

October 21, 2018 8:30 AM | 10:30 AM



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ROOTED IN SCRIPTURE, UNITED IN CHRIST, REACHING OUT IN FAITH

307 Gates Ave SE, Huntsville Alabama

First Presbyterian Church

October 21, 2018

WELCOME

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us!
Children are always welcome in the sanctuary, but if you prefer, child care is available for children, birth through kindergarten, in the education building.
Please, as you enter this holy space and time, silence your cell phones.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier* J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT (10:30) *You're Worthy of My Praise* David Ruis

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship you.

Many: We gather, alive to the Word of God.

One: You call us to be fully alive with your life abundant, ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.

Many: We listen, alive to the Word of God.

One: You call us to be always watchful for your Word of wisdom, sometimes startling and unexpected, sometimes still and quiet, but always dwelling among us.

Many: We watch and wait for the Word of God.

One: Come! Let us worship God!

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 305 *Come Sing, O Church in Joy* DARWALL

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

KYRIE *Lord, Have Mercy* Hal H. Hopson
FPC Bicentennial Commissioned Service Music
(printed inside the back cover of your hymnal)

Congregation: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Cantor/Choir: Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Sisters and brothers, God forgives us and strengthens us for love; therefore be at peace. Amen.

*HYMN 581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

***Those who are able, please stand.**

Worship is, first and foremost, a people's meeting with the God who has taken the initiative to gather the people. It is a gathering intended for no other purpose than to offer our praise, our thanksgiving, and even our lament, while trusting the Spirit to bring us into the presence of the risen Christ.

As we confess our sin together we turn away from all that keeps us from God and turn toward the life-giving gospel offered in Jesus Christ.

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE (8:30)

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES (10:30)

Kathy Gillmore

At this time all children will be invited to come to the chancel steps. Afterwards, parents of children KINDERGARTEN AND YOUNGER may then walk them to the nursery for sign-in to the child care program. 1ST GRADE AND UP should remain in the sanctuary with their parents.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:12-21, 24b-27

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

"A Simple Song" from *Mass*
Amelia Adams, soprano

Leonard Bernstein

*Sing God a simple song: Lauda, Laude...
Make it up as you go along: Lauda, Laude...
Sing like you like to sing. God loves all simple things,
For God is the simplest of all.
I will sing the Lord a new song.
To praise Him, to bless Him, to bless the Lord.
I will sing His praises while I live all of my days.
Blessed is the man who loves the Lord,
Blessed is the man who praises Him.
Lauda, Lauda, Laude, and walks in His ways.
I will lift up my eyes to the hills from whence comes my help.
I will lift up my voice to the Lord singing Lauda, Laude.
For the Lord is my shade, is the shade upon my right hand,
And the sun shall not smite me by day nor the moon by night.
Blessed is the man who loves the Lord, Lauda, Lauda, Laude,
And walks in His ways. Lauda, Lauda, Laude, Lauda, day... All of my days.*

SECOND LESSON

Luke 4:14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and

The Corinthians, to whom Paul writes this passage, have divided themselves not only around loyalty to certain leaders, and around social status, but also around spiritual gifts such as gifts for prophecy, speaking in tongues, performing miracles, and so on. Paul uses the metaphor of one body with many members to argue that everyone, regardless of specific giftedness, is indispensable to the whole.

recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Why FPCHSV?"

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

*Hymn 300

We Are One in the Spirit

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From *The Confession of 1967*

Wherever the church exists, its members are both gathered in corporate life and dispersed in society for the sake of mission in the world.

The church gathers to praise God, to hear his word for mankind, to baptize and to join in the Lord's Supper, to pray for and present the world to him in worship, to enjoy fellowship, to receive instruction, strength, and comfort, to order and organize its own corporate life, to be tested, renewed, and reformed, and to speak and act in the world's affairs as may be appropriate to the needs of the time.

