



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

HUNTSVILLE, AL

307 Gates Avenue SE, Huntsville AL 35801

Welcome to FPC!

A Note From the Pastor

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that it is almost September! As the temperatures begin to cool (hopefully) and football begins, the church is also entering into a busy time of year. Our Wednesday Nite Live program begins on September 12 and we have lots of fun new Christian education opportunities, thanks to Kathy Gillmore.

There are also a few changes. Our church bylaws state that we should hold a congregational meeting in August of each year, to coincide with the nomination of new officers. That meeting will not happen until September this year. That is completely my fault as I did not give the nominating committee adequate time to prepare. I look forward to that meeting though, as I am excited about the new officers who are being chosen and because we will be electing an associate pastor search committee.

Also, the Rev. Dr. Jim Roberts has graciously agreed to transition into our parish associate beginning September 1. As parish associate, Jim will coordinate our pastoral care and lead us in worship occasionally. He will continue to be an important part of our community and I am so glad to continue to serve alongside him.

It is going to be a great season of learning, worship, and growth here at FPCHSV! I am looking forward to every moment of it!

Join Us This Sunday!

**Join us this Sunday
as we conclude our sermon series:**

**CHILDREN'S BOOKS
ARE NEVER
JUST FOR CHILDREN**

*A Look at the Promises of the Gospel
through the lens of children's books*

**September 2: The Very Hungry
Caterpillar**

One Adult Sunday School Class

Join Pastor Tara as she concludes her adult Sunday school class on September 2. The topic will be *"How to Craft A Sermon And How You Can Help!"* We will meet in John Allan Hall. Regular adult Sunday school will begin September 9th.

Our Next Sermon Series

#WHY FPCHSV

Join us for a new sermon series on

WHY:

why worship? why faith? why fpchsv?

Sept. 16th - Oct. 28th

Please Make a Note . . .



ONE SERVICE SUNDAY

September 2, 2018

10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion
will be observed**

**Sunday, September 2, 2018
during the 10:30 a.m. service**



**In observance of Labor Day the
Church Office will be closed
Monday, September 3, 2018**



Wedding Bells. . .



*Congratulations to
Lee Newman Lyons
&
Drew Ryan Dinzik
on their wedding here at FPC
on Saturday, August 25, 2018*

Adult Sunday School

**Adult Sunday School Classes resume on
September 9, 9:30 – 10:15**

College and Career—faith and life for young adults

Comrades—contemporary issues in the context of Bible teachings

Genesis—practical faith for young people in their 30s and 40s

Seminar—historical and current thinking guided by progressive scholars

Harry B. Wade—DVD based series to strengthen faith and understanding

There's a Place For You Here!

CLICK ON THE

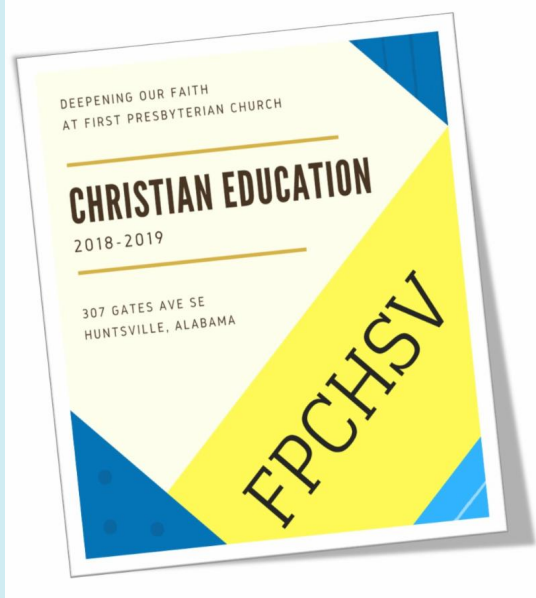


PHOTO TO SEE WHAT'S NEW AT FPC!

