you will be coming.

#### SCRATCH / YOUNG ADULTS

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

**MAY POTLUCK** 

Farewell / Birthday Celebration SATURDAY, MAY 16

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the home of **Jenna Kneepkens** (Reply to EVITE)

## FPC GROUNDS WORKDAY Saturday May 16

9:00 a.m. - 12 noon Contact *Barbara Buckley* for more info: 919-402-8551 or bjbuckley1@frontier.com

#### SUPPLIES NEEDED

The following items are needed for **HYGEINE KITS** given out to our neighbors who are homeless or living in temporary shelter: wash cloths, travel size soaps, deodorant, shampoo / conditioner, combs, razors, toothpaste. Please place items in the Blessing Bags baskets at our Mission Collection Center in the church foyer.

#### TIME OUT RADIO SHOW

Enjoy a Mother's Day Special with *Brianna Honea* of the Women's Birth and Wellness Center, Chapel Hill at 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, May 11**. Time Out is heard on WCOM, FM103.5 in Carrboro and Chapel Hill and elsewhere on the web at http://www.wcomfm.org/

#### **HELP FOR NEPAL**

If you would like to contribute to the relief effort in Nepal, go online to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance website: https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/nepalearthquake-april-2015/ to make a donation.

#### VCS VOLUNTEERS Needed/Required

FPC's Child Protection Policy requires that we have at least 25 adults on site each day to safely run the VCS program. The camp runs June 15-19, from 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. If you can volunteer, even for one day, please fill out a volunteer form from the table in the foyer and return it to the church office. Please indicate where you would like to serve: crafts, water games, group leadership, bread-baking, music, child-care, or story-telling.

#### **SONAM CONCERT**

Thursday, May 7 8:00 p.m. in the FPC sanctuary

SONAM (Singers of New and Ancient Music) chorus will present their **Spring concert** singing music about music to support Voices Together, a wonderful local non-profit that teaches music to people with developmental disabilities **Allan Friedman** is SONAM's director. All door proceeds to benefit Voices Together.

#### A HANNAH SERVICE

#### Thursday, May 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Watts St Baptist Church 800 Watts Street, Durham

Infertility. Miscarriage. Infant Loss.

These griefs are particularly poignant as Mother's Day and Father's Day approach. You are invited to gather with women and men who covet the opportunity for shared grief, and shared hope: HANNAH SERVICE, a service of grief, hope, and worship for those who have experienced infertility, pregnancy loss, or infant loss. For more information, send an email to: Hannah.ministry.wsbc@gmail.com.

#### **DAY SCHOOL TEACHER APPRECIATION**

This week is Teacher Appreciation Week for the 13 FPC Day School teachers and administrators. The FPC Day School has been an outreach mission of FPC for over 30 years. Many of our members have children who are graduates of the Day School program. This past Saturday as part of the Day of Service, members of the church decorated the classroom doors of the Day School as a pleasant surprise for the teachers. If you would like to express appreciation to the staff there, please feel free to drop them a note of thanks, or to take a token of your appreciation to Director, *Katharine Smith*, or Assistant Director *Mamie Watson*.

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