

July 22, 2018 | 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

July 22, 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 *Nocturne On Fairest Lord Jesus* arr. Johnson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Blessed be the Lord God,

Many: for God has looked favorably on God's people and redeemed them.

One: Blessed be the Lord God,

Many: for God has called us God's own beloved and called each of us by name.

One: Blessed be the Lord God,

Many: for God has blessed God's creation and called us to worship.

One: Blessed be the Lord God! Let us worship together!

*OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN 14 *For the Beauty of the Earth* DIX
(verses 1, 3, 4, 5)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for sending us Jesus Christ in your name. Even though we profess to follow him, we confess that in times of trial we too often deny him. Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Help us to put our faith not in the princes of this world, but only in the Prince of Peace. In Jesus' name we pray. 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.

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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 581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

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

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

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

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Sonata No. 9, Minuet

G. F. Handel

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Karen Madison

SECOND LESSON

Luke 23:50-56

Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Honoring The Body"
The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

*Hymn 213

In the Cross of Christ I Glory
(verses 1, 4, 5)

RATHBUN

When the Bible has been read, its message is proclaimed in a sermon or other form of exposition of God's Word. 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 calling for obedience. The proclamation of God's Word in scripture and sermon invites a response of faith. We respond in song, affirmation of faith, prayer, and offering.

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From A Declaration of Faith

The Declaration of Faith was written by a group of theologians and lay leaders over the course of many years and sought to relay theological propositions in contemporary and accessible language. It was adopted as a statement of faith of our denomination in 1985.

We worship God in the world by standing before the Lord in behalf of all people. Our cries for help and our songs of praise are never for ourselves alone. Worship is no retreat from the world; it is part of our mission. We serve humankind by discerning what God is doing in the world and joining him in his work. We risk disagreement and error when we try to say what God is doing here and now. But we find guidance in God's deeds in the past and his promises for the future, as they are witnessed to in Scripture. Thanks be to God for our common calling as the Church. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(The pastor will begin praying then invite the congregation to join 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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Sonata No. 9, Grave

G. F. Handel

*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 816 *If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee* WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

You Are My Strength When I Am Weak

Fawcett and Thring

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

NOTES

LEADERSHIP AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastors

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

Music

Stacy Owens, Worship Leader
David Jones, organ
Stacy Owens, flute

Liturgist

Alex Yi

Ushers

Anne Brigance
Mary Margaret Cofield
Dag Rowe
Melissa Rowe

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
Annwhite 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

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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 the “Ask Me” person standing at the rear of the church after the 10:30 service, who this week is Patty Conley. Ms. Conley 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 memory of Roderick Kolyer by Doug Madison and Karen Kolyer Madison.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sympathy of the Congregation is expressed to the Rev. Dr. James Roberts and wife, Diane, on the passing of Dr. Roberts' brother, Bernard C. "Sonny" Roberts.

The Roberts' mailing address is:
4511 Tree Ridge Circle
Owens Cross Road, AL 35763

Transformation Yoga will be cancelled for the next three weeks beginning this Tuesday, July 24. Classes will resume Tuesday, August 14.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, July 22, 2018

No Sunday School
9:15 a.m. Seminar Class/Classroom C
One Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Monday, July 23, 2018

9:00 a.m. PW Pickle Party/FH
5:30 p.m. Share Cluster Meeting/LIB
5:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry/SMR

Tuesday, July 24, 2018

4:00 p.m. Bible Study/LIB & FH
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 633

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

4:30 p.m. BIC Meeting/LIB
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice/CR

Thursday, July 26, 2018

10:00 a.m. PYC Top Golf
11:15 a.m. Prayer Group/GBH
12:15 p.m. Al-Anon/GBH

Saturday, July 28, 2018

PYC Camping Trip

Sunday, July 29, 2018

PYC Camping Trip
No Sunday School
9:15 a.m. Seminar Class/Classroom C
One Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m. Welcome Team Meeting/LIB
5:00 p.m. No PYC

Visit our website to view the calendar:
fpchsv.org

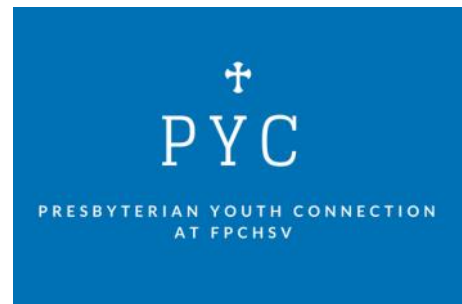


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Many thanks to Stacy Owens and David Jones for leading in worship today and to Stacy Owens for sharing her music.

