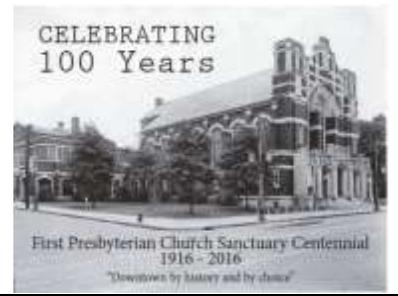


# First Presbyterian Church

APRIL 5, 2016



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Sunday, April 10

9:45 a.m.

Sunday School / Newcomers' Class

11:00 a.m.

Worship and Holy Communion

**Sermon:** "Visits with God"

**Marilyn T. Hedgpeth** preaching

#### Worship Texts:

|                      |                    |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Acts of the Apostles | Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)  |
| Psalm Lesson         | Psalm 30           |
| Epistle Lesson       | Revelation 5:11-14 |
| Gospel Lesson        | John 21:1-19       |

Crucifer: **Jack Brigman**

Acolytes: **Maddie Brigman, Laura McDow**

Crossdaile Driver: **Miriam Morey**

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

After Worship Greeters: **Kate Busa**

(Side/font), **Laura Hanson** (Rear / Narthex)

Ushers: **Chris/Meredith Brown** (head),

**Tim Strauman** (flowers), **Richard**

**Boulden, Nate Pienkowski, Dale**

**Gaddis, Mary-Jo Keenan**

Communion servers:

Bread 1 (process): **Emily Durham Diy**

Bread 2: **Jerry Postema**

Bread 3: **Bob Breitweiser**

Bread 4: **Wes Carson**

Cup 1: **Will McDow**

Cup 2 (process): **Phyllis Verhey**

Cup 3: **Jane Williams**

Cup 4: **Miriam Morey**

Head / replenish elements: **Alice Raney**

Shepherd (pulpit): **Kate Busa**

Shepherd (center): **Marie Sappenfield**

Shepherd (font): **Al Arrowood**

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Faith and Community Class

**Sharon Hirsch** and **Susan Dunlap** will continue the discussion from last Sunday on local issues pertinent to Durham CAN. Come join the discussion and help shape the future of Durham. Class meets at 9:45 in Watts-Hill Hall. All are welcome.

### Lectionary Class

A voice speaks with authority and whether its message is mundane ("Cast your nets on the other side of the boat") or accusing ("Why do you persecute me?"), something in the voice makes us listen and obey. Have you ever heard that voice? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

### Journeys Class

Job does not find comfort in the words of his friends and finds it difficult to understand God. All are welcome to join Journeys as they read and discuss the Book of Job. We meet at 9:45 on the second floor of the CE building.

### Scratch/Young Adults

This class uses Podcasts (chosen from sources like This American Life, On Being, and TED) to kick-start our conversations about the intersection of Christianity, the modern world, and faith in general. **Carlo Diy** leads our discussions. Feel free to reach out to Carlo at [rcdiy@gmail.com](mailto:rcdiy@gmail.com) to suggest topics for discussion. We meet from 9:45 – 10:45 in the basement - room across from the youth room.

## NEWCOMERS / VISITORS

### AND INQUIRING MINDS . . .

The Newcomer's/Inquirers' Class will continue on this coming Sunday morning **April 10, in the Wilson Parlor of the Church house at 9:45 a.m.**, prior to the worship service. Associate Pastor **Marilyn Hedgpeth** will lead the discussion. Her topics will include a look at Christian theology, Presbyterian polity, and Christian education opportunities. Subsequent class sessions will be held on Sunday mornings, April 17 and 24. If you were unable to attend last week's class you can still join the class sessions for the coming weeks. Please contact **Shirley Frederick** at 919-682-5511 or [s.frederick@firstpres-durham.org](mailto:s.frederick@firstpres-durham.org) to indicate your interest or with questions.

