First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 13



9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Lenten Lessons & Carols (Children will sing)

Homily by **Marilyn T. Hedgpeth** The Session of FPC has called a **Congregational Meeting** for this Sunday, March 13 (to be held at the end of worship) to hear a report on the 2016 Operating Budget and to approve Terms of Call for the clergy.

 Worship Texts:

 Old Testament
 Genesis 3:8-12, 17-19, 22-24

 Exodus 14:10, 15-31
 Ezekiel 36:24-28

 Psalm Lesson
 Psalm 54

 Epistle Lesson
 Romans 6:3-11

 Crucifer:
 Minna Fullenkamp

 Acolytes:
 Annie Brown, Eleanor Cole

 Croasdaile Driver:
 Paul Cornsweet

 Narthex Greeters:
 Maxie Honeycutt,

Carol McKnight After Worship Greeters: Michael Schultz (font/side), Caroline Rourk (Narthex/rear) Ushers: George Danser (head), Celia Dickerson (flowers), Sherry Everett, Lucie House, Keith Merritt, Miriam Morey

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Faith and Community Class What happens in all of the Gospels once Jesus sets his face towards Jerusalem? Join us as we explore Luke's passion narrative with **Robert Brawley** and prepare our hearts for Easter. The class meets at 9:45 in Watts-Hill Hall. All are welcome.

Lectionary Class

Tears turned into shouts of joy? Rivers in the desert? A proud, pious Pharisee ready to give up everything for Jesus? God is definitely doing a new thing. Are you ready for it? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

Journeys Class

If God punishes the wicked here on earth, wouldn't it follow that God becomes indebted to those who commit good acts? Join Journeys as we read Job and discuss this slippery slope at 9:45 on the second floor of the CE building.

Spiritual Formation

Susan Dunlap leads this class for women on spiritual formation. We meet at 9:45 in the basement classroom.

Scratch/Young Adults

For this Sunday, listen to Act 1 of *This American Life's* episode titled, "I Thought I Knew You." Tony Beam, host of *Christian Worldview Today* radio show, is shocked to hear so much support for one candidate who Tony sees as profoundly UN-Christian. Check out the podcast here:

http://www.thisamericanlife.org/radioarchives/episode/578/i-thought-i-knewyou?act=1#play Join us for discussion at 9:45 in our basement classroom.

Family Matters Class

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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.



Daylight Saving Time begins at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 13. Before going to bed on Saturday evening (March 12), remember to set clocks ahead one hour!

Durham CAN Delegates' Assembly

Sunday, March 13, 2016 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.

at First Presbyterian Church **Gathering begins at 1:30 PM** We will meet with candidates for school board, county commissioners, and other public elected officials to learn about where they stand on the items on our agenda including youth opportunity, affordable housing and community policing.



Palm Sunday 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 (available in Watts-Hill Hall)

10:15 a.m. Palm Parade 11:00 a.m. Worship and Baptism Sam Miglarese, preaching

Lunch in Watts-Hill Hall following worship

Maundy Thursday Thursday, March 24

Worship and Holy Communion 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary *Marilyn T. Hedgpeth*, preaching A light supper will be served at 6:15 p.m. 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 Sunday

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
 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.



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

(Grades 3-5) It's back to maps and math this Sunday with Alec and Delia, as we look at the Lazarus story, and see where Bethany is in relationship to Jerusalem. All are welcome!

FROM THE

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear friends,

Bill Hendrickson sent me an email last week, expressing his affirmation that *Robert Brawley* would be leading Faith and Community during the remaining holy days of Lent into Easter. Bill said, "We all are now deep in the Lenten experience which, to me, is the bedrock of our faith." I could not agree with him more. To walk the "lonesome valley" with Jesus towards the cross is a powerful experience that shapes our calls to discipleship and reshapes them again every year as we make this walk together.

And I was reminded this past weekend how different our calls to discipleship can look as we follow Jesus. I loved seeing so many of our members (50+) out on the streets of Durham helping Will, Leslie and Laura Mish McDow with the Florence Forth race to benefit autoimmune encephalitis research on Saturday morning. And I loved seeing at least 20 of our members at the Presbytery Gathering on Saturday afternoon in Raleigh to welcome our incoming Pastor/Head of Staff, Mindy Douglas. Some of you, I heard, were helping the NAACP take "Souls to the Polls" on Sunday afternoon for early voting. And I know another group of young adults gathered at Geoffrey and Patricia Kennedy's home on Saturday evening for a fellowship dinner under Cherrie Henry's leadership. I feel so privileged to be part of a church that expresses its faith with gusto and vitality outside these church walls.

