

# First Presbyterian Church

307 Gates Avenue, Huntsville AL 35801

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## **THE AEOLIANS**

For years, the FPC Music Ministry has collaborated with Oakwood University School of Music by sponsoring students to sing with our Chancel Choir. Beside their beautiful voices, they have provided great energy, spirituality and joy to our choir and church. Many of them are part of The Aeolians, this outstanding choral ensemble at Oakwood University that has been a valuable component of our city and country by representing Huntsville in different festivals and choral conferences around the world.

This Sunday January 22 at the 10:30 am service, The Aeolians, conducted by Dr. Jason Ferdinand, will enhance our worship service with their music. I encourage you and your family to bring a friend, so they can experience the welcoming church that we are, and to enjoy the voices of our friends from Oakwood University lifted up to God's glory.

## In Memoriam



### Ernestine Culpepper Roberson (mother of Mary Romer)

March 7, 1923 - January 18, 2017

Read obituary [here](#).

## Mark your calendar!



# CHILI COOK- OFF

Our Annual Chili Cook-off is Sunday, February 26th after the late service. Come and see who goes home with this year's bragging rights. Please sign up on the bulletin board.

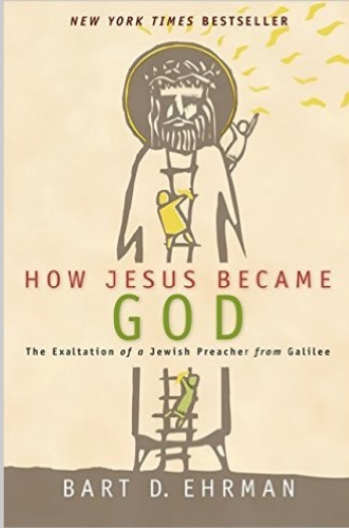
## 2017 Offering Envelopes

Church members can pick up their 2017 pre-printed offering envelopes in the Fellowship Hall before and after the 10:30 a.m. worship service this morning.



## New Sunday Bible Study

On January 29, during the Sunday School period, the Seminar Class will begin a discussion of *How Jesus Became God: The Exaltation of a Jewish Preacher from Galilee* by Bart D. Ehrman, James A. Gray Distinguished Professor of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. The book



will be supplemented with a DVD produced by The Great Courses. Those interested are welcome and encouraged to access the book and read the introduction.

## Huntsville Master Chorale

HUNTSVILLE  
*Master Chorale*



**2.11.17** **FAITH PRESBYTERIAN** **TICKETS**  
**3PM & 7PM** **FELLOWSHIP HALL** **\$20**  
5003 Whitesburg Dr. Huntsville, AL 35802  
SCRUMPTIOUS DESSERT,  
COFFEE AND TEA WILL BE SERVED  
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## Worship This Week

**Sunday, January 22, 2017**  
**Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

**Rev. Rosemary McMahan, Interim Pastor, preaching,**  
**"Shine Your Light"**

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

Scripture: [Isaiah 9: 1-4](#); [Matthew 4: 12-22](#)

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

**Music Ministry**



**Sunday, January 22:**

- **Choir rehearsal**, 10:00 a.m. in the choir room
- **Handbell rehearsal**, 11:30 a.m. in the bell room
- **We would like to thank** Dr. Jason Ferdinand and The Aeolians for worshiping with us this morning.
- **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.



**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 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.

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



## Sunday, January 22:

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



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 9:30-10:15 am.

## 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.

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



### Sunday, January 22:

- **Worship services**, 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- **Sunday School**, 9:30 a.m.
- **PYC will meet** this Sunday beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The Rev. Rosemary McMahan will be sharing in a discussion on how to handle change.

Meredith Payne \* Youth Committee Moderator \* (256) 603-3386  
[mbipayne@att.net](mailto:mbipayne@att.net)

## 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 29; February 5, 19 and 26; March 5, 12, 19 and 26.**

**Charlotte Wessel, Flower Guild Moderator**

## 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 22, 2017**

**"Shine Your Light"**      Rev. Rosemary McMahan      [8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.](#)

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

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

[Sermon Text](#)

### **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?"**      Rev. Rosemary McMahan      [10:30 a.m.](#)  
[only](#)

[Sermon Text](#)



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

**Friends & Relatives:** Gloria Adamson - Sister of Betty Dunaway; **Laurel Blackwell - Friend of the Rev. Rosemary McMahan;** Joe Defley - Cousin of John McBride; 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; **Scott Seidlitz and Linda Taylor - Family of Annewhite Fuller;** 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, the North Alabama Presbytery, and the search for 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; 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.*





## Church Staff & 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](#).

SESSION  
MINUTES

### **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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