

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE

Christ Lag in Todesbanden

J.S. Bach

INTROIT

Jesus Makes My Heart Rejoice

Moravian Chorale, Hayn

*Jesus makes my heart rejoice, I'm his sheep and know his voice;
He's a Shepherd, kind and gracious, and his pastures are delicious;
Constant love to me he shows, yea, my very name he knows.*

*Trusting his mild staff always, I go in and out in peace;
He will feed me with the treasure of his grace in richest measure;
When a-thirst to him I cry, living water he'll supply.*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

John Weicher

Leader: John saw a multitude from every land, and tribe, and nation.
People: **Glory and power be to our God forever and ever!**
Leader: The angels fell on their faces and worshiped the Lord.
People: **Glory and power be to our God forever and ever!**
Leader: The shepherd will guide the flock to the springs of water,
and wipe away every tear from their eyes.
All: **Glory and power be to our God forever and ever! Amen!**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 369**

Blessing and Honor

O Quanta Qualia

***CONFESSION OF SIN** (remain standing)

Sam Miglarese

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**Holy God, we confess that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace,
and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation; we repent of these hurtful ways.
Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace.
Amen.**

(silent confession)

Declaration of Pardon

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Izzy Pleasants

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us pray.
All: **Almighty God, to whom all honor belongs, you have gathered a people from every
tribe and language to praise your name eternally. Join our song with all of heaven
as we worship you this day in the glorious light of Christ. Amen.**

* Those who are able, please stand.

FIRST LESSON

John 10:22-30

(Pew Bible, NT Page 104)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!****SECOND LESSON**

Revelation 7:9-17

(Pew Bible, NT Page 249)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!****SERMON***“What Heaven Looks Like”*

Mindy Douglas

*(silent meditation)****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

(from Psalm 23, KJV)

John Weicher

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.**He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.****He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.****Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:****for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.****Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:****thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.****Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:****and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*****HYMN NO. 803***My Shepherd Will Supply My Need**Resignation****THE PEACE**

Sam Miglarese

As we pass the peace, please be mindful that signs of hospitality and reconciliation may be expressed verbally.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.***(Children through 1st grade enter worship during The Peace.)***A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

John Weicher

*(Children may join their parents in the pews or return to childcare.)***SABBATICAL COMMISSIONING OF MINDY DOUGLAS AND THE CHURCH**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Response (Hymn No. 8, verse 4)

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save**Melita****O Trinity of love and power, all travelers guard in danger's hour;******from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go;******thus evermore shall rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.*****JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: For the lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,

People: **And he will guide them to springs of the water of life,****and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.**

(Revelation 7:17)

Leader: Let us pray.

(Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession)

... Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;**and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation,****but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.****Amen.**

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem

Wondrous Love

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
That caused the Lord of life to bear the heavy cross,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!*

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
That Christ should lay aside His crown for my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!*

Marilyn Hedgpeth
arr. Paul Christiansen

*Doxology with Alleluias

Lasst uns erfreuen

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia; Alleluia;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **Amen.**

All: **Holy God, Divine Shepherd, you anoint us with the oil of gladness; your love overflows our hearts. Accept our offering for the good of the world as we joyfully give thanks for our life in you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 547

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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*BENEDICTION

Mindy Douglas

*POSTLUDE

Toccata in G

Pachelbel

A ***Mother's Day Luncheon*** will be held today following worship in Watts-Hill Hall. Dessert will include a special cake for ***Mindy***, baked by ***Cora Williamson***. Thank you for making a reservation for your family. Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal.

Reminder to Parents: the Children's Choir will practice in the choir room from 12:15-12:45 today. For parents attending the Mother's Day luncheon, your children will join you in Watts-Hill Hall after practice.



First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the ***Ritual of Friendship pad***, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then **return it to the starting point**, noting the names of those sitting near you. On Sunday, May 5, we welcomed 18 visitors to worship.

The ***flowers*** are given to the glory of God by ***Wendy and Mac McCorkle*** in memory of ***Sarah Hall Johnson*** and in honor of ***Elinor Weathersby McCorkle*** and mothers everywhere.

Nursery care for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. Following "A Time with Children," children can remain in worship with their parents/guardians or return to the nursery. Childcare for infants – 2 years continues all of worship in the nursery. There is a changing table in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children and youth. Books are on the pews in the narthex for young children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Portions of *today's worship texts* were reprinted from *Feasting on the Word* and *Call to Worship*.