### Come celebrate with us!

The **FIRST Hispanic church** in the New Hope Presbytery invites you to **Iglesia Emanuel Church**

### CHARTER SERVICE

**Sunday, April 10 at 1:00 p.m.**

2504 N. Roxboro Street

A reception will follow the worship

### Sanctuary and Organ

## CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

### "LOOKING BACK"

**Sunday, April 17**

**11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary**

**Wallace Alston**, preaching

(Alston was FPC's pastor from 1969 to 1974)

A fellowship lunch will be available in Watts-Hill Hall following the service. Donations will be received to help offset the cost of the meal. Former associate pastor, **John Rogers**, and his wife **Anne** will be our guests at the service and at the lunch following.

### FAMILY MATTERS CLASS

Parents of elementary age and younger children share the road of parenting and dabble in Scripture. We meet at 9:45 in the CE building, room 203.

### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

(Grades 3-5)

Looks like stormy weather for Jesus. What is the weather like in Israel? Is it always hot? Does it ever snow there? What is the average high and low temperature? Our map and math duo (**Alec Bethune** and **Delia Kwon**) will lead us in looking at some weather maps of that area.

## FROM THE

### ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear friends,

Happy Easter! **Easter, as a noun**, is a state of being: a state of being hopeful; a state of being open to all possibilities as viable; a state of starting over, clean slate, new beginnings; a state of heightened anticipation, of a chance meeting with Jesus himself (like the two on the road to Emmaus; like the Apostle Paul, on the road to Damascus).

**Easter, as a verb**, has been suggested by Old Testament scholar Walter Brueggemann. Easter, as a verb, means that God is constantly Eastering things as good as dead. Easter, as a verb, means that God is Eastering the good earth as it teeters towards global warming, and asks us to join our mayor in taking measures to reduce our consumption of water and energy. Easter, as a verb, means that God is Eastering our national and state political processes, raising up leaders who will protect and not discriminate against the fragile, and speak nobly for the common good, and asks that we protest, nudge, push and advocate to that end. Easter, as a verb, means that God is Eastering our church, sprouting a new crop of deacons, elders, and a new pastor, after a long interim season of waiting. Easter, as a verb, means participating in the Eastering activity of God to renew, restore and resurrect this old world. Eastering means that "weeping may last for the night, but joy comes in the morning" (Psalm 30:5). Happy Easter!

*Marilyn*

## NOTES

**The Scratch/Young Adults group** enjoyed a wonderful brunch on Saturday morning at the Henry's home. Many thanks to **Andy and Cherrie Henry** for hosting.

**First Friends and Families** enjoyed a spring hike at Occoneechee Mountain State Park on Saturday afternoon. Many thanks to **Christyn Klinck** for organizing.



**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

## PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

HELP! We've depleted our fund for giving aid to church members in need. This is one way we nurture and love one another: by helping with rent, medical expenses, repairs and emergencies. To contribute, please make a check to FPC, memo: Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Thank you!

## OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

### Added this week:

**Molly Fabri**, aunt of Sheila Breitweiser  
**Cherrie Henry**, recovering from a fall

**Sarah and Pete Finbow**

**Brookdale Senior Living** (Durham)  
**Julian Boswell**

**Brookdale** (Farmington 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**

**Peaches McPherson**

- **Elizabeth Chomba**, niece of Mercy Ndambiri
- **Mary Clegg**, daughter of Jeanne Hervey
- **Ellie Johnson**, niece of Jim Johnson
- **Helene Johnson**, mother of Jim Johnson
- **Virginia Lagow**, grandmother of Heather Wallace
- **Cheryl Martin** (and husband Paul), sister-in-law of Beth Neece
- **Chuck Schultz**, father of Amy Dillon
- **Desiré Volkwijn**, wife of Kay-Robert Volkwijn
- **Laurie Wallace**, mother of Heather Wallace

Dear friends,

We cannot find words to express our thanks and appreciation for your love and support as we grieve the loss of our dear **Jane Beatrice**. Our hearts are forever broken but we are putting one foot in front of the other each day. Your cards and meals have been so encouraging during such a difficult time. Thank you, truly, for all you have done for us.

