

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2018

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A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
WITH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

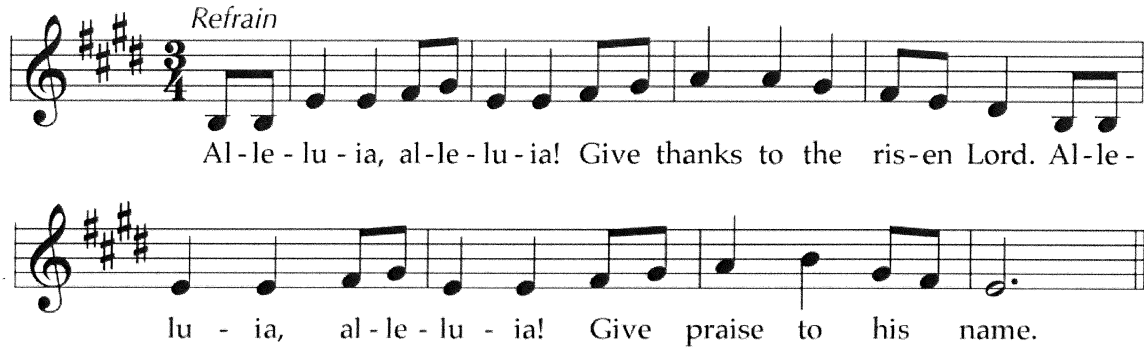
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*(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS		Mindy Douglas
PRELUDE	<i>“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”</i>	James Biery
INTROIT	<i>If Ye Love Me</i> <i>If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever, Ev’n the spirit of truth.</i>	Thomas Tallis
*CALL TO WORSHIP <i>(from Psalm 98)</i>		Sarah Finbow
Leader:	Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done marvelous things, Whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.	
People:	<b>O Lord, you have made known your victory, You have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.</b>	
Leader:	You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel; All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.	
People:	<b>Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.</b>	
All:	<b>Let us worship God.</b>	
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 396	<i>Brethren, We Have Met to Worship</i>	<i>Holy Manna</i>
*CONFESSION OF SIN (remain standing)		Sarah Finbow
Call to Confession		
Prayer of Confession (in unison)		
	<b>O God of shalom, we confess that we have built up walls to protect ourselves from our enemies, but those walls also shut us off from receiving your love. Break down those walls. Help us to see that the way to your heart is through the reconciliation of our own hearts with our enemies. Bless them and us, so that we may come to grow in love for each other and for you, through Jesus Christ.</b>	
Silent Confession		
Declaration of Pardon		

\* Those who are able, please stand.

*Refrain*



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris-en Lord. Al-le -  
lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia! Give praise to his name.

**\*THE PEACE**

Sam Miglarese

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

**COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

Cris Rivera

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

All: **O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you, that, loving you above all else, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

**GOSPEL LESSON**

John 15: 9-17

(Pew Bible, NT Page 109)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**

Acts 10: 44-48

(Pew Bible, NT Page 130)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

*"Radical Inclusion"*

Mindy Douglas

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*An Hispanic Creed*

Sam Miglarese

**We believe in the Church universal because it is a sign of God's reign,  
whose faithfulness is shown in its many hues  
where all the colors paint a single landscape,  
where all tongues sing the same praise.**

**We believe in the reign of God – the day of the Great Fiesta  
when all the colors of creation will form a harmonious rainbow,  
when all people will join in joyful banquet,  
when all tongues of the universe will sing the same song.**

**And because we believe, we commit ourselves:  
to believe for those who do not believe,  
to love for those who do not love,  
to dream for those who do not dream,  
until the day when hope becomes a reality.**

**\*HYMN NO. 399**

*God Welcomes All*

*Themba Amen*

*(Children through 1<sup>st</sup> grade enter worship during the hymn.)*

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

Lenore Champion, Brent Curtis

*(Children can now remain in worship with their parents or return to the nursery.)*

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS**

Offertory Anthem

*Ubi Caritas* (based on *Plainsong*)

Richard Proulx

Marilyn Hedgpeth and Phyllis Supple, bells

*Where true love and charity are found, God the Lord is there.*

*Since the love of Christ has brought us all together. Let us then rejoice and be glad, all together.*

*Let everyone fear and love God all together. And let us love one another with sincere hearts.*

*Therefore, when we gather as one, all together, let us be as one in the Lord, all together.*

*May careless thought, action, or deed not divide us. Let Christ, our God dwell among us, in every heart.*

*Let us with the blessed ones see thy great beauty, Christ, our God, eternally throned in great splendor,*

*There to possess joy without end, all together, for infinite ages of ages, forever more.*

\*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!***

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

Mindy Douglas

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: In every time and every age, O God, it is good and faithful that we give you thanks, for your mercy is sure and your steadfast love endures forever. In your compassion you gave us Christ Jesus, who sets us free from death and leads us to life eternal. And so, with all creation, with all the needy and hungry ones, with all those who have enough and plenty, with creatures large and small, with the saints of every age, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All (sung):

*Sanctus*

Hymn No. 565 (Haugen)

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.***

Leader: Blessed are you, O God, creator of all things. By your power and love you continue to deliver your people from bondage, thwart the designs of evil, show the way through the wilderness, turn hardship into righteousness, and reveal your hand upholding the just. Blessed are you, O Christ, servant of the universe. You came among us to feed and heal and teach, to confound the haughty, to confuse the deceivers, to challenge the wrong-hearted, and, in all these things, to give hope to those who long for peace. Remembering our Lord's self-giving love, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Leader: Blessed are you, O Spirit, giver of life. You give us words when we have none; you fill us with vision when we have the most need; you give us voice to proclaim our faith in every hour. Be our guide and teacher, today and always. Come now, O Prince of Peace, Spirit of Love, Breath of Life. Bring to this hurting world the joy that Mary Magdalene knew, and teach us to proclaim with her "I have seen the Lord!" In the unity of the Holy Trinity, in gratitude for this great day of resurrection, we praise you, God of all that is, now and forever.

