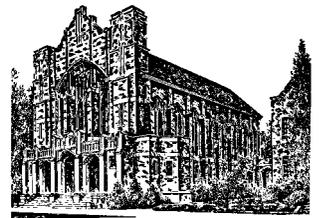


# First Presbyterian Church



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April 14, 2015

## Sunday, April 19

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

\*\*\* Announcements – 10:55 a.m. \*\*\*

11:00 a.m. Worship and Baptism

Sermon: "Lavish"

Marilyn T. Hedgpeth, preaching

Following worship, the congregation is invited to Watts-Hill hall for lunch. Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal.

Worship Texts	
Acts of the Apostles	Acts 3:12-19
Psalm Lesson	Psalm 4
Epistle Lesson	1 John 3:1-7
Gospel Lesson	Luke 24:36b-48

Acolytes: **Gwen Dilworth, Ellie Dilworth**

Crucifer: **Frances Zehmer**

Croasdaile Driver: **Paul Cornsweet**

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

After Worship Greeters:

**Marie Sappenfield** (rear/narthex)

**Michael Schultz** (side/font)

Ushers: **Kit Law** (head), **Johanna**

**Bernhardt** (flowers), **Joy Kerner, Carolyn Merritt, Miriam Morey**

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Faith and Community Class

We welcome this Sunday **Gretchen Senez**, the relatively-new Executive Director of Housing for New Hope. Gretchen visited with us briefly during the Advent Fair in December, and we promised to have her back when she could speak with us at length. Please join us in welcoming her to Durham as we discuss homelessness and housing issues together. The class begins at 9:45 in Watts-Hill Hall. All are welcome!

### Lectionary Class

When you have witnessed something important, you have a duty to testify. But sometimes there are consequences. Are you willing to be a witness? Are you willing to get involved? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

### Journeys Class

Journeys will explore chapters 8 and 9 of Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. 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

"**Traumatic Current Event**" (*Seamless Faith*, chapter 4, p. 100) 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.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

Our class will meet in our "upper room" in the Education Building to discuss our visit to the funeral home, and to make final plans to meet with the Session on April 27, and to celebrate confirmation on May 3 during worship. Mentors are certainly needed during these final meetings.

## 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

(Rain date is May 16)

9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon

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

## BOOK STUDY/BIBLE STUDY

The Friday/Sunday Study groups will pick up our study on Reconciling Paul this week, looking at lesson six: "The Armona of God Among Us". The Friday group meets at 10:30 at the church; and the Sunday group meets at 3:00 at Croasdaile Village in Heritage Hall. All are welcome!

## VCS AND MUSIC CAMP

### REGISTER AND VOLUNTEER NOW!

Deadline is THIS WEEK!

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 were mailed out to parents. It's time for volunteers and helpers to sign up as well!

## SCRIPTURE

### READERS' GROUP

Our young, old and in-between are being trained to read the scripture for the Sunday worship services. An **EVENING CLASS** will be held on **Monday, April 27 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.** (meal included) at the home of **Matt and Marcia Floding** (12 St. Elias Drive). For more information, contact **Steve Rimmer** at 919-529-2235 or csrimmer@nc.rr.com.



## SESSION RETREAT

Wednesday, April 22

4:00 – 7:00 p.m. (dinner included)

All active officers are needed to contribute to a conversation about FPC's fiscal and missional health and responsibilities. Please bring any policies or procedures that have been recently updated for session approval. RSVP to the church office, l.francisco@firstpres-durham.org.

## CAN INTERNAL ASSEMBLY

**THIS THURSDAY** from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. at Nehemiah Christian Center, 514 N. Mangum Street Help us discern our top issues for advocacy following our Listening Sessions over the past few months All are welcome. Questions? Contact **Sharon Hirsch** at 919-451-7893.

## FROM THE

### ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear friends,

How wonderful it is to have such good friends of our church in the wider community. On Sunday, we heard a wonderful sermon by **Rev. Mel Williams**, former pastor at Watts Street Baptist Church, who used **Mal King's** words to encourage us to "keep doing what Jesus wants us to do". And during the Sunday School hour, the Confirmation Class and mentors were guests of **Mark Higgins** at Hall Wynne Funeral Home, who articulated so well for the class, how "in life and in death, we belong to God". I am grateful for friends who love our congregation and who are praying for us during this interim time.

