

# First Presbyterian Church



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October 6, 2015

## Sunday, October 11 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:45 a.m. Sunday School / Newcomers' Class

11:00 a.m. Worship

Alex Stayer Brewington, preaching

### Worship Texts

Old Testament	Job 23:1-9, 16-17
Psalm Lesson	Psalm 22:1-15
Epistle Lesson	Hebrews 4:12-16
Gospel Lesson	Mark 10:17-31

Acolytes: **Sam Henry, Matt Brockman**

Crucifer: **Parker Klinck**

Crossdaile Driver: **Miriam Morey**

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

After Worship Greeters:

**Emily Durham Diy** (rear/narthex)

**Marie Sappenfield** (side/ font)

Ushers: **Jo Bernhardt** (head), **Paul Cornsweet** (flowers), **Amy Dillon, Debbie Hamlin-Aggrey, Al Arrowood, Barbara Fish**

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Faith and Community Class

Join us at 9:45 in Watts-Hill Hall for a discussion of the newly published book, The Long Shadow of Vatican II. Momentous decisions were made at Vatican II that forever changed the way of thinking, worshiping, and acting in the Catholic community. The reforms made or considered more than 50 years ago by that council initiated a dynamic process of questioning, renewal, and transformation. **Sam Miglarese**, one of the editors of the book, will lead the conversation. The book will be available for sale for those interested.

### Lectionary Class

We know that God gives good gifts to us. But sometimes it seems that God demands that we give up things that are dear to us. Is suffering or poverty required? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

### Journeys Class

Journeys is studying the Wisdom literature of the Old Testament. We will discuss selected chapters from Proverbs and continue with chapter 2 of Ecclesiastes. All are welcome to join. We meet at 9:45 on the second floor of the CE building, classroom at the end of hall.

### SCRATCH/Young Adults Class

We are discussing the theology of place and what it means to be a disciple of Christ at the corner of Roxboro and Main. **Alex Stayer Brewington** leads the discussions. We meet at 9:45 in a basement classroom.

### Family Matters Class

Parents of elementary age and younger children, join us for a low-key class where we share the road of parenting and dabble in Scripture (stand-alone lessons). We meet at 9:45 in the CE building, room 203.

### Spiritual Formation

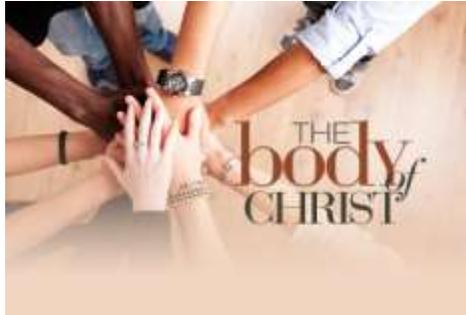
**Susan Dunlap** leads this class for women in a discussion on spiritual formation. Class meets Sunday mornings at 9:45 in the basement classroom.

## STEWARDSHIP SEASON BEGINS

October 11 – November 8

Theme: "Many People, One Body"

1 Corinthians 12:12



Save the Date!

Tuesday, October 27

## CONGREGATIONAL DINNER

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

St. Philip's Episcopal Church Parish Hall  
Guest speaker: **Reverend Patrice Nelson**, Executive Director, Durham Urban Ministries  
**Donations will be received at the door to offset the cost of the meal.**

## VISITORS / NEWCOMERS

New members will be introduced during worship on Sunday, October 18. One session remains in the current series of classes for visitors and newcomers who are exploring membership and want to learn more about our ministry and mission. The class meets at 9:45 a.m. in the **Wilson Parlor**. Please contact **Shirley Frederick** at 919-682-5511 or [s.frederick@firstpres-durham.org](mailto:s.frederick@firstpres-durham.org) if you are interested in membership at FPC.

## BEDDING NEEDED

(for overnight use)

Women Roofers from Rutherfordton, North Carolina, will be our guests on **Friday, October 9**. Over the past decade, this group of women has put on more than 90 roofs to help low income homeowners. They will be spending the night at FPC before helping to roof a Habitat home in Durham as well as teaching roofing skills to local volunteers. We need help with bedding while they are here. If you have a cot or sleeping bag that we could use for the night, please drop it by the church (make sure your name is on it). **Jane Williams** (336-577-8240 or [janepsych1@mac.com](mailto:janepsych1@mac.com)) is the FPC coordinator of this hospitality event.