Interested in joining this church?

The current series of Membership Inquiry classes will meet (last one) next Sunday, May 19 from 9:45 – 10:45 in the Wilson Parlor. We do not require anyone to take classes before joining; rather you are welcome to join at any time. Just let one of the pastors know when you are ready. Contact Marilyn Hedgpeth for more information on how to become a member: m.hedgpeth@firstpres-durham.org or 919-682-5511 ext. 220.

Parents' Night Out

The next Parents' Night Out will take place Sunday, May 19, from 4:45 – 6:15 p.m. Children will get to meet "the robot" and the brains behind it, Sigfried Fullenkamp. We will eat a light dinner and play outside if the weather is good. Parents will slip away down the street for some burgers, refreshments and fellowship together. Let Marilyn Hedgpeth know if you are able to join us.

Calling All Graduates

FPC will recognize graduates again this year with a special bulletin insert in June. If you or someone in your family or household is graduating from college or high school this spring, help us share the good news. Please submit your graduate's information to the church office by email to: v.mcmillian@firstpres-durham.org or leave the information in Valerie's mailbox at the church. **The deadline for graduate information is May 24.**

~ Prayer Concerns ~

Students and faculty (and their families) affected by recent gun violence at UNC-Charlotte and in Denver CO
Caroline Rourk, preparing for hip replacement surgery

Recovering at Home:

Margaret Mubanga

Joseph Ngumi

Franzi Rokoske (and her mother)

Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

Care Communities:

Brookdale Durham: *Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett*

Croasdaile Pavilion: *Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin*

Durham Regent: *John Kerr, Ann Prospero*

Pruitt Health (Carolina Point, Durham): *Helen Garrison*

The Forest at Duke: *Fran Bryant*

Family and Friends of the Congregation:

Fran Alwood, mother of Jennie Alwood

Ken Chambliss, father of Will Chambliss

Camilla Crampton, friend of Mal King

Heath Huberg, friend of Kathy Parkins

Roger Kalthoff, husband of Jane Williams

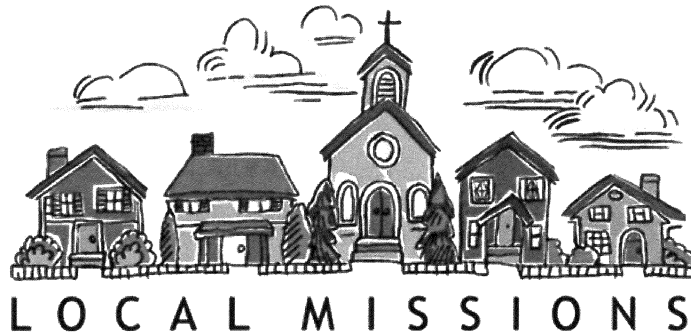
Patrick Kimiti, friend of Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett (in Kenya)

Charlie Ramos, great-nephew of Nora Tubbs Tisdale

Don Smith, recovering from the gas explosion near Brightleaf

Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss

Bob Warren, father of Dawn Carsey



WELCOMING OUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS

On Sunday mornings First Presbyterian Church (FPC) gives thanks for those God brings our way and wants to welcome all people with warmth and hospitality, regardless of their life circumstance. Occasionally, a visitor may ask for money or food. Members and friends want to help, but may not know what the right response should be.

In order to help our members and friends receive our visitors with grace and love, while also recognizing certain restrictions and boundaries we have on Sundays, we recently compiled the following information for those times when a visitor asks for assistance:

- a. **Food, immediately:** Free, hot lunch is available on Saturdays and Sundays from 12:30-1:30 at Urban Ministries of Durham.* Blessing bags (i.e. snack bags) from FPC are available only during the week.
- b. **Food, long term:** Urban Ministries of Durham Food Pantry is open 9-11 a.m. Mon-Thurs. They provide three meals a day, every day.* No one should be hungry in Durham.
- c. **Clothing:** Urban Ministries of Durham clothes closet open 9-11 a.m. Mon-Thurs.
- d. **Bus passes:** Along with other forms of assistance, bus passes can be requested at FPC on Mondays and Thursdays between 9 a.m. and noon at our Walk-in Ministry. We do not offer this assistance on Sundays.
- e. **Requests for money:** For many reasons, please do not give out cash. **FPC does not give cash.**
- f. **Request to meet with pastor:** Pastoral appointments can be made through our Monday and Thursday Walk-in Ministry volunteers.
- g. **Needing prayer or prayerful listening:** We are working on putting together a prayer team that will be available following worship for those who need prayer or someone to just talk to for a bit. Stay tuned for more information!

