



© 2022 Mason Armstrong

REIGN OF CHRIST

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA**

NOVEMBER 20, 2022

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Reign of Christ

November 20, 2022

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

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

*For those joining worship via live stream, please prepare your bread and cup before worship begins
so we might partake of the communion elements at the same time during today's service.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS John Weicher

PRELUDE *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation* Philip Moore

*OPENING SENTENCES (from Psalm 93:1-2) John Weicher

Leader: The Lord is king, robed in majesty;

People: **The Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength.**

Leader: The Lord has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

People: **Ever since the world began, God's throne has been established;**

All: **Lord, you are from everlasting to everlasting.**

*HYMN NO. 263 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* Coronation

*CONFESSION OF SIN John Weicher

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Righteous God,

you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all.

We confess that we have not bowed before him,

and are slow to acknowledge his rule.

We give allegiance to the powers of this world,

and fail to be governed by justice and love.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all,

that we may be loyal ambassadors,

obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*THE PEACE John Weicher

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Michael Honeycutt

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Please rise in body or in spirit.

**All: Sovereign God,
let your Word rule in our hearts and your Spirit govern our lives
until at last we see the fulfillment of your realm of justice and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

EPISTLE LESSON Colossians 1:11-20 (Pew Bible, NT page 200)
Leader: The Word of the Lord. Michael Honeycutt
People: Thanks be to God!

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON Isaiah 52:7-10 (Pew Bible, OT page 681)
Leader: The Word of the Lord. Mindy Douglas
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Beautiful Feet" Mindy Douglas

ANTHEM *How Lovely Are the Messengers* Felix Mendelssohn-Betholdy
*How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace!
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,
throughout all the lands their glad tidings.*

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN John Weicher

***THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** Stephen Davis Champion

Opening Sentences

Elder: On behalf of the Session, I present Stephen Davis Champion
to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Questions to the parent and grandparents:

Pastor: Megan, Lenore, Susan, and Marki, do you desire that Stephen be baptized?
Relying on God's grace, do you promise to teach that faith to him?

Parent: **We do.**

Questions to the gathered Children:

Pastor: Do you promise to be a friend to Stephen?
If he gets lost, will you help him find the way?
If he falls down, will you help pick him up?
Will you share with him 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 Stephen by word and deed,
with love and prayer, encouraging him 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**

The Apostles' Creed

Mindy Douglas

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

John Weicher

Baptism

Mindy Douglas

Anointing

John Weicher

Introduction

John Weicher

Presentation of Baptismal Quilt

Jean Cary

WELCOME SONG

God Welcomes All

Themba Amen

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends." The score includes a final double bar line at the end of the second line.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Invitation to Give

John Weicher

Offertory Anthem

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation

Cary Ratcliff

Phyllis Supple, piano

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation.

O my soul praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:

Join the great throng, psaltery, organ and song, sounding in glad adoration.

*Praise to the Lord: over all things he gloriously reigneth,
Who, as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen how all thou needest hath been
Granted in what he ordaineth?*

*Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy ways and defend thee.
Surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
Who with his love doth befriend thee.*

*Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me give praise and adore him.
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him.
Let the amen sound from this people again;
Gladly forever adore him.*

*Doxology with Alleluias

Lasst uns erfreuen

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; alleluia; alleluia;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Mindy Douglas

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Mindy Douglas, John Weicher

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 that we praise you Almighty God,
for you are without beginning and without end, the source of all that exists.
Out of the darkness of chaos you brought forth creation in its abundance
through your eternal Son, Christ our Lord.

