First

Presbyterian Church

July 21, 2015



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Sunday, July 26



17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:55 a.m. Announcements 11:00 a.m. Worship

The *Hunger for Change Offering* will be received during worship. Thank you for your generous giving to help eliminate hunger in our community and around the world.

Me.ditation by Marilyn T. Hedgpeth:

"Singing the Mighty Power of God"

Worship Texts	
Psalm Lesson	Psalm 137: 1-6
New Testament Lessons	Ephesians 3: 14-21 Colossians 3: 15-17 Revelation 5: 7-14

Croasdaile Driver: Miriam Morey Narthex Greeters: Linn Lopez Elizabeth High

After Worship Greeters:

Bob Breitweiser (rear/narthex) Kate Busa (side/font)

Ushers: Celia Dickerson (head), Nate Pienkowski (flowers), Talitha Kwon, Leslie McDow, Paul Cornsweet, Eric Wiebe

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Faith and Community Class

Back to beginning, one of the very first TED Talks was by Dan Gilbert in February of 2004, called The Surprising Science of Happiness. The Harvard psychologist will revisit his initial TED Talk and pepper it with updates and apologies. Faith and Community meets in Watts-Hill Hall at 9:45. All are welcome.

Lectionary Class

Are you aware of God's presence in your daily life? Do you encounter God as a compassionate provider of wonderful gifts? Or do you live your life unaware of God's presence, making decisions (sometimes very bad decisions, as in one of our readings) for your own reasons? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

Spiritual Formation Class

This class for women is led by Susan **Dunlap** and meets at 9:45 in the lower level classroom.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN / YOUTH

Kindergarten and up 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. July 26 and August 2 "Lion, Witch, and Wardrobe"

Meet in Room 205 of the CE building to watch and discuss the movie, then enjoy a snack. Three year olds through rising K's meet in the Playroom. The nursery is open for younger children. Older youth can join the Lectionary Class or Faith and Community Class.

INVITE A FRIEND TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Summertime . . . when families are on the $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1$ move and new faces appear in work places. Is there a new family in your neighborhood or a new colleague at work? Have you thought about inviting them to worship at FPC? Sunday, July 26 is "Invite a Friend to Church" Sunday. Won't

SLIDE SHOW

Ghana has long been known as one of the most

stable and welcoming countries of West Africa, offering tourists a rich mix of history, culture, and wildlife. David and Judy Smith visited Ghana earlier this year on a birding tour (of course), and they returned with lots of photos of the birds, animals, and scenery of this interesting country. Join them for a photographic tour on Wednesday, July 22, at 7:30 p.m. in Watts-Hill Hall.

FPC Hosting

NAACP MONTHLY MEETING

Sunday, July 26 4:00 p.m. FPC Sanctuary

If you are interested in joining the local Durham branch of the NAACP, please check out the membership information on the table in the church foyer. New members welcomed.

FPC Co-Hosting

PRESBYTERY MEETING

Tuesday, July 28 at Covenant **Presbyterian Church in Durham** 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Note: If you do not arrive early, you will most likely need to use the shuttle service provided by our co-hosting churches. Shuttles will run throughout the course of the day from the nearby Baptist Church to Covenant. It is recommended that everyone arrive by no later than 8:15 a.m. allowing enough time to take the shuttle. The gathering will begin at 9:00 a.m. sharp.

PUT YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION



Pick up a copy of the service and mission opportunities brochure and check out how you can put your faith into action this summer! You can also view the brochure online at: http://firstpres-durham.org/wpcontent/uploads/2015/07/FIRST-PRESBYTERIAN-CHURCH-SUMMER-SERVICE-AND-MISSION-OPPORTUNITIES.pdf

FROM THE **ASSOCIATE PASTOR**

Dear friends,

As butter slid down my chin from the corn on the cob I was enjoying the other day, I thought to myself, if I had facial hair and were a man, then I might proclaim like the Psalmist: "How good it is when brothers live together in unity! It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down upon the collar of his robes." (Psalm 133) I could sense how sweet that sensation of over-abundance might be to someone.

I would like for us all to share that sweet sensation of living together in unity, peace, and abundance this Sunday at 4 p.m., when FPC hosts the regional meeting of the NAACP in our sanctuary. In the wake of the horrific events in Charleston that cost nine precious lives, I want to invite you to help welcome our friends, help protect our friends, and help unite with our friends who continue to fight for racial justice in our state and beyond. They will begin their meeting with a time of worship, a time of song, and then a time of business. We have hosted this meeting previously with the participation of two or three members from our congregation. I think it's time to step it up and increase our participation with our friends who have invited us to stand together with them. You don't have to stay for the whole meeting, but it would be as pleasant as eating hot buttered corn on the cob if you would join us.

Peace,

Marilyn

GOODWILL AMBASSADOR TEAMS UPDATE

Our FPC Goodwill Ambassador teams are continuing to visit neighboring churches this summer, extending greetings from us and humbly observing the worship experience of our faithful friends in Durham. I want to thank this adventurous group of people and ask that we all continue to pray for the process. After the summer months and all of the visits have been made, the committee will be reporting its gleaned information to the Worship and the Arts Committee who will share information with the congregation. Speaking for myself, this experience has enriched and deepened my faith and helped me to better know, love and appreciate our own faithful traditions and place of worship here at FPC. Thank you -Rebecca Harvard Barnes

ANNUAL REPORTS FROM OUR

Reminder to all FPC committee chairs and program staff: An annual COMMITTEES report summary for your

respective committee or area of ministry is due to Valerie in the church office by July 31. The report should cover September 2014 - August 2015.

