

WELCOME VISITORS!

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.

Please remember to turn off all cell phones and pagers. Also please DO NOT take flash photographs during the services.

Please sign in: The red Friendship Folders will be passed during the offering.

Looking for a Church home? Please speak with Pastor Rosemary or the "Ask Me" person standing at the rear of the church.


Ushers serving this morning: 10:30 a.m.: Grace Stucky, Mike Hyatt, Frederick Wessel and Steven Clapp.

The flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God and loving memory of Catherine Boyd Johnson by her family

Liturgist Training this morning after the 10:30 a.m. service in the sanctuary.

Temple B'nai Sholom cordially invites you to the dedication of its Huntsville Jewish Heritage Center on Sunday, April 2, from 2:00-3:00 PM with a reception and Open House to follow.

Rev. Dr. Lee Hinson-Hasty, Senior Director of the PC(USA) Theological Education Funds Development Program, will be our guest preacher on April 2 at both services. To find out more about theological funding and the impact it makes on our denomination, as well as ways to support it, go to: <http://www.presbyterianfoundation.org/TEF>.

 The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be observed during the 10:30 a.m. worship this morning. Henry Vaughn Lucas is the son of Kimberly and Justin Lucas. Grandparents are Cary and John Ciocca; Cheryl and Andy Brown; Todd and Ann Lucas.



Sympathy of the Congregation is expressed to Charles Lind on the death of his father, John E. Lind, Jr. of Baltimore, MD. Charles' mailing address is 7068 Pale Dawn Place, Owens Cross Roads, AL 35763.

Sympathy of the Congregation is expressed to Bill Payne on the death of his mother, Carolyn Ann Acklin Payne. Bill's mailing address is 1206 Deborah Drive, Huntsville, AL 35801.

Sympathy of the Congregation is expressed to Elaine Stowe on the death of her father, Tom Wilson. Elaine's mailing address is 1100 Fraser Avenue, Huntsville, AL 35801.

Sympathy of the Congregation is expressed to Darlene Cooper on the death of her father, William Donald Horner. Darlene's mailing address is 120 Canoebrook Lane, Huntsville, AL 35806.

IN MEMORIAM

John Clark

September 19, 1928 - March 16, 2017

Martha Seawright

No information available



Sunday, April 9

Passion/Palm Sunday

8:30 a.m., John Allan Hall

10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

Thursday, April 13

Maundy Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

John Allan Hall

Friday, April 14

Good Friday, 7:00 p.m.

A Service of Darkness,

presented by the Chancel Choir

Sanctuary

Saturday, April 15

Easter Egg Hunt, 3:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 16

Resurrection of the Lord/Easter

8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

PW Pickle Party

Monday, March 27 & April 3, 2017

10:00 am - until finished

Fellowship Hall

You are invited to join the PW as we make sweet dill pickles to give to new members as a welcome gift.

Contact:

Patty Conley or Harriet Bibb for more information.

Come join us for fun, fellowship and a little work.



Congratulations to Betty and Ed Green on the March 19, 2017 birth of their granddaughter, Elizabeth DeNeale Brown (Nealy). Proud parents are Alice and McKnight Brown.



Housing Needed for New Youth Director!

The youth committee is excited to announce that through a partnership with CYMT, our church will soon have a new youth director! As part of the compensation, we need to provide housing. We are asking the congregation for leads on a small apartment/house that could be used for this. If you have any ideas or questions, please contact Nancy Lundy at nlundy@knology.net or 256-508-0339.



Youth and their families are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

Sunday, April 2: PYC will go see "Honk!" at Randolph at 2:30 pm. Contact Leigh Brown at lbrown8991@gmail.com to reserve a ticket.

Sunday, April 9: PYC will go see the "Little Mermaid" at HHS at 2:00 pm. More info to follow.



Many thanks to our worship leaders today: Shaun Hartwell, Emma Stowe, Vivian Moore, Margaret Buckner, Chase Berkey, Ethan Yeuell, Margaret Stucky, Natalie Fogle, Caroline Stucky, Grace Stucky, Alex Yi, Chelsea Owens, Celeste Owens, Lochlin Wessel, Mike Hyatt, Frederick Wessel, Battle Clayton, and Landers Clayton.

