



First Presbyterian Church of Huntsville

307 Gates Avenue SE, Huntsville AL 35801

Special Musical Guests This Sunday

**First Presbyterian Church Welcomes
The Oakwood Adventist Academy Choir**

**Sunday, November 19
10:30 a.m. Service - Sanctuary**

Master Chorale Concert

Huntsville Master Chorale Presents

A Musical Triptych

November 17 and November 19

[Concert Details Here](#)

Special Thanksgiving Ministry for the Homeless

HAVE YOU PICKED UP YOUR BAG YET?

***If not, please stop by the table near the church office
and claim yours!***

The Share Cluster of FPC invites you to participate in a special Thanksgiving ministry to fill small brightly colored duffel bags with useful items to distribute to the homeless during the Thanksgiving

season. We provide the bags - you provide the items.

**THE DEADLINE TO RETURN THE BAGS IS:
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

[Click Here for Details](#)

Celebrating First Presbyterian's First 200 Years in Christ

Church Work Day
Saturday, November 18
8:00 a.m. - Noon
Lunch and Child Care Provided

*Help us make our church shine
for the holidays!*

[Work Day Sign-up Here](#)



For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.
1 Corinthians 3:11

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

In Sympathy

Sympathy of the Congregation

is expressed to Rick Smith
on the death of his father,

Billie Roy Smith

Rick's mailing address is:
1697 East Stonehurst Dr. SE
Huntsville, AL 35801



Sympathy of the Congregation

is expressed to Willie Anderson
on the death of his aunt,

Hilda Robinson

Willie's mailing address is:
1202 Garth Circle
Huntsville, AL 35801

Thanksgiving Office Hours

The church office will be closed the following dates:

- **November 22, 2017 - Church closes at noon.**
- **November 23 & 24, 2017 - Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday.**

During the week of November 21, the church office will be lightly staffed as we give staff members time to spend with their families during the holidays.

You may want to contact the church office to make sure someone is available to assist you.

**Regular office hours resume on
Monday, November 27, 2017.**

Christmas Gifts for Kids to Love



[Click Here for Details](#)

Again this year, FPC is supporting Kids to Love and will be collecting Christmas gifts for foster children in our community.

Names of requested gifts are on the Kids to Love Christmas tree paper ornaments in the Fellowship Hall.

Unwrapped gifts will be collected no later than Wednesday, December 6, 2017.

Contact Heidi Meadows or Meredith Payne for questions or additional details.

Advent and Christmas at FPC



[Click Here for the Schedule of Events](#)

Maranatha Newsletter

Don't miss out on any upcoming event or opportunity.
Sign-up at the Bulletin Board for the Camp Maranatha newsletter!

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

Worship This Week



**24th Sunday after Pentecost
November 19, 2017**

**Rev. Dr. Carol Tate,
Interim Pastor**

"Living Toward God"

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

Scripture this week:

[1 Thessalonians 5:1-11](#); [Matthew 25:14-30](#)

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, November 19,
2017**

"Living Toward God"

Rev. Dr. Carol Tate

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

**Sunday, November 12,
2017**

"What's Your Mission?"

Rev. Dr. James Roberts

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

[Audio Sermon](#)

**Sunday, November 5,
2017**

"A Transcending Trust"

Rev. Dr. Carol Tate

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

[Audio Sermon](#)

**Sunday, October 29,
2017**

"Listening Together"

Rev. Dr. Carol Tate

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

NO AUDIO AVAILABLE

THE MUSIC MINISTRY *of*

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 19:

- **Many thanks** to Oakwood Academy for worshiping with us this morning under the direction of Justin Jordan. We are blessed to have this group of young students among us.
- **Many thanks** to Kira Plumly for sharing her music with us this morning.
- **If your children** would like to participate in the Christmas Pageant this year, please contact Dr. Hacker via her email address below.
- **If you would like to join the Chancel Choir**, we would love to have you. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. in the Choir Room.
- **Handbell Rehearsals** are on Sundays at 11:30 a.m., immediately following the 10:30 service in the Bell Room.

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

Children and Youth Ministries

Announcements

November



- 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.

November



Louise McCallion,
Director of Youth Ministry
256-536-3354, ext. 131
youth@fpchsv.org

First Friends Preschool



*First Friends Preschool provides a loving and nurturing Christian education program for children ages twelve weeks through Pre-Kindergarten. Established in 1982, First Friends Preschool's mission is to nurture children of First Presbyterian Church and the community and to serve as a preparatory school for entrance into public or private school Kindergarten. *Click the photo to visit our website.**

Lacy Guthrie, Director of First Friends Preschool
256-536-3354, ext. 128
ffdirector@fpchsv.org

Upcoming Events

[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 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:

Dec. 10, 17

Prayer Requests

We are here to pray for you . . .

Members: Anne Boles, Charlie Bonner, Paula Brown, Emily Butler, Reese Butler, Frances Byrd, Marlyn Harris, David Hatch, J. R. Howard, Kara Howard, Billie Jones; Cay Lambert, Sage Lyons III, Sanders Pair, Amy Ricks, Dolly Shuey, and Bruce Williams.

Friends & Relatives: Alice Contreras Anaya - Sister of Frank Contreras; **Kolebi Baxter - Friend of Roger and Irmie Hamner;** Mary Nell Beam - Daughter of Gene and Alicia Beam; Kim & Jeanne Chamberlin - Friends of Frank Contreras; Stella Fair - Sister of David Galloway; Calhecia Francis - Sister of Eliza Francis; Robin Freisen - Friend of the Wessel Family; Donna Hester - Sister-in-law of Anne Peters; James Hester - Father of Anne Peters; Frances Kysler - Friend of Patricia Hacker; 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; Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely; Scott Sedlitz - Steps on of Annewhite Fuller.

Members and Relatives in Specialty Care: Elissa Green (Brookdale Hampton Cove); Jeanette Hollis (Harbor Chase); Lorinne Lilly (Magnolia Cottage); Darwin Perkins (Brookdale Place); Ray Rose (Diversicare of Big Springs); Virginia Rowe (Whitesburg Gardens); Marge Sharp (Birmingham).

The Church: The Pastor Nominating Committee; the Nominating Committee; First Presbyterian Church, the Session, the North Alabama Presbytery, and for all the church staff.

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: the victims of... Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, José, Maria, and Nate; the earthquake in Mexico; the fires in the West; to the victims, families & loved ones affected by the senseless violence in Las Vegas and Texas. Also, 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.

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

THE CHURCH STAFF

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Dr. James Roberts, *Interim Associate Pastor*; ext. 127; associatepastor@fpchsv.org

Dr. Patricia Hacker, *Director of Music*; ext. 126; music@fpchsv.org

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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:

Dr. Carol Tate, *Interim Pastor*

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); Annwhite 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 2017: Bill Johnson and David Galloway

Class of 2019: Bill Lummus and Jim Daughtry

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Your copy should address 3 key questions: Who am I writing for? (Audience) Why should they care? (Benefit) What do I want them to do here? (Call-to-Action)

Create a great offer by adding words like "free" "personalized" "complimentary" or "customized." A sense of urgency often helps readers take an action, so think about inserting phrases like "for a limited time only" or "only 7 remaining!"