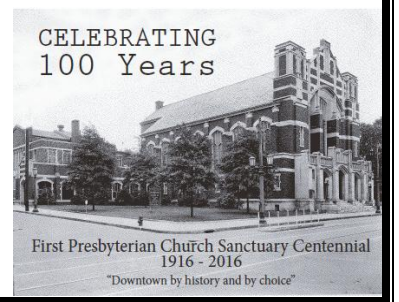


First Presbyterian Church

MAY 3, 2016



Sunday, May 8

7th Sunday of Easter
Ascension of Jesus

9:45 a.m.

Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship

Sermon: "Witnesses"

Mindy L. Douglas, preaching



Worship Texts:

Psalm Lesson	Psalm 47
Acts of the Apostles	Acts 1:1-11
Gospel Lesson	Luke 24:44-53
Epistle Lesson	Ephesians 1:15-23

Crucifer: **Nathan Creadick**

Acolytes: **Maryn Leonard,**

Griffin Momsen-Hudson

Narthex Greeters: **Maxie Honeycutt,**

Carol McKnight

After Worship Greeters:

Will McDow (Side/font),

Kristin Meade (Rear/Narthex)

Ushers: **Jeanne Hervey** (head), **Johanna**

Bernhardt, Paul Cornsweet, Emily

Wilkins

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Faith and Community Class

A case study in racial change: the integration of our public schools. What was one of the most amazing social experiments of the twentieth century, the integration of the public schools, is now in lamentable back-slide. **Marilyn Hedgpeth** will talk about the book *Reading, Writing and Race*, and her experience as a student moving from segregation to integration. Join us in Watts-Hill Hall at 9:45. All are welcome.

Lectionary Class

What are the rewards for faithful disciples? We will read this week about love and rescue, about light and joy, about the water of life and oneness with God. But we will also read about beatings and imprisonment. Are you ready to sign up as a disciple? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

Journeys Class

All are welcome to join Journeys at 9:45 on the second floor of the CE building as they read and discuss the Book of Job.

Scratch/Young Adults

Join young adults at 9:45 (basement classroom) for another podcast conversation on the intersection of Christianity, the modern world, and our faith.

Women's Spiritual Formation Class

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

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)

Last call this Sunday for maps and math. The story is about Jesus feeding the 5,000, found in all four Gospels. **Alec Bethune** and **Delia Kwon** will lead us in some strategic thinking about how one would feed 5,000 people with five loaves of bread and two fish (you do the math!). And how would you divide people to make that feasible. See you on Sunday!



Give mom a break, avoid long restaurant lines, and join us on Mother's Day for a delicious lunch following worship. The menu will include items for younger appetites. Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal. **Please remember to make a reservation for your family** by calling the church office (919-682-5511) no later than Thursday, May 5.

SANCTUARY AND ORGAN CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

MEMORY BOOK

The Centennial Celebration Committee wants to capture your FPC memories and your hopes for the future! A memory book will be in the church foyer for the next few months for you to leave any thoughts you have about what FPC means to you – looking back and looking forward! You can send thoughts by email to **Caroline Rourk** or write them on a note card and place them in the book.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for **Sunday, May 15** for the purpose of electing elders and deacons to the Class of 2019 to serve as leaders of the church. Information about those placed in nomination will be forthcoming before the election.

SUNDAY, MAY 15

9:45 a.m.

Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship
and Holy Communion



In celebration of **PENTECOST**, please wear red, orange or yellow next Sunday. The **PCUSA Pentecost Offering** (benefits programs for children at risk, youth and young adults) will be received. Please give generously! **Red, orange and yellow popsicles** will be provided following worship.

INSTALLATION SERVICE

The Reverend Mindy Douglas

will be installed as the 12th Pastor/Head of Staff of First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, MAY 22

4:00 p.m. in the FPC sanctuary

A reception will follow the service.