HOLY WEEK



Holy Week Music Schedule

Wednesday, April 12 - 7:00 PM

Chancel Choir rehearsal with brass (Easter)

Thursday, April 13 - 6:30 PM

Maundy Thursday Service at GBH

Chancel Choir rehearsal after the service

Friday, April 14 - 7:00 PM

A Service of Darkness, presented by the Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)

Sunday, April 16 - 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Easter Services (Sanctuary)

FPC MINISTRY TEAM

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In case of emergency please contact the church office at 256-536-3354, ext.132.



SUNDAY, March 26

ONE SERVICE ONLY

YOUTH SUNDAY

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:30 AM - Worship Service/SAN

11:30 AM - Youth Luncheon

11:30 AM - Liturgist Training/SAN

6:00 PM - Bible Study/LIB

MONDAY, March 27

9:00 AM - FF Preschool

4:30 PM - Evening Bible Study/LIB

5:30 PM - Stephen Ministry/SMR

TUESDAY, March 28

6:15 AM - Outback/GBH

9:00 AM - FF Preschool

9:30 AM - Transformational Yoga/CH

6:00 PM - HMC/CR

6:30 PM - Boy Scouts 633/GBH

WEDNESDAY, March 29

7:00 AM - Men's Bible Study/FH

9:00 AM - FF Preschool

9:15 AM - Wed. Morning Disciple 1/LIB

1:30 PM - Prayer Shawl Ministry/LIB

5:00 PM - WNL Children

5:30 PM - WNL Adults

6:20 PM - WNL Dinner/FH

7:15 PM - Chancel Choir rehearsal/CR

THURSDAY, March 30

9:00 AM - FF Preschool

9:00 AM - Thursday Morning Disciple 1/LIB

9:30 AM - Transformational Yoga/CH

11:15 AM - FPC Prayer Group/LIB

12:15 PM - AI-Anon/GBH

5:30 PM - Thursday Evening Disciple 1/LIB

FRIDAY, March 31

FF Preschool Closes at 11:00 AM

9:00 AM - FF Preschool

SATURDAY, April 1

7:30 AM - Early Christian Study Group/ LIB

SUNDAY, April 2

HOLY COMMUNION

GUEST PASTOR

8:30 AM - Worship Service/JAH

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:30 AM - Worship Service/SAN

11:30 AM - Handbell Rehearsal/BR

6:00 PM - Bible Study/LIB



Lectionary Readings
April 2, 2017

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45

Calendar Legend:

BR - Bell Room

CH - Carriage House (GBH)

CER - Christian Ed Resource upstairs

CR - Choir Room

FH - Fellowship Hall

GBH - Gideon Blackburn House

HR - Historical Room

JAH - John Allan Hall (GBH)

LIB - Library

SAN - Sanctuary

SMR - Stephen Ministry Room (GBH)

First Presbyterian Church

Founded June 15, 1818



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 26, 2017

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

OUR VISION STATEMENT:

We seek to be a Church United in Christ,
Scripturally Based, and
a Compassionate Community of Faith.

(The worship service is broadcast over WLOR AM 1550 or FM 98.1)

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and a Stephen Ministry Congregation

Assemble in God's Name

With the chiming of the bell, we quietly and prayerfully prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

Chiming of the Bell Westminster Ringers

Prelude *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* J. S. Bach
Chelsea Owens, flute

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Rosemary McMahan

***Call to Worship** Margaret Stucky

Leader: God does not see as mortals see.
We look on the outward appearance;
God looks on the heart.

People: *Jesus, Light of the World,*
give us eyes to see as you see!

Leader: Once we lived in darkness, but now
as children of light, we are called
to what is good and right and true.

People: *Jesus, Light of the World,*
give us eyes to see as you see!

***Opening Prayer** Margaret Stucky

***Opening Hymn 826** *Lift High the Cross* CRUCIFER

Prayer of Confession Mike Hyatt

Gracious God, we are people who still love darkness rather than light. We keep fear on hand, allowing fear to guide us, forgetting you have told us not to be afraid. Forgive us, we pray. Bring us into your light that we may see ourselves rightly. Bring us into your light that we may know ourselves loved. Bring us into your light that we may live more fruitful lives. Keep raising us, we pray, from the deadness of sin, and shine upon us with your grace. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ the light of the world. Hear now our silent confession...

