First

Presbyterian Church

October 13, 2015



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Sunday, October 18

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time New members will be introduced during worship on Sunday.

National Children's Sabbath!



We will observe National Children's Sabbath during worship on Sunday. Bibles will be presented to our 3rd and 4th graders. The Children's Choir will sing. (The children will have a quick rehearsal at 9:30 a.m. in

the sanctuary.) Following worship, everyone is invited to a **PICNIC LUNCH** prepared by Cris Rivera in the courtyard! Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal. Bring a blanket and enjoy the fellowship!

> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Homily: "Can I Sit Next to You?" Marilyn T. Hedgpeth, preaching

Worship Texts	
Old Testament	Job 38:1-7 (34-41)
Psalm Lesson	Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c
Epistle Lesson	Hebrews 5:1-10
Gospel Lesson	Mark 10:35-45

Acolytes: Maddie Brigman, Jenna Leonard

Crucifer: **Peter Compton** Croasdaile Driver: Miriam Morey Narthex Greeter: Alice Raney

After Worship Greeters:

Eric Wiebe (rear/narthex) Phyllis Verhey (side/ font)

Ushers: Lucie House (head), Abi Bissette (flowers), Julie Whiddon, Margaret Keller, Tom Keller, Carolyn Merritt

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Faith and Community/Scratch Class

FPC sits at the crossroads between old and new in downtown Durham. This Sunday Kathy Krahenbuhl will introduce a book being read throughout Durham, looking at city dynamics and demographics entitled Urban Alchemy, written by Dr. Mindy Fullilove. Come be part of the conversation about the positive and negative aspects of progress in the Bull City. The class meets at 9:45 in Watts-Hill Hall.

Lectionary Class

It takes a lot of nerve to stand before the Lord and make demands. How would you expect the Lord to respond? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

Journeys Class

Journeys will discuss selected chapters from Proverbs and continue studying Ecclesiastes. All are welcome to join. We meet at 9:45, second floor, classroom at the end of the hall.

Family Matters Class

Parents of elementary age and younger children share the road of parenting and dabble in Scripture. We meet at 9:45 in the CE building, room 203.

Spiritual Formation

Susan Dunlap leads this class on spiritual formation. Class meets Sunday mornings at 9:45 in the basement classroom.

STEWARDSHIP SEASON October 11 - November 8



THEME: "Many People, One Body" For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. (1 Corinthians 12:12)

First Presbyterian members, you are invited to commit your support of the FPC mission for the budget year 2016. As we are many in one, our budget seeks to support our mission in the community. We can be present in Christ when we have a physical presence in our 100-year-old building when we pay fair wages for our dedicated staff and when we give financial support to our service and mission goals.

For the next month, you will experience spoken and written testimony as to the value of our presence to many people, representing the many parts. For 2016, the Session has approved a budget of \$937,288.14, increased 3.96% over the budget for 2015. This includes a 2% COLA for staff, a 10% increase in their health care benefits, and a 1.61% increase in building support. All numbers are available! You will get detailed information on the line item expenses, percentages of each part of our whole, and a chart on suggested amounts to pledge. Stewardship committee members will be available to speak to groups.

Talk with your family about the importance of FPC in your lives. Prayerfully consider what you can commit to meeting our budget requests for the next year. It is not required that you give, but it is essential that you pledge something. We cannot do the whole without sustaining the parts.

Grace and peace, Celia Dickerson and Miriam Morey, co-chairs, Sam Miglarese, Leslie McDow, Amy Dillon, Amy Wilson, Talitha Kwon, Carl Rist, Lisa Rist, Tom Bacon, Sheila Breitweiser

CONGREGATIONAL DINNER

Tuesday, October 27 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

St. Philip's Episcopal Church Parish Hall Guest speaker: The Rev. Patrice Nelson, Executive Director, Durham Urban Ministries Donations will be received at the door to offset the cost of the meal. RSVP by October 20.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

God's Great Garden (Grades 3-5)

This Sunday we will celebrate the National Children's Sabbath, and you will be leading parts of the worship service. We will practice our readings, our dances and our music that will be used in worship, so try to be at the church by 9:45. We'll practice upstairs before the worship service at 11 am.

