

# First Presbyterian Church



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January 13, 2015

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship

Sermon: "When the Wine Runs Out"

Mark E. Diehl, preaching

### Worship Texts

Psalm Lesson	Psalm 139
Epistle Lesson	1 Corinthians 12:1-11
Gospel Lesson	John 2:1-12

Acolytes: **Eleanor Dilworth, Lauren Boyle**

Crucifer: **Grace Abels**

Croasdaile Driver: **Paul Cornsweet**

Narthex Greeters: **Minnie Cameron, Alice Raney**

After Worship Greeters:

**Alice Raney** (rear/narthex)

**Marie Sappenfield** (side/font)

Ushers: **Gray Wilson** (head), **Lucie House** (flowers), **Joy Kerner, David Lorimer, Keith Merritt, Susan Seahorn**

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Faith and Community Class

Have you seen *Selma* yet? There are several good movies and documentaries out that deal with issues of racism in our culture. **Delia and Ed Kwon** will lead us in a discussion of some of the latest ones. The class meets in Watts-Hill Hall at 9:45.

### Lectionary Class

When Nathanael was called, he was skeptical. When Samuel was called, he was confused. How will you respond when God calls you? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

### Journeys Class

Come and explore Paul's principle of Christian freedom in a study Galatians. Join us at 9:45, second floor, classroom at the end of the hall.

### Scratch Class

Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the lower level classrooms beneath the sanctuary.

### Family Matters

"Birthdays – A Gift of Self to Others" (*Seamless Faith*, chapter 2, page 48) is our topic this Sunday. Join us at 9:45, second floor, across from the Resource Room.

### Spiritual Formation

This class for women is led by **Susan Dunlap** and meets at 9:45 in the lower level classroom located across the hall from the Youth Room.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

The confirmation class will talk about baptism this Sunday. Do you remember yours? Come prepared to tell us about what you remember, or what others have told you about your baptism. Mentors are invited... always.

## TRY SOMETHING NEW

### AFTER-CHRISTMAS STRETCH

Free yoga class led by **Brianna Honea**

**Wednesday, January 14**

6:15 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. in Watts-Hill Hall

Wear comfortable clothes;  
bring mat or towel

## VOX VIRORUM

"Winter Concert"

**Sunday, January 18**

**3:00 p.m. in the FPC sanctuary**

**Free admission for FPC members.**

Others: \$10 suggested donation.

## FPC WOMEN'S

### WINTER RETREAT

"Sabbath Rest"

**January 30-31**

**Friday, 6 p.m. – Saturday, 3 p.m.**

\$50 registration fee / Deadline: Jan. 23  
Contact **Marilyn Hedgpeth** to register.

There will be yoga with **Brianna Honea**  
at 7:30 p.m. on Friday evening!



Martin  
Luther  
King, Jr.  
remembered

"Renewing the Spirit of Engagement  
and Empowerment in the Community"

is the 2015 theme for Durham's  
Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration.

**Wednesday, January 14**

**at 12 Noon**

**Durham City/County Employees**

Civic Celebration (FPC sanctuary)



**Monday, January 19**

**Annual MLK Commemoration  
3:00 pm, Duke University Chapel**

"Dignity through Dissent: Demanding  
Civil Rights in a Modern World"

The keynote address will be given by the  
Rev. Dr. William Barber, II, President of the  
North Carolina NAACP.



**Monday, January 19**

**Annual MLK Unity March and  
Commemorative Worship**

The March begins at 10:30 a.m. from N.C.  
Mutual Life Insurance Company, 411 West  
Chapel Hill Street, and ends with a worship  
service in the sanctuary of FPC.

To see a listing of other area  
commemorative events go to:

<http://durhammlkcommittee.weebly.com>

## FROM THE

### INTERIM PASTOR

The recently released movie *Selma* looks at the struggles for civil rights, and particularly the pressures on Martin Luther King, Jr., as a preacher, pastor, husband and father, voice of conscience, strategist, and leader of a movement. If you have not seen it, I recommend that you do.

In life, we can have moments of crisis: crises of energy when we can no longer put one foot in front of the other; crises of hope where we question that our actions can make any difference for good; crises of failure when our best intentions are undermined by revenge, greed, and pride; crises of loss when consequences for our actions takes a toll on the lives of others.

It is in the context of celebrating Martin Luther King, Jr. this week, and his legacy of struggling for human rights and equality that we encounter the texts for this Sunday. The first miracle recorded in the Gospel of John is when Jesus turned water into wine at a wedding feast. This opportunity for God's work came in the midst of a crisis. What happens for us when the wine runs out? What happens when all our resources are depleted and we have nothing else to give?

Join us in worship as Holy Scripture engages us in the deepest struggles of what it means to be human and to be God's people who are called into a beloved community.

Grace and peace,

*Mark*

## OUR SYMPATHIES

The love and concern of the congregation is extended to **Raymond and Jackie Mbah, Almira, Ariel, and Sharron** on the death of Raymond's father, **Frederick Mbah** in Cameroon last week.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection will be held at FPC at 11:00 a.m. for **Brad Holbrook**, father of **Kerry Holbrook** on Saturday, January 17. The family will receive friends at 10:30 a.m. in Watts-Hill Hall prior to the service.

## ATTENTION VISITORS

Now that the holidays are behind us, we are contemplating scheduling a Newcomer's / Inquirer's Class for visitors who would like to explore membership at First Presbyterian Church. If you are interested in learning more about the ministry of this congregation, contact **Shirley Frederick** at 919-682-5511 or [s.frederick@firstpres-durham.org](mailto:s.frederick@firstpres-durham.org).