Through him you created heaven and earth, and in him all things hold together in
love. With the thrones, dominions, rulers, and powers who live in joyful obedience
to Christ and with the angels and archangels and the hosts of heaven, we join in the
eternal song of praise:

All (sung):

Sanctus

Hymn No. 572

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Leader: Holy are you and blessed is your Son, Jesus Christ.
 He is the head of the church,
 through whom you were pleased to reconcile to yourself all things,
 whether on earth or in heaven.
 Through his death he destroyed death
 and through his resurrection and ascension
 he opened to all the way of your saving grace.
 Great is the mystery of faith:

All (sung): Hymn No. 573

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

Leader: Remembering his life and suffering, his resurrection and ascension,
 we offer our praise and thanksgiving for life with Christ.
 Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this meal,
 the bread of life and the cup of salvation.
 Make us the body of Christ for the world,
 a sign for your reign, which shall have no end.
 Through your Son, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit,
 all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

All (sung): Hymn No. 574

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

John Weicher, Mindy Douglas

***THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

*(The bread is gluten free. The elements were prepared in a gluten-free area.
Communion servers will sanitize their hands prior to distributing the elements.
As you are able, please come forward to receive the bread and cup.)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mindy Douglas

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
All: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, creator, and ruler of the universe,
for you have satisfied our souls with this feast of your grace.
Keep us faithful in your service until your realm of glory comes;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

***HYMN NO. 268**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Diademata

***BENEDICTION**

Mindy Douglas

***POSTLUDE**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation

John Becker



Welcome! Let us know you have joined us for worship by scanning this QR code. 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, sexual orientation, economic circumstance, and ability to participate fully in the life of the church. So that you may know who is sitting nearby, please sign the *Friendship pad*, pass it along the pew, and **then return it to the starting point**, noting the names of those sitting near you.

The Sacrament of Baptism is being celebrated for **Stephen Davis Champion** during worship today. Stephen is the son of **Megan Champion** and **Stephen Malcolm Davis**, and grandson of **Susan Buck, Lenore Champion, and Marki Watson.**

The *flowers* in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by *Virginia Horne and Parker Wethington* in celebration of their wedding which was held at FPC on November 19, 2022.

Hearing Assistance Receivers are available from the ushers. Before you leave the sanctuary, please turn off the receiver and place it in the specially marked receptacle by the door or return it to an usher. Receivers are sanitized after each use.

Childcare: A staffed nursery and children's playroom are available on the second floor of the education building during worship. **Activity bags** are available in the foyer for children.

Restroom locations: To the left and right as you exit the rear of the sanctuary; on the second floor of the education building; and on the first and second floors of the church house. There is an infant changing table in the restroom area located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Today's worship texts were taken from *Book of Common Worship* (2018) and *Feasting on the Word*.

Today's bulletin cover was created by *Mason Armstrong*.

~ JOYS AND CONCERNS ~

Birth Announcement: Congratulations to *Dan Hudgins and Ann McKown* on the birth of a granddaughter, *Cameron (Cam) Maya Brovember*. Her parents are *Blair and Ben Brovember* who live in New Jersey.

Condolences:

The love and concern of the congregation are extended to *Bruce and Ellie Meade* on the death of Bruce's mother. *Margaret Meade* passed away on November 14 in western New York.

Lesley Curtis, preparing for surgery.

Rebekah Jakel, recovering from surgery.

