

Sunday, September 18

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship

Sanctuary Centennial Celebration

"Looking Forward"

Sermon: "*Repairers of the Breach" Mindy L. Douglas*, preaching Following worship, a fellowship lunch will be available in Watts-Hill Hall. Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal. Remember, also, to write a note in the

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Centennial Memory Book located in the foyer.		

Worship Texts:	
Old Testament	Isaiah 58:6-12
Psalm Lesson	Psalm 121
Gospel Lesson	John 15:12-17

Acolytes: *Kayla Champion, Laura McDow* Crucifer: *Frances Zehmer* Worship Liturgist: *Torrell Armstrong* Croasdaile Driver: *Miriam Morey* Narthex Greeter: *Alice Raney* After Worship Greeters: *Alice Raney* (Side/Font) *Phyllis Verhey* (Rear/Narthex) Ushers: *Celia Dickerson* (head), *Lucie House* (flowers), *Dale Gaddis, Jeanne Hervey, Mary-Jo Keenan, Kathy Krahenbuhl*

New Members' Class

Interested in joining FPC? If yes, you are invited to attend a series of new member orientation classes that begin this Sunday. Join us in the Wilson Parlor during the Sunday School hour (9:45 – 10:45 a.m.). Contact **Sarah Finbow** (s.finbow@firstpres-durham.org) for more information on how to become a member of First Presbyterian Church.

CONFRONTING RACISM

Rev. Alan Storey will speak on **Sunday**, **September 18** at 7:00 p.m. in the East Parlor at FPC about confronting racism in the church and society in his native South Africa and what lessons we can learn. For more info regarding this event, contact **Catherine Admay** or **Jon Abels**.

FRIDAY BOOK STUDY

Book study continues this Friday September 19, at 10:30 a.m. in room 205 with the second lesson in the Presbyterian Women/Horizons Bible Study "Who Is Jesus?" In this study, we are examining who Jesus is through the various "lenses" of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Hebrews, Paul, the non-canonical gospels, other Abrahamic faiths, and contemporary culture. The second lesson focuses on the Gospel of Matthew. Books can be picked up from the shelf in the classroom. During Marilyn's sabbatical the class will be led by *Hendrika Vande Kemp*.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Classes for **children** (through 5th grade) are held on the second floor of the Christian Education building at 9:45.

Middle and high school youth meet in their designated classrooms in the basement (below the sanctuary) at 9:45.

FAITH & COMMUNITY CLASS (Adults) This Sunday, we continue the conversation we began last week on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict using Walter Brueggemann's book, *Chosen*. We will be joined by a special guest from Hillsborough Presbyterian Church, *Peggy Rafferty*. She will take us through the second chapter of the book, "God's Chosen People: Claim and Problem." Please join us as we seek to sort out a few answers to this often confusing and overwhelming conflict. Class meets in Watts-Hill Hall at 9:45 a.m. All welcome.

LECTIONARY CLASS (Adults) Jesus told a parable of a manager who reduced his customers' bills in order to gain their friendship. Is Jesus commending crooked accounting practices? Or is this another story of the mysterious economics of God's kingdom? Join us for discussion at 9:45 in the East Parlor.

JOURNEYS CLASS (Adults) Journeys will discuss chapters 4 and 5 of *Pilgrim at Tinker Creek*. All are welcome to join the discussion in **basement classroom B-17** at 9:45.

SCRATCH CLASS (Young Adults) Last Sunday, we had a great conversation about images for God and the strengths and weaknesses of metaphor. We will continue this conversation on Sunday with some hands-on activity using some art exercises to meditate on the images for God we find comfortable and familiar and ones that feel uncomfortable. Join us, no skills required. We meet on the second floor, CE building, room 205 at 9:45. Heather Wallace leads our class. No pages to read this week but there's an optional reading, "God is a Woman," a sermon by Rabbi Margaret Wenig: http://rjmag.org/ kd/Items/actions.cfm?a ction=Show&item id=3310&destination= ShowItem

WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL FORMATION Susan Dunlap will lead our discussion. This class meets in **basement** classroom B-16, at 9:45.

FAMILY MATTERS

(for Parents with young children) This parent-led class is using *Searching for Happiness* as a guide for our study. Discussion focuses on practicing faith as families and sharing parenting tips to young / new parents. Join us on the **second floor, CE building, room 209** at 9:45.



FROM THE PASTOR

Dear friends,

This Sunday, September 18, is going to be an amazing day! As we continue in the centennial year of our sanctuary, we will celebrate with an incredible array of music, word, prayer and song. In our spring celebration service, we looked back at who we have been over these many years as a community of faith worshiping and serving together. This Sunday we will look forward and think about who God might be calling us to be in the future.

This congregation is a faithful and visionary congregation and has, over the years, built on the past while looking to the future. For these one hundred years (and beyond!), God has guided us and will direct our future path as well. God continues to call us to use the gifts God has given us to respond to the needs and hurts of our community and world around us.

As a people of faith, we are invited to live boldly in the world as we bear the light of Christ wherever we go and whatever we do. How that will take shape exactly, we do not know! It is exciting, though, to be on this journey together as we seek to find out where God will lead us next. I am certainly excited and I hope you will join us for worship this Sunday and share your excitement as well. See you soon!



MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to *Abi Bissette* and *Derek Warmack* who were married on Saturday, September 10 at FPC. *Susan Dunlap* officiated the ceremony.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to . . . *Meredith and Chris Brown* on the birth of daughter *Evelyn Elizabeth Brown* on September 8. Evelyn joins big brother Logan.

Susi and Terry Ewald on the birth of grandson *Sloan Wiley Ewald* on September 2 to *Adam and Mariah Ewald*.

STAFF SABBATICALS

Marilyn Hedgpeth, Associate Pastor, returns October 22 *Kathy Parkins,* Minister of Music, returns November 13

Please respect their time away. Contact the church office if assistance is needed in their ministry areas. Other staff are covering their duties and responsibilities while they are away.

OUR CONCERNS

Ann Prospero, in the Pavilion at Croasdaile Village after a brief hospital stay

Bob Keever, receiving hospice care

Al Crumbliss

Sarah and Pete Finbow

Brookdale Senior Living (Durham): Julian Boswell

Brookdale (Farmington Rd) Chapel Hill: Helen Garrison

> <u>Croasdaile Village</u>: Bob Rankin, Jerry Tyren

Hillcrest: Randall McLeod

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

Lisa Bennett, friend of Mary-Jo Keenan
 Elizabeth Chomba, niece of Mercy Ndambiri

Ellie Johnson, niece of Jim Johnson
 Helene Johnson, mother of Jim Johnson

• Paul McCombs, friend of FPC • Margaret Pfeiler, grandmother of Julie Maxwell

• Janice Rattray, friend of Robert and Jane Brawley

• *Sue Sanderson*, sister-in-law of Sheila and Bob Breitweiser

Chuck Schultz, father of Amy Dillon
 Martha Smith-Trout, mother of David
Smith

• **Pat Utigard**, cousin of Caroline Pritchett

• **Desiré Volkwijn**, wife of Kay-Robert Volkwijn

Please keep the pastoral staff updated about the progress of your family and friends.

ARE YOU TECH-SAAVY?

Do you want to share your gifts with this church and help our staff navigate particularly challenging tech questions? If so, please see *Mindy Douglas* after worship or send her an email: <u>m.douglas@firstpres-durham.org</u>



High Schoolers' LOCK-IN begins **Saturday, September 17** at 3:00 p.m. and ends with worship on Sunday morning, September 18.

Middle School Youth will meet at the church at 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. this Sunday, September 18. Supper will be provided.

NIA FITNESS CLASSES

I am happy to announce a new fall Nia series. It was a joy dancing with you this summer, and I'd love to see old and new faces this fall as we find pleasure, joy, and healing through movement. We're meeting on **Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. in Watts-Hill** Hall through November 13. - *Heather Wallace*

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 20 6:00 p.m. in the East Parlor

FIRST FRIENDS & FAMILIES

Annual Beach Trip September 23-25 Contact *Kathy Conner* (919-382-6332 or kwc.enoriver@yahoo.com) or *Deborah Momsen-Hudson* (919-732-9595 or dmomsenhudson@gmail.com) for final details

DAYTIMERS' LUNCHEON

Tuesday, September 27 11:30 a.m. at Bennett Pointe Grill 4625 Hillsborough Rd, Durham

Harriett Mitchell is hosting RSVP to **Harriett:** 919-489-3839

FPC LEGACY SOCIETY

Charter Members' Luncheon Wednesday, September 28 11:30 a.m. at Hope Valley Diner Watch your mailbox for an invitation.

AFTERNOON TEA

Benefit event for North Carolina Central University's Presbyterian Campus Ministry

Sunday, September 18 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Westminster PC, Durham Treat yourself or a friend to a lovely afternoon tea! Tickets are \$25. Contact Laura Armstrong at larmstr6@nccu.edu or 919-339-9122 to reserve your place and/ or to help sponsor a student.

> BEER AND HYMNS (benefit for DurhamCares) SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:30 p.m. at Fullsteam Brewery (Downtown Durham) Come enjoy some live music by a local band while supporting a good cause!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 FPC's Music on Main presents BRAD CROUSHORN & FRIENDS

2:30 p.m. in the FPC sanctuary

Trained as a classical bass-baritone, equally at home in early music or contemporary songs, Brad Croushorn (baritone and pianist) will perform songs in the Americana and Contemporary Faith genres, with a bit of the stylistic sheen of musical theater. Joining him are **Patty Parrish** (soprano and flutist) and **Melissa Shaheen** (alto) to create a memorable experience for the whole community. Brad is also a published composer, whose choral anthems are published by MorningStar Music, OCP, and Augsburg Fortress (forthcoming). Visit his website at <u>www.BradCroushorn.net</u>.

DUKE'S PCM TURNS 70

All FPC members and friends are invited to join us for a **BBQ dinner** with our favorite chef, BBQ AI, along with a short program to celebrate 70 years of campus ministry to Duke students, to remember, and also support Duke Presbyterian Campus Ministry.

Thursday, September 29 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Trinity Avenue PC, Durham For dinner tickets (\$15/person) go to: <u>dukepcm70th.eventbrite.com</u> or contact FPC members Julie Maxwell or Sam Miglarese

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