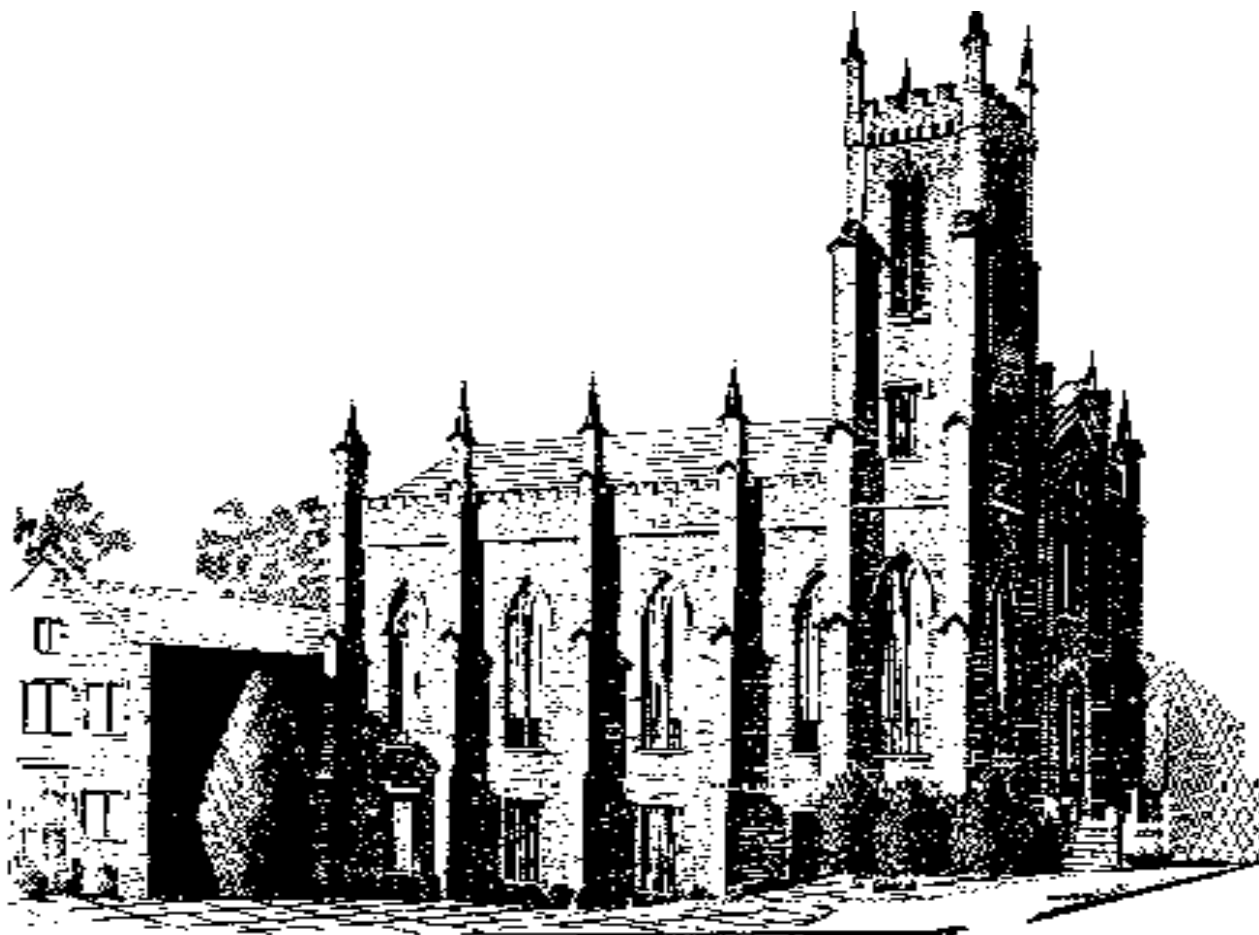


June 24, 2018 | 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

307 Gates Ave SE, Huntsville Alabama

First Presbyterian Church

June 24, 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 pre-K, 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 (8:30) *This is My Father's World* arr. Franklin L. Sheppard
(10:30) *Meditation* Robert Cundick

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Bless the Lord who counsels and guides us.

Many: Because we keep the Lord ever before us, we shall not be moved.

One: Rejoice! Let your hearts be glad! Let your spirits rejoice and your bodies rest secure.

Many: For God does not give us up to death, but shows us the path of life.

One: Come! Let us worship God!

*OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN 35 *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of grace, all around us is unrest and often we are afraid for ourselves and our world. We follow after false leaders and grasp for whatever security we can find. Forgive us, Lord, for we are quick to forget that all of life is in your hands. Renew our hope, increase our courage, and keep us watchful for the signs of your just and peaceful reign that is to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy
FPC Bicentennial Commissioned Service Music
(printed inside the back cover of your hymnal)

Hal H. Hopson

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: This is the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Many: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*HYMN 39

Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

*The Passing of the Peace (8:30)

One: The peace of the Lord be with you. **Many: And also with you.**

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

The People are called to worship God. Words from scripture are spoken or sung to proclaim who God is and what God has done. We are thus reminded that our worship centers in God and not in ourselves.

