

# First Presbyterian Church

307 Gates Avenue, Huntsville AL 35801

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## Get Involved with Children's Ministry

Are you ready to live out the promises we make at baptism to nurture and care for our children in real and tangible ways? There is no better way to surround our children in love and model Christ than to volunteer in Children's Ministries! Please prayerfully consider the various ways you can minister to children at First Presbyterian Church.

### **Sunday School Teacher:**

Do you remember the adults who were important to you growing up? As a Sunday school teacher you have the privilege of being that kind of an adult. Sunday school teachers are provided all the curriculum and supplies they need to prepare their lesson each week. You don't have to be a parent to teach. All are welcome!

**Your commitment:** Your commitment of even just once a month helps us keep our Sunday School Program running smoothly for our children. We have 5 different classes for our children: Peepers (2-3 year olds), Lambs (Pre-K), K-1st grade, 2-3rd grade, and Club 456 (4-6th grade). Sunday school runs from 9:30-10:15am.

### **Sunday School Shepherd:**

Shepherds assist Sunday school teachers with classroom management and craft activities during Sunday school time. This is a great way to get involved and 'ease' into teaching a class yourself!

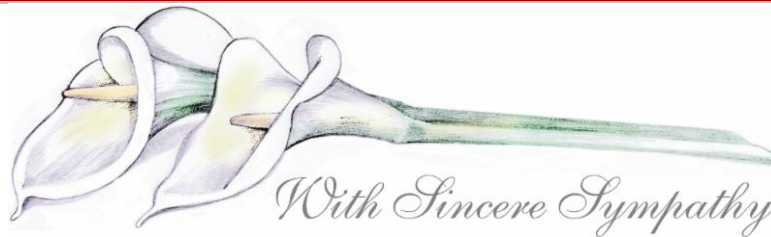
Our Spring 2017 Sunday School Schedule runs from January 8 - May 21,

2017. We will not have Sunday school on March 12 and March 19 due to Spring Break.

I am still feeling fairly new to the position of Children's Ministry Director at FPC and am trying to find effective ways to reach out to the congregation regarding volunteer opportunities. We really do need and want you to be a part of this wonderful ministry. If I haven't asked you directly about helping with Sunday School, VBS, Trunk or Treat, or any of the other activities that we offer our children, please reach out to me. I would love to talk with you about getting involved!

Angela Green \* Director of Children's Ministry \* (256) 536-3354, ext. 129  
[agreen@fpchsv.org](mailto:agreen@fpchsv.org)

## Sympathy of the Congregation



**Sympathy of the congregation** is expressed to Craig Romer on the death of his uncle, Harold Luther Romer. Craig's mailing address is 1203 Deborah Drive, HSV (01).

**Sympathy of the congregation** is expressed to Sharon Austell on the death of her mother, Blanche Pagel McCracken. Sharon's mailing address 1204 Randolph Ave, HSV (01).

**Sympathy of the congregation** is expressed to Frank Contreras on the death of his nephew, Paul Landreth. Frank's mailing address 555 Executive Drive NW, Apt. 60, HSV (16).