The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or play, in private or in the life of society. Their prayer and Bible study are part of the church's worship and theological reflection. Their witness is the church's evangelism. Their daily action in the world is the church in mission to the world. The quality of their relation with other persons is the measure of the church's fidelity. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The pastor will begin praying and then invite the congregation to join in saying the Lord's Prayer together.

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

O Rest in the Lord

Felix Mendelssohn

Amelia Adams, soprano

*O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him
And He shall give thee thy heart's desires.
Commit thy way unto Him, and trust in Him
And fret not thyself because of evil doers.
O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him.*

*DOXOLOGY

OLD ONE HUNDRETH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

***Those who are able, please stand.**

When the Bible has been read, its message is proclaimed in a sermon. The God who speaks in scripture speaks to us now. The God who acted in biblical history acts today. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ is present in the sermon, offering grace and a calling for obedience. The worshipping body joins together in prayer for the Lord God to speak through the frail humanness of the minister.

NOTES



Join us next Sunday for
Commitment Sunday!

Bring your pledge cards and celebrate the abundance of our lives and the joy of being the church of Jesus Christ! We will dedicate our pledges to God and God's mission in our community and the world.

Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service, we will also have a **Called Congregational Meeting** for the purpose of electing new church officers. This, too, will be a celebration of those in our church who have answered God's call on their lives and are willing to serve as our leaders.

Need a pledge card or a stewardship booklet? Please see one of the ushers for this information.



First Presbyterian is a Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and a Stephen Ministry Congregation

We welcome you as a participant in worship today. We pray that you will find this service meaningful. Worship is but one of the many ministries of First Presbyterian Church.

Looking for a Church home? Please speak with an usher after the 8:30 service or the “Ask Me” person standing at the rear of the church after the 10:30 service, who this week is Karen Brown. Ms. Brown is available to answer questions about First Presbyterian Church, our programs, or finding locations within our building.

If you would like to receive our Weekly E-News, please call the church office at 256-536-3354, or send your name and email address to secretary@fpchsv.org.

The flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Stuart and Frank Wilson, Sr. by Frank Wilson, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Called Congregational Meeting for the purposes of receiving the report of the nominating committee and electing new church officers on Sunday, October 28, 2018, immediately following the 10:30 service.

THIS WEEK AT FPCHSV

Sunday, October 21, 2018

8:30 a.m. Worship Service/JAH
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/SAN
11:30 a.m. Confirmation Mentor Lunch/FH
11:30 a.m. Choir Event/GBH
11:30 a.m. Handbell Rehearsal/BR
5:00 p.m. PYC/FH
6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening Study Group/LIB

Monday, October 22, 2018

9:00 a.m. FF Preschool
9:30 a.m. FF Preschool Chapel/SAN
5:30 p.m. Share Cluster Meeting/LIB

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

9:00 a.m. FF Preschool
9:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting/LIB
9:30 a.m. Transformation Yoga Basic/CH
11:30 a.m. Transformation Yoga Gentle/CH
4:00 p.m. Bible Study/LIB & FH
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 633/GBH
6:30 p.m. HMC Rehearsal/CR

Wednesday, October 24, 2018

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study/FH
9:00 a.m. FF Preschool
1:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl/LIB
5:00 p.m. WNL Children and Youth
5:30 p.m. WNL Adults
6:30 p.m. WNL Dinner/FH
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice/CR

Thursday, October 25, 2018

9:00 a.m. FF Preschool
9:30 a.m. Transformation Yoga Basic/CH
11:15 a.m. FPC Prayer Group/LIB
11:30 a.m. Transformation Yoga Gentle/CH
12:15 p.m. Al-Anon/GBH

Friday, October 26, 2018

9:00 a.m. FF Preschool

Saturday, October 27

7:30 a.m. Early Christian Study Group/LIB
8:00 a.m. Workday at Presbyterian Home for Children

Sunday, October 28, 2018

8:30 a.m. Worship Service/JAH
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/SAN
11:30 a.m. Handbell Rehearsal/BR
5:00 p.m. Trunk-or-Treat/FH
6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening Study Group/LIB