FROM THE **ASSOCIATE PASTOR**

Dear Friends,

I came back from vacation this week to find my office evacuated and all of my church belongings boxed up and stacked together with Sarah's and Valerie's in the bigger pastor's study in preparation for painting and re-carpeting. I feel like they have pulled the plug on my brain, and I am operating off an external generator. Even so, I can't even begin to imagine what some of the people in low country South Carolina are feeling after the freak thousand-year storm that brought devastating flooding there last week. My college class has circulated a note asking all of our classmates from South Carolina to respond so we'll know they are okay. I hope you are checking on any SC connections you might have, also. We claim to be a connectional church as Presbyterians, and this is one way we can employ those connections.

With 14 reported deaths in SC as a result of the flooding, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is on the ground there assessing the situation. Many families have been displaced and roads and businesses destroyed. We will know soon how we might help in tangible ways. In the meantime, donations can be made by going to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, DR000191-US flooding. What keeps rolling through my mind is the line from The Navy Hymn: "O Holy Spirit, who did brood upon the chaos wild and rude, and bade its angry tumult cease, and gave, for fierce confusion, peace."



MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to *Heather Wallace* and Michael Schultz who were married in our sanctuary this past Saturday. It was great to have a church wedding with so many church members involved. Best wishes to the happy couple.



SCRIPTURE READING CLASS

to this fascinating African country.

RSVP to the church: 919-682-5511.

The Scripture Readers Class will begin Sunday, October 25, at 9:45 in the Chapel. Please bring a Bible with you, preferably a New Revised Standard Version. If you know someone interested, encourage them to come with you. Steve Rimmer will lead the class.

OUR CONCERNS

Katharine Smith (Day School Director), recovering from a fall

Nowell Creadick, a patient at Duke Hospital

Jean Moore, recovering in the Pavilion at Croasdaile Village

Minnie Cameron Paul Cornsweet Sarah and Pete Finbow Dewey Lawson Snell Family **Phyllis Verhey**

> **Brookdale Senior Living** Julian Boswell

> **Brookdale of Chapel Hill** Helen Garrison

> > **Croasdaile Village**

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

Hillcrest: Randall McLeod

The Forest at Duke

Fran Bryant Joan Englund Ken Goldner Peaches McPherson

- Roy Blackwell, father of Sheila Miglarese
- Parker Brown, nephew of Neil Wilkins
- Ruby Brown, mother of Eugene Brown
- Roger Durham, father of Emily Durham
- Richard Hays, friend of FPC
- Genie V. Martin, cousin of Emily Wilkins
- Brooks Minks, grandmother of Lucie House
- Lindsay Morris, sister of Emily McClure
- Edward Robinson, brother of Joe Robinson
- Jean Robinson, mother of John Robinson
- Ryan Schlecht, grandson of Ken and Mary Jo Schlecht

Dear Church Family, Thank you for your prayers, cards, telephone calls, good wishes, love and many thoughtful deeds during my knee replacement.



Blessings,

Minnie Cameron

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

October 25 - Practice following Worship

November 1 - Practice following Worship

November 8 - No practice following Worship

November 15 - Practice following Worship

BOOK GROUP

The Things That Matter Book Group will meet on Tuesday, November 10, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of **Dorothy Graham** to discuss John Hope Franklin's book, Mirror to America. *Celia Dickerson* will lead the discussion. Please let Dorothy know you will attend: dabginnc@gmail.com. New faces are welcome!