The **FPC Walk-in Ministry** offers prayer, support, guidance, and assistance in many forms on **Monday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. -12 noon**. When in doubt about how to offer assistance, please direct individuals to this important ministry of the church.

Most of all, we want to always treat our visitors with dignity and respect, showing kindness and compassion and giving a listening ear. If at any time, however, someone becomes agitated or angry, please ask them to leave or find someone else who can ask them to leave.

**Urban Ministries of Durham is located on 410 Liberty Street, behind St. Philip's Episcopal Church, one block from the FPC parking lot. Mon-Fri – breakfast and lunch bag 8-9 a.m., dinner 7-8 p.m., Sat-Sun – breakfast 9:30-10:30 a.m., lunch 12:30-1:30 p.m., dinner 7-8 p.m.*

Note: Your stewardship dollars provide financial support to Urban Ministries through our Service and Mission budget.

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Blessing and Honor

1 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and power,
 2 Let all the heav - ens sound forth Je - sus' name;
 3 Ev - er as - cend - ing the song and the joy,
 4 Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb;

wis - dom and rich - es and strength ev - er - more,
 let all the earth sing his glo - ry and fame.
 ev - er de - scend - ing the love from on high;
 take we the robe and the harp and the palm;

be to the Lamb who our bat - tle has won,
 O - cean and moun - tain, stream, for - est, and flower
 bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and praise:
 sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,

whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne.
 ech - o these prais - es and tell of God's power.
 this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
 dy - ing in weak - ness but ris - ing to reign.

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need 803

(Psalm 23)



1 My shep-herd will sup - ply my need; Je - ho - vah is his name.
2 When I walk through the shades of death your pres-ence is my stay;
3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me all my days;



In pas - tures fresh he makes me feed, be - side the liv - ing stream.
one word of your sup - port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.
O may your house be my a - bode, and all my work be praise.



He brings my wan - dering spir - it back when I for - sake his ways,
Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my ta - ble spread;
There would I find a set - tled rest, while oth - ers go and come;



and leads me, for his mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
my cup with bless - ings o - ver - flows; your oil a - noints my head.
no more a strang - er, or a guest, but like a child at home.



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Eternal Father, Strong to Save

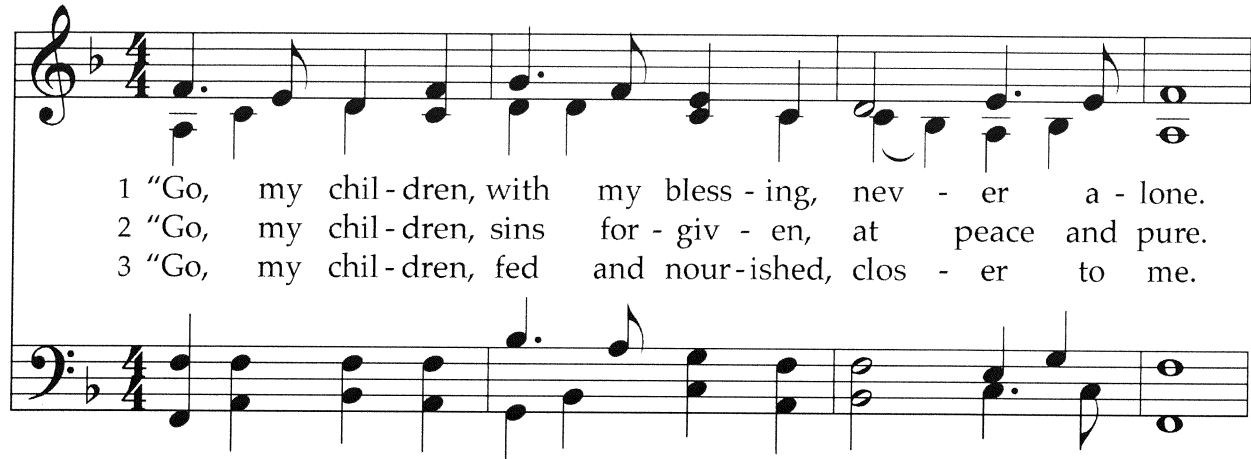
1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who did brood up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and power, all trav - elers guard in

rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 wild and rude, and bade its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
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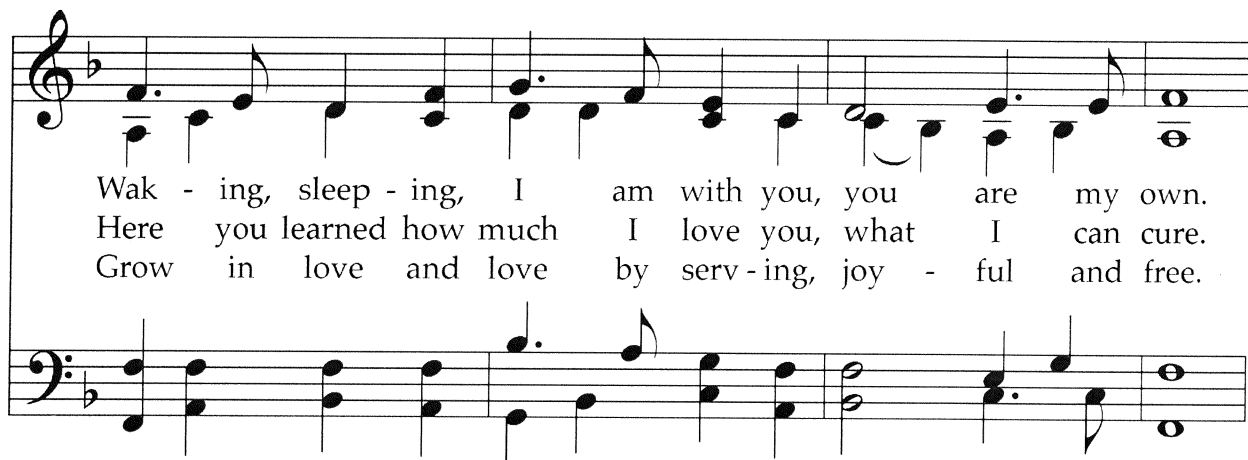
own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
 calm a - mid its rage did sleep: O hear us when we
 gave, for fierce con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

