



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

HUNTSVILLE, AL

307 Gates Avenue SE, Huntsville AL 35801

Welcome to FPC!

Worship This Week



**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 4, 2018**

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

"Why Reformed?"

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

Scripture this week:

[Psalm 24](#); [Ephesians 1:1-14](#)

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*The Sacrament of Holy Communion
will be observed this Sunday
during both worship services.*

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 "*WhyPCUSA?*"

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.

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!

Just a Reminder . . .

. . . IT'S FALL BREAK OCTOBER 8 - 12

There will be. . .

. . . no Early Christian Study Group on October 6 & 13

. . . no PYC on October 7

. . . no FF Preschool for the week

. . . no Wednesday Nite Live on October 10

These events will resume their normal schedule October 14.

PW Circles



PW Circles will meet Monday, October 8

Circle 1 - 10:00 a.m., GBH Parlor

Circle 2 - 10:00 a.m., hosted by Ann Tubbs

54 Northampton,

Huntsville

Circle 3 - 6:30 p.m., Carriage House

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!

Sign-up at the Bulletin Board.
Youth Helpers Appreciated!



Or Sign-Up Here!



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!**

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.

From the Care Team

The Knitting/Crochet Group Resumes Wednesdays, beginning October 10 1:30-3:00 p.m. - Library

We will meet weekly and will be making Prayer Shawls and Baby Blankets and anything else you want to work on. If you don't know how to knit or crochet we will help you learn. Bring your own needles and yarn. We do have some donated yarn but may not have enough of the color you want to use but plenty to practice on. Anyone interested is invited to join this group. We are performing a service, but we also have great fellowship!

Back to School for College Students

We want to continue to provide care packages for our college students so that they know that their church family is thinking of them and praying for them.

**Please send addresses of your college students to Vicky Goodwin.
623-330-5805 or goodwingoodwins@gmail.com**

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 or
Karen Madison at 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

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
September 30, 2018**

"Why Love?"
The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

**Sunday
September 23, 2018**

"Why Bread?"
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

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

Audio Sermon

**Sunday
September 9, 2018**

"Had to!"

The Rev. Dr. James W. Roberts

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

Audio Sermon

Music at FPC



THE MUSIC MINISTRY *of* FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 7:

- **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
music@fpchsv.org

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:

07th: NO PYC

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

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.

Contact the Church Office for available dates.
256-536-3354

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 Annewhite 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; Chuck Verschoore - Friend of Linda Howard and Bryce Connor; 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.
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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. 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

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