Calendar Legend:

BR - Bell Room	GBH - Gideon Blackburn House
CH - Carriage House (GBH)	HR - Historical Room
CER - Christian Ed Resource upstairs	JAH - John Allan Hall (GBH)
CR - Choir Room	LIB - Library
FH - Fellowship Hall	SAN - Sanctuary
	SMR - Stephen Ministry Room

LEADERSHIP AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MINISTRY TEAM AND STAFF 256.536.3354

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger, *Senior Pastor*
seniorpastor@fpchsv.org Ext. 122

The Rev. Dr. James W. Roberts,
Parish Associate
parishassociate@fpchsv.org Ext. 127

Dr. Patricia Hacker, *Director of Music*
music@fpchsv.org Ext. 126

Dr. Lois K. Lee, *Organist/Pianist*

Louise McCallion, *Youth Director*
youth@fpchsv.org Ext. 131

Kathy Gillmore, *Director of Christian
Education*
dce@fpchsv.org Ext. 129

Lacey Guthrie, *First Friends Preschool
Director*
ffdirector@fpchsv.org Ext. 128

Ellen DeAngelo, *Finance Assistant*
finance@fpchsv.org Ext. 121

Gary Whited, *Facilities Coordinator*
facilities@fpchsv.org Ext. 136

Amber Stewart, *Secretary*
secretary@fpchsv.org Ext. 132

Alicia Walker, *Receptionist*
receptionist@fpchsv.org Ext. 130

Quentin Fitzpatrick, *Sexton*

Ruby Irvin, *Nursery Coordinator*

RULING ELDERS

CLASS OF 2018

Daniel Richerson Bryant
Doyle David Galloway
Victoria Fuller Goodwin
Louis Giles Horn, III
Horace Woodward Howard III
Karen Kolyer Madison
Robert Lull McKemie
Marshall Tufts Schreeder, Jr.

CLASS OF 2019

Mary Gamble Adams
Charles Howard Bozeman
Leigh Morrow Brown (Clerk of Session)
Brian Clayton
Charles Stephen Cornelius
Leslie Tanner Ecklund
Sheila Haynes Fogle
Amy Titus Stucky

DIACONATE

CLASS OF 2018

James Andrew Bevel
Annewhite Fuller
Sue Harper Garrison
Jesse Manuel Guthrie
Joseph Thomas Lundy, III
Benjamin Rudolph Peters
James Ryan Parker

CLASS OF 2019

Anne Baker Brigance
Bryce Gerald Connor
Stephanie Ferree Hyatt
Nancy Bass Lundy
Jane Alford McBride
Richard Worth Rawls, Jr.
Joe Edward Sparks

TRUSTEES

CLASS OF 2018

William Reeves Johnson

CLASS OF 2019

James Harry Daughtry
William Schley Lummus

CLASS OF 2020

Sara James Graves
John Andrew Watson, III

Presbyterian Women

Janis Ridout Williams, moderator



Join us next week in worship as we continue the sermon series *#whyfpchsv*. Next week we will look at *WhyHOPE?*

Are you on social media? We invite you to post the things you love about our church with the hashtag *#whyfpchsv*. Let our community know of our love for our church!

New! Children's Bulletin

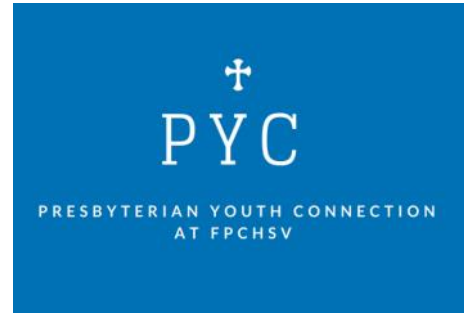
Children are encouraged to participate in a new program called **Worship Art**. A redesigned children's bulletin allows for space to "illustrate" the sermon and "doodle" prayers. These can be found as you enter the Sanctuary in special bags including crayons and pencils. Children of all ages should give it a try!



