



First Presbyterian Church of Huntsville

307 Gates Avenue SE, Huntsville AL 35801

A Note From Our Pastor

Dear Friends,

At the beginning of a worship service, I will often say, "Let us prepare our hearts and minds for the worship of Almighty God!" I have been thinking of that a lot this week---this Holy Week. Because I am not sure I know how to prepare my heart for this week. I am not sure I know how to prepare my heart for the Last Supper, the sacrifice of the Cross or even the Alleluia of Easter morning. Who can be prepared for such devastation, such beauty, such love?

So I find the best I can do this week is to stay in a constant state of prayer. I pray for a heart that is open, eyes to see the miracle and ears to hear the very Word of God. I hope you are journeying along with me and that this Holy Week is as meaningful for you as it can be.

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

Holy Week Schedule

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

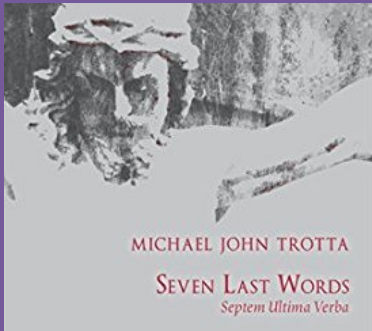
Sunday, April 1
Resurrection of the Lord/Easter
8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

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



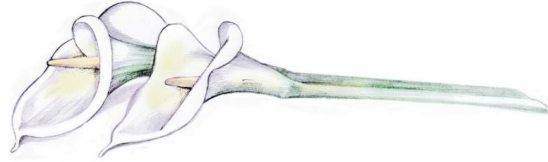
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presented by the Chancel Choir
and Woodwind Ensemble

In Sympathy

Sympathy of the Congregation
is expressed to Peggy Galloway
on the death of her brother,

Markes Little

The Galloway's mailing address is:
478 Brenda Drive
Madison, AL 35758



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**

PW Circles

**PW Circles
will meet
Monday, April 9**

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

Circle 2 - 10:00 a.m., hosted by Peggy Galloway,
478 Brenda Dr., Madison

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

NAL Presbytery PW Gathering

North Alabama Presbytery
Presbyterian Women's Spring Gathering
First Presbyterian Church Huntsville
April 16, 2018 – 9:30-1:00
All Women Are Invited to Attend

Old Fashioned South Ladies Tea

You are cordially invited...

*to an old fashioned Southern ladies tea
for mothers, daughters, grandmothers,
aunts, nieces, all women of all ages*

*April 28, 2018, 2:00-3:30 pm
at the Gideon Blackburn House*

*presented by
Presbyterian Women
of First Presbyterian Church, Huntsville*

*RSVP to church at 256-536-3354
or signup on the bulletin board
by April 15.*

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

Camp Options and Details

*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:

Worship This Week



**Easter Sunday
Resurrection of the Lord
April 1, 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 25:6-9](#); [John 20:1-18](#)

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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 25, 2018**

"Forgetting and Remembering"
The Rev. Tara W. Bulger

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

**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

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**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

Music at FPC



THE MUSIC MINISTRY *of*
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 1:

- **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.
- **Many thanks to** David Jones, piano; Joshua Symborski, trumpet I; Leah Snowman, trumpet II; Steve Fisher, trombone I; Mara Manning, trombone II; Patrick Sullivan, tuba; Sarah Shifrin, horn; Joe Cochran, percussion.

- **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
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music@fpchsv.org

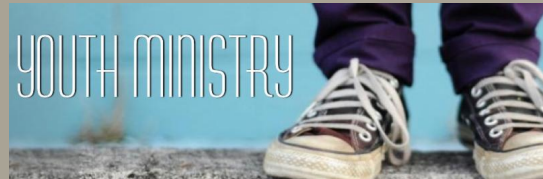
Children and Youth Ministries

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

- 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, **Reggie Miree**; 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; **Houston Hodges - Friend of FPC**; Lydia Kimbrel, daughter of Craig and Ashley Kimbrel - Friends of Nan McBride; Beverlee Leo - Mother of Lori Smith; Kevin McCarley - Brother of Roy McCorkle; **Ann Mullin - Mother of Truett Fink**; Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely; Scott Sedlitz - Stepson of Annewhite 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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