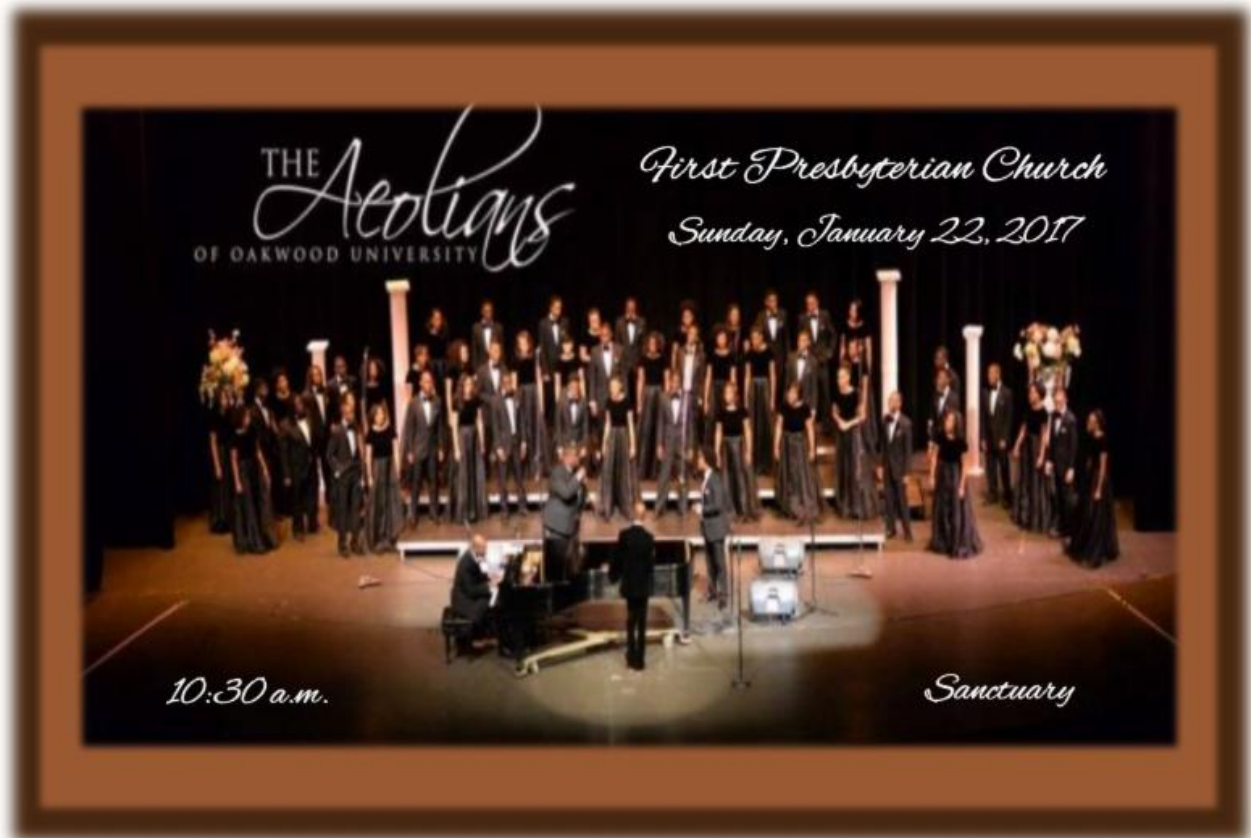
WNL!



Did you know 122 people are participating in Wed Nite Live, and that it's not

too late for you to take part? There is still space in the adult study of the Gospel of John and in Christian Parenting, as well as space in all the children/youth classes. We continue to seek volunteers to lead the 3rd-6th grade class. Even taking a one-time slot is very helpful since the WNL Team is having to teach in addition to our responsibilities for this church-wide program. If you can help or want more information, please see Chris Anne Causey or Pastor Rosemary. Registration is available online at [fpchsv.org](http://fpchsv.org) under Ministries.

## Mark Your Calendar!



## Worship This Week

**Sunday, January 15, 2017**  
**Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

**Rev. Rosemary McMahan, Interim Pastor, preaching,**  
**"What Do You Want?"**

**8:30 a.m. (John Allan Hall)**  
**10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)**

A worship bulletin for this Sunday is available online on Thursday afternoons.  
Click [here](#) to download now.

## Music Ministry



### Sunday, January 15:

- **Choir rehearsal**, 10:00 a.. in the choir room
- **Handbell rehearsal**, 11:30 a.m. in the bell room
- **Many thanks** to Moriah Berry for singing this Sunday during our worship services.
- **Our Music Ministry** would like to invite you to join the Chancel Choir. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. and Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
- **The Handbell Choir is participating** in the Tennessee Valley Handbell Festival on February 3-4, 2017. We are calling all the former ringers to participate in this festival. Practices are on Sundays at 11:30 a.m. in the bell room.
- ***What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*** hymn, is famously known as Leaning on the Everlasting Arms composed by Anthony J. Showalter and first published on The Song Evangel for Revival, camp and Evangelistic Meetings in GA, 1887. Showalter presents through this song the assurance that we can find peace, comfort and joy in the arms of God.



**It is not too late** to join the Chancel Choir to Salzburg, Vienna and Budapest this summer. For more information, please contact Dr. Hacker at [phacker@fpchsv.org](mailto:phacker@fpchsv.org).

**The handbells need ringers.** If you are interested in this area of Music Ministry, please contact Dr. Hacker at [phacker@fpchsv.org](mailto:phacker@fpchsv.org). Rehearsals are every Sunday at 11:30 a.m. in the bell room.



**The Worship Committee and the Music Ministry** would like to thank you for the Glory to God hymnal dedication donations. We have received enough donations to obtain 350 hymnals! These hymnals will be available for worship in the near future.

## Children's Ministry



### Sunday, January 15:

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

## Youth Ministry



### Sunday, January 15:

- Worship services, 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
- PYC will not meet on January 15. We will resume on January 22 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

## Church Calendar



[View our Church Calendar Online](#)

## Flower Dedications for Sunday

Flower Dedications for 2017



Flower Dedications are given to the Glory of God in memory of loved ones or in honor of 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 in the pew racks or can be picked up at the church office.