John Carter, brother of Conrad Carter

Paul Cornsweet Susan Cyr Kerry Holbrook Lee House Chris James

Jancy Johnstone George Kafula Mitzi Lesher-Thomas Franzi Rokoske Carol Wills

Care Communities

Croasdaile Pavilion: *Dub Gulley*

Dubose Center at The Cedars, Chapel Hill: *Arthur Clark*

Durham Ridge Assisted Living: *Phillip Herndon*

Hillcrest Convalescent: *Julian Boswell, Maxie Honeycutt, Jim Wolfe*

Family and Friends of the Congregation

Liz Block, cousin of Jane and Bill Brown

Robert Bloom, father of Tom Bloom

Bob, friend of Fred and Jo Ann Moore

Grace, Chris James' great-niece

Diane Lesman, friend of FPC

Karen Shelton, mother-in-law of Dawn Carsey Shelton

Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss

John Wakefield, cousin of Vernon Neece

A Hope-filled Tradition Continues

For over a decade, FPC, in concert with Human Kindness Foundation, has assured that every person on NC's Death Row receives the simple dignity of being remembered during the holy season of Advent and Christmas with a card. **On Monday, November 28, from 6:30 until done, you are invited to the Henry home (1407 Arbor St) to continue this quiet, hope-filled tradition.** There will be snacks, cider, and lots of paper and pens. Come help for as long as you are able. Contact [Beth Brockman](#) if you can come. 10-12 people are needed. There are currently 135 persons on NC's Death Row.

Advent Season at FPC!

November 27 – First Sunday of Advent

Worship – 11:00 a.m.

New members will be introduced during worship.

The **Sacrament of Baptism** will be celebrated for *Penelope Gunn*, daughter of *Candace Knotts and Benjamin Gunn*, and granddaughter of *Pam and Wilson Gunn*.
Special music by Gordon Campbell and Kent Foss.

December 4 - Second Sunday of Advent

Faith Formation Classes (all ages) – 9:45 a.m.

Worship - 11:00 a.m.

Guest soloist: Ginger Jones

A Service of Healing & Wholeness - 4:00 p.m.

December 11 - Third Sunday of Advent

Faith Formation Classes (all ages) – 9:45 a.m.

Worship - 11:00 a.m.

New members will be introduced during worship.

Christmas Pageant – 5:30 p.m.

Potluck Supper followed by a Sing-along – 6:00 p.m.

December 18 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

Faith Formation Classes (all ages) – 9:45 a.m.

Worship: A Service of Lessons and Carols – 11:00 a.m.

The Christmas Joy offering will be received during worship.

December 24 - Christmas Eve

Communion and Candle Lighting Service - 5:00 p.m.

An offering will be received for Iglesia Emanuel's Food Pantry and FPC's Walk-in Ministry.

December 25 - Christmas Day

No Faith Formation Classes

Worship with Communion - 11:00 a.m.

The *Hunger for Change Offering* will be received.