## WINTER BOOK STUDY

Our winter study is: **Sabbath as Resistance: Saying NO to the CULTURE OF NOW** by Walter Brueggemann. Classes will be held at the church on Fridays from 10:30 a.m. – noon, **through February 13**, and at Croasdaile Village (Heritage Hall activities room) on Sundays from 3 – 4:30 p.m., **through February 15**. Books are \$10, and may be purchased from **Marilyn Hedgpeth**. All are welcome!

## OUR CONCERNS

### Added this week:

Traveling mercies for **Margaret and Miguel Rubiera** and others, who are preparing for a 10-day building trip to Honduras for Habitat for Humanity.

**Nowell Creadick**  
**Jacque Robins**

**Edward Kwon**  
**BJ Seitzer**

**Brian Center** (Durham):  
**Ann Prospero**

**Carolina House** (Durham):  
**Julian Boswell**

**Clare Bridge** (Chapel Hill):  
**Helen Garrison**

### Croasdaile Village:

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

**Hillcrest: Randall McLeod**

### The Forest at Duke:

**Fran Bryant** **Joan Englund**  
**Ken Goldner** **Peaches McPherson**

### Treyburn (Peak Resources):

**Sara Anne Martin**, sister of Beth Neece

- **Stuart Bethune**, father of Alec Bethune
- **Ruby Brown**, mother of Eugene Brown
- **Norma Cardoni**, mother of Sheila Breitweiser
- **Ching-Chang Chin**, father of Li-Chen Chin
- **Gera Fleming**, mother of Christyn Klinck
- **Lawson Family**, Arlington, VA
- **Vic Moore**, friend of Tom & Margaret Keller
- **Alan Pelton**, friend of Lyn Francisco
- **Hannah Joy Richards**, grandniece of Chuck and Jean Wilson
- **Gerald Thomas**, Betsy Robinson's father
- **Tshiek family**, especially granddaughter **Deborah Meta** (a patient at Duke Hospital), friends of John and Sue Fricks

## DAYTIMERS' LUNCHEON

**Tuesday, January 27**

**11:30 a.m. at Hope Valley Diner**

3710 Shannon Rd Durham  
(formerly Rick's Diner)

Hosted by **Chuck and Linda Barenchi**  
RSVP to: 919-908-6156.

## Youth "Soup"er Bowl Fundraiser to combat hunger! Sunday, February 1

Homemade soups, provided by the youth of the church, will be available for purchase following Sunday School and worship. The money raised will be used to combat hunger in our community and around the world. Dine in and takeout will be available.

## No Bell Choir

rehearsal on  
Monday, January 19. Rehearsal resumes on  
Monday, January 26.

## YOUTH NEWS

Dear Friends,

We really had a great time this past Sunday with our fellowship bowling event! There were 41 youth and adults who came out for a nice Sunday evening! Thanks for a great event!

I am so excited for this Sunday, when we will work with our community Midrasha, Sikh Gurudwara, and the Greater St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church to pack soup and lunches for Urban Ministries! I am really looking forward to the MLK service project with our sisters and brothers in these faith communities!

Blessings,  
Sarah

## SCRATCH UPDATE

Last Sunday the Scratch Young Adult group met to make plans for 2015. We elected **David Lorimer** as our leader for the year. David will be sending out email about upcoming events, so look for his messages to the listserv. Until then, please put the following on your calendars:

- The Scratch Church School class will start back this Sunday, January 18.
- We will continue our weekly informal gatherings in the Social Room on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.
- Our monthly first Saturday Scratch potlucks start back February 7. Please let David or Cherrie know if you can host a month.
- A day trip and hike to Hanging Rock is planned for April 25.

Go to church and be the church!

## FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP

If you would like to donate flowers for worship, please sign up for a Sunday on the Flower Chart located on the bulletin board in the foyer. Information regarding the flower donation process is also located there.

You may also contact **Phyllis Verhey** (919-973-2929 or pverhey@nc.rr.com) if you have questions and to reserve a Sunday. Families with standing reservations to donate worship flowers should confirm their Sunday(s) for 2015 with Phyllis as soon as possible.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### DCIA Annual Meeting Tuesday, January 27 5:45 p.m.

St. Philip's Episcopal Church  
403 East Main Street, Durham  
Keynote Speaker:

**Dr. J. Kameron Carter**  
Assoc. Professor of Systematic Theology  
and Black Church Studies  
Duke Divinity School  
Dinner: \$14/plate  
RSVP for dinner by January 23

### "We Can All Pray" Sunday, February 8 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Jewish Congregational Center  
Cornwallis Road, Durham  
This is an ecumenical event for parents and church leaders to explore issues in including all abilities in life cycle events in the religious community. **Rabbi Steve Sager** and **Reverend Marilyn Hedgpeth** will be panelists. **Celia Dickerson** and **Katherine Whitmore** will be participants.

### McPherson Lectureship

featuring **Rev. Dr. Ronald Cole-Turner**  
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary  
**Sunday, February 22**  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
**Monday, February 23**  
Clergy Gathering at 10:30 a.m.

### FPC Men of Faith Retreat April 17 – 18

6:00 p.m. Friday – 2:00 p.m. Saturday  
**Homer Ashby** is leading this retreat

### Vacation Church School at Camp New Hope

(ages 4-18; childcare for volunteers)  
**June 15 – 19**  
8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
Registration will be online soon

### Post-Vacation Church School Music Camp

Under the direction of **Kathy Parkins**  
**June 15 – 19**  
1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at FPC  
For FPC member families only  
Transportation provided upon request  
Registration will be online soon

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