Back to School for College Students

We want to continue to provide care packages for our college students so that they know that their church family is thinking of them and praying for them.

Please send addresses of your college students to Vicky Goodwin at 623-330-5805 or goodwingoodwins@gmail.com.



October:

21st: PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm
(7-12) 6-7:30pm

28th: Trunk or Treat 5:00pm

November:

04th: PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm
(7-12) 6-7:30pm

11th: PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm
(7-12) 6-7:30pm

18th: No PYC

25th: PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm
(7-12) 6-7:30pm



CCLI # 1345744

Today we welcome Amelia Adams, soprano. Amelia is a native of Decatur, Alabama. She has lived in the Huntsville/Madison area for 18 years. Amelia attended David Lipscomb University and attained a bachelor's degree in Clinical Psychology and a minor in Vocal Performance. Amelia has performed with the Nashville Opera, Huntsville Opera, Ars Nova Opera, the UAH Opera, the Huntsville Community Chorus, Fantasy Children's Theater, Renaissance Theater, and performs currently with Huntsville Master Chorale. Amelia also is a regular soloist for St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Westminster Presbyterian Church, and St. Barnabas Episcopal Church.

Amelia is a Licensed Professional Counselor and has a private practice in Madison, AL

Announcing the FPC Concert Series 2018-2019

The first concert will be
Allanda Small, soprano
November 11, 3:00 p.m.
Gideon Blackburn House-John Allan Hall
See Information Board for details



Trunk or Treat!
Sunday, October 28
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Mark your calendar and make sure to invite your friends! Dress up in your Halloween costumes to "trunk or treat" in our parking lot, then enjoy dinner and a bounce slide!

Many thanks to the faithful who will be decorating their vehicles with a fun theme, donating candy, and cooking dinner for the hordes of monsters, ghosts, superheroes, and princesses who will enjoy this fun event!

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes will run during the Sunday School hour from January through April this year for all interested 7th grade and older youth. This Sunday, October 21, the adult mentors, chosen by each youth to walk with them during this journey of faith, will be honored with a lunch and workshop to introduce and bless their work together. They will read the book of Luke and do various projects together outside of class. Please pray for these young people and the adult mentors who are willing to devote the time and energy to guide and nurture their faith in this special way.

Shhhh! ...we still need just a few more secret prayer partners to hold the confirmands in prayer throughout the process. It would be nice if the prayer partner occasionally wrote secret notes of encouragement, too! The identities of the prayer partners will be revealed on Confirmation Sunday, April 21.

If you are interested in being confirmed or being a secret prayer partner, or if you have any questions, please contact Kathy Gillmore at: dce@fpchsv.org.



Mission of the Month - October
Presbyterian Home for Children

The Children's Home Challenge
Talladega, Alabama
Saturday, October 27
Leave the church at 8:00am
Return around 6:30pm
Transportation - Church bus
Sign up at the Bulletin Board

For more information, contact:
Nancy Lundy at nlundy@knology.net or
Karen Madison at karenmadison@comcast.net

The Presbyterian Home for Children, located in Talladega, AL, was established in 1868, initially as an orphanage. For the last 150 years they have provided for children in need and their families in a variety of ways. The PHfC is a 501©3 governed by a Board of Trustees elected in part by the three Presbyteries of Alabama. First Presbyterian Huntsville has a long relationship with the PHfC having had members serve on the board, sending volunteers down to work at the Home, many youth work trips, financial assistance, and hosting children from the Home at Maranatha.

The PHfC has several ministries currently:

- **Secure Dwellings** provides transitional housing for homeless children and their female caregivers, while assisting those caregivers towards becoming self-sufficient.
- **Transition to Adult Living** helps young women ages 19-24 with housing and group and individualized training to transition to independent living.
- **Moderate Residential Care** provides residential care for children with special behavioral or educational needs.
- **Hope Academy** and **Ascension Leadership Academy** provides educational services.
- **Family Bridges** provides intensive in-home services for families in need.

