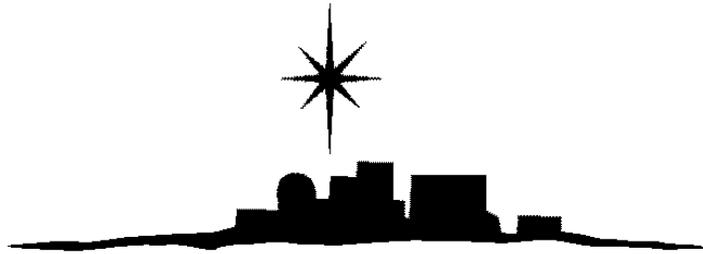


★ Special Edition ★

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN E-NEWS

DECEMBER 23, 2014



JOIN US ON CHRISTMAS EVE!

“Live” Broadcast of King’s College Lessons and Carols

Those of you who enjoy listening to the live broadcast of the King’s College Service of Lessons and Carols on Christmas Eve morning can **come to FPC and hear the 10:00 a.m. broadcast via the sound system in the sanctuary.** Many thanks to *John Fricks* for arranging this for us!

A Children’s Christmas Pageant with Holy Communion and Candle Lighting Service

5:00 p.m. in the sanctuary
(Sanctuary will open at 4:00 p.m.)

Childcare provided for FPC members

***Pageant participants are asked to arrive in costume
and sit with your family until called to come forward.***

The recipient of the Christmas Eve offering will be Welcome Baby. Please give generously!

As we welcome the Christ Child, let us also welcome children born in Durham with loving arms and help provide a safe and healthy start to their lives. Welcome Baby provides free parenting education and support to any family residing in Durham with a newborn or children to age 5. It is a program of Durham County Cooperative Extension. Multiple workshops, Childhood Development Newsletter, Cribs for Kids, Clothing Closet, Car Seat Safety Program, community resource referrals and Spanish services are among the services offered.

~ Serving at the Christmas Eve Worship ~

Ushers: **Jo Bernhardt** (head), **Karen Romines**, **Joy Kerner**, **Paul Cornsweet**, **Sharon Hirsch**

Communion Elders:

Head/Replenish elements / Candlelighter – **Phyllis Supple**

Replenish elements / Candlelighter – **Jean Wilson**

Shepherds:

Pulpit side – **Phyllis Verhey**

Font side – **Edward Kwon**

Balcony Font Side – **Kate Busa**

Center Aisle – **Wes Carson**

Balcony Pulpit side – **Alice Raney**

Bread:

Station 1 – **Peter Fish**

Station 3 – **Marie Sappenfield**

Narthex – **Will McDow**

Station 2 – **Gwen Dilworth** (Process Bread)

Station 4 – **Cheryl Henry**

Cup:

Station 1 – **Barbara Fish**

Station 3 – **David Sappenfield**

Narthex – **Marcia Lorimer**

Station 2 – **Lea Bingham** (Process Cup)

Station 4 – **Andy Henry**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

1st Sunday after Christmas

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Worship – 11:00 a.m.

Sermon: "*Dismissed in Peace*"

Sam R. Miglarese, preaching

The Hunger for Change Offering will be received. Please give generously!

Worship Texts: Isaiah 61:10 – 62:3; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:22-40

~ SERVING THIS SUNDAY ~

Acolytes: *Jenna Leonard, Rosa Ramirez*

Crucifer: *Aurelia Klinck*

Crossdaile Driver: *Paul Cornsweet*

Narthex Greeters: *Linn Lopez, Elizabeth High*

After Worship: *Dan Hudgins* (Font / side), *Edward Kwon* (Narthex)

Ushers: *Tim Strauman* (head), *Paul Cornsweet, Keith Merritt, Susan Seahorn, Emily Wilkins, Sharon Hirsch*



Join in celebrating

The Reverend Julio Ramirez's 10th Pastoral Anniversary

and ministry with Iglesia Emanuel Hispanic Fellowship and the Presbytery of New Hope

Sunday, December 28, 2014 – 1:30 p.m.

at the Iglesia Emanuel Hispanic Fellowship
located at 2504 N. Roxboro Street, Durham

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

We are getting close to reaching our goal for the Stewardship Campaign, with **181 pledges** totaling **\$751,000** toward our goal of \$828,000. Wouldn't it be great if we could wrap this up before the end of the year. So, for those of you who have tossed that pledge card on your desk or buried it in that stack of unopened mail, find it and fill it out and send it in, or go to the church website and fill it out online. We need everyone's participation in supporting the work of the church as we start the process of searching for our new Senior Pastor. Please join us in submitting your pledge today.

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) met on December 14th to assess its progress on gathering data needed to complete the church's Ministry Information Form. We are making good progress. However, due to the holidays PNC activity will be suspended during the remainder of December and will resume January 4th. We urge the congregation to continue praying that God will guide the PNC as we seek to discern God's will concerning our new Senior Pastor.

~ OUR CONCERNS ~

Added this week:

Gerald Thomas, Betsy Robinson's father

Traveling mercies for FPC members and friends who are traveling to be with family this holiday season.

Nowell Creadick Brent Curtis Celia Dickerson Edward Kwon
Ann Prospero Jacque Robins BJ Seitzer

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

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

Croasdaile Village:

Pavilion: ***Bob Rankin, Jerry Tyren***

Friendship Hall: ***Bob Kever, 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

- ***Dorothy Anderson***, grandmother of Laura Kelley
 - ***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
 - ***Roger Edmund-Adcock***, father of Catherine Admay
 - ***Gera Fleming***, mother of Christyn Klinck
 - ***Brad Holbrook***, father of Kerry Holbrook
 - ***Lawson Family***, Arlington, VA
 - ***Louise Miglarese***, mother of Sam Miglarese
 - ***Gladys Njenga***, friend of Mercy Ndambiri
 - ***Hannah Joy Richards***, grandniece of Chuck and Jean Wilson
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First Presbyterian Church Office Schedule

for the Christmas and New Year's holidays is as follows:

Wednesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve):

Open 8:30 a.m. – 12 Noon

(The building will reopen at 4:00 p.m. for the Christmas Eve worship.)

Thursday, December 25 (Christmas Day):

CLOSED

Friday, December 26:

CLOSED

Monday, December 29:

Open 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 30:

Open 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 31:

Open 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 1 (New Year's Day):

CLOSED

Friday, January 2:

CLOSED