



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

HUNTSVILLE, AL

*307 Gates Avenue SE, Huntsville AL 35801*

## *Welcome to FPC!*

### *In Invitation to Stewardship 2018*

We often think of stewardship as simply paying the bills. But stewardship is a call from the Lord God to live lives of generosity. Through stewardship we are enabled to transform our community and the world round us. Stewardship is recognizing that all that we have belongs to the Lord and that we want to live our lives in service to God's grace.

So, join us this month as we celebrate our church and its mission in the world. Prepare to grow in faith as you prayerfully consider how you can support our church.

**Join us for worship:**

**October 14 - *#whyPCUSA?***

**Why our denomination matters in a hurting world.**

**October 21 - *#whyFPCHSV?***

**Join us as we remember the gifts of who we are!**

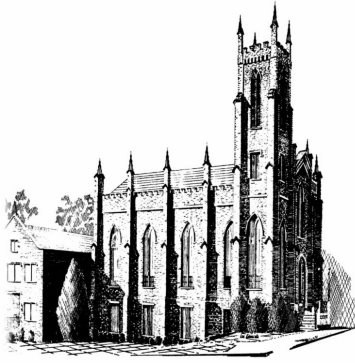
**Popcorn and lemonade on the church lawn following the 10:30 service.**

**October 28 - *#whyhope?* – Commitment Sunday**

**The church of Jesus Christ is the greatest hope for the world!**

**Bring your pledge cards and celebrate hope!**

# Worship This Week



**Twenty-first Sunday after  
Pentecost  
October 14, 2018**

**The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger  
Senior Pastor**

*"Why PCUSA?"*

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

Scripture this week:  
[Luke 4:21-30; 1 Corinthians 13](#)

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## Our Current Sermon Series

# #WHY FPCHSV

Join us for a new sermon series on

**WHY:**

why worship? why faith? why fpchsv?

Sept. 16th - Oct. 28th

Next week we will look at "*WhyFPCHSV?*"

Are you on social media? We invite you to post the things you love about our church with the hashtag #whyfpchsv. Let our community know of our love for our church.

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## *New! Children's Bulletin*

Children are encouraged to participate in a new program called *Worship Art*. A redesigned children's bulletin allows for space to "illustrate" the sermon and "doodle" prayers. These can be found as you enter the Sanctuary in special bags including crayons and pencils. Children of all ages should give it a try!

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## *Congregational Meeting*

Called Congregational Meeting for the purposes of receiving the report of the nominating committee and electing new church officers on Sunday, October 28, 2018, immediately following the 10:30 service.

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## *M&M and TorT*

*Mission and a Movie  
Friday, October 19  
5:30 to 8:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall  
Pre-K through 5th Grade*



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

[Or Sign-Up Here!](#)

We need a head-count to plan for dinner, so please sign-up at the Bulletin Board if your child plans to attend.

**Youth Helpers Appreciated!**

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*Sunday, October 28  
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.*

FPC invites you and your family to our annual Trunk or Treat. Dress up in your Halloween costumes, and we will provide dinner and a bounce slide.

Sign-up at the Bulletin Board for the following:  
Decorate a Vehicle  
Donate Candy  
Kitchen Crew for the Hot Dog Dinner  
Bring a Crock Pot of Chili for Dinner

[Or Sign- Up Here!](#)

*We have 3 cars; we need 9 more!*

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## *Confirmation Classes*

All 7th grade and older youth are invited to participate in Confirmation this year! Confirmation classes will run during the Sunday School hour from January through April this year.

Those interested in confirmation are currently choosing an adult mentor who will walk with them during this journey of faith, reading scripture and doing various projects together outside of class. Please pray for these young people and the adult mentors who are willing to devote the time and energy to guide and nurture their faith in this special way. Mentors will be honored with a luncheon with their confirmation partners on October 21.

Shhhh! ...we need secret prayer partners for each confirmand, to hold them in prayer throughout the process. It would be nice if the prayer partner occasionally wrote secret notes of encouragement, too! The identities of the prayer partners will be revealed on Confirmation Sunday, April 21.

If you are interested in being confirmed or being a secret prayer partner, or if you have any questions, please contact Kathy Gillmore at: [dce@fpchsv.org](mailto:dce@fpchsv.org).

## *Mission of the Month*

### **MISSION OF THE MONTH - OCTOBER** **Presbyterian Home for Children** **Intergenerational Mission Opportunity!**

Join us as we travel to the PHfC in Talladega to help with the Children's Home Challenge bike ride fundraiser. We will man one of the rest stops handing out food, water, and encouragement to the bike riders.