The Chancel Choir resumes practice this Wednesday night at 7:15 in the choir room. Come and join us!

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.



July:

22nd: NO PYC

26th: Top Golf @ 10 am

28th-29th: Camping Trip, NO PYC

31st: Second Mile Preschool "Operation Fence!" @ 3 pm; pizza dinner afterwards

August:

1st: Escape Room @ 3pm

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

10th: Art Walk @ 5-7 pm

12th: Rally Day and Fall Kick-off

17th-19th: Fellowship Camp at Camp Maranatha

19th: PYC @ 5-7 pm

26th: PYC @ 5-7 pm



**A message from Kathy Gillmore,
Director of Christian Education**

Greetings, First Presbyterian Church!

I am looking forward to getting to know you and serving with you as we nurture one another's faith. In order to meet the educational needs of this wonderful congregation I would like to hear from you.

One of my first, and rather immediate, needs is to get to know the children and youth as our education year begins with Rally Day on August 12. If you have children and youth, would you please follow this link to a short information gathering form on-line?

<https://goo.gl/forms/Ip1qcQzJfG67wRYY2>

May God bless our teaching and learning!

Kathy



***Ice Cream Social
Wednesday, August 1 at 6:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall***

A dinner of hamburgers/hot dogs and fixings will be provided, followed by ice cream and desserts. So bring your favorite homemade ice cream or dessert to share!

Please sign up at the bulletin board so we know how many to plan for.

***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 at the bulletin board downstairs.

Deadline to register and pay is today!



Haiti Mission Trip

Our next mission trip to Haiti is planned for

October 11 - October 20, 2018

Cost is \$1650 per person

We have three slots still open. If you are interested in joining this very worthwhile adventure, please contact either:

Bo Lundy
jlundyjr@knology.net
256-426-6111

or

Nancy Lundy
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First Presbyterian Church supports a variety of international missions every year through our budgeted giving to The Outreach Foundation. Our church's missional focus this month is on these international missions. Each week in July you will find information about one of the many programs we currently support. Please pray for these organizations and all who work for them, as well as the people they serve. These are some of the places around the world where our church is currently making an impact.

Syria Mission Outreach and Projects

There are currently over seven million internally displaced persons (IDPs) within Syria and over four million Syrian refugees who have left their country, due to the ongoing civil war. The Outreach Foundation (TOF) supports a variety of projects to minister to both IDPs and refugees. TOF supports The Synod of Syria and Lebanon by assisting church families, IDPs and refugees with basic needs: food, medicine, heating fuel and alternative housing, where needed. It also supports many ministries of those churches: their outreach to displaced and traumatized fellow-citizens who have sought refuge in their cities, a kindergarten, a reconciliation program for teens, a conference for university students, transportation for the elderly to come to church, and scholarships for Syrian seminary students. All are examples of the resilience of the Church and its commitment to remain and be "salt and light." With war raging around them, 18 Syrian Presbyterian congregations still require assistance for life's basic needs and to facilitate their ministries. This consistent, generous and faithful giving of over 400 churches and individuals has brought both tremendous hope and encouragement. FPC continues to be an active and vital partner in TOF's support of our Presbyterian-family-of-faith in Syria during this difficult time.

Prayer Requests

Church Members:

- Ann Allen
- Anne Boles
- Emily Butler
- Jack Connor
- Marlyn Harris
- David Hatch
- J. R. Howard
- Kara Howard
- Billie Jones
- Cay Lambert
- Sage Lyons III
- **Jan McKemie**
- Harper Grace Niedermeyer
- Sanders Pair
- Dolly Shuey
- Alsie Waller

Friends and Family:

- Merle Bass - Mother of Nancy Lundy
- **Danny Blain - Nephew of Morris Hammer**
- 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
- Becky DeWees - Sister of Tish Hammer
- Dunar Family - Friends of 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
- 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:

- Reese Butler (Redstone Village)
- Elissa Green (Brookdale Hampton Cove)
- 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) 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.*
- *To add or remove a prayer request, please contact the Receptionist*



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