



First Presbyterian Church of Huntsville

307 Gates Avenue SE, Huntsville AL 35801

A Note From Our New Pastor

To Our “New” Family,

My family and I arrived in Huntsville three weeks ago. During these past three weeks we have gotten our girls settled in school, unpacked a lot of boxes (with many more to go) and tried to find our way around a new city. It has been scary and exciting and a lot of fun.

But the best part has been the warm welcome we have already received from our new church. Many of you have brought us food (my husband, especially, thanks you for this!), many more have sent us cards and notes of welcome, and my office—on just the second day—is currently covered in beautiful flowers thanks to the wonderful people of this church. My kids have been welcomed by their First Presbyterian classmates and made fast friends with them all. And I offered my morning prayers today while covered with the most beautiful shawl crafted by the ladies knitting group.

What an incredible surprise you have been Church! I knew we would be welcomed, but I had no idea it would be in such a warm and immediate way. I find myself filled with gratitude for you all! Thank you---if I don't say it enough, forgive me—but thank you for making us so very welcome.

I look forward to seeing you Sunday! And I am joyfully anticipating all that God will author in this incredible place.

*Love to you all!
Pastor Tara*

Mark Your Calendar

ONE SERVICE SUNDAY

**March 4, 2018
10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary**

**Join us as we welcome Rev. Tara Bulger
to her first Sunday with FPC.**

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

**A reception for the Bulger family will be held in the
Fellowship Hall
following the worship service.**

Holy Week Schedule

**Sunday, March 25
Palm Sunday**

8:30 a.m., John Allan Hall
10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

**Thursday, March 29
Maundy Thursday**

7:00 p.m., John Allan Hall

**Friday, March 30
Good Friday/Tenebrae Service**

7:00 p.m., Sanctuary
The Seven Last Words
by Michael John Trotta
presented by the Chancel Choir and Woodwind Ensemble

**Sunday, April 1
Easter Egg Hunt**

9:30-10:15 a. m., Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, April 1
Resurrection of the Lord/Easter**

8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

Transformation Yoga

***Classes have been cancelled for the next 4-6 weeks while
Lori Smith recovers from knee surgery. Please keep Lori
in your prayers as she heals.***

From the Flower Guild

In memory of Virginia Rowe, the Flower Guild has purchased two new containers, one for the narthex and one for the little window in the staircase, through the generous memorial donations given to them in her name.

Presbyterian Women

PW Gathering
Monday, March 5, 2018
10:00 a.m. - Fellowship Hall

"The ABC's of Alzheimer's"
Chandra Mills Crutcher,
Founding Director
American Senior Assistance Program (ASAP), Inc.

Columbia Friendship Circle Offering
All women are invited!

PW Circles will meet
Monday, March 12, 2018

Circle 1 - 10:00 a.m. at the Gideon Blackburn House.

Circle 2 - 10:00 a.m., hosted by Olivia Brandon, 1806 Lydia Dr., HSV

Circle 3 - 6:30 p.m. in the Carriage House.

The Aeolians

Join us as we welcome

The Aeolians of Oakwood University

Sunday, April 8, 2018

10:30 a.m. Worship Service
3:00 p.m. Concert in the Sanctuary

The Vine

The Vine Invites You To

“Branches of The Vine, Spring Celebration”

April 26 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Baron Bluff of Burritt on the Mountain

**This annual fundraiser goes a long way to help us provide
Scholarship Assisted counseling sessions.**

Tickets are \$50 per person.

RSVP online at www.vinepcc.com

or call the office at 256-426-0199

We hope to see you there!

Easter Egg Hunt!

Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 1, 2018 from 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

Nursery age – 3rd Grade

Parents are welcome to attend as well!

**Please join us on Easter Sunday during the Sunday School
hour for a story, egg hunt and snacks.**



Save the Date for
**Vacation
Bible
School**

June 25-28, 2018

Retreat Weekend!

Tennessee Valley Presbyterian Cursillo

When: April 19-22, 2018

Where: Camp Maranatha, Lake Guntersville near Scottsboro, Alabama

Registration: \$150 (for all meals, lodging and programming), and includes a \$50 non-refundable deposit.

Application deadline: **March 1** (space is limited, applications are on first-come basis).

[Complete Details](#)

[Application](#)

Camp Maranatha

BIG NEWS: Summer Camp Registration Is Open

For options, see the bulletin board or button below.

For more information:

www.maranatha.camp

(256) 574-4539

officeatmaranatha@gmail.com

[Camp Options and Details](#)

Celebrating First Presbyterian's First 200 Years in Christ

Have you gotten your June birthday gift for our church yet? How about supporting the \$200 for 200 years Mission Project? We've put in \$200 of mulch at Second Mile Development, bought and distributed \$200 of feminine hygiene products for the homeless, and our children are helping other children learn to read by providing \$200 of new books. What can you do?