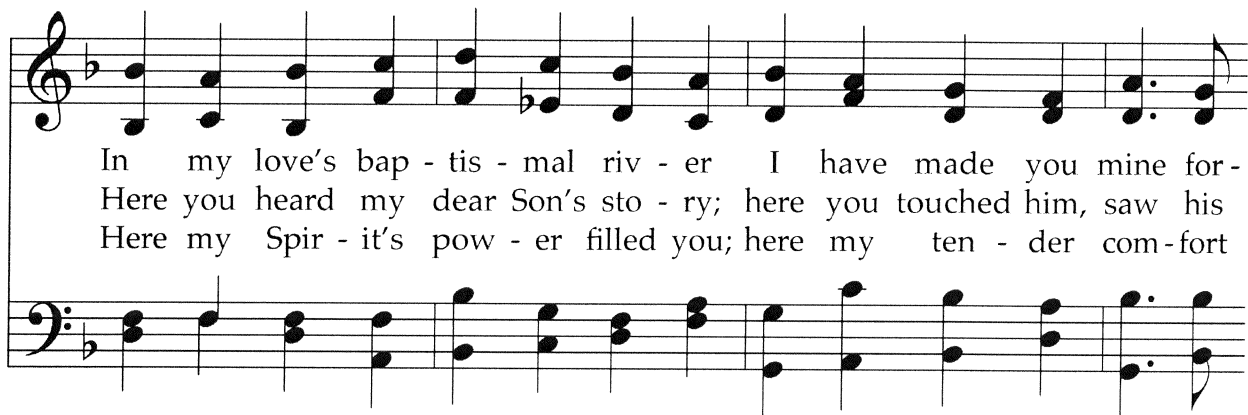
Go, My Children, with My Blessing 547



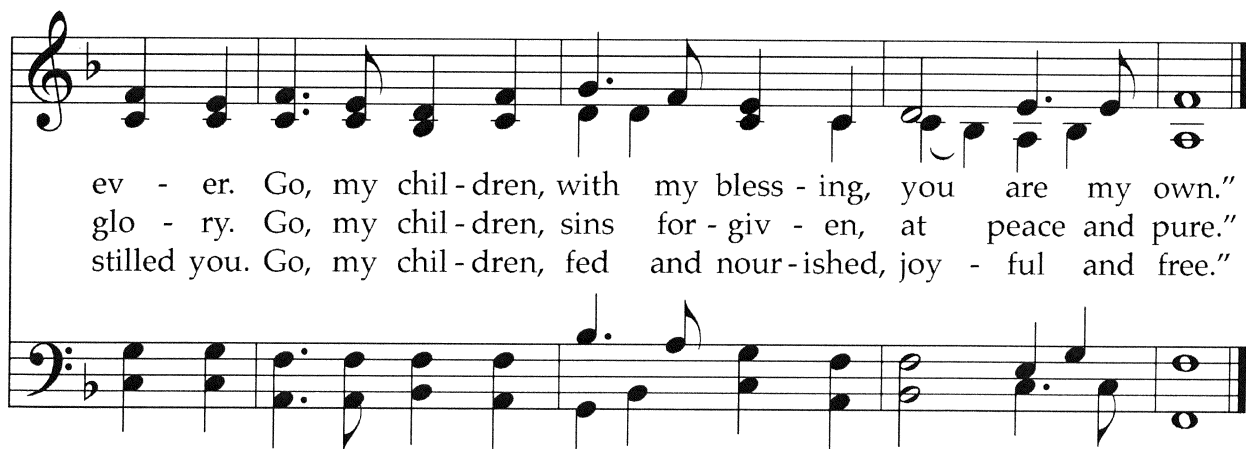
1 "Go, my chil-dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil-dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for -
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry; here you touched him, saw his
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you; here my ten - der com - fort



ev - er. Go, my chil-dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
glo - ry. Go, my chil-dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
stilled you. Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and free."

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: *Izzy Pleasants*

Narthex Greeter: *Maxie Honeycutt, El Hess*

After Worship Greeter: *Alice Raney* (side/font)

Ushers: *Julie Whiddon* (head), *Emily Wilkins, John Mozart, El Hess*

The Week at a Glance!

<p>Later Today</p> <p>After Worship Mother's Day Luncheon</p> <p>12:15 – 12:45 PM Children's Choir</p> <p>2:00 – 4:00 PM Shape Note Choir</p> <p>4:30 – 6:30 PM Middle School Youth (Mystery Adventure & Welcome 5th graders)</p> <p>6:00 – 8:00 PM High School Youth (Kickball versus Scratch/Young Adults at Momsen-Hudson's Home / Welcome 8th graders)</p>	<p>Monday, May 13</p> <p>9:00 AM – Noon Walk-in Ministry Client Interviews</p> <p>10:30 A.M. Presbyterian Women Circle, Bible Study and Spring Luncheon</p> <p>6:30 PM Service and Mission Committee</p> <p>7:00 PM Worship and the Arts Committee</p> <p>The Property Committee is not meeting today.</p>	<p>Tuesday, May 14</p> <p>8:00 – 8:45 AM High School Youth Midweek Morning Meal (at Joe Van Gogh)</p> <p>1:30 PM Plan Worship</p> <p>2:30 PM Program Staff</p> <p>5:30 PM Christian Education Committee</p> <p>6:00 PM Finance and Investment Committee</p> <p>7:00 PM Book Group (at Marila Stone's home)</p> <p>7:00 PM Vox Chorus</p> <p>Newsletter today!</p>	<p>Wednesday, May 15</p> <p>5:00 PM Bell Choir</p> <p>7:00 PM Chancel Choir</p>
<p>Thursday, May 16</p> <p>9:00 AM – Noon Walk-in Ministry Client Interviews</p> <p>5:30 – 6:30 PM Day School Board Committee</p> <p>6:30 – 7:30 PM Day School Board</p>	<p>Friday, May 17</p> <p>7:00 – 9:00 AM FPC serving breakfast at Durham Urban Ministries</p>	<p>Saturday, May 18</p> <p>11:00 AM Bob Velkey Memorial Service (sanctuary) followed by a reception (Watts-Hill Hall)</p> <p>6:00 PM First Friends Potluck (adults only - at the home of Jancy Johnstone)</p>	<p>Sunday, May 19 <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i></p> <p>9:45 AM Sunday School / Membership Inquiry Class</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship</p> <p>4:45 – 6:15 PM Parents' Night Out</p> <p>No Evening Youth Groups</p>

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