BEER AND HYMNS

A Community Sing with no regard to spiritual inclination or lack thereof

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 7:30 P.M. AT FULLSTEAM BREWERY

726 Rigsbee Ave, Durham Good times, fellowship, nostalgia, and more good times accompanied by fresh local beer led by Jesse James Deconto of local band "The Pinkerton Raid"

Youth News

Dear friends,

Twenty youth and adults traveled from FPC and Iglesia Emanuel this past weekend to join other youth from around the New Hope Presbytery for the annual Middle School retreat at Camp Don Lee. We had a wonderful weekend together! Thanks to Lenore Champion, Marty Ramirez, **Sharron Johnson**, and **Emily Wilkins** for joining me on the trip! The High Schoolers also met on Sunday and had a fun night together. Thanks to *Lea Bingham* for providing our meal! This week, the youth will begin planning Youth Sunday, which will be held on November 15 this year!

Blessings,

Sarah

SCRATCH / YOUNG ADULTS **OCTOBER POTLUCK**

Saturday, October 17

6:00 p.m. at the home of **Lucie and Wayne House**

Hosts will be providing BBQ, so please bring side dishes, dessert, and/or a vegetarian main dish for / if you are a vegetarian. Come enjoy a relaxing evening with some delicious food, fall fun, and good conversation. Please respond to the EVITE.

PRIMETIMERS

COVERED DISH SUPPER

Saturday, October 24

6:30 p.m. at the home of **Eugene and Signe Brown** RSVP to Signe at signebrown@hotmail.com or 919-688-5954.

FIRST FRIENDS & FAMILIES **POTLUCK GATHERING**

(Adults only)

Friday, November 6

at the home of Steve and Sharon Hirsch More details forthcoming

GROUNDS WORK DAY

Saturday, October 24 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

Contact **Barbara Buckley** for more info: 919-402-8551 or bjbuckley1@frontier.com

DURHAM CAN

ACCOUNTABILITY SESSION

Monday, October 26 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Duke Memorial UMC 504 W. Chapel Hill St.

Gathering begins at 6:30 p.m. We start and finish on time. Join hundreds of Durham residents as we meet with mayoral and city council candidates to learn together about where they stand on CAN's countywide agenda.

For more information, contact the Durham CAN office at (919) 403-7082.

HELP US RESTOCK!

Our blessing bags supply is dwindling! Please help us restock! We are in need of the following items:

Brown paper lunch bags Peanut butter/cheese snack crackers **Granola or nutrition bars** Individual packages of fruit such as fruit cups, squeezable pouches of applesauce or small boxes of raisins

Items can be dropped off at the church or, as a family project, blessing bags can be put together at home. Thank you for supporting our Walk-in Ministry!



Saturday, October 31 Let's treat the community on Halloween!

Stop by the sign up table in the foyer after church this Sunday.

- SEEDS Dig Crew
- Habitat's Pink Ribbon Build
- Day School painting classroom doors
- Glean sweet potatoes
- Bring snacks for volunteers

Sponsored by Service & Mission Committee

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO FILL UNMET NEED IN **D**URHAM

Sign up as a customer service assistant or equipment repairer at HELP, the new health equipment loan program opening in January 2016. Greet customers and assist with filling out forms so they can borrow a piece of durable medical equipment, e.g., a walker, wheelchair, or crutch, at no cost for up to three months with renewal if necessary **OR** be an equipment repairer by checking donated equipment for missing parts and safety and sanitizing with an industry-recognized antibacterial. Eight hours/month is the requirement for either job. Volunteer training will be **on October 28** from 4:45 – 6:45 p.m. with a light meal served. Contact Anne Drennan, volunteer coordinator, at 919-489-2942 or by email adrennan@projectaccessdurham.org to reserve your space.

The Institute of Islamic and Turkish Studies Speaker Series presents

Zeki Saritoprak, Ph.D "Jesus in Islam"

Sunday, October 25 3:00 p.m. Welcome and Lecture 4:00 p.m. Book Signing

and Refreshments **Institute of Islamic and Turkish Studies** 1391 SE Maynard Rd, Cary

RSVP to iitsnc.org/rsvp1 by Oct. 24

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