Saturday, October 27, 2018  
8:00 a.m. (leave from church) - return by 6:30 p.m.  
Transportation - Church Bus  
All ages are encouraged to attend - below 6th grade must be accompanied by a parent  
Sign-up at the Bulletin Board by October 15

Learn More  
About PHfC

For more information, contact:  
Nancy Lundy at [nlundy@knology.net](mailto:nlundy@knology.net) or  
Karen Madison at [karenmadison@comcast.net](mailto:karenmadison@comcast.net)

## ***MUSIC! MUSIC! MUSIC!***

### ***Announcing the FPC Concert Series 2018-2019***

The first concert will be  
**Allanda Small, soprano**  
November 11, 3:00 p.m.  
**Gideon Blackburn House-John Allan Hall**

*[Click here to learn more!](#)*



## ***DEADLINE REMINDER***

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

Please submit your announcements to Amber Stewart at:

[secretary@fpchsv.org](mailto:secretary@fpchsv.org)

## ***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  
October 7, 2018**

**Sunday  
September 30, 2018**

***"Why Reformed?"***

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

8:30 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Audio Sermon

**Sunday  
September 23, 2018**

***"Why Bread?"***

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

8:30 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Audio Sermon

***"Why Love?"***

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

8:30 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Audio Sermon

**Sunday  
September 16, 2018**

***"Why Worship?"***

The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

8:30 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Audio Unavailable

## *Music at FPC*



### ***October 14:***

- **The Chancel Choir has resumed practice** - Wednesdays, at 7:15 p.m., in the choir room. We would love to have you sing with us!
- **Handbell Practice has resumed practice** - Sundays, at 11:30 a.m. in the bell room. Come and join us!
- **Come sing with us in Italy - June 20-29, 2019!** We will sing and tour and even do a little mission work along the way. It will be the experience of a lifetime! Contact Dr. Hacker for more information.

Dr. Patricia Hacker, Director of Music  
256-536-3354, ext. 126

## 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.



#### September

##### October:

**14th:** PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm + (7-12) 6-7:30pm

**22st:** PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm + (7-12) 6-7:30pm

**28th:** Trunk or Treat 5:00pm

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##### November:

**04th:** PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm + (7-12) 6-7:30pm

**11th:** PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm + (7-12) 6-7:30pm

**18th:** No PYC

**25th:** PYC (6th graders) 5-6:30pm + (7-12) 6-7:30pm

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Louise McCallion,  
Director of Youth Ministry  
256-536-3354, ext. 131  
[youth@fpchsv.org](mailto: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.

**Contact the Church Office for available dates.**

**256-536-3354**

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## *Prayer Requests*

*We are here to pray for you . . .*

**Members:** Emily Butler, Bob Coats; Marlyn Harris, David Hatch, J. R. Howard, Kara Howard, Billie Jones, Cay Lambert, Sage Lyons III, Harper Grace Niedermeyer, Sanders Pair, Dolly Shuey, Jo Stroud, Bill Wahlheim, and Alsie Waller.

**Friends & Relatives:** Merle Bass - Mother of Nancy Lundy; Barry Blackwell - Nephew of Betty Dunaway; Danny Blain - Nephew of Morris Hammer; Colleen Bolton - Daughter-in-law of Bill and Miriam Bolton; Holly Bolton - Daughter-in-law of Bill and Miriam Bolton; Athlea Burnham - Mother of Diane Roberts; Cindy Coulter - Friend of Sheila, Katie, and Natalie Fogle; 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; Sherry Jackson - Cousin of Bryce Connor and Linda Howard; Lydia Kimbrel, daughter of Craig and Ashley Kimbrel - Friends of Nan McBride; Mary Harmon Lankford - Great granddaughter of Mary Edith Thompson; The John Leisenring Family - Bill and Miriam Bolton's daughter-in-law's family; Luke Matthews - Uncle of Houston Matthews; Beverlee Leo - Mother of Lori Smith; Kevin McCarley - Brother of Roy McCorkle; Beth McCormick - Daughter-in-law of Susie McCormick Johnston; Jeff Minatra - Friend of Houston Matthews; Matt Rideout - Haiti Missionary; Diana Rose - Mother of Serena Neely; Scott Sedlitz - Stepson of Annwhite Fuller; Patricia Smith - Mother of David Smith; Christine Steenwyk - Daughter-in-law of Al Steenwyk; Linda Tshulares - Family Member of Causeys; Patsy Verhoff - Sister of Jan Hooker; J. L. Weldy - Father of Leigh Wermuth.

**Members and Relatives in Specialty Care:** Elissa Green (Thrive Memory Care); Jeanette Hollis (Harbor Chase); Darwin Perkins (Redstone Village); Ray Rose (Diversicare of Big Springs); Marge Sharp (Birmingham).

Theresa Miller - this is her new address:

Sunrise at Huntcliffe Summit

8480 Roswell Road

Sandy Springs, GA 30350  
678-461-1138

**The Church:** Rev. Tara Bulger, and her family; First Presbyterian Church, the Session, the Board of Deacons, the North Alabama Presbytery, and for all the church staff; NAP seminary students Devon Reynolds (New Market) and Sara Jane Bush Nixon (First, Athens), and Joe Lundy (First, Huntsville).

**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; the CUP program; Camp Maranatha; Mission Aviation Fellowship; **Haiti Mission Trip October 11-20.**

**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 and Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Office: 256-536-3354; Fax: 256-536-3038

### THE CHURCH STAFF

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**Quentin Fitzpatrick**, *Sexton*

**Ruby Irvin**, *Nursery Coordinator*

## **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. Dr. Tara W. Bulger, Senior Pastor

### **Clerk of Session:**

Leigh Brown

### **Moving Clerk:**

Amy Stucky

## **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 2018:** Bill Johnson

**Class of 2019:** Bill Lummus and Jim Daughtry

**Class of 2020:** Andy Watson and Sara Graves

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