As Christians we acknowledge that we are both forgiven and forgiving. When we repent and turn our sins over to God we are strengthened to go from this service and forgive those who sin against us.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
I say to the Lord, 'You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you.'
As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble,
in whom is all my delight.
Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;
their drink-offerings of blood I will not pour out
or take their names upon my lips.
The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;
you hold my lot.
The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
I have a goodly heritage.
I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.
I keep the Lord always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.
Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;
my body also rests secure.
For you do not give me up to Sheol,
or let your faithful one see the Pit.
You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Minuet, Movement 1

W. A. Mozart

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES (10:30)

Katie Fogle

SECOND LESSON

Daniel 3:21-30

So the men were bound, still wearing their tunics, their trousers, their hats, and their other garments, and they were thrown into the furnace of blazing fire. Because the king's command was urgent and the furnace was so overheated, the raging flames killed the men who lifted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. But the three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down, bound, into the furnace of blazing fire.

Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up quickly. He said to his counsellors, 'Was it not three men that we threw bound into the fire?' They answered the king, 'True, O king.' He replied, 'But I see four men unbound, walking in the middle of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the fourth has the appearance of a god.' Nebuchadnezzar then approached the door of the furnace of blazing fire and said, 'Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!' So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out from the fire.

And the satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the king's counsellors gathered together and saw that the fire had not had any power over the bodies of those men; the hair of their heads was not singed, their tunics were not harmed, and not even the smell of fire came from them. Nebuchadnezzar said, 'Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and delivered his servants who trusted in him. They disobeyed the king's command and yielded up their bodies rather than serve and worship any god except their own God. Therefore I make a decree: Any peo-

In the prayer for illumination, we ask that the Holy Spirit open our minds and hearts to God's word. John Calvin introduced the prayer of illumination preceding the reading of scripture and the preaching of the Word.

ple, nation, or language that utters blasphemy against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb, and their houses laid in ruins; for there is no other god who is able to deliver in this way.' Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the province of Babylon.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *"Finding Ourselves in the Story"*
The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

*Hymn 848

Trust in God

SONG 13

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (10:30)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(The minister will begin praying and then invite you to join together in saying the Lord's prayer.)

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

Minuet, Movement 2

W. A. Mozart

*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

SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD

*HYMN 817

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

DUNLAP'S CREEK

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

(8:30) *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

arr. Melody Bober

(10:30) *Fugue on a Theme of Beethoven*

Michael Joseph

As our time of worship comes to an end, our time of service begins.

The offering in worship is a corporate act of self-dedication. It expresses thanksgiving to God, the giver of life and all goods, the redeemer from sin and evil and the sustainer of all life.

LEADERSHIP AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastors

The Reverend Dr. Tara W. Bulger
The Reverend Dr. James W. Roberts

Music

Linda McAllister, Worship Leader
Jan McKemie, piano/organ
Chelsea Owens, flute

Ushers

Bob McKemie (8:30)
Nancy Lundy (10:30)
Dag Rowe
Melissa Rowe

The flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ms. Margarete Chapman, Peepers teacher, and in honor of Tam Bevel, Preschool teacher, given with love by an old Peeper and friend.

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

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Janis Ridout Williams, moderator

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Hannon, Ryann and Brian, Bulger

Mark, Alissa, Mason and Coleman
Mackiewicz

Bill Nickoloff and Jan Williams

Jeff and Ramon Perkins

Steve and Gina Stephens

Julie Trainosky

Charlie and Carol Watkins



UPCOMING EVENTS

Transformation Yoga will not meet during the week of Vacation Bible School. Classes will resume, Tuesday, July 3. Basic Level is at 9:30 and Gentle Level is at 11:30.

Beginning July 1 through July 29, there will be only one service each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. The 8:30 a.m. service will resume on Sunday, August 5.

The Ordinance of Holy Communion will be observed during the 10:30 service, July 1.

The church office will be closed Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Visit our website to view the calendar:
fpchsv.org



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Many thanks to Linda McAllister and Jan McKemie for leading in worship today and to Chelsea Owens for sharing her music.

Our church has been invited to participate in Festival Corale Internazionale Di Roma in Italy with Z. Randall Stroope June 20th-29th, 2019. If you would like to be part of this memorable experience, contact Dr. Hacker for more details.

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 Vicky Goodwin. Mrs. Goodwin 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*.

Bicentennial T-shirts will be available for pick-up today in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday school hour and after the 10:30 worship service.



Vacation Bible School
ROLLING RIVER RAMPAGE!
June 25-28, 9:00-12:00

Join us today at 1:30 as we decorate the Fellowship Hall in preparation for this week's adventure.

Please pray for our VBS, our teachers, volunteers, and staff as we minister to over 64 children who have already registered.



