



First Presbyterian Church of Huntsville

307 Gates Avenue SE, Huntsville AL 35801

A Note From Our Pastor

Dear Friends,

One of the gifts of being new is that one can often see things that others, who have been around a while, may not. I wanted to share with you one of the things this “new person” has noticed.

Our Wednesday Nite Live program has ended for this semester. As a new person, I have had the good fortune to eat a delicious meal on Wednesday nights prepared by our church volunteers. At our Wednesday Night Live program I have been able to fellowship with other church members over meals. I have been able to send my kids off to bible studies that both interest them and nurture them. I have enjoyed every minute of this program. The fellowship hall on Wednesday nights have been filled with kids and adults who are all excited to be the church together. And I am here to tell you that not every church—in fact, not many churches—have such an incredible program on their church calendars. We have been and continue to be so lucky to have this wonderful program for our church community. And as a new person, I marvel at the dedicated volunteers who make this happen—to them I say a big THANK YOU!

When my family and I came home this past Wednesday, my youngest daughter wanted to know if I, as senior pastor, could use my influence to start up the Wednesday Nite Live program again as soon as possible! She loves it! I explained to her that I thought the volunteers deserved a break—to which she grudgingly agreed. But I was filled with gratitude for this program that has my kid looking forward to coming back! I’m looking forward to it starting up again this fall too.

*In anticipation of all that God will author,
The Rev. Tara W. Bulger*

IMPORTANT REMINDER

WNL Children Choir K-5th and Youth Choir will be singing Palm Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. service. Please bring your child to the **Sanctuary at 9:40 a.m.** for a rehearsal in preparation to the service.

Children that are not in choir will meet in the Fellowship Hall with their parents at **10:15 a.m.** to receive the Palms and instructions for the processional.

One Great Hour of Sharing This Sunday

JOIN WITH PRESBYTERIANS WORLDWIDE in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural and human-caused disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

This Lenten season, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing.

WAYS TO GIVE --

- *Through the special envelope that will be in the bulletin this Sunday, March 25.*
- Donate by credit card online at presbyterianmission.org/give-oghs
- Text OGHS to 20222 to give \$10

You can help these important ministries supported by One Great House of Sharing by making a gift anytime throughout the year.

Holy Week Schedule

Sunday, March 25
Palm/Passion 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**

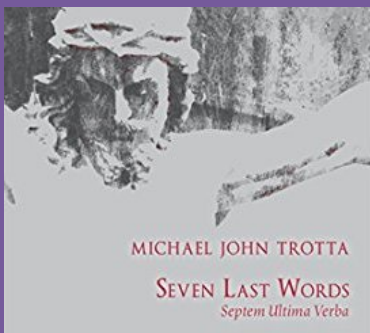
8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

From The Flower Guild

Help us celebrate Easter morning by bringing your flowers to place at bottom of the wooden cross at the front of the church. Your beautiful contribution will help us announce the Good News of The Resurrection to the whole community!



Good Friday Service



**Friday, March 30
Good Friday/Tenebrae Service
7:00 p.m. - Sanctuary
presented by the Chancel Choir
and Woodwind Ensemble**

Golf Tournament for Second Mile

Dear Friends,

One of the things I love about our church is the many ministries

we currently support and have supported in the past. One of those very important ministries is the Second Mile Preschool. Second Mile Preschool is a nondenominational Christian school that wishes to partner with parents to provide a loving and safe environment for learning academics and the arts based on biblical principles. As many of you know, preschools have been shown, time and again, to have an incredibly beneficial impact on a child's lifelong learning. Our support of the preschool is a direct way to impact a child's life for the better.

And so you are invited to help raise funds for this preschool by participating in or donating to their annual golf tournament fundraiser. The Genesis Sunday School Class will again this year be sponsoring the golf team.

*With Thanks,
Karen Lastovic*

Contact Karen Lastovic for more details at
klastovic@secondmile.net.
Your support can make all the difference!

Haiti Mission Trip Update

"The Haiti Mission Team recently returned from the northwest region of Haiti, serving with mission partners Matt and Sarah Rideout at the International Missionary Fellowship hospital in Bombardopolis. The team saw more than 420 patients over two and a half days of clinic. They fitted and gave out 255 pairs of reading glasses, 54 pairs of distance glasses, and hundreds of pairs of sunglasses. The team ran out of glasses prior to running out of patients and a follow-up mission trip will be planned in the near future. Thank you for the continued prayer and support for the team and for our mission partners and friends in Haiti."

Bo and Nancy Lundy, Susie Harper, Charlie Bozeman,
Amy and Margaret Stucky, and Heidi Meadows.

[See the photos here!](#)

Pancake Breakfast!

