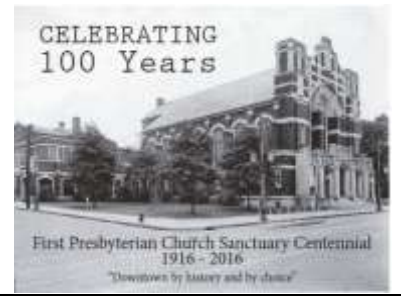


First Presbyterian Church

MARCH 15, 2016



Sunday, March 20

9:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

(FPC's playground for families w/young kids)

9:45 a.m. NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Hot Cross Buns and Coffee will be available in Watts-Hill Hall for all to enjoy!

10:15 a.m. Palm Parade

Parade around the block with our neighbors from Trinity UMC and St. Philip's EC, waving palms and blessing each congregation's ministries, then returning to our respective sanctuaries for worship. FPC's Woodwind Ensemble will be playing for the parade.

11:00 a.m.

Worship and Baptism

Sermon: "Dying as He Lived"

Sam Miglarese, preaching

The **Sacrament of Baptism** will be celebrated for **Zuri Bangura**, daughter of **Cynthia Macaully** and **Mohammed Bangura** and granddaughter of **Cecil and Mary Macaully**. A fellowship lunch will be served in Watts-Hill Hall following worship. Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal.

Lectionary Texts:

Old Testament	Isaiah 19:28-40
Psalm Lesson	Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Psalm 31:9-16
Epistle Lesson	Philippians 2:5-11
Gospel Lesson	Luke 22:14-23, 56; Luke 23:1-49

Crucifer: Aurelia Klinck

Acolytes: **Kayla Champion, Lily Brigman**

Crossaile Driver: **Paul Cornsweet**

Narthex Greeter: **Alice Raney**

After Worship Greeters: **Eric Wiebe**

(font/side), **Phyllis Verhey** (Narthex/rear)

Ushers: **Tim Strauman** (head), **Amy**

Dillon (flowers), **Michael Honeycutt**,

Debbie Hamlin-Aggrey, Carl Rist,

Susan Seahorn

NEWCOMERS / VISITORS AND INQUIRING MINDS

You are invited to participate in a Newcomers/Inquirers Class, which will kick off with a get-acquainted luncheon after worship on **Sunday, April 3** in the East Parlor of the Church house.

Subsequent class sessions will be held on Sunday mornings, **April 10th, 17th and 24th** at 9:45am in the Wilson Parlor of the Church house. Sessions will include a look at Reformed Tradition, denominational history, FPC's history and the opportunity to meet fellow newcomers. We want to get to know you and for you to know us. Please contact **Shirley Frederick** at 919-682-5511 or s.frederick@firstpres-durham.org no later than Thursday, March 31st to indicate your interest or with questions.



Durham's 2016 CROP Walk is **Sunday, March 20 at 2:30 p.m.** starting in front of Duke Chapel. Walkers should meet about 2 p.m. in front of

Duke Chapel for a group photo. Remember to wear your t-shirt. Not able to walk this year? That's okay! You can sponsor a walker! Support FPC: <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/durhamnc/FPC>.



Saturday, March 19

9:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

For more details, contact **Barbara Buckley** at 919-402-8551 or by email: bjbuckley1@frontier.com

PALM CROSS FOLDING



Saturday, March 19

with members of FPC and Efland PC

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

at the home of **Andy and Cherrie Henry**

GREEN BURIAL & HOME FUNERAL WORKSHOP

Saturday, March 19

9:00 – 3:30 p.m. at FPC

Learn about funeral and burial alternatives and their theological implications. Fee of \$25 includes lunch and materials (\$30 after March 12). For more information and to register, email Celeste Gardner at lindacelestegardner@gmail.com

LAST CALL

If you would like to honor or remember someone in the bulletin on Easter Sunday, fill out a lily donor card and return it with your donation to the Church office by THIS Sunday, March 20. See the donor card for more information.



CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION "100 ITEMS" PROJECT

For the month of March, the Sunday School children are collecting 100 items for **Iglesia Emanuel's Food Pantry**. Please bring rice, beans (red, pinto or black beans, dry or canned) and pasta (spaghetti, elbow or other types). Place your donations in the baskets at the Mission Collection area in the foyer.

FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Making Holy Week Holy

Next week is Palm/Passion Sunday. It is a wonderful week of celebrating God's grace. It is a week so filled with saving events that we call it "Holy Week." But those seven days will be holy—and help to make us holy—only if we participate in the events that fill them. Sunday we bless and distribute the palms that recall our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, after which we hear proclaimed the story of his passion and death in Luke's Gospel. On Thursday evening we will share the bread and the cup of the Lord's Supper; Good Friday there will be a noonday Stations of the Cross in our church neighborhood.

If you and your family have never had the experience of immersing yourselves in the full expression of liturgical celebrations that make this week "holy," then I urge you to consider doing so this year. What a wonderful and formative experience of faith for young children to be part of a family for whom the worship of Holy Week celebrations come alive in the energy and prayerful enthusiasm of the assembly of faith!

One of our core values is "the exploration of our response to the call to discipleship and to consider questions of faith at all points on our journey with the Risen Christ." This is a top priority of our congregation--the development of a deeper spiritual life for every member. I cannot imagine a better investment than to join fully in the spirit and celebrations of Holy Week. Plan on making *your* Holy Week "holy" by joining in the week's saving events.

Sam

NOTES

◆ At the **Congregational Meeting** on Sunday, the congregation approved changes to the Associate Pastor's terms of call, and reviewed the 2016 budget previously approved by the Session. Many thanks to **Eric Wiebe** (Personnel) and to **Michael Schultz** (finance) for fielding questions from the congregation and for creating an environment of transparency. They are glad to answer further questions from the congregation.

◆ Congratulations to **Lesley Curtis** who will be the director of the new Center for Population Health Sciences for Duke's School of Medicine.

◆ Many thanks to **Delia and Talitha Kwon**, and to **Mt. Bethel Presbyterian Church** for graciously hosting the Lenten Communion services last Tuesday.

◆ FPC was represented at the Step-Up Ministry tour last Friday by **Harold Dunlap, Mary Jo Keenan, Jane Williams, Andy Widmark**, and later by **Marilyn Hedgpeth**. FPC is excited about supporting this new ministry in Durham that works to place people in sustainable jobs.

YOUTH GROUPS

"Christ's Ministry of Food" Sundays evenings during Lent

Youth advisors are leading middle schoolers from **5:00 – 6:00 p.m.** in activities and outreach that derive from food; high schoolers from **6:30 – 8:00 p.m.** All youth and friends are invited to join the study. Supper is provided from **6:00 – 6:30 p.m.** for both groups.

DAYTIMERS LUNCHEON

Tuesday, March 22

11:30 a.m. at Neo China

4015 University Drive, Durham

Carol McKnight is arranging.

RSVP to Carol at 919-419-0670

or the Church office: 919-682-5511.

FIRST FRIENDS AND FAMILIES



Save the Date

Saturday April 2

3:00 p.m.

Springtime Hike

Stay tuned for more details

FLOWER DELIVERY MINISTRY

The **Pastoral Care Committee** is starting a new ministry to care for members who can no longer make it to Sunday services. In the past, the Deacons have rotated flower delivery duty on Sundays. We would like to make this a more formal ministry that involves all members of the congregation. We will ask for a volunteer to deliver the flowers from Sunday service once a month. If you are interested in volunteering, please email **Lucie House** at luciehouse@gmail.com.

VCS & MUSIC ARTS CAMP

This year Vacation Church School takes place **June 13–17** at Camp New Hope from 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. (with a Music Arts Camp following at FPC for FPC's children).