THANK YOU!
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- **Susan Seahorn** hosted **First Friends** at her home on April 23rd.
- The **Seniors Advisory Council** planned a lovely **Seniors Spring Luncheon** back in April. **Cris Rivera** prepared a delicious meal and **Joel White's** presentation on changes to Durham's Main Library was very informative.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

What a celebratory day of worship we had on Sunday! Thank you so much for the warm welcome you gave me and my family. I am overjoyed to have been called to be in ministry with you as one of your pastors here at First Presbyterian and honored to join a fantastic staff already in place. You are a church, as I said on Sunday, with a rich and faithful history. I am grateful that God has brought us together to bear the light of Christ in our good city.

This week I am settling into my office and meeting with staff. In the days, weeks and months ahead, I look forward to meeting all of you, learning your names, and discovering more about the roles each of you play in this church. Thank you for wearing your nametags and reminding me of your names. It helps!

The season of Easter comes to a close this coming Sunday. We will be celebrating the Ascension of Christ. This day is actually on Thursday, May 5 (Ascension Day is always 40 days after Easter), but we will celebrate Christ's ascension as a part of our Sunday worship on May 8. I hope you will be able to join us!

In your prayers this week, please remember our Orthodox brothers and sisters who celebrated Easter Sunday this past week. Especially remember the members of three Orthodox cathedrals, one each in New York City, Melbourne, Australia and Sydney, Australia, whose churches burned on Easter Day.

May God be with you throughout this week!

Grace and peace,

Mindy L. Douglas

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DID YOU MISS MINDY'S SERMON LAST SUNDAY?

Or would you like to listen to it again? With thanks to **John Fricks**, sermons will now be available for download from FPC's website! You may either stream it directly to your computer or download the audio to listen later. If you want to be notified of new postings, you may also subscribe to FPC's sermons RSS feed. The feed is also available via iTunes and Google Play, which enables anyone using iOS or Android to download sermons to their mobile phones or tablets using their favorite podcatching app. You may access audio (and text) sermons from FPC's sermons page on the website at <http://firstpres-durham.org/sermons-2016/>. Paper copies of sermons will also be available from the table in the church foyer. Contact **Lyn Francisco** for more information.

OUR SYMPATHIES

We extend our sympathies to:

- **Beth Neece and family** on the death of her sister-in-law, **Cheryl Martin**, who passed away on April 28th. Funeral services will be held in Hudson, Wisconsin on Saturday May 7th;
- the family of **Cynthia Reardon**, inactive FPC member who died at age 95 on April 10th in Sea Level, NC.

OUR CONCERNS

Molly Bowden, former FPC member
Dale Keyt, uncle of Laura Kelley,
The Foster Family, friends of Chris Brown
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

Hillcrest: **Randall McLeod**

Forest at Duke: **Fran Bryant, Ken Goldner, Peaches McPherson**

Elizabeth Chomba, niece of Mercy Ndambiri
Molly Fabri, aunt of Sheila Breitweiser
Ellie Johnson, niece of Jim Johnson
Helene Johnson, mother of Jim Johnson
Virginia Lagow, grandmother of Heather Wallace
Chuck Schultz, father of Amy Dillon
Desiré Volkwijn, wife of Kay-Robert Volkwijn
Laurie Wallace, mother of Heather Wallace

HELP WANTED

Are you savvy about Microsoft Access? If so, please make yourself known to **Kathy Parkins!**

SCRATCH / YOUNG ADULTS

MAY POTLUCK

SATURDAY, MAY 7

6:30 p.m. at the home of Wayne and Lucie House

615 Churchill Dr, Chapel Hill
RSVP and more details via the EVITE.

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.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES

Students graduating from high school or college (Class of 2016) will be acknowledged in worship in June. Please provide the student's name, school, and degree info to **Valerie McMillian** by Friday, May 27: v.mcmillian@firstpres-durham.org.