**You are cordially invited to
Boy Scout Troop 633's
Annual Pancake Fundraiser
Saturday, April 7th
7:30 am to 10:30 am
Fellowship Hall
Tickets are \$5; Children under 5 are free!
Pancakes, Sausage, Coffee, Milk, and Orange juice**

In addition to enjoying artisan designed pancakes by Boy Scouts, our Troop will be demonstrating the hover-cars they have built using garden blowers in the church parking lot (that should be interesting!). FPC Troop 7 Alumnus are especially invited to come as we will hold a short program on Troop 7's history in honor of our church's Bicentennial year. In addition, we will have information for parents interested in the potential of starting a Cub Scout Pack at our church for boys and girls from ages 7 to 10 (we think we may have 4-5 families interested in this already). So come and have a good breakfast and support your Troop!

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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**

Children's Activities

**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.



Mission and a Movie
Friday, April 13, 2018
5:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Pre K - 5th Grade
Fellowship Hall

Join us for a mission project,
dinner, and a movie!

Sign-up at the bulletin board.

Vacation Bible School
Join us for a wild adventure...
ROLLING RIVER RAMPAGE!

June 25-28, 9:00-12:00
Ages Rising Kindergarten – 5th
Grade

Volunteers Needed!
Please email
ffdirector@fpchsv.org
if you can join us as a volunteer!



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

Celebrating First Presbyterian's First 200 Years in Christ

A Bicentennial Blessing! If you've been following our March devotional you would have read that we uncovered a "lost" encyclopedia from 1903 in the church attic and did not know what to do with it. The mystery is solved. It belongs to Shep Crigler, a former pastor of our church, and we are working to return these tattered volumes to him in Tennessee. Thank you to those that helped us reunite these historic books to one of our historic pastors!

Check our devotional below for more information.

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



Bicentennial News!

From the Bicentennial Committee:

We will welcome The Rev. Glenn McDonald as our speaker during our Bicentennial Celebration on June 17, 2018. For more information about Rev. McDonald and to receive his daily Morning Reflection please email him at glenn.mcdonald@ascension.org.



**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 Amber Stewart at:

receptionist@fpchsv.org

Worship This Week



Palm/Passion Sunday
March 25, 2018

The Rev. Tara W. Bulger
Senior Pastor

"Forgetting and Remembering"

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

Scripture this week:

[Isaiah 50:4-9a](#); [John 12:12-16](#)

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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
March 18, 2018**

***"My Name is Ozymandias---king
of kings!"***

The Rev. Tara W. Bulger

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

Audio Sermon

Video Sermon

**Sunday
March 11, 2018**

"Two Competing Truths"

The Rev. Tara W. Bulger

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

Audio Sermon

Video Sermon

**Sunday
March 4, 2018**

"Come and See"

The Rev. Tara W. Bulger

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

Audio Sermon

Video Sermon

**Sunday
February 25, 2018**

"Crossing Over"

The Rev. Rosemary McMahan

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

Audio Sermon

Music at FPC

THE MUSIC MINISTRY *of*
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 25:

- **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. Brochures with all the trip information are located in the entrance of the church.
- **We would like to thank** Jan McKemie and Sherry Smith for sharing their music with us 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

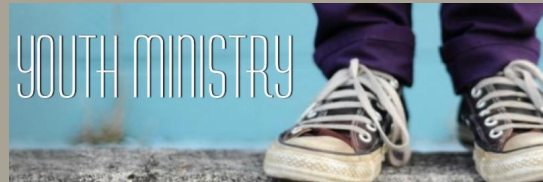
Children and Youth Ministries

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.



March/April

25th – NO PYC//Palm Sunday
1st – NO PYC//Easter Sunday
8th – PYC @ 5-7pm//“and I will ALWAYS love you”
15th – PYC @ 5-7pm//H.O.P.E.
22nd – PYC @ 5-7pm//Earth Day
29th – Putt Putt Masters with Nativity Youth (more info to come!!)

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:

April 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, Marlyn Harris, David Hatch, J. R. Howard, Kara Howard, Billie Jones, Cay Lambert, Sage Lyons III, Harper Grace Niedermeyer, Sanders Pair, Dolly Shuey, and Ed Walker.

Friends & Relatives: 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; Lydia Kimbrel, daughter of Craig and Ashley Kimbrel - Friends of Nan McBride; Beverlee Leo - Mother of Lori Smith; Markes Little - Brother of Peggy Galloway; Kevin McCarley - Brother of Roy McCorkle; Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely; Scott Sedlitz - Steps on of Annwhite Fuller; Fred Stucky, Jr. - Father of Fred Stucky.

Members and Relatives in Specialty Care: Elissa Green (Brookdale Hampton Cove); Jeanette Hollis (Harbor Chase); 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. Tara W. Bulger, Senior 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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