On October 27 we will travel to Talladega to help with their fundraiser, The Children's Home Challenge. This is a bike ride fundraiser with routes from 5 to 100 miles. We will man one of the rest stops, handing out food, water, and encouragement to the bike riders. This is an intergenerational event. Children 6th grade and up may come without a parent. Younger children may still participate if a parent comes as well. Our children and youth will also be making posters ahead of time to decorate our rest stop.

Prayer List

Church Members:

- Emily Butler
- Bob Coats
- Marlyn Harris
- J. R. Howard
- Kara Howard
- Billie Jones
- Cay Lambert
- Sage Lyons III
- Harper Grace Niedermeyer
- Sanders Pair
- Dolly Shuey
- Jo Stroud
- Bill Wahlheim
- Alsie Waller

Friends and Family:

- Merle Bass - Mother of Nancy Lundy
- Holly Bolton - Daughter-in-law of Bill and Miriam Bolton
- Colleen Bolton - Daughter-in-law of Bill and Miriam Bolton
- Athlea Burnham - Mother of Diane Roberts
- Cindy Coulter - Friend of Sheila, Katie, and Natalie Fogle
- Patricia Dunkin - Friend of Beverly Wills
- Stella Fair - Sister of David Galloway
- Susan Gillespie - Friend of FPC
- **Robert Guynes - Son of June and Buddy Guynes**
- Richard Hartley - Friend of Tam Bevel
- Donna Hester - Sister-in-law of Anne Peters
- Tina and James Hester - Parents of Anne Peters
- Houston Hodges - Friend of FPC
- Sherry Jackson - Cousin of Bryce Connor and Linda Howard
- Lydia Kimbrel, Daughter of Craig and Ashley Kimbrel - Friends of Nan McBride
- The John Leisenring Family - Bill and Miriam Bolton's daughter-in-law's family.
- Beverlee Leo - Mother of Lori Smith
- Luke Matthews - Uncle of Houston Matthews
- Kevin McCarley - Brother of Roy McCorkle
- Beth McCormick - Daughter-in-law of Susie McCormick Johnston
- Jeff Minatra - Friend of Houston Matthews
- Matt Rideout - Haiti Missionary
- Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely
- Scott Sedlitz - Stepson of Annwhite Fuller
- Patricia Smith - Mother of David Smith
- Christine Steenwyk - Daughter-in-law of Al Steenwyk

- Linda Tsuhlares - Family member of Causeys
- Patsy Verhoff - Sister of Jan Hooker
- J. L. Weldy - Father of Leigh Wermuth

Members and Relatives in Specialty Care:

- Elissa Green (Thrive Memory Care)
- Jeanette Hollis (Harbor Chase)
- Theresa Miller - this is her new address:
Sunrise at Huntcliffe Summit
8480 Roswell Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
678-461-1138
- Darwin Perkins (Redstone Village)
- Ray Rose (Diversicare of Big Springs)
- Marge Sharp (Birmingham).

The Church:

- The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger, and her family
- First Presbyterian Church, the Session, the Board of Deacons, the North Alabama Presbytery, and for all the church staff
- NAP seminary students Devon Reynolds (New Market), Sara Jane Bush Nixon (First, Athens), and Joe Lundy (First, Huntsville).

Military & International: All those serving in the armed forces.

Our Nation: President Trump and our representatives.

First Presbyterian Missions & Ministries:

- Appalachia Service Project (ASP)
- Good Samaritans
- International Missionary Fellowship (HaitiHospital.org)
- The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center
- The Presbyterian Home for Children
- Second Mile Preschool
- The CUP program
- Camp Maranatha
- Mission Aviation Fellowship

Other Prayers:

Let us remember all those who have suffered and continue to suffer from natural disasters, our Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program, and other benevolent agencies.

- ***Newest prayer requests are in bold print***
- ***To add or remove a prayer request, please contact the Receptionist***



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

307 GATES AVE SE,
HUNTSVILLE,
ALABAMA
256-536-3354
FPCHSV.ORG