Keep walking the walk,

Marilyn

NOTES

The **Prayer Shawl Group** will meet this Sunday following worship in the Wilson Parlor.

The **Membership Committee** will meet this Sunday following worship in the East Parlor.

Congratulations to **Rev. Mary Holmes Banner**, who was honorably retired from ministry, effective January 16, 2016. A 1992 graduate of Duke Divinity School, Mary served as founding Community Minister of Presbyterian Urban Ministries, as Interim Associate at FPC, as well as in other interim ministry roles. We are so proud that she and husband, **Dan**, choose to call FPC their church home.

A CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Officer nomination forms will be in Sunday's worship bulletins. Please give

prayerful consideration to who should serve in the Class of 2019 (ruling elders and deacons). Place your completed form in the offering plate or return it to the church office by the deadline of Sunday, March 13.

EARLY VOTING IN PROGRESS

Durham voters can vote at the Board of Elections across the street from the Church this week! North Carolina's Primary is March 15th! You are encouraged to exercise your right to vote!

EASTER LILIES



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 Sunday, March 20. See donor card for more information.

OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Congratulations to Amy and Gray Wilson on the birth of a daughter. *Julia Bonnie Wilson* was born March 2nd. Mom and baby are home and doing well.

Added this week: Tom Bloom, suffering with back and leg pain

> Sarah and Pete Finbow The Mbah family Eli Miller

Brookdale Senior Living: Julian Boswell

Brookdale of 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

- ♦ 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 ♦ Karen Morgan and family, friends of Al
- and Judy Arrowood
- ♦ Emerson R., friend of Logan Brown
- Chuck Schultz, father of Amy Dillon Desirée Volkwijn, wife of Kay-Robert Volkwiin
- Ralph Wagner, cousin of Bill Hendrickson

VCS & MUSIC ARTS CAMP

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

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.

YOUTH LENTEN STUDY

"Christ's Ministry of Food" Sundays during Lent

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in Watts-Hill Hall Youth advisors will lead 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.

LENTEN BOOK STUDY

"Wearing God" Sundays through March 13 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Croasdaile Village in Heritage Hall Fridays through March 25 10:30 a.m. – 12 noon FPC, Room 205 (Childcare available, if requested)



The Landscape and Gardening Committee will hold a grounds workday on Saturday, March 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. For more details, contact Barbara Buckley at 919-402-8551 or by email: bjbuckley1@frontier.com

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

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



Durham's 2016 CROP Walk is Sunday, March 20 at 2:30 **p.m.** starting in front of Duke Chapel. Not able to walk this year? That's okay! You can sponsor a

walker! Support FPC's team by going to: https://www.crophungerwalk.org/durham nc/FPC . You can also signup in the foyer after worship on Sunday to walk or be a sponsor. For more info about CROP Walk, go to: http://durhamcropwalk.org/

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.



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.

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** *Mindy Douglas* as Pastor/Head of Staff of First Presbyterian Church, Durham

RACE FORWARD:

ON THE MOVE FOR RACIAL JUSTICE the past, the Deacons have rotated flower

5K and Solidarity Walk to Support Racial Justice Organizing in the Triangle Downtown Durham will come alive with runners, walkers, musicians, and community activists showing their commitment to racial justice on Saturday, April 9 during the 5K Race Forward run/solidarity walk sponsored by Infinity Diamond Club's We Are 1 Conference. Partnering with E.K. Powe Elementary, the race's course will wind its way through Old West Durham, Walltown, and Trinity Park, circling Duke East Campus and guiding runners and walkers through areas of the city tied to its racial history. Contact: Robin Criffield at 919-933-5505 or robincriffield@msn.com.

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. One way FPC cares for the homebound is by bringing them the flowers from Sunday morning service. 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 <u>luciehouse@gmail.com</u>.



Thank you to each member of the congregation who contributed so generously to the collection of supplies for the **Day School Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan**. It is because of your generosity that the Day School is able to comply with this new and very unexpected state requirement.

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