*(Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession)*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(in unison)*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

**\*THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

*As you come forward to receive the elements, please bring your blessing bags/supplies and place them in the baskets. Note: Gluten/peanut-free bread is served at the station to the right, in front of the lectern.*

\*Anthem at the Communion *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether* Harold Friedell  
(The text to the anthem may be found in the Hymnal, No. 529)

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

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

People: **Amen.**

All: **Loving God, here at this table we celebrate resurrection as you feed us with bread and wine. As you command, we will leave this sacred space to go into all the world with the knowledge that you are with us and in us, transforming and empowering us to be your witnesses. Nourished in body, mind, and spirit, may all that we say and do give you glory. Amen.**

**\*HYMN NO. 301**

*Let Us Build a House*

*Two Oaks*

**\*BENEDICTION**

Mindy Douglas

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Fugue in D*

*J. S. Bach*

**Note to Worshippers:** There is an event in the sanctuary later today.

Please recycle your bulletins and pick up inserts, children's drawings, etc. as you exit your pew.

Returning hymnals and Bibles to the pew racks is also very helpful. Thank you.

**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, April 29, we welcomed 18 visitors to our worship service.

The **flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Malcolm Henderson Rourk, III** by his parents **M. Henderson Rourk and Jane Davis Rourk** and his sister, **Caroline Davis Rourk**.

Today's **Prayer of Confession** comes from *The Reformed Church in America* website and was submitted by Nolan Palsma, Pitcher Hill Community Church, North Syracuse, NY.

*Nursery care* for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. After the sermon is delivered, children ages 3 to 6 join worship for “A Time with the Children” while childcare for infants – 2 years continues in the nursery. After “A Time with the Children,” the children may return to the nursery or join their parents in the pews. 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. Books are on the pews in the narthex for younger children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

*Portions of today’s worship texts* were reprinted from the new *Book of Common Worship*.

### **Joys and Concerns**

Our heartfelt condolences are extended to the family of *Rev. James Robert (Bob) Keever*, who died peacefully on April 30<sup>th</sup> at Croasdaile Village. A Service of Witness to the Resurrection will be held Monday, May 21 at 2:00 p.m. at FPC. The family will receive friends at a reception in Watts-Hill Hall following the service.

We also extend heartfelt condolences to *Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett* on the passing of her nephew *Eric Maina* on May 1<sup>st</sup> in Durham.

#### **Added this week:**

*Laurie Nelson Bailey*, cousin of Charlotte Nelson

*Evelyn McDaniel*, mother of Mary Kay Robinson

*Clare Iedema*, sister of Hendrika Vande Kemp, in hospice care

*Carsey Family*

*Graham/Seawell/Boyle Family*

*Lorimer Family*

*Susan Seahorn*

Brookdale Senior Living (Durham): *Julian Boswell*

Croasdaile Village: *Bette Conroy* (Friendship Hall)

Croasdaile Pavilion: *John Kerr, Bob Rankin, Florence Shackelford*

Dubose Center (Chapel Hill): *Mary Clark*

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

The Forest at Duke: *Fran Bryant, Peaches McPherson*

#### **Family and Friends of Church Members and Staff:**

*Tom Birchfield*, step-father of Wil James

*Ching-Chang Chin*, father of Li-Chen Chin

*Claiborne Clark*, son of Arthur and Mary Clark

*Marc Crawford*, friend of Brianna and Ricky Bennett

*Linda High*, niece-in-law of Elizabeth High

*Maria Holland*, daughter of Katy and Bruce Loeblich

*Ben Johnston-Krase*, pastor of Durham’s Farm Church

*David Kilpatrick*, grandson of Elizabeth High (US Air Force, now stationed in England)

*Patricia Kost*, grandmother of Jack Kost

*Paul Martin*, brother of Beth Neece

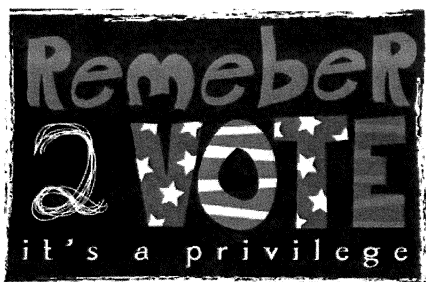
*Rosemary Orphys*, aunt of Kerry Holbrook

*Vickie Tobey*, niece of Mickey Velkey and cousin of Beth Brockman

*Anne Turlington*, aunt of Jack Kost

**Concert: Women's Voices Chorus**  
**TODAY at 3:00 p.m. in the FPC Sanctuary**

This concert will feature Artistic Director Allan Friedman's new refugee song, *Miriyam, Maria, and Maryam*, a dramatic piece written in response to the present reality of millions of displaced people around the globe. Accompanied by guitars, oud, percussion, and interpretive dance, with text from Psalms, Rumi, and Hafez, Friedman imagines three women of different faiths as they are swept up in tragic historical events. This spring program will also include modern and Renaissance choral works by women on the Virgin Mary; Ariel Ramirez's romping and lively South American folk mass, *Misa Criolla*; and international songs of peace, including an Iraqi lullaby and a Palestinian-American's song on the longing to be free. Tickets available online from the Women's Voices Chorus website for pick up at the door.



**FPC will be a polling place on May 8th