- **Sarah and Pete Finbow**



## "Thank you" and Acknowledgment letters . . .

were received recently from these organizations for donations they received from FPC:

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Presbyterian World Mission    | \$ 7,000 |
| StepUp Durham Ministry        | \$ 5,000 |
| Families Moving Forward       | \$ 3,500 |
| Columbia Theological Seminary | \$ 500   |
| Faith Connections             |          |
| on Mental Illness, Inc.       | \$ 100   |

## CROP WALK 2016

To date, FPC has collected **\$660** from walkers and their sponsors. As soon as possible, please get your donation(s) to **Paul Cornsweet** or **Tom Bloom**.

## YOUTH GROUPS

\*\*\* Schedule Change \*\*\*

### Youth Group Games Night

Remember Hi-Ho Cherrio, Shoots-and-Ladders, and Candyland? Those were the good old days, right? Join us **this Sunday** night for an evening of board gaming, with a twist. Bring any old or favorite board games you may have stashed away on a shelf. Both groups will meet at the regular times, and dinner will be provided by the **Klincks**.

P.S. Did you get all the flour out of your hair before school on Monday?

**The High School Lock-In has been postponed to a date later in the spring.**

## GOOD NEIGHBOR BRUNCH

### SATURDAY, APRIL 9

10:30 a.m. in Watts-Hill Hall

RSVP to [durhamnaction@gmail.com](mailto:durhamnaction@gmail.com)

\$8 program donation

Come help host our beloved community and celebrate the positive impact of Durham neighbors building mutual respect and support among diverse populations! Sponsored by the City of Durham Human Relations Department, Durham Congregations In Action, and the Durham Martin Luther King Jr. Committee.

## PRIMETIMERS

### COVERED DISH SUPPER

### SATURDAY, APRIL 9

6:00 p.m. at the home of

**Sheila and Sam Miglarese**

Bring a favorite dish to share.

Hosts will provide soft drinks, coffee, beer, and wine. Please respond to the

EVITE or contact Sheila at

[sr.sb.migliarese@gmail.com](mailto:sr.sb.migliarese@gmail.com)

or 919-641-5527 to RSVP and for more information about the evening.



### SATURDAY, APRIL 16

9:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

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

## BOOK GROUP

The **Things That Matter Book Group** will meet to discuss Atul Gawande's "Being Mortal: Medicine & What Matters in the End" at 7:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, May 10**. **Sue Fricks** is hosting and **Dale Gaddis** will lead the discussion.

## VOICE RECITAL

**TALYA LIEBERMAN, SOPRANO**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 14**

**7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

**All are welcome!**

## SENIORS SPRING

### LUNCHEON

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20**

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

**12 Noon** - Luncheon in Watts-Hill Hall

Suggested donation for the meal: \$8

The program will feature a presentation by **Joe White**, manager of the Durham County Main Library. He will talk about the upcoming library renovations.

## JAZZ AND SILENT AUCTION

**FRIDAY, APRIL 22**

Fundraiser for NCCU's Presbyterian Campus Ministry

**7:30 p.m. in the FPC sanctuary and Watts-Hill Hall**

Please join us for an hour of jazz followed by a silent auction, cookies and juice. The music will be performed by **Generations**, a local seasoned jazz trio. Donations welcomed at the door.

If you would like to donate items for the silent auction (such as art, game tickets, electronics, gift cards, golfing packages, weekend get-a-ways), please contact **Laura Armstrong** at [larmstr6@nccu.edu](mailto:larmstr6@nccu.edu) for more information.

## WOMEN'S VOICES CHORUS

**SUNDAY, APRIL 24**

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

The first half of the program includes "From Behind the Caravan" by Abbie Betinis, based on the mystical Persian poetry of Hâfez. The second half presents diverse works about brave women from the three faiths of Abraham: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Women's Voices Chorus will partner with the Women's Choir of Durham's Northern High School on a number of these pieces. Tickets are \$5.00 for students and \$15.00 for adults. Tickets can be purchased online, from any chorus member, or at the door on the day of the concert. **FPC members will receive a discount.** All tickets purchased online (<http://womensvoiceschorus.org/product/the-womanly-song-of-god/>) will be available for pickup at the ticket table in the church foyer on the day of the concert.



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