## Children's Sunday School

God's Great Garden (Grades 3-5)

Jesus exhibits a new kind of teaching, which amazes everyone around him. Sunday, we'll make 3D dioramas in shoeboxes of the Sea of Galilee, the Jordan River, the towns of Nazareth and Capernaum where fishermen fished, and boats sailed, and wild animals roamed in the desert, and new kinds of healing took place. All are welcome!

## FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

As Hurricane Joaquin has swirled into our lives this week, I have imagined all of the possibilities for disaster in our immediate area (it's called anxiety!): flooding, wind damage, power outages, food shortages. And I wondered if it wouldn't be a good idea for us to "neighbor check" one another by zip code, should any of these things occur. Now, it looks like the worst of the storm will be out at sea, and the worst of the flooding will be to our south. But perhaps it would be a good idea, nevertheless, to divide our congregation into zip code groups to take care of one another, just as Jesus did in all four gospel accounts when he fed 5,000 or more at-risk people. Then these neighbor groups might also be in place to gather and celebrate our new pastor when that occurs (keep praying!).

I'm so pleased with the divide and conquer attitude of our congregation during this interim time. Leaders have stepped up within the congregation and are doing a fantastic job of seeing visions and dreaming dreams, and then making those happen without too much poking and prodding from me. I love the empowered laity that I am seeing, which makes me even more hopeful about the future health of our congregation.

Peace,

*Marilyn*

## NOTES

Special thanks to the **Wilkins** family for hosting a **First Friends** potluck game night this past Saturday evening at FPC. A fun time was had by all.

## HELP SYRIAN REFUGEES

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is supporting our European partners as they minister to the needs of the many Syrian refugees. To donate online to PDA, go to: <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/syria/> and click on Give Now (DR000081).

The **THESE DAYS** devotional booklets for October – December 2015 have arrived. You are invited to pick up a copy (regular or large print) from the table in the foyer on your next visit to the church.

## Sunday, October 18 National Children's Sabbath

FPC's children will participate in worship.

Bibles will be presented to our 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders in worship.

Following worship, everyone is invited to a picnic lunch in the courtyard!

## Our Sympathies

The love and concern of the congregation are extended to the following: **Nancy McClure** (Day School Staff) on the death of her brother last week; **Debbie Hamlin-Aggrey and family** on the death of her brother-in-law, **Howard Knickerbocker** (September 29); **Scottie Seawell and family** on the death of her uncle, **Donald R. Seawell** (September 30).

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to **Kim and Kevin Kaufield** on the birth of their son, **Alden Joseph Kaufield**, on Sunday, October 4.

## OUR CONCERNS

**Katherine Smith** (Day School Director), recovering from a fall

**Nowell Creadick**, a patient at Duke Hospital

**Jean Moore**, recovering in the Pavilion at Croasdaile Village

**Minnie Cameron**      **Paul Cornsweet**  
**Dewey Lawson**      **Snell Family**  
**Phyllis Verhey**

**Brookdale Senior Living**  
**Julian Boswell**

**Brookdale of Chapel Hill**  
**Helen Garrison**

**Croasdaile Village**  
Friendship Hall: **Bob Keever**  
Pavilion: **Anne Davis,**  
**Bob Rankin, Jerry Tyren**

**Hillcrest: Randall McLeod**

### The Forest at Duke

**Fran Bryant**      **Joan Englund**  
**Ken Goldner**      **Peaches McPherson**

- **Roy Blackwell**, father of Sheila Miglarese
- **Parker Brown**, nephew of Neil Wilkins
- **Ruby Brown**, mother of Eugene Brown
- **Roger Durham**, father of Emily Durham
- **Richard Hays**, friend of FPC
- **Genie V. Martin**, cousin of Emily Wilkins
- **Brooks Minks**, grandmother of Lucie House
- **Lindsay Morris**, sister of Emily McClure
- **Edward Robinson**, brother of Joe Robinson
- **Jean Robinson**, mother of John Robinson
- **Ryan Schlecht**, grandson of Ken and Mary Jo Schlecht

Dear friends at First Presbyterian Church,  
Your congregation has been contributing to Durham Habitat's affordable housing work for over a decade!  
WOW! Thank you!