Presbyterian Women



FPC PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN
FIRST GATHERING
OF THE CIRCLE YEAR

Monday, September 10, 2018
10:00 a.m. - Fellowship Hall

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED to join us on September 10 for this kick-off of the new year, whether or not you are in a Circle. We will enjoy a time of fellowship as well as the installation of our new officers.

Dr. Tara Bulger will also introduce the first lesson of our new study for this year, *God's Promise: I Am With You*, by Amy Poling Sutherlun, discovering how God's promise speaks to *our* circumstances, as individuals and as a community.

Sign-up at the bulletin board.

Wednesday Nite Live



BEGINS SEPTEMBER 12

Fall is fast approaching and with it comes football, cooler weather (we hope) and most importantly - Wednesday Nite Live!!!

**Online registration is now open for Children & Youth classes,
Adult classes, and Volunteers.**

JUST CLICK A BUTTON TO SIGN UP!

Children & Youth

Adult Classes

WNL Volunteers

More Information

From the Care Team

Volunteer Bus Drivers Needed!

As you may know, the church has purchased a handicapped accessible bus. If you would be willing to provide transportation for some of our members on Sunday mornings, you just need to attend an instruction session and to allow the church to take a picture of your driver's license.

**Please contact Vicky Goodwin to sign up.
623-330-5805 or goodwingoodwins@gmail.com**

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.
623-330-5805 or goodwingoodwins@gmail.com**

Mission of the Month

Mission of the Month - September Manna House

Manna House is a 501 ©3 Public Charity that provides food assistance to those in need. They are supported by individuals, churches, civic groups and businesses. While some food is locally grown, most is purchased for their food programs, providing for families, individuals, and the homeless in our community. Manna House welcomes everyone in need every time they are open.

Manna House serves meals on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 4pm until 7 pm every week except for major holidays or severe weather. Volunteers are welcome anytime between 2-7 pm.

In the Month of September FPC will be going to Manna House each Wednesday. Volunteers are asked to meet at the church by 5:00. We will take the church bus and go as a group. The plan is to help with any necessary food prep or food service from 5:15 until 6:15. There is also a Prayer Room, if you would prefer to serve in that way. We will return to the church in time for Wednesday Night Live supper. If you would rather meet the FPC group at Manna House, the address is 2110 Memorial Parkway SW.

Proper attire is close toed shoes and casual wear that you do not mind getting dirty.

If you have any questions please contact Andrew Bevel at andrew.bevel@gmail.com or Karen Madison at karenmadison@comcast.net.

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

The Mission for the Month in October will be a day of service at the Presbyterian Home for Children. We will leave from the church at 8:00 a.m. and return by 6:30 p.m. More information to follow.

DEADLINE REMINDER

The deadline for all announcements for the bulletin and/or the weekly email is ***Tuesday morning by 9:00 a.m.***

Please submit your announcements to Amber Stewart at:

secretary@fpchsv.org

Worship This Week

**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 2, 2018**

**The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger
Senior Pastor**

"The Very Hungry Caterpillar"

10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary



Scripture this week:

[Romans 12:1-3](#); [Genesis 32:22-31](#)

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Sermons Online

In Keeping with Presbyterian tradition, the hearing of God's word in Scripture and preaching is central to each Sunday service of worship at First Presbyterian Church.

For those who were unable to be with us, and for those who want to reflect further on a sermon or save it, you will find below the most recent sermons. Simply click "Audio Sermon" or "Video Sermon."

For a PDF of the Sunday worship bulletin, click on the service time.

**Sunday
August , 2018**

***"Alexander and the Terrible,
Horrible, No Good,
Very Bad Day"***

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

[8:30 a.m./10:30 a.m.](#)

[Visit our website](#)

**Sunday
August 19, 2018**

***"Don't Let the Pigeon
Drive the Bus"***

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

[8:30 a.m./10:30 a.m.](#)

[Audio Sermon](#)

**Sunday
August 12, 2018**

"Guess How Much I Love You?"