Kyrie *Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us* KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us, (3 times)
Christ, have mercy upon us, (3 times)
Lord, have mercy upon us. (3 times)

Assurance of Pardon Lochlin Wessel

***Hymn 39** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer of Illumination Caroline Stucky

First Lesson - Ephesians 5: 8-14
Caroline Stucky
pew Bible, NT, pg. 194
pew Bible (large print), NT, pg. 237

Anthem *Moses and Daniel* arr. Sally K. Albrecht
Youth Choir

**Stand as you are able.*

Time for Young Disciples Shaun Hartwell

At this time all children will be invited to come to the chancel steps. Children ages KINDERGARTEN AND YOUNGER are dismissed to the nursery. FIRST GRADE AND UP should remain in the sanctuary with parents.

Second Lesson - Psalm 23
Natalie Fogle
pew Bible, OT, pg. 501
pew Bible (large print), OT, pg. 617

Sermon "Overcoming Fear" Ethan Yeuell

Respond To God's Word

***Hymn 450** *Be Though My Vision* SLANE

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed (*Traditional*) Battle Clayton

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.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism Rev. Rosemary McMahan

Prayers of the People Alex Yi

The Lord's Prayer Hymnal pg.35

The Youth Choir will lead The Lord's Prayer incorporating sign language.

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 God's Tithes and Our Offerings Chase Berkey

Offertory *Multiplied* Bear and Bo Rinehart
Youth Choir

***Doxology** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD ONE HUNDREDTH
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. Amen.

***Offertory Prayer** Celeste Owens

***Closing Hymn 80** *You Shall Go Out with Joy* THE TREES OF THE FIELD

***Benediction** Emma Stowe

***Postlude** *Postlude Flue Duet* Traditional
Chelsea and Stacy Owens, flute

AND NOW WE INVOKE OUR MISSION STATEMENT AS WE LEAVE:
Having been drawn into Community and nurtured by God's Word, we are called into the world.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members: Anne Boles, **Marlyn Harris**, David Hatch, J. R. Howard, Kara Howard, Sharon Hudson, Mamie Jones, Cay Lambert, Lorinne Lilly, Sage Lyons, III, Bonnie Morris, and Sanders Pair.

Friends & Relatives: **Judith Fields - Jan and Bob McKemie;** Robin Freisen - Friend of the Wessel Family; Lendon Hoffmeyer - Great-Grandson of Betty Thompson; Marilyn and Les Holt - Friends of Frank Contreras; Cecil Hurt - Brother-in-law of Jeanette Hollis; Beverlee Leo - Mother of Lori Smith; Margaret Linn - Mother of Melissa Jones; Markes Little - Brother of Peggy Galloway; Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely; Patricia Smith - Mother of David Smith; Tent City - Friends of Carol Cotney.

Members and Relatives in Specialty Care: Annabell Aust (Regency Village); Lorinne Lilly (Magnolia Cottage); Darwin Perkins (Brookdale Place); Ray Rose (Diversicare of Big Springs); Virginia Rowe (Whitesburg Gardens); Marge Sharp (Birmingham).

The Church: The Pastor Nominating Committee; First Presbyterian Church, the Session, the North Alabama Presbytery, and our new Director of Youth Ministry.

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; The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center; The Presbyterian Home for Children; Second Mile Preschool, Kids to Love, and the CUP program.

TO ADD NAMES TO THE PRAYER REQUEST FOR SIX WEEKS, please call or email Cynde Tannehill, Pastor's Secretary, or use the Prayer and Care page by printing your prayer request and placing it in the offering plate. **Prayer requests only remain on the list for SIX WEEKS unless you contact Cynde at the church office.** If you know of someone who is in the hospital or need to inform the church of a death in your family, you may also contact Cynde Tannehill. Thank you!



HAITI MISSION LUNCHEON/PROGRAM

**APRIL 2, 2017
11:30 AM**

FELLOWSHIP HALL

Gather and Share clusters are sponsoring a luncheon for our Haiti mission partners, Matt and Sarah Rideout, who will be visiting us on Sunday April 2. The Rideouts have recently begun serving a new hospital-focused ministry in Bombard, a very rural region about 100 miles from Port Au Prince. Please join us for an informational and fundraising luncheon at FPC on Sunday, April 2 after the 10:30 service. Anne Peters is preparing chicken pot pie, coleslaw, and carrot cake. Please sign up on the bulletin board to attend the luncheon: the cost is \$5 for adults and children are free.

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