January 1- First Sunday after Christmas

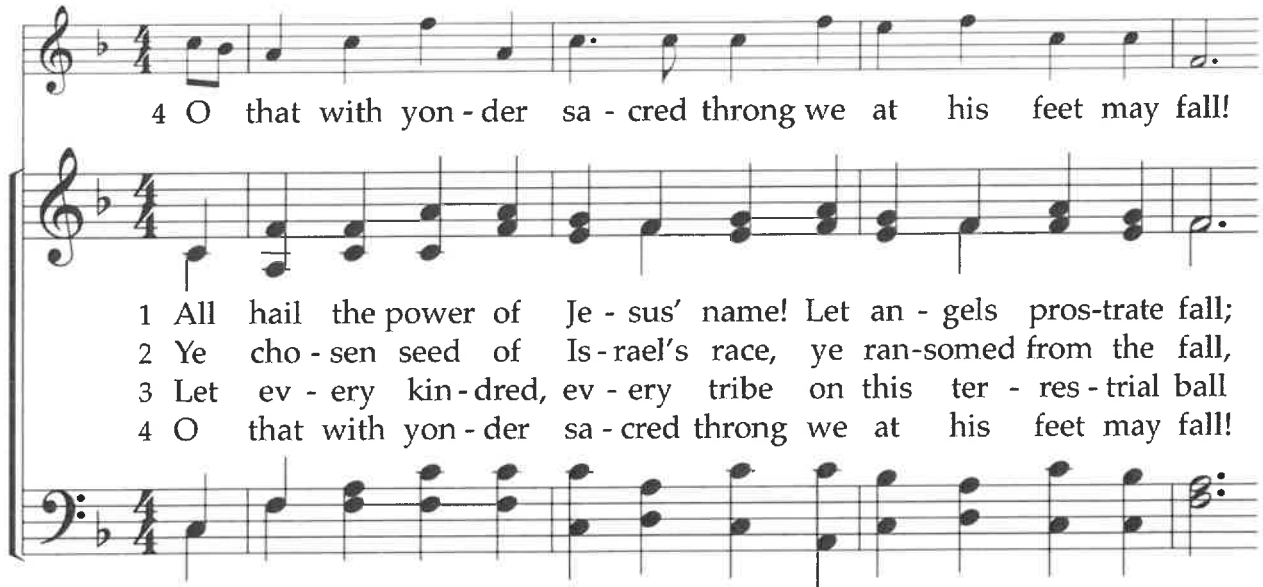
New Year's Day

No Faith Formation Classes

Worship – 11:00 a.m.

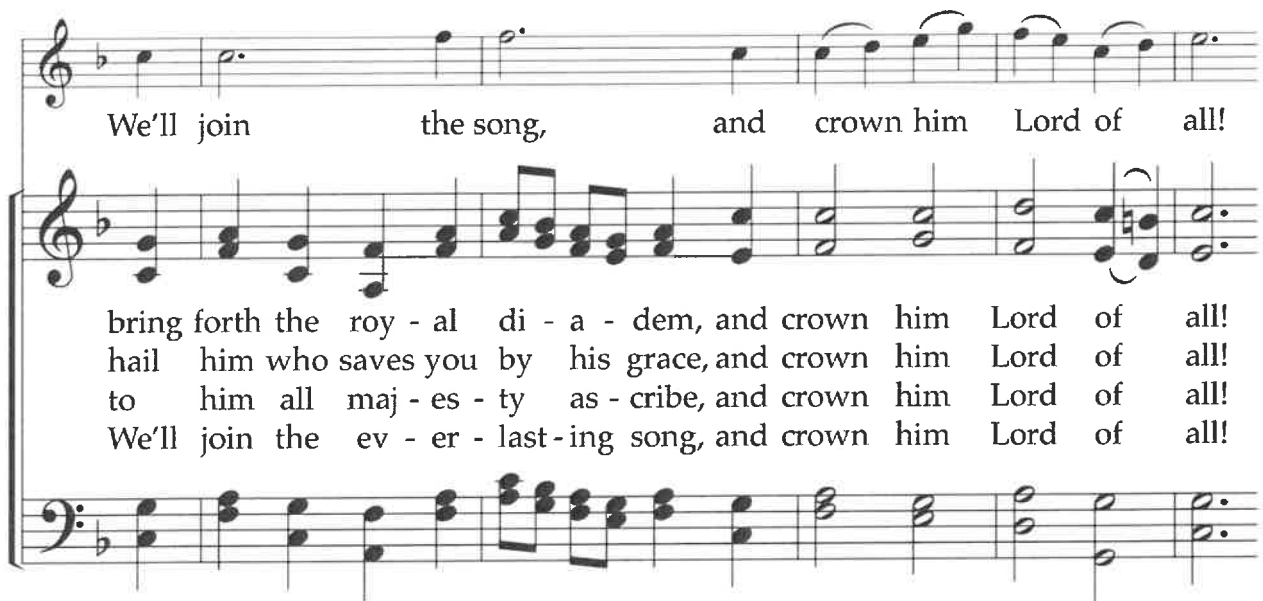
263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Descant