**Upcoming available Sunday dates:** January 22 and 29; February 5, 12, 19 and 26; March 5, 12, 19 and

26.

**Charlotte Wessel, Flower Guild Moderator**  
[charlottewe@gmail.com](mailto:charlottewe@gmail.com)

## Sermons



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 online text of the most recent sermons.

Scripture comments and texts of the sermons are available in the church literature racks, which are located in the church office across from the Pastor's Secretary office.

**For a pdf of the Sunday worship bulletin, click on the service time at right.**

### **Sunday, January 15, 2017**

**"What Do You Want?"**      Rev. Rosemary McMahan      [8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.](#)

### **Sunday, January 8, 2017**

**"A Covenant People"**      Rev. Rosemary McMahan      [8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.](#)

[Sermon Text](#)

Sunday, January 1, 2017

"What Now?"  
[only](#)

Rev. Rosemary McMahan

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

[Sermon Text](#)

Sunday, December 25, 2016 (Christmas Day)

"What the Angels Say"  
[only](#)

Rev. Rosemary McMahan

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

[Sermon Text](#)

## Prayer Request



**Members:** Anne Boles, John Clark, Charles Danner, J. R. Howard, Kara Howard, Tom Hudson, Cay Lambert, Lorinne Lilly, Sage Lyons, III, Bonnie Morris, Sanders Pair, and Janis Williams.

**Friends & Relatives:** Gloria Adamson - Sister of Betty Dunaway; Doris Fuller - Mother of Vicky Goodwin; Scott Gordon - Nephew of Pete, Beth and Steven Clapp; Lisa Heffington - Niece of Betty Dunaway; Peggy and Joe Jackson - Friends of Betty Dunaway; Betty and Larry Johnson - Friends of Betty Dunaway; Beverlee Leo - Mother of Lori Smith; Lois Lynch - Caregiver to the mother of Vicky Goodwin; Ricky McGuire - Friend of Houston Matthews; William and Carolyn Payne - Parents of Bill Payne; Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely; Patricia Smith - Mother of David Smith; Lindsay Taylor - Granddaughter of Betty Thompson; Tom Wilson - Father of Elaine Stowe.

**Members and Relatives in Specialty Care:** Annabell Aust (Regency Village); Lorinne Lilly (Magnolia Cottage); Darwin Perkins (Brookdale Place); Ernestine Roberson (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 and the North Alabama Presbytery.

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

**Our Nation:** President Obama, President-elect Trump, and our representatives.

**First Presbyterian Missions & Ministries:** Appalachia Service Project (ASP); Good Samaritans; The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center; The Presbyterian Home for Children; Kids to Love; Second Mile Preschool, and the CUP program.

*If you are hospitalized or in need of a pastoral visit, please notify the Pastor's Secretary (256-536-3354, ext. 132). Please remember that area hospitals do not notify us about admissions.*

## First Presbyterian Church Staff and Leadership



### THE CHURCH STAFF

**Office: 256-536-3354; Fax: 256-536-3038**

**Monday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

Rev. Rosemary McMahan, *Interim Pastor*; ext. 122; [rmcmahan@fpchsv.org](mailto:rmcmahan@fpchsv.org)

Dr. Patricia Hacker, *Director of Music*; ext. 126; [phacker@fpchsv.org](mailto:phacker@fpchsv.org)

Dr. Frank Contreras, *Organist*

Angela Green, *Director of Children's Ministry*; ext. 129; [agreen@fpchsv.org](mailto:agreen@fpchsv.org)

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Johann Malan, *Facilities Coordinator*, ext. 121; [jmalan@fpchsv.org](mailto:jmalan@fpchsv.org)

Quentin Fitzpatrick, *Sexton*

### THE SESSION

**Class of 2017:** Harriet Bibb (Care); Bo Lundy (Gather); Houston Matthews (Maintain); Heidi Meadows (Share); Melissa Rowe (Grow); Andy Watson (Sustain); Charlotte Wessel (Worship).

**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).



**Moderator:**

Rev. Rosemary McMahan

**Clerk of Session:**

Bruce Williams

**Moving Clerk:**

Louis Horn

To view current session minutes, click [here](#).



**DIACONATE (DEACONS)**

**Class of 2017:** Gene Beam (Sustain), Libby Brown (Maintain), Karen Clayton (Gather); June Guynes (Share); Andi Gaskins (Care); Elaine Stowe (Grow); Sally Troy (Worship).

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

**TRUSTEES**

**Class of 2017:** Mac Martinson and Charles Bozeman (Treasurer of Trustees)

**Class of 2018:** Bill Johnson and David Galloway

**Class of 2019:** Bill Lummus and Jim Daughtry



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