YOUTH GROUPS

There are **NO evening Youth Groups this Sunday (Mother's Day).**

NEXT Sunday, May 15
High School Seniors Banquet
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

All Youth, especially our seniors (and their parents) are invited!

TIME OUT RADIO SHOW

Marilyn and Ingram Hedgpeth will be **Bill Hendrickson's** guests, talking about a two clergy family. Listen in at 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, May 9.** The Time Out radio show can be heard on WCOM, FM 103.5 in Carrboro and Chapel Hill, and elsewhere on the web at wcomfm.org.

LANDSCAPING AND GARDENING COMMITTEE

GROUPS WORKDAY

Saturday May 14

9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

Contact **Barbara Buckley** for more info: 919-402-8551 or bjbuckley1@frontier.com

FIRST FRIENDS

(Adults only)

SATURDAY, MAY 21

6:00 p.m. at the home of William and Jane Brown

Hosts will provide grilled fish and brats. Bring a side dish to share. Please respond to the EVITE!

LETTER-SIGNING OPPORTUNITY

At a called meeting of the FPC Session on April 18, 2016, unanimous approval was given to make available a letter to Governor Pat McCrory for congregants to sign (or not), before May 15, 2016. The Session decided that this initiative, to urge acceptance of Medicaid Expansion, sponsored by the Coalition for Health Care of North Carolina, endorsed by the NC Council of Churches, and brought to our attention by our sister church, Covenant Presbyterian Church, aligns with our FPC core values and is therefore acceptable to place before the congregation for signatures. The Coalition's goal is to acquire 4,000 signatures before May 16.

If you wish to sign this letter to the Governor, please do so, and place your signed copy in the box provided. A representative to the Coalition for Health Care of North Carolina will pick up signed copies after worship on May 15th. Thank you.

STEPUP NEEDS YOU!

Want to work directly with the folks StepUp Durham is serving? Want to make a tangible difference? We have a couple of great NEWish opportunities for you to get involved: RESUME LAB and HEARTS FOOD. **Bob Yoder** is FPC's resource person for StepUp Durham. Email Bob at: DrRobertL.Yoder@exicte.com for more information on volunteer opportunities.

DAY SCHOOL TEACHER

APPRECIATION

This week (**May 2 - 6**) is Teacher Appreciation Week for the FPC Day School teachers and administrators. The FPC Day School has been an outreach mission of FPC for over 30 years. Many of our members have children who are graduates of the Day School program. If you would like to express appreciation to the staff there, please feel free to drop them a note of thanks, or to take a token of your appreciation to Director, **Katharine Smith**, or Assistant Director **Mamie Watson**.



THURSDAY, MAY 5

The doors of Trinity United Methodist's sanctuary (215 N. Church St. - downtown) will be open for private prayers and meditations between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. This time of reflection and praise will be guided by brief periodic music and scripture readings. Worshipers are welcome to come and go as they please.

"LOVE" BAGS

The Walk-in Ministry appreciates all the donations it receives for blessing and toiletry bags. We continue to need items to make blessing bags: **brown lunch bags, snack crackers, snack-sized cookies, nutrition bars, fruit snacks, and small bottles of water.** It would be most helpful to have more **travel-sized soap, shampoo, deodorant, lotion, and wash cloths** for the toiletry bags. Drop items off at the Mission Collection Station in the foyer. If you wish to assemble bags at home and drop them off ready to give, that is also appreciated.

NEW SUPPORT GROUP

FOR WOMEN WITH HEART DISEASE

WHO: The Duke Heart Center in partnership with WomenHeart (National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease)

WHAT: Support Group for Women Living with Heart Disease at Duke

WHEN: Second Thursday of every month

TIME: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: Duke Teer House
4019 N. Roxboro Rd, Durham

Register online at:

<http://www.123contactform.com/form-1831234/Duke-Health-WomenHeart-Support-Group>

HELLO
my name is

We only have to learn one name; **Mindy** has to learn many. So, **please wear nametags frequently and often**, as Mindy begins to put names and faces together.