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

[8:30 a.m./10:30 a.m.](#)

[Audio Sermon](#)

**Sunday
July 29, 2018**

"When Preaching Kills"

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

[10:30 a.m.](#)

[Audio Sermon](#)

Music at FPC



September 2:

- **If you are planning to travel with us to Italy next year**, or if you are interested in hearing more about this exciting opportunity, you are invited to an informational Italian Dinner on September 14, 2018 at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. You will be informed about tour information and performance opportunities. Please contact Dr. Hacker at music@fpchsv.org for more information.
- **The Chancel Choir has resumed practice** Wednesdays, at 7:15 p.m., in the choir room. We would love to have you join us!
- **Handbell Practice resumes**, Sunday, September 9, at 11:30 a.m. in the bell room. Come and join us!

Dr. Patricia Hacker, Director of Music
256-536-3354, ext. 126
music@fpchsv.org

Children and Youth Ministries

Announcements



Schedule



September

- Nursery provided from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Church - 10:30 a.m.

September:

2nd: No PYC

9th: PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm + (7-12) 6-7:30pm

16th: PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm + (7-12) 6-7:30pm

23rd: PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm + (7-12) 6-7:30pm

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

Louise McCallion,
Director of Youth Ministry
256-536-3354, ext. 131
youth@fpchsv.org

Upcoming Events

[View our Church Calendar Online](#)

Flower Dedications for Sunday

Flower Dedications for 2018

Flower Dedications are given to the Glory of God in memory of loved ones or in honor of special a special occasion such as a birthday, wedding, or anniversary. A donation of \$50 will sponsor a flower arrangement by the Flower Guild.

Flower Dedication cards/envelopes are located at the back of the sanctuary, or at the bulletin boards, or can be picked up at the church office.

Contact the Church Office for available dates.

256-536-3354

Prayer Requests

We are here to pray for you . . .

Members: Emily Butler, Marlyn Harris, David Hatch, J. R. Howard, Kara Howard, Sharon Hudson; Billie Jones, Cay Lambert, Sage Lyons III, Harper Grace Niedermeyer, Sanders Pair, Dolly Shuey, Bill Wahlheim; and Alsie Waller.

Friends & Relatives: Merle Bass - Mother of Nancy Lundy; Barry Blackwell - Nephew of Betty Dunaway; 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; 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 Johnston; Jeff Minatra - Friend of Houston Matthews; Matt Rideout - Haiti Missionary; Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely; Scott Sedlitz - Stepson of Annewhite Fuller; Patricia Smith - Mother of David Smith; Linda T suhlares - 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).

Theresa Miller - this is her new address:

Sunrise at Huntcliffe Summit

8480 Roswell Road

Sandy Springs, GA 30350

678-461-1138

The Church: Rev. Tara 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; 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.

***First Presbyterian Church
Staff & Leadership***

OFFICE HOURS

Monday and Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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THE SESSION

Class of 2018: Vicky Goodwin (Care); Marshall Schreeder, Jr. (Sustain); Danny Bryant (Gather); David Galloway (Maintain); Bob McKemie (Worship); Karen Madison (Share); Woodward Howard (Grow).

Class of 2019: Mary Adams (Care); Steve Cornelius (Sustain); Sheila Fogle (Gather); Brian Clayton (Maintain); Leslie Ecklund (Worship); Charles Bozeman (Share); Leigh Brown (Grow).

Moderator:

Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger, Senior Pastor

Clerk of Session:

Leigh Brown

Moving Clerk:

Amy Stucky

DIACONATE (DEACONS)

Class of 2018: Ryan Parker (Sustain); Sue Garrison (Worship); Joe Lundy (Gather); Annwhite Fuller (Care); Andrew Bevel (Share); Jesse Guthrie (Maintain); Ben Peters (Grow).

Class of 2019: Rick Rawls (Sustain); Anne Brigance (Worship); Bryce Connor (Gather); Jane McBride (Care); Nancy Lundy (Share); Joe Sparks (Maintain);

Stephanie Hyatt (Grow).

TRUSTEES

Class of 2018: Bill Johnson

Class of 2019: Bill Lummus and Jim Daughtry

Class of 2020: Andy Watson and Sara Graves

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