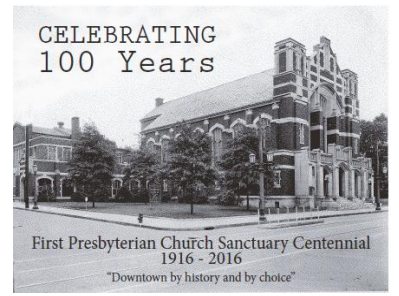


First Presbyterian Church

OCTOBER 25, 2016



Sunday, October 30



9:45 a.m.

Sunday School Peacemaking Event

11:00 a.m. Worship

New Members will be received during worship. There will be a **Congregational Meeting** at the end of worship for the purpose of electing members to the Nominating Committee for officers.

Sermon: "Small Speaks to Small"
Marilyn Hedgpeth, preaching

Worship Texts:

Hebrew Scripture	Genesis 18:1-10a
Psalm Lesson	Psalm 119:137-144
Epistle Lesson	2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
Gospel Lesson	Luke 19:1-10

Acolytes: **Noah Rokoske**,
Jack Williamson

Crucifer: **Sigfried Fullenkamp**

Crossdaile Driver: **Paul Cornsweet**

Narthex Greeter: **Debbie Hamlin-Aggrey**

After Worship Greeters:

Jerry Postema (Side/Font)

Carter Momsen-Hudson (Rear/Narthex)

Ushers: **Mary-Jo Keenan** (head), **Karen Swope** (flowers), **Julie Whiddon**, **Grace Abels**, **Jane Williams**, **Carl Anglin**

INTERGENERATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

"Come to the Table of Peace"

The Christian Education Committee is pleased to invite **EVERYONE** to a fifth Sunday of the month intergenerational Sunday School event. We will gather **THIS Sunday, October 30 at 9:45 in Watts-Hill Hall. Come one and all:** We will explore ways to be peacemakers in our everyday lives, using resources from the Presbyterian Church's (USA) Peacemaking program.

Stations will include opportunities to:

- create a **Prayer Tree**;
- create a **Hunger for Change jar**;
- paint **Peace garden rocks**; and
- make **cards** for people in our community who need connections.

Again, this is a chance for **ALL** (young and old) to take up the important topic of being daily peacemakers.

Light snacks and coffee will be available.

FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear friends,

It is great to be back from sabbatical and to be with the whole people of God at First Presbyterian, whom I love. I want to thank you, sincerely, for gifting me with the time to rest, to renew, and to restore my inner resources. I had a great time helping with our newest grandson, writing poetry, reading many books, re-doing our kitchen (arggg!), putting together a poetry reading and writing practicum as part of my Spiritual Formation Certification program, and celebrating the 100th anniversary of our National Parks by visiting Muir Woods (I'm a tree hugger!), Zion, and Bryce Canyon with my husband. We had a fabulous time, and I'm so grateful to this church for allowing me the space to dream and to be restored.

We made a brief two-day foray to Kiawah Island, SC, with friends, but were evacuated when Hurricane Matthew headed up the coast. Who knew that storm would be so devastating? Because my husband is from Lumberton, NC (as is **Dorothy Graham**), we are keenly aware of the damage and displacement many of these coastal communities are suffering. I was glad to return and find that FPC is on top of providing relief to the many needs in flooded areas in this country and in Haiti. Thank you. It's great to be back in the midst of a caring community of Christians.

Grace and Peace,
Marilyn

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for **Sunday, October 30, at the end of worship**, for the purpose of electing persons to fill four (4) at-large positions on the Nominating Committee for officers. Those elected to this committee will serve with **Alice Raney** (elder), **Bob Breitweiser** (elder) and **Karen Swope** (deacon). This committee's work is to present candidates for election to the Class of 2020 ruling elders and deacons. Your presence and participation in this process is important.

STEWARDSHIP SEASON



For 70 years (WOW), Presbyterian Campus Ministry has served at Duke University! FPC has provided funding and Board membership throughout many of those years.

Our current FPC contribution enables **Rev. Katie Owen Aumann** to divide her time between Mentoring and Pastoral Care, CM+ administration, Student Education, Worship, Fellowship, Mission Trips, Service Projects, Orientation, and Welcome.

The PCM+ at Duke has been growing annually in its outreach to the student population. Undergraduate and Divinity School students value PCM+ as their "church home away from home."

