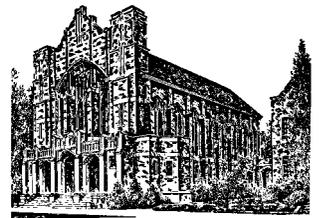


First Presbyterian Church



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April 7, 2015

Sunday, April 12

2nd Sunday of Easter

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

*** Announcements – 10:55 a.m. ***

11:00 a.m. Worship

Sermon: "Gifts of Easter Evening"
Reverend Mel Williams, preaching

Worship Texts

Acts of the Apostles	Acts 4:32-35
Epistle Lesson	1 John 1:1 – 2:2
Gospel Lesson	John 20:19-31

Acolytes: **Peter Compton, Caleb Conner**

Crucifer: **Kennedy Wilkins**

Croasdaile Driver: **Paul Cornsweet**

Narthex Greeters: **Maxie Honeycutt,
Carol McKnight**

After Worship Greeters:

Joseph Ngumi (rear/narthex)

Alice Raney (side/font)

Ushers: **Sherry Everett** (head), **Tim Strauman** (flowers), **Margaret Keller, Delia Kwon, Leslie McDow, Susan Seahorn**

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Faith and Community Class

We welcome back **Jennie Wilburn**, MDiv & MSW, now working for the NC Council of Churches in Raleigh. Jennie coordinated a state-wide Immigration Forum on March 21st, hosted by our church. She will share insights gained from the forum and give updates on immigration issues. Please join us at 9:45 in Watts-Hill Hall.

Lectionary Class

Can a community exist if the members do not all agree? Can a community of faith exist if some members do not believe? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

Journeys Class

Come and explore Paul's first letter to the Corinthians that addresses divisions within the church. Newcomers are encouraged to join the discussion. Class meets at 9:45 in our second floor classroom.

Scratch Class

Young adults are discussing topics from the lectionary-based online resource, **Faith Element**. Join us at 9:45 in our lower level classroom.

Family Matters Class

"**Kinds of Prayer – Prayer walk & Prayer beads**" (*Seamless Faith*, chapter 5, pp. 118 and 122) 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 at 9:45, lower level classroom.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Our class has been invited to join **Mark Higgins** and tour Hall Wynne Funeral Home on Main Street. Meet at the church at 9:15 a.m. to ride together for our tour, as we discuss issues of death and resurrection. Mentors are welcome. We will return to the church by 11:00 a.m. for worship.

Organ Recital

Sunday, April 12 – 7:00 p.m.

Kirsten Rutschman will be giving an organ recital with **Reagan Weeks**, a graduating senior at NC State and a fellow student of **Dr. Robert Parkins**. The recital will take place in **Duke Chapel at 7:00 p.m.** and will feature the Flentrop and Aeolian organs. Free admission. This is one of the last chances to hear organ music in the Chapel before it closes for a year-long period of renovation starting in mid-May!

The Second Annual
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Good Neighbor

Prayer Brunch

Saturday, April 11

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

at FPC, Watts-Hill Hall

Cost: \$8.00

RSVP to revherndon@hotmail.com

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Circle and Bible Study

Monday, April 13

10:30 a.m. – East Parlor

FPC MEN OF FAITH

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

GROUNDS WORKDAY

Saturday, April 18

9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon

Contact **Barbara Buckley** for details on the work to be performed at FPC.

BOOK STUDY/BIBLE STUDY

We will resume on Sunday, April 12 with communion in the Croasdaile Village chapel at 3:00 p.m. (led by **Bob Yoder**) and gather on Friday, April 17 at FPC.

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.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to **Lenore Champion** and **Susan Buck** whose wedding ceremony took place at the West Point on the Eno on Saturday, April 4.

FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear friends,

Thank you for a joyous Easter celebration. The music and musicians were splendid; the lilies seemed extra-fragrant this year, and so many were taken to share with friends outside the church; the sanctuary full of families and friends was heart-warming; the liturgies, in the Memorial Garden where we read names of saints from the wall there and at 11:00, were ancient and powerful; the children were enthused; the communion of saints past, present and future was unitive. Christ is alive in our church, thanks be to God.

But as the divine presence in the empty tomb told the startled women there, Christ is alive and on the move, always ahead of us, keeping our vision forward. Next Sunday, we welcome to our pulpit our good friend **Rev. Mel Williams**, retired pastor from Watts Street Baptist Church. Mel has continued to be active in battling poverty in Durham on many fronts. His presence is a good reminder that our celebrations are only pauses and encouragements of our ongoing work to demonstrate the Kingdom of God, from the least and poorest of these, to the greatest. Christ is alive, and goes ahead of us into Galilee and into Durham.

Ed Kwon needs helpers to sit with him during morning or afternoon shifts. If you can help, call **Lyn Francisco** in the church office (919-682-5511) or go to <https://doodle.com/8uhuyw6ae5tbseh3> to sign up. A church-wide Day of Service is coming up on May 2. Mark that date on your calendars. Christ is alive and on the move; hallelujah!

In resurrection hope,

Marilyn

NOTES

Many thanks to **Bob Breitweiser, Phyllis Supple** and the **Worship and the Arts Committee** for coordinating the three beautiful communion services on Maundy Thursday, and in the Memorial Garden and Sanctuary on Easter Sunday.

What a wonderful act of outreach for **Susan Dunlap, Prasad and Anna Kasibhatla** to open their home for brunch on Easter Sunday for those who wanted to break bread with their God-family. Thank you!