ATTENTION PARENTS: The Music Arts Camp currently does not have enough children signed up to make it viable. **If you want your child to attend the Music and Arts Camp, please let Kathy Parkins know right away.** Parents who currently have their children enrolled may need to make other arrangements. You may pick up registration forms for both camps in the church foyer. **The registration deadline is April 1 for VCS.**



OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Added this week:

Peaches McPherson, at Duke Hospital, recovering from a fall
Elizabeth Chombi, niece of Mercy Ndambiri
Virginia Lagow and **Laurie Wallace**, grandmother and mother of Heather Wallace

Tom Bloom
Sarah and Pete Finbow
The Mbah family
Eli Miller

Brookdale Senior Living
Julian Boswell

Brookdale – Farrington Rd, Chapel Hill
Helen Garrison

Croasdaile Village
Friendship Hall: **Bob Keever**

The Pavilion:

Jean Moore

Bob Rankin

Jerry Tyren

Karsten Rist, father of Carl Rist

Hillcrest

Randall McLeod

Forest at Duke

Fran Bryant

Ken Goldner

- ◆ **Johnny Boles**, cousin of Michael Honeycutt
- ◆ **Mary Clegg**, daughter of Jeanne Hervey
- ◆ **Ellie Johnson**, niece of Jim Johnson
- ◆ **Helene Johnson**, mother of Jim Johnson
- ◆ **Cheryl Martin** (and husband Paul), sister-in-law of Beth Neece
- ◆ **Emerson R.**, friend of Logan Brown
- ◆ **Chuck Schultz**, father of Amy Dillon
- ◆ **Desirée Volkwijn**, wife of Kay-Robert Volkwijn
- ◆ **Ralph Wagner**, cousin of Bill Hendrickson

Dear Church family,
Your reaching out to me during my recent recovery from surgery was a wonderful expression of God's love in action. I am very appreciative for the **many** prayers, cards, well wishes, meals and rides. It certainly aided my recovery. I am so grateful to be a part of the FPC community of faith. In Christian love,



Shirley

DURHAM CAN ASSEMBLY

First Presbyterian hosted a diverse group of over 500 people at a Durham CAN Delegates Assembly this past Sunday. In the presence of city and county officials and candidates for elected office, the Assembly addressed affordable housing, school counselors in Durham Public Schools, and the need for alternative ID's for some people in the Latino community. CAN never endorses candidates, but we did have a chance to ask them specific questions about which of our efforts they will support. Our own congregation had about 25 people present. **Homer Ashby** opened the meeting with prayer and **Susan Dunlap** spoke about affordable housing.

HOLY WEEK

The sanctuary will be open daily for prayer during Holy Week.



Thursday, March 24

Worship and Holy Communion

7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Sam R. Miglarese, preaching

A light supper will be served at 6:15 p.m. in Watts-Hill Hall prior to worship.



GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, March 25

Stations of the Cross

A spiritual pilgrimage and meditation of the Holy Week texts in Durham's downtown context, beginning at 12 noon at St. Phillips Episcopal Church and ending at First Presbyterian Church.



EASTER

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
Sunday, March 27

9:00 a.m. Communion in the Garden

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship and Communion

Marilyn T. Hedgpeth, preaching

Members are invited to "Flower the Cross" in the courtyard. The **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** will be received to provide relief to the hungry, the poor and oppressed, and those affected by natural disasters. After worship, lilies not picked up by the donors will be taken to our homebound members and friends.

SAVE THESE DATES

Wednesday, April 20

Seniors Spring Luncheon

11:30 a.m. - Gathering in the East Parlor

12 Noon - Luncheon in Watts-Hill Hall



Sunday, May 22

4:00 p.m. in the FPC sanctuary

A Service of Installation for

The Rev. Mindy Douglas

as Pastor/Head of Staff of
First Presbyterian Church, Durham