Currently **Rev. Sam Miglarese** and **Julie Maxwell** serve on the Duke PCM+ Board. **Rev. Cheryl Henry** and **Rev. Sue Fricks** are past Duke Presbyterian Campus Ministers.

—*Sue Fricks*

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP DINNER

Tuesday, November 1, 6:00 p.m.

St. Philip's Episcopal Church Parish Hall
403 E. Main St., Durham

Guest speaker: Dr. Sydney Batts
Pastor, First Presbyterian Church,
Greensboro NC

Please let us know if you will join us for dinner by calling the church office today: 919-682-5511.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

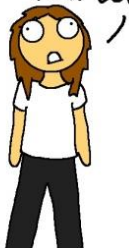
You are encouraged to set aside time to be in service to others! There are opportunities to glean sweet potatoes, build a house, prepare a garden, landscape, support the Durham Branch NAACP, and provide snacks to the volunteers. Thank you in advance for participating!

FPC LEGACY SOCIETY

The FPC Legacy Society welcomes all who have provided a gift to the church in their estate plan. The opportunity for membership in the society will continue through the coming years. Charter memberships are still available through the end of this year. We now have 22 families and individuals who have become Charter Members of the FPC Legacy Society! We encourage you to consider joining this group who have recognized the importance of the church in their lives and in our community. Please contact FPC Business Administrator **Tom Bloom** at 919-682-5511 or **Sheila Breitweiser** at 919-797-2717 to learn more.

Please plan to attend one of the remaining listening sessions sponsored by the Service & Mission Committee. We want to hear your ideas about how FPC should engage in service to others with our gifts of time and money. Thanks for your interest and participation!

... No one has ever asked me that before



NOTE: The evening session scheduled for tonight, Tuesday, October 25, at the Rubieras' home has been **cancelled**.

THIS Sunday, October 30 – immediately after worship
Leader: **Beth Eisenson**

Sunday, November 6 at 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School—Faith & Community Class
Leader: **Mindy Douglas**

Date/Time to be determined — Youth
Leader: **Jody Maxwell**

OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Congratulations to **Jerry Postema** who has been in Greece this week to receive an honorary doctorate.

Beth Brockman, recovering from hip surgery

Bob Keever, receiving hospice care

Ann Prospero, recovering at home

Martha Rimmer, recovering at home

Al Crumbliss

Sarah and Pete Finbow

Brookdale Senior Living (Durham):

Julian Boswell

Brookdale (Farmington Rd) Chapel Hill:

Helen Garrison

Coasdaile Village:

Jean Moore, Bob Rankin, Jerry Tyren

Hillcrest: Randall McLeod

Forest at Duke:

Fran Bryant, Ken Goldner,

Peaches McPherson

- **Elizabeth Chomba**, niece of Mercy Ndambiri
- **Freda Rose Hamilton**, friend of FPC
- **Ellie Johnson**, niece of Jim Johnson
- **Helene Johnson**, mother of Jim Johnson
- **Paul McCombs**, friend of FPC
- **Margaret Pfeiler**, grandmother of Julie Maxwell
- **Sallie R.**, friend of Kerry Holbrook
- **Desiré Volkwijn**, wife of Kay-Robert Volkwijn

FIRST FRIENDS POTLUCK

Saturday November 5 at 6:00 p.m.

hosted by **Lea Bingham** and **Rob Dilworth**, adults only. Please respond to the EVITE. Not getting the EVITE but wish to attend, contact Valerie in the church office: v.mcmillian@firstpres-durham.org

FLOOD VICTIMS

The **New Hope Presbytery** received an overwhelming response to the call for supplies to help Hurricane Matthew victims in Eastern NC last week. To those of you who brought supplies to FPC, thank you so much for your quick response! They will be delivered to the Presbytery office soon.

Financial support can be designated for Hurricane Matthew relief efforts through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance account DR000193. Gifts can be made by phone at (800) 872-3283, or by check, mailed to: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. For online giving, use this link: <https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000193>

QUILT EXHIBIT

You are invited to visit Watts-Hill Hall to see the exhibit of quilts made and owned by members of the congregation. Our talented and creative quilters are **Dawn Carsey, Sue Fricks, Linn Lopez, B. J. Morton, Presbyterian Women, Ruth Roberson, Beth Taylor, and Jane Wettach.** **Ruth Roberson** and **Phyllis Supple** organized the exhibit, which will close November 21. Assisting with the installation of the quilts were **Peter Fish, David Smith, Alice Raney, Jane Wettach, Beth Taylor, Robert Daye, Lyn Francisco, Tom Bloom,** and **Marty Eubank.**



This Sunday we will continue our preparations for Youth Sunday!