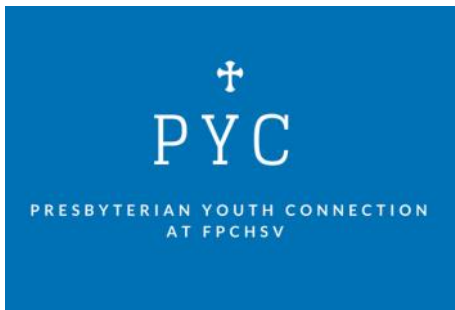
FPCHSV Family Fellowship Camp
at Camp Maranatha
August 17-19, 2018

Family Camp is a time for fun and fellowship together! We will meet at Camp Maranatha and have time for boating, canoeing, swimming, climbing on the rock wall, zip-lining and more! We will have meals together, Smores on Saturday night and worship on Sunday morning.

The cost is \$125 per family (room) in hotel style accommodations; \$10 per family, per day, if you want to just come for the day.

The fun begins Friday night at 6 p.m.

Questions? Ready to sign-up? Contact the church office! You can also sign-up on the bulletin board downstairs. Deadline to register and payments are due by July 22, 2018.



June:

24th - PYC @ 5-7pm

28th-Lunch at noon

July:

No Sunday School in July

1st: PYC @ 5-7 pm

2nd: Mission Monday at 9 am

8th: PYC @ 5-7 pm

11th: Outdoor Games 6-7:30 pm

13th: Art Walk 5-7 pm

15th: PYC @ 5-7 pm

15th-21st: GenOn Conference

22nd: NO PYC

26th: Top Golf @ 10 am

28th-29th: Camping Trip, No PYC

August:

1st: Escape Room @ 3pm

3rd: Movie on the Lawn @ 6pm

5th: No Sunday School, PYC @ 5-7 pm

10th: Art Walk 5-7 pm

12th: Rally Day and Fall Kick-off

17th-19th: Family Camp at Camp Fellowship

19th: PYC @ 5-7 pm

26th: PYC @ 5-7 pm

Good Samaritans of Huntsville

During the month of June our mission focus has been Good Samaritans of Huntsville. Good Samaritans is a non-profit organization providing help and hope for the homeless and less fortunate to become more self-sufficient. This month our church has made meals for this ministry and sponsored a laundry day for its clients. You may still help by donating the following:

bug spray, sunscreen, collapsible water bottles, UV sunglasses, hats, foot powder, anti-fungal cream, socks, over the counter medications such as allergy medications and Mucinex, \$5 and \$10 gift cards to McDonald's, Burger King and Dairy Queen, deodorant and small packages of baby wipes. Our friends that this organization serve often walk around with almost all of their possessions, so smaller sizes work better.

Donations can be dropped off in the alcove across from the Information Board.

You may also donate money. Just designate your gift to Good Samaritan and put it in the offering plate. Checks may be made out to our church and we will send it directly to the organization.

**Thank you for supporting
Good Samaritans!
Your generosity makes a difference!**

NOTES

Prayer Requests for Week of June 24, 2018

Church Members:

- Ann Allen
- Anne Boles
- Emily Butler
- **Reese Butler**
- Marlyn Harris
- David Hatch
- J. R. Howard
- Kara Howard
- Billie Jones
- Cay Lambert
- Sage Lyons III
- **Theresa Miller—Theresa is moving to an assisted living facility closer to her son. This will be her new address:**

**Sunrise at Huntcliffe Summit
8480 Roswell Road
Sandy Springs, GA 30350**

- Harper Grace Niedermeyer
- Sanders Pair
- Dolly Shuey
- Ed Walker
- Alsie Waller

Friends and Family:

- **Merle Bass - Mother of Nancy Lundy**
- Colleen Bolton - Daughter-in-law of Bill and Miriam Bolton
- Becky DeWees - Sister of Tish Hammer
- Dunar Family - Friends FPC Choir Member
- Patricia Dunkin - Friend of Beverly Wills
- Stella Fair - Sister of David Galloway
- Susan Gillespie - Friend of FPC
- 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
- Lydia Kimbrel, daughter of Craig and Ashley Kimbrel - Friends of Nan McBride
- Mary Harmon Lankford - Great Granddaughter of Mary Edith Thompson
- **The John Leisenring Family - Bill and Miriam Bolton's daughter-in-law's family.**
- Beverlee Leo - Mother of Lori Smith
- Kevin McCarley - Brother of Roy McCorkle
- **Beth McCormick - Daughter-in-law of Susie McCormick.**
- **Jeff Minatra - Friend of Houston Matthews**
- Lucia Miree - Daughter of Reggie and Dot Miree, Sister of Marian Bevel
- Ann Mullin - Mother of Truett Fink
- Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely
- Scott Sedlitz - Stepson of Annwhite Fuller
- Fred Stucky, Jr. - Father of Fred Stucky
- Linda Tsuhlares - Family Member of Causeys

Members and Relatives in Specialty Care:

- Elissa Green (Brookdale Hampton Cove)
- Jeanette Hollis (Harbor Chase)
- 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) and Sara Jane Bush Nixon (First, Athens).

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
- Kids to Love
- The CUP program.

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.*



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