Durham Habitat Board Member,  
**Tracy Cox**

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR

**October 11** - Practice following Worship

**October 18**- Sing during Worship  
(Meet at 9:30 a.m. in the sanctuary for a quick warm-up. No practice following worship.)

**October 25** - Practice following Worship

**November 1** - Practice following Worship

**November 8** - No practice following Worship

**November 15** – Practice following Worship

## SCRATCH / YOUNG ADULTS

### October Potluck

**Saturday, October 17**

**6:00 p.m. at the home of**  
**Lucie and Wayne House**  
Please respond to the EVITE.

## YOUTH NEWS

Dear friends,

It's hard to believe our year is already in full swing. This week our middle school youth are preparing to head to Camp Don Lee with other middle schoolers from the New Hope Presbytery for a fun weekend of fellowship and worship. The high schoolers will meet as usual on Sunday night for games and fun and a relaxing night together. A huge thanks to our advisors for leading a great Sunday evening this past week!

Blessings,  
**Sarah**



## SENIORS

### FALL LUNCHEON

**Thursday, October 29**

Gather in the East Parlor at 11:30 a.m.  
Lunch at noon in Watts-Hill Hall

#### ~ PROGRAM PRESENTATION ~

Did you know that the Christian church in Ethiopia is one of the oldest organized Christian bodies in the world? Have you heard about churches in northern Ethiopia that are actually hewn down into rock to escape persecution? Do you remember when Haile Selassie, Ethiopia's long-time leader, was Time magazine's Man of the Year? **Carol and Wes Carson** will share pictures of Ethiopia from a recent visit to this fascinating African country.

**RSVP** to the church office (919-682-5511) if you plan to attend! When replying, please let us know if you have diet restrictions and/or if you will need a ride!

Save the Date!

## PRIMETIMERS

### COVERED DISH SUPPER

**Saturday, October 24**

**6:30 p.m. at the home of**  
**Eugene and Signe Brown**

## FIRST FRIENDS & FAMILIES

### POTLUCK GATHERING

(adults only)

**Friday, November 6**

at the home of **Steve and Sharon Hirsch**  
More details forthcoming

## BOOK GROUP

The **Things That Matter Book Group** will meet on **Tuesday, November 15** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of **Dorothy Graham** to discuss John Hope Franklin's book, Mirror to America. **Celia Dickerson** will lead the discussion. Please let Dorothy know you will attend: [dabginn@gmail.com](mailto:dabginn@gmail.com). New faces are welcome!

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### Did you know?

Your annual pledge and volunteer hours help the Urban Ministries Community Café serve about 640 meals a day to the hungry.



## FPC'S FALL DAY OF SERVICE

**Saturday, October 31**

**Let's treat the community**  
**on Halloween!**

**Stop by the sign up table in the foyer**  
**after church this Sunday.**

- SEEDS Dig Crew
- Habitat's Pink Ribbon Build
- Day School painting classroom doors
- Glean for sweet potatoes
- Bring snacks for volunteers

Sponsored by Service & Mission Committee

### COME AND JOIN US!

## DURHAM CAN

### ACCOUNTABILITY SESSION

**Monday, October 26**

**7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**  
**at Duke Memorial UMC**  
**504 W. Chapel Hill St.**

\*\*Gathering begins at 6:30 p.m.\*\*

We start and finish on time.

Join hundreds of Durham residents as we meet with mayoral and city council candidates to learn together about where they stand on CAN's countywide agenda.

For more information, contact the Durham CAN office at (919) 403-7082.

The Institute of Islamic and Turkish Studies Speaker Series presents

**Zeki Saritoprak, Ph.D**

*"Jesus in Islam"*

**Sunday, October 15**

**3:00 p.m. Welcome and Lecture**

**4:00 p.m. Book Signing and**  
**Refreshments**

**Institute of Islamic and Turkish Studies**

**1391 SE Maynard Rd, Cary**

RSVP to [iitsnc.org/rsvp1](http://iitsnc.org/rsvp1) by Oct. 24

## BEER AND HYMNS

A Community Sing with no regard to spiritual inclination or lack thereof

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18**

**7:30 P.M. AT FULLSTEAM BREWERY**

726 Rigsbee Ave, Durham

Good times, fellowship, nostalgia, and more good times accompanied by fresh local beer led by Jesse James Deconto of local band "The Pinkerton Raid"

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