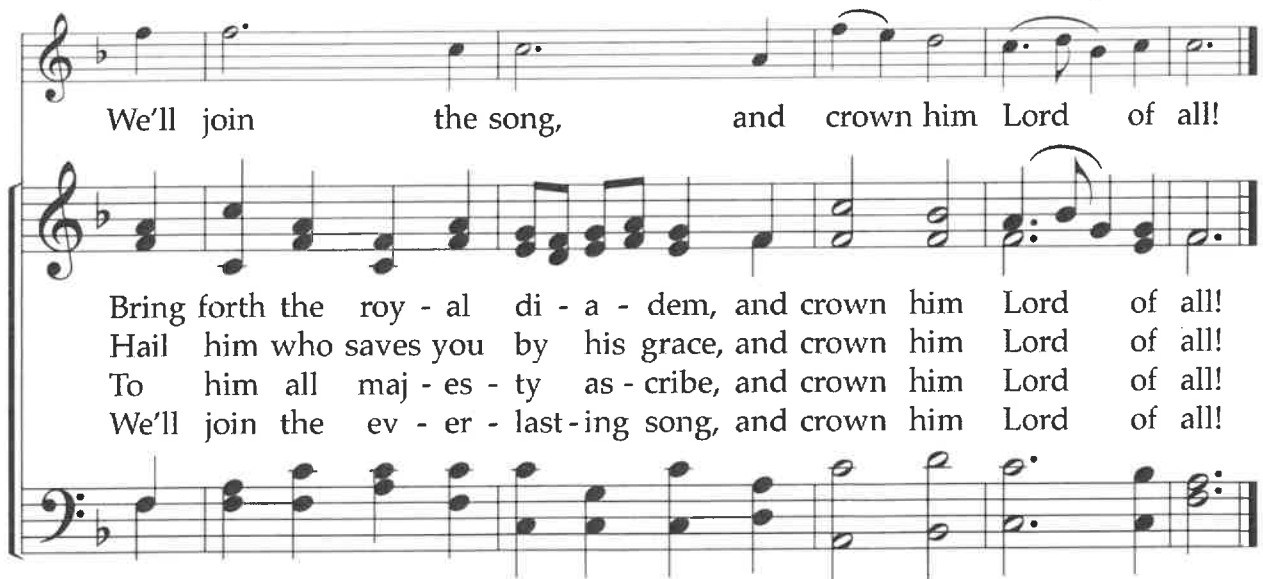
4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2 Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - somed from the fall,
3 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res - trial ball
4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!



We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all!



We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!

Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
To him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

Crown Him with Many Crowns 268



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
 3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - ter sways
 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time;



hark, how the heav-en-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.





A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 but down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 fair flowers of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.



<p>Later Today</p> <p>After Worship Advent Festival and Alternative Gifts Fair</p> <p>5:00-7:00 PM Youth Group</p> <p>8:00 PM MnMs Fellowship (via Zoom)</p>	<p>Monday, November 21</p> <p>9:00 AM-12 Noon Walk-in Ministry</p> <p>1:30 PM Plan Worship</p>	<p>Tuesday, November 22</p> <p>5:00 PM Finance Committee</p> <p>6:00 PM Tutoring Sessions at Iglesia Emanuel</p> <p>No Book Study</p>	<p>Wednesday, November 23</p> <p>No Book Study</p> <p>TBA Chancel Choir</p>
<p>Thursday, November 24</p> <p>Church office is closed.</p> 	<p>Friday, November 25</p> <p>Church office is closed.</p>	<p>Saturday, November 26</p>	<p>Sunday, November 27</p>  <p>9:45-10:45 AM Faith Formation classes for all ages</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship with Baptism New Members Welcomed</p> <p>12:15-1:15 PM Youth Group Lunch</p> <p>8:00 PM MnMs Fellowship (via Zoom)</p>

For more information about First Presbyterian Church, email the church office:
info@firstpres-durham.org or visit our website: <https://firstpres-durham.org>.

Tom Bloom, Business Administrator
Lenore Champion, Children's Ministry Director
Vernon Cooper, Sexton
Mindy Douglas, Pastor, Head of Staff
Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate
Omar Guess, Sunday Morning Sexton
Joseph Harvard, Pastor Emeritus



Amy Bowers Heit, Pastoral Associate
Sybil King, Administrative Assistant
Mitzi Leshner-Thomas, Associate Pastor (Medical Leave)
Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator
Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music
John Weicher, Associate Pastor

305 EAST MAIN STREET DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA 27701 919-682-5511 ORGANIZED 1871