Alice Raney – the Easter lilies were beautiful this year. Thank you for arranging them! And thanks to all who gave lilies in memory or in honor of loved ones. Beyond the cost of the lilies, contributions go to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering.

Kerry Holbrook was in the news last week, featured on Thursday's WRAL news with Dr. Alan Mask in a segment on the benefits of exercise during and after cancer treatment. Kerry is a brave breast cancer survivor!

Dear friends,

Thank you for the nearly \$2,000 which has come in support of the Durham CROP Walk for Hunger. Walkers, please get your envelopes and remaining contributions to me at your earliest convenience. If there are folks who would still like to support this effort, please feel free to let me know by email: rbarnes@durhamhabitat.org



Thank you again for helping to make our world a better place for ALL of God's children. -*Rebecca*

OUR CONCERNS

The love and concern of the congregation is extended to **Randy Lang** on the death of his grandmother, **Alease West**; and to **David and Sallie Verner**, on the death of David's father, **Hugh Verner**, this past week.

Added this week:

Anne Leathers, recovering at the Pavilion at Croasdaile Village after a brief hospital stay
Sara Anne Martin, sister of Beth Neece, a patient at Duke Regional

Daniel Neece -Silleto, now home with his parents, Aaron and Sara Neece-Silleto
Wajid Bangura, grandson of Cecil and Mary Macaully, at Duke Hospital

Dewey Lawson, in rehab at Duke Regional

Bonnie Creadick **Nowell Creadick**
Edward Kwon **Mercy Ndambiri**
Ann Prospero **Jacque Robins**
Rosemary Seve

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

Clare Bridge (CPHL): **Helen Garrison**

Croasdaile Village:

Pavilion:

Anne Davis, Anne Leathers
Bob Rankin, Jerry Tyren

Friendship Hall:
Bob Keever

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

- **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
- **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

YOUTH NEWS

Dear friends,

I hope that you had a very happy and blessed Easter! I am very excited for spring to be in full bloom, reminding us of the new life God gives us in Christ, and for all the activities that spring brings at FPC! We will start youth Sunday planning this Sunday in preparation of our May 10th youth Sunday worship!

Blessings,
Sarah

SCRATCH / YOUTH ADULTS

WEEKLY GATHERING

7:30 PM on Tuesdays
at Social Games and Brew

DAY HIKE TO HANGING ROCK

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

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.

DUKE VESPERS ENSEMBLE

SPRING CONCERT

Have you ever wondered what church music was like in Rome during the 1600s? Many of Europe's most famous Baroque and Renaissance composers lived and worked in Rome during this time, like Victoria, Palestrina and Carissimi. Others traveled from across Europe to study there and learn from the practices at Roman churches. This conflux of talent led to a golden age of sacred music in Rome. Come hear this spectacular music in the grand acoustics of Duke Chapel at the Duke Vespers Ensemble spring concert on **Saturday, April 18 at 4:00 pm**. This concert will be presented in collaboration with Mallarme Chamber Players and the Washington Cornett and Sackbutt ensemble. Tickets are available online at tickets.duke.edu or by calling 919-684-4444. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

Reverend Alan Storey,

of the Central Methodist Mission, Cape Town presents

*"It's the Economy, Stupid" –
Learnings and Reflections
from South Africa"*

Tuesday, April 28

11:45 a.m. -1:15 p.m.

Duke Divinity School, West Campus,

Terrace View Room (031 Westbrook)
Light lunch served. Please RSVP to Amy Vargas-Tonsi at av71@duke.edu by April 21. Free and open to the public. Paid parking available in Bryan Center Parking Lot

MENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

*"Connecting Faith Resources
with Mental Health"*

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 or go to:
www.faithconnectionsmentalillness.org

FPC is hosting

DCIA LUNCHEON

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

(Watts-Hill Hall)

SENIORS SPRING LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

11:30 a.m. Gathering (East Parlor)

12 Noon Luncheon (Watts-Hill Hall)

More details forthcoming

WOMEN'S VOICES CHORUS

Sunday, April 26 – 3:00 p.m.

FPC sanctuary

This concert will feature music about the many sides of romantic love, including young love, lost love, erotic love, and frustrated love from a variety of traditions, including music from Bulgaria, Korea, Germany, Canada, Argentina, and Samoa.

Tickets are \$15 for adults
and \$5 for students.

Visit www.womensvoiceschorus.org or email
contact@womensvoiceschorus.org for more
information.

~ Save the Date ~

SATURDAY, MAY 2

FPC DAY OF SERVICE

Opportunities to serve with
Habitat, SEEDS and at FPC

Sign-ups to begin this Sunday!

Dear First Presbyterian Church,

Thank you very much for your donation to DCIA. As 2015 began, we launched activities to continue our collaborative work on behalf of Durham's vulnerable citizens, ... such as Durham CROP Hunger Walk, Youth Summer Service Week, and REAL



Durham. Contributions like yours help to equip our spiritual leaders to work together for the good of our city. ... DCIA is a community of congregations and individuals pooling their gifts to make a difference in Durham. ... Thank you for sharing in this.

Sincerely,

Spencer W. Bradford,
DCIA Executive Director

BOOK GROUP

The **Things That Matter Book Group** will meet on **Tuesday, May 12** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of **Delia Kwon** (10 Bravehart Ct) to discuss **My Promised Lord: The Triumph and Tragedy of Israel** by Ari Shavit. **Lee Courtland** will lead the discussion.

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