Last Friday, **Kathy Parkins, Cherrie Henry, Sarah Finbow**, and myself attended the *Faith Connections on Mental Health Conference* in Chapel Hill (**Sue Fricks** will attend a similar conference in Greensboro this Friday). One of the presenters was **Shelley Danser**, daughter-in-law of **George Danser** and **Jean Cary**. The event was a wonderful reminder to us of how important it is for us to continue to work to remove the stigma from mental illness, and to adopt best practices for recognizing and encouraging the spiritual nurture of those dealing with mental health issues themselves or in their families. *Troubled Minds: Mental Illness and the Church's Mission*, by Amy Simpson, is a book that I hope we can read together as a congregation. Let me know if you're interested in leading a group discussion.

In resurrection hope,

*Marilyn*

## NOTES

Many thanks to the FPC staff for coordinating the MLK Good Neighbor Brunch on Saturday at our church. **Rev. Warren Herndon** put together a warm and welcoming event this year for friends of many faiths, and it is our privilege to host them. **Rebecca Harvard Barnes** was in attendance, and **Robert Daye** was gracious in set up and clean up. I hope next year (second Saturday in April) we can be "better" neighbors by having more FPC members to help host.

Many thanks to **Peter and Barbara Fish**, to **Bob Yoder**, and to **Ruth Roberson** for coordinating extended communion to people at Croasdaile Village on Sunday. It was great to worship with our old friends in the chapel, and then to extend the table for those unable to leave their rooms.

~ Save the Date ~

**SATURDAY, MAY 2**

## FPC DAY OF SERVICE

Opportunities to serve with Habitat, SEEDS and at FPC

**Remember to sign-up on Sunday!**

## OUR CONCERNS

The love and concern of the congregation is extended to **Lynn and Bobby Hays** on the death of Lynn's sister-in-law and Bobby's aunt, **Laura Hays Frazier**, on April 11<sup>th</sup> in Salisbury, NC.

### Added this week:

**Meredith, Chris and Logan Brown**

**Sara Anne Martin**, sister of Beth Neece, a patient at Duke Regional

**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 Miglaresc

• **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,

The youth have begun reading and discussing the scripture texts for youth Sunday. Ideas and questions have been flowing freely as we prepare for this special Sunday in May! All youth are encouraged to attend our Sunday night youth groups to help plan!

Thanks to the **Romines/Fullenkamp** family for providing our meal this past Sunday!

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.

### MAY POTLUCK

**SATURDAY, MAY 2**

**6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jenna Kneepkens**  
(Watch for an EVITE with details)

## SPRING CONCERT

### AT DUKE CHAPEL

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 p.m.** 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](http://tickets.duke.edu) or by calling 919-684-4444. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

## CROP HUNGER WALK

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 **Rebecca Harvard Barnes** know by email: [rbarnes@durhamhabitat.org](mailto:rbarnes@durhamhabitat.org)

FPC is hosting

## DURHAM CONGREGATIONS IN

### ACTION (DCIA)

### MONTHLY 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)

**Presentation:**

"New Developments in Homeless Services"

**Reverend Patrice Nelson,**

Urban Ministries of Durham

## 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](http://www.womensvoiceschorus.org) or [contact@womensvoiceschorus.org](mailto:contact@womensvoiceschorus.org) for more information.

## 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](mailto:av71@duke.edu) by April 21. Free and open to the public. Paid parking available in Bryan Center Parking Lot.

## ADULT LEADERS NEEDED

The Presbytery of New Hope has a thriving Youth Council made up of 32 youth who plan, prepare, and provide two excellent retreats each year for middle and high school students. The harvest of youth is plentiful but the adult workers are few. Presbytery is currently seeking adults who have interest in youth ministry to serve on the Youth Council. Please contact Evan Walker at [williamevanwalker@gmail.com](mailto:williamevanwalker@gmail.com) or Taylor Philips at [tphilips252@gmail.com](mailto:tphilips252@gmail.com) for more information.



## PLAYGROUND DATE

### FOR YOUNG FAMILIES

**Sunday, May 3**

**9:00 a.m.**

Come enjoy your friends before Sunday School! All are welcome!

## 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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