OUR SYMPATHIES

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection was held for *Wajid Bangura*, grandson of *Cecil and Mary Macaully*, today at 9:00 a.m. at Hall Wynne Funeral Home, with **Susan Dunlap** officiating and **Kathy** Parkins providing music. Wajid, the son of *Cynthia Macaully* and *Mohammed* Bangura, was 19 months old.

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection for Anne Martin, sister of Beth Neece, will be held in the sanctuary on Saturday, July 25 at 10 am, with interment and reception following at FPC.

OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Happy 99th Birthday to Jerry Tyren on July 24th! Let's shower her with cards!

Jerry Tyren 2600 Croasdaile Farm Pkwy Pavilion, E205 **Durham NC 27705**

Traveling mercies to Juliana Miglarese, Aurelia Klinck, and Grace Abels, who are traveling with the Girl Scouts to Costa Rico this week. And blessings on Sarah Finbow, Amy Wilson and the senior high youth who leave Sunday for the Montreat Youth Conference.

Minnie Cameron, recovering from knee surgery

> **Brookdale Senior Living** Julian Boswell

Brookdale of Chapel Hill Helen Garrison

Croasdaile Village

Friendship Hall: **Bob Keever** Pavilion: Anne Davis, Ann Prospero Bob Rankin, Jerry Tyren

> Hillcrest: Dewey Lawson Randall McLeod

The Forest at Duke

Fran Bryant Ken Goldner

Joan Englund **Peaches McPherson**

- 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
- Gino England, nephew of Larry Reed
- Genie V. Martin, cousin of Emily Wilkins
- Brooks Minks, grandmother of Lucie House
- Lindsay Morris, sister of Emily McClure
- Jean Robinson, mother of John
- Judy Robertson, cousin of Marilyn Hedgpeth
- Ryan Schlecht, grandson of Ken and Mary Jo Schlecht
- Virgil Yalong, cousin of Lyn Francisco

YOUTH NEWS

Dear Friends,

This week the high school youth are packing and preparing for a week long vouth conference in Montreat. Please keep our group in your prayers as we travel, learn, and engage in "our story" starting on Sunday!

> Blessings, Sarah

DAY TIMERS' LUNCHEON Tuesday, July 28

11:30 a.m. at Bennett Pointe Grill 4625 Hillsborough Rd

Arranged by Sydnor Patrick

RSVP to **Maxie Honeycutt** (919-286-4680) or call the Church office: 919-682-5511.

FPC WOMEN'S RETREAT

"Everyday Saints"

July 31 (6pm) – **August 1** (3pm) Avila Conference Center, Durham Led by Cherrie Henry / Susan Dunlap **Cost: \$75** (scholarships available)

Please register by July 22 To register, contact Valerie McMillian in the church office at 919-682-5511 or by email: v.mcmillian@firstpres-durham.org

FIRST FRIENDS & FAMILIES



Annual Beach Trip Tentatively scheduled for September 11-13.

Please contact **Deborah Momsen-**Hudson or Kathy Conner if you prefer a different date.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Meals on Wheels is in need of items for their pantry. They use this food to make weekend meals. The Food Bank is servicing summer programs for children right now, and Meals on Wheels have not been able to get their usual supply from that source.

Items needed are **individual serving size** containers of the following:

- Fruit cups (unsweetened)
- Applesauce (unsweetened)
- Soup (low sodium if possible)
- Tuna and crackers packages
- Canned meals such as spaghetti or chicken and dumplings
- Peanut Butter/ Cheese Cracker snacks
- Granola bars / Breakfast bars
- · Nutrition bars / Juice boxes
- Ensure

Please keep in mind that cans should have pop-top lids and therefore not require a can opener, and should be individual serving sizes.



Crayons2Calculators aims to serve the educational and creative needs of students in the Durham Public School system by providing free school supplies to classroom teachers. FPC is a collection site through August 9th.

10 Most Needed Items
Crayons (boxes) Folders Glue - Bottles Glue Sticks Index cards Markers (boxes) Pencils (packs) Rulers Scissors Spiral Notebooks

Other needed items:

calculators, boxes of colored pencils, composition books, construction paper, reams of copy paper, erasers, hand sanitizer, highlighters, loose leaf paper (packs), pencil sharpeners, pens (packs), Post-it notes, supply boxes, and tissues. Please bring your donations to FPC and place them in the containers

located in the foyer. For more information, go online to: http://www.crayons2calculators.org/.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BULL MOON RIDE AND RUN SATURDAY, JULY 24

Friends,

Join me in this Saturday's fun family event, the Habitat for Humanity Bull Moon Ride and Run (5 K run, 12 mile ride through downtown Durham at dusk). Join me and get the VIP experience while having a great family adventure and supporting the mission of Habitat all in one. Go to www.riderunforhabitat.org and register using this special promo code: friendsandfamily. I hope to see you -Rebecca Harvard Barnes

IGLESIA EMANUEL NEWS

We held our annual two-week summer soccer camp with 34 children and 25 youth volunteers. We thank the churches who collaborated with us in this project. We had youth volunteers from Blacknall and University Presbyterian, used vehicles borrowed from Triangle Presbyterian for our field trips, and had volunteers from Durham Presbyterian Church who helped with transportation and devotions.

- Julio Ramirez-Eve

Remember to bring your

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to worship on Sunday!

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