Middle Schoolers meet from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. **High schoolers** meet from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Supper for both groups is available from 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Contact **Sarah Finbow** for info on youth activities at FPC! (s.finbow@firstpres-durham.org or 919-682-5511)

CONFIRMATION CLASS

We held our first Confirmation meeting for 8th and 9th graders this past Sunday, and had a great turn-out of confirmands and their mentors. It looks like we will have 16 students in the class, along with their 16 mentors and four teachers – 36 in all! It's going to be a great season of growing "in wisdom, stature, and knowledge of God" over the next seven months. **We will not meet this Sunday, October 30**, but will join the congregation in Practicing Peace during the Sunday School hour. We will pick-up our meetings again on Sunday, November 6 at 9:45 and continue with our schedule. In the meantime, **Marilyn Hedgpeth** will work on getting mentors for the few students who do not have them yet. Thanks to parents, students and mentors for your dedication to this wonderful time of soul care, character development, and faith sharing.

FPC GROUNDS WORKDAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

9:00 a.m. – Noon

Contact **Barbara Buckley** on the work to be done: bjbuckley1@frontier.com or 919-402-8551. This workday is part of FPC's Fall Day of Service.

DURHAM BRANCH NAACP FREEDOM FUND BANQUET

Saturday, October 29

6:00 p.m. - Friday Center, Chapel Hill

Tickets are \$60 each and we hope to fill up two tables in support of their efforts. Make your reservation with **Dan Hudgins** at judgins.dan@gmail.com or 919-606-2700 or 919-489-8757. This event is a part of FPC's Fall Day of Service.

ORGANIZING AGAINST RACISM

PRESENTATION, LUNCH AND

COMMUNITY FORUM

Saturday, November 12,

9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church,
1737 Hillandale Rd., Durham

Registration is required. Contact **Kathy Krahenbuhl** if you want to attend: 919-801-0422. Scholarships are available.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS

needs ladies' purses, handbags, shoulder bags, etc. Drop off donations at FPC and **Caroline Rourk** will deliver them to Dress for Success.

SANCTUARY AND ORGAN CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

THANK YOU!
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As the chair of the Centennial Celebration Committee, I want to tell you what a privilege it has been for me to celebrate the 100-year anniversary of our current sanctuary and the Austin organ with all of you throughout this year. However, this yearlong celebration filled with events and projects has also been a celebration of how First Presbyterian Church has evolved as a community of faith and continues to work together as a people of God in each other's lives, our community, and the world.

We had the Final Centennial Celebration Fellowship Dinner on Monday, October 17, which officially brings the work of this committee to a close. I want to thank the members of the Committee who worked on this throughout the year and for their dedication and hard work: **Michael Honeycutt, Scottie Seawell, Amy Dillon, Julie Maxwell** and **Steve Martin.** I want to give a special thank you to my mother, **Jane Rourk**, who helped me purchase and prepare the meal, as well as **Michael Honeycutt**, who was instrumental in both the dinner and program preparations. Many thanks to those who helped us set up, serve, and clean up. And a special thank you to those members who made up the panel for our program: **Jane Rourk, Maxie Honeycutt, Beth Stringfield, Tyler Momsen-Hudson, Rebecca Harvard Barnes, Scottie Seawell, Grace Abels,** and our FANTASTIC MC for the evening, **Parker Clinck.** It was a wonderful evening of sharing our memories, hopes and faithful experiences as members of First Presbyterian Church, a church reformed and always reforming.

Many of the stories that were told and discussed Monday night would be perfect items for the **MEMORY BOOK** that we have been compiling all year. I encourage all members to take some time to think about what this church has meant to you over the years and what your hopes are for the future, AND then put your thoughts into writing and send them to me at: rourk003@mc.duke.edu for inclusion in the Centennial Memory Book before the end of the year. — **Caroline Davis Rourk**

SAVE THESE DATES!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

SONAM in concert

2:30 p.m. in the FPC sanctuary

Proceeds to benefit Vet to Vet United, Inc., a veterans non-profit organization.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Centennial Celebration Concert

by Kathy Parkins playing

our 100-year old Austin Organ

4:00 p.m. in the FPC Sanctuary

Event is free and open to the public