Check our devotional below for more information.

**\$200 for 200 Years
Mission/February Devotional**



Bicentennial News!



BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Sunday, June 17, 2018

DEADLINE REMINDER

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

Please submit your announcements to Cynde Tannehill at:

administrator@fpchsv.org

and please copy Amber Stewart at:

receptionist@fpchsv.org

Worship This Week



**Third Sunday in Lent
March 4, 2018**

**Rev. Tara Bulger
Senior Pastor**

"Come and See"

10:30 a.m. - Sanctuary

Scripture this week:

[1 Samuel 3:1-10](#); [John 1:35-51](#)

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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 online text of the most recent sermons. Simply click "Audio Sermon."

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

**Sunday
February 25, 2018**

"Crossing Over"
Rev. Rosemary McMahan

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

[Audio Sermon](#)

**Sunday
February 18, 2018**

"Give It Up"
Rev. Rosemary McMahan

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

[Audio Sermon](#)

**Sunday
February 11, 2018**

"Carpe Diem"
Rev. James Roberts

8:30/10:30 a.m.

Sermon Not Available

**Sunday
February 4, 2018**

"Lost Jesus?"
Rev. Rosemary McMahan

8:30/10:30 a.m.

Audio Sermon

Music at FPC



March 4:

- **We would like to thank David Jones** for playing this morning.
- **If you would like to join the Chancel Choir**, please join us on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. and on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. We would love to have you.
- **Handbell rehearsals** are Sunday at 11:30 a.m. after the 10:30 service.

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

Children and Youth Ministries

Announcements



Schedule

- 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.

YOUTH MINISTRY



March

3/04 - PYC @ 5-7pm

Following God Isn't a Walk in the Park

3/11 - PYC @ 11:30-2pm

Lunch and Bowling after 10:30 worship; head to Five Guys for lunch then bowling afterwards to welcome Hannan Bulger.

*Parents, you are welcome, too!

3/18 - PYC @ 5-7pm

St. Patrick's Day Festivities

3/25 - NO PYC

Palm Sunday

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.

Upcoming available Sunday dates:

March 11, 18, 25; April 1, 8, 29;

May 13, 20; June 10, 17, 24

Prayer Requests

We are here to pray for you . . .

Members: Anne Boles, Charlie Bonner, Emily Butler, Reese Butler, Jan Connor, Marlyn Harris, David Hatch, J. R. Howard, Kara Howard, Billie Jones, Cay Lambert, Sage Lyons III, Harper Grace Niedermeyer, Sanders Pair, Dolly Shuey, Anita Verble, and Ed Walker.

Friends & Relatives: Sheriff Blake Dorning - Friend of Houston Matthews; Patricia Dunkin - Friend of Beverly Wills; Stella Fair - Sister of David Galloway; Calhecia Francis - Sister of Eliza Francis; Jimmy Ford - Son of Jean Forbes; Susan Gillespie - Friend of FPC; Donna Hester - Sister-in-law of Anne Peters; Tina and James Hester - Parents of Anne Peters; Lydia Kimbrel, daughter of Craig and Ashley Kimbrel - Friends of Nan McBride; Frances Kyser - Friend of Patricia Hacker; Lori Lee - Friend of Beverly Wills; Beverlee Leo - Mother of Lori Smith; Markes Little - Brother of Peggy Galloway; Kevin McCarley - Brother of Roy McCorkle; Beth Lee McCormick - Friend of the Fowler Family; Glenn Myers - Friend of Beverly Wills; Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely; Scott Sedlitz - Steps on of Annewhite Fuller; Fred Stucky, Jr. - Father of Fred Stucky; Billy Wallace - Brother of Beverly Wills.

Members and Relatives in Specialty Care: Elissa Green (Brookdale Hampton Cove); Jeanette Hollis (Harbor Chase); Pat Ivy (Redstone Village); Darwin Perkins (Brookdale Place); Ray Rose (Diversicare of Big Springs); Marge Sharp (Birmingham).

The Church: Rev. Tara Bulger, and her family; First Presbyterian Church, the Session, 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; and 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.

First Presbyterian Church Staff & Leadership

OFFICE HOURS

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

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 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. Rosemary McMahan, *Interim Pastor*

Clerk of Session:

Leigh Brown

Moving Clerk:

Amy Stucky

To view Current session minutes, click [HERE](#).

DIACONATE (DEACONS)

Class of 2018: Ryan Parker (Sustain); Sue Garrison (Worship); Joe Lundy (Gather); Annewhite 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 2017: Bill Johnson and Jay Stowe

Class of 2019: Bill Lummus and Jim Daughtry

Class of 2020: Andy Watson and Sara Graves

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