FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

3rd Sunday in Lent
March 24, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
WITH THE SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM AND HOLY COMMUNION

(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE (Solo)

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Gary Giles

INTROIT

O Lord, Creator, Good and Kind

Repton

O Lord, creator, good and kind, forgive our foolish ways; Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise, in deeper reverence, praise.

*CALL TO WORSHIP* (from Psalm 63:1-4)

Leader: O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you;
People: My flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
Leader: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.
People: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.
Leader: So I will bless you as long as I live;
People: I will lift up my hands and call on your name.
All: Let us worship God.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 439

O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer

Stuttgart

*MARTYRDOM* (remain standing)

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession

We are a susceptible people, O God of the ages. We are forever chasing after this and that,
whatever strikes our fancy. But most of the time – maybe even all of the time – it's not worth it.
None of those fancy things are you. None of them sustain us in the hard times. None of them
redeem us when we have messed up. None of them are worthy of our deep-down devotion and
ultimate loyalty. Forgive us for all the little idolatries in our daily lives. Re-center us in the loving
mystery of you.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.
All: We seek your word, O God, as though we are searching for water in the dry and weary
land. By the power of your Holy Spirit, may this word be to us a fabulous meal,
satisfying our souls. Amen.

*All who are able, please stand.
HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

Isaiah 55:1-9 (Pew Bible, OT Page 685)

GOSPEL LESSON
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!


SERMON
“No, I Tell You”
(silent reflection)

John Weicher

HYMN NO. 800
Sometimes a Light Surprises
Salley Gardens

THE PEACE
Sam Miglarese
(As we pass the peace, remember it is still flu season. Signs of hospitality may be expressed verbally, if desired.)

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

(Children through 1st grade enter worship during The Peace.)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN
Sam Miglarese

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR ANNA RUTH DURHAM DIY
Cherrie Henry, Sam Miglarese

Words of Scripture
Elder: On behalf of the Session, I present Anna Ruth Durham Diy to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Questions to the Parents:
Pastor: Carlo and Emily, do you desire that your child be baptized?
Do you reaffirm your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?
Do you renounce evil and affirm your reliance on God’s grace?
Relying on God’s grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith
and to teach that faith to your child?
Parents: We do.

Questions to the gathered Children:
Pastor: Do you promise to be a friend to Anna Ruth?
If she gets lost will you help her find the way?
If she falls down, will you help pick her up?
Will you share with her the stories of Jesus?
Children: Yes.

Question to the Congregation:
Elder: Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Anna Ruth by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of Christ’s church?
Congregation: We do.

(As you are able, please stand.)

*Affirmation of Faith (in unison)
The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ
his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and
the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

(You may be seated.)

Thanksgiving over the Water
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Leader: Let us pray. We give you thanks, Eternal God, for you nourish and sustain all living
things by the gift of water. In the beginning of time, your Spirit moved over the
watery chaos, calling forth order and life. We thank you, O God, for the water of
baptism: in it we are buried with Christ in his death; from it we are raised to share in
his resurrection; through it we are reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit. Send your
Spirit to move over this water that it may be a fountain of rebirth. Pour out your Holy
Spirit upon Anna Ruth that she may have power to do your will, and continue forever
in the risen life of Christ. To you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be all praise,
honor, and glory, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Baptism

Anointing and Introduction

(Following the baptism, children may rejoin their parents in the pews or return to childcare.)

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Invitation to Offering

Offertory Anthem

Come to the Water

Kate Busa, solo

O let all who thirst, let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord:
Without money, without price. Why should you pay the price,
Except for the Lord?

And let all who seek, let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord:
Without money, without strife. Why should you spend your life,
Except for the Lord?

And let all who toil, let them come to the water.
And let all who are weary, let them come to the Lord:
All who labor, without rest. How can your soul find rest,
Except for the Lord?

And let all the poor, let them come to the water.
Bring the ones who are laden, bring them all to the Lord:
Bring the children, without might. Easy the load and light:
Come to the Lord.

(You are invited to come forward with your Hunger for Change offering following the anthem.)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, to give our thanks to you, Holy One on high, for you shaped all living beings and every wonder of creation to bear fruit that glorifies you. In the soil of covenant you planted a life with your chosen people and nourished a family to bless all the earth. When through human faithlessness that life was grieved and barren, you sent your Son to be the soil of our redemption. Through his resurrection you brought us out of the deadness of sin into the fullness of your fruit-bearing, fruit-sharing life. And so we rejoice with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven as we join the unending hymn:

All (sung):

Sanctus

Hymn No. 572

*Doxology:

Old Hundredth

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Mindy Douglas

Hymn No. 572
Leader: God, who summons everyone who thirsts to come and drink, make all who drink from this cup, thirst for the wine of your kingdom. As we remember through this fruit of the vine your Son’s saving passion, send your Holy Spirit to lead us into life. By your same Spirit, bless this bread and cup that they may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Great is the mystery of faith.

All (sung):

Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.

Leader: God of all flourishing, through the fast of Lent nourish in your church a life that is wholly fruitful. Shape your people to hunger and thirst for the day when there is one shared flourishing for all, one feasting with you in glory, when with the saints, apostles, and martyrs your creation shall be, at last, wholly fruitful in you, one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All (sung):

A - men, a - men, a - men.

THE LORD’S PRAYER (in unison)
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP
(As you come forward to receive the elements, please bring your blessing bags/supplies and place them in the baskets. Note: gluten/peanut-free bread is served at the station to the right, in front of the lectern.)

Communion Hymn No. 523 (all sing) You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Bicentennial Marilyn Hedgpeth

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
People: Amen.
All: Thank you, gracious God, for giving us bread for the journey of these forty days. As we travel on through the wilderness, help us to share your grace with others, and draw us ever closer to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 826

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer John Weicher

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

J.S. Bach

*POSTLUDE

Gary Giles will present the one-man drama, “We Shall Not Sleep,” in the sanctuary at 3:00 p.m. today. Event is free and open to the public. A love offering will be received. As you exit your pew following worship, please kindly pick up personal trash and take it with you, and return hymnals and Bibles to the pew racks. Thank you for leaving the sanctuary presentable for our afternoon guests.
First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the Ritual of Friendship pad, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then return it to the starting point, noting the names of those sitting near you. On March 17, we welcomed 25 visitors to worship.

Special thanks to Gary Giles for sharing his musical gift with us this morning.

The flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Anna Ruth Durham Diy’s grandparents, LuAnn, Ruby and Al and in loving memory of Anna Ruth’s grandfather, Rodger, and great-grandmother, Lucilla, who are dearly missed. We give thanks to our caring FPC community and all the ways the church has offered support and love to us and Anna Ruth. – Carlo and Emily Diy

Nursery care for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. There is a changing table in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary. Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex for young children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Portions of today’s worship texts were reprinted from Book of Common Worship and Eucharistic Prayers.

~ Our Concerns ~

Added this week:
Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss
Bill Bigger, pastor of Hope Valley Baptist Church, Durham

Recovering at Home:
Margaret Mubanga  Mercy Ndamhiri-Curlett
Joseph Ngumi     Franzi Rokuske
Karen Swope      Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

Care Communities:
Brookdale Durham: Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett
Croasdaile Pavilion: Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin
Durham Regent: John Kerr, Ann Prospero
Pruitt Health at Carolina Point, Durham: Helen Garrison
The Forest at Duke: Fran Bryant

Family and Friends of Church Members and Staff:
Fran Alwood, mother of Jennie Alwood
Camilla Crampton, friend of Mal King

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: Amy Wilson
Baptism Elder: Kristin Meade
Narthex Greeter: Chris Williams
After Worship Greeters: Kim Abels (narthex/rear); George Bernhardt (side/font)
Ushers: Emily Wilkins (head), Kathy Conner (flowers), Mary-Jo Keenan (counter)
        John Mozart, El Hess, Stephen Berry
Communion Elders: Alice Raney (Head/replenish elements)
Cris Rivera (B1/process), Dewey Lawson (B2), Tyler Momsen-Hudson (B3), George Bernhardt (B4)
Jane Wettach (C1), Karen Romines (C2/ process), Lenore Champion (C3), Leah Graves (C4)
Gray Wilson (Shepherd center aisle), Brent Curtis (Shepherd font aisle), Libby Gulley (Shepherd pulpit aisle)
**College Care Packages**
The Pastoral Care committee is assembling care packages for our college students for the spring exam period. You are invited to support this project by bringing in flat items for the packages: gum, hot chocolate, microwave popcorn, hard candy, granola bars, fruit snacks, puzzles or joke books etc. Please place items in the basket provided at the Mission Collection Center in the foyer by Palm Sunday.

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**Confirmation Day**
**Sunday, March 31**
Join us on Sunday, March 31 as our confirmands participate in worship and complete the process of becoming members of First Presbyterian Church. Following worship, a reception will be held in their honor in Watts-Hill Hall.

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**SPRING DAY OF SERVICE**
**Saturday, April 6**
The Service and Mission Committee is planning several opportunities to serve with other FPC folks in a Spring day of service:

- Landscaping workday on FPC grounds led by Barbara Buckley
- Cleaning/organizing FPC building interior led by Andy Henry
- Dallas Street home repair and painting workday led by Tyler Momsen-Hudson
- Blessing bag and toiletry kit assembly at FPC led by Deborah Momsen-Hudson
- Other opportunities TBA

Additional information and sign up details will be available today after worship in the foyer. To help organize an opportunity, contact Tyler at tylermmh@embarqmail.com.

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**How are you supporting the CROP Walk this year?**

**The 45th Durham CROP Hunger Walk**
**Sunday, April 7**
Step off at 2:30 p.m. from Duke Chapel
Activities begin at 1:30 on the Chapel lawn

Not able to walk this year? Support FPC’s team by sponsoring a walker. Please make checks payable to Durham Crop Walk and give to the person you are sponsoring. For more information about this event, go to: http://durhamcropwalk.org/the-walk/. To sign up to walk and/or make a donation to an FPC walker, go online to: https://goo.gl/6S4VcN. You can also sign up in the foyer on Sundays after worship. Contact Jody Maxwell, FPC’s coordinator, if you have questions: jodymaxwell3@hotmail.com or 919-640-6126.

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**Want to host a viewing and discussion of “Slavery By Another Name” in your home?**
The Racial Equity Task Force wants you to host a showing of the documentary Slavery By Another Name in your home. They ask that hosts provide a working DVD player already connected to a large screen or TV. Please provide two times and dates in April that work for you, how many people you can comfortably seat, your name, address, and contact information to Emily Wilkins by Monday, March 25. Please reply by text: 919-943-5085 or email to: emilypw@gmail.com if you are interested in hosting.
O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer 439
(Psalm 103)

1 O my soul, bless your Redeemer; all within me bless God's name;
2 God forgives all your transgressions, all diseases gently heals;
3 Far as east from west is distant, God has put away our sin;
4 As it was without beginning, so it lasts without an end;

bless the Savior, and forget not all God's mercies to proclaim.
God redeems you from destruction, and with you so kindly deals.
like the pity of a father has the Lord's compassion been.
to their children's children ever shall God's righteousness extend:

5 Unto such as keep God's covenant and are steadfast in God's way;
6 Bless your Maker, all you creatures, ever under God's control,
unto those who still remember the commandments and obey.
all throughout God's vast dominion;
bless the Lord of all, my soul!
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Refrain
D Bm G F#m D/F# Em A D

You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat;

Bm F#m Em A D Fine

come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

Bm G F#m G A7 Bm

1 As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice,
2 With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude
3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?
4 The mystery of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell:
5 You give yourself to us, O Lord; then self-less let us be,

Em A Em Em7 A

so when you call your family, Lord, we follow and rejoice.
that you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heavenly food.
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord?
whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell.
to serve each other in your name in truth and charity.
Sometimes a Light Surprises

1 Sometimes a light surprises the child of God who sings;
2 In holy contemplation we sweetly then pursue;
3 It can bring with it nothing but he will bear us through;
4 Though vine nor fig tree neither their longed-for fruit should bear,

it is the Lord who rises with healing in his wings;
the theme of God's salvation and find it ever new;
who gives the lilies clothing will clothe his people, too;
though all the fields should wither, nor flocks nor herds be there,

when comforts are declining, he grants the soul again
set free from present sorrow, we cheerfully can say,
be beneath the spreading heavens no creature but is fed;
yet God the same abiding, his praise shall tune my voice;

a season of clear shining to cheer it after rain.
"Let the unknown tomorrow bring with it what it may."
and he who feeds the ravens will give his children bread.
for while in him confiding, I cannot but rejoice.
Lift High the Cross

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim

till all the world adore his sacred name.

Descant

1 Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
All newborn servants of the Crucified
O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
So shall our song of triumph ever be:

2 the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died.
your death has brought us life eternally.
praise to the Crucified for victory.
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| **Monday, March 25**  |
| 6:00 PM               |
| Diaconate             |
| 6:30 PM               |
| Joint Officers' Supper|
| 7:00 PM               |
| Session               |

| **Tuesday, March 26** |
| 11:30 AM              |
| Daytimers' Luncheon at Neo China |
| 12:00 – 12:30 PM      |
| Lenten Prayer Service |
| and Guided Meditation |
| (Sanctuary)           |
| 1:30 PM               |
| Plan Worship          |
| 2:30 PM               |
| FPC Staff             |
| 6:00 PM               |
| Finance and           |
| Investment Committee  |

| **Wednesday, March 27** |
| 5:00 PM                |
| Handbell Choir         |
| 7:00 PM                |
| Chancel Choir          |

| **Thursday, March 28** |
| 9:30 – 11:00 AM        |
| FPC preparing lunch    |
| bags at Durham Urban   |
| Ministry              |

| **Friday, March 29**   |
| 8:00 – 9:30 AM         |
| FPC Men at             |
| Nosh's Café for       |
| Breakfast &           |
| Conversation          |
| 12 Noon – 1:00 PM      |
| Lenten Study:          |
| "Jesus and the        |
| Disinherited"          |

| **Saturday, March 30**|
| 9:00 AM – Noon        |
| Landscaping and       |
| Gardening Workday     |
| 6:30 PM               |
| First Friends and     |
| Families Potluck at the home of Barbara Buckley & Scott Randell |

| **Sunday, March 31**  |
| 4th Sunday in Lent    |
| 9:45 AM               |
| Sunday School         |
| 11:00 AM              |
| Worship with Communion|
| **After Worship:**    |
| Reception for         |
| Confirmands, their    |
| mentors and families  |
| 12:15 – 12:45 PM      |
| Children's Choir      |
| 2:00 PM               |
| Worship and Communion at The Forest at Duke |
| 4:30 – 5:30 PM        |
| Scratch "Matthew"     |
| Study & Tea at        |
| Elizabeth Klinck's    |
| home                  |
| 4:30 – 6:30 PM        |
| Middle School Youth   |
| Group                 |
| 6:00 – 8:00 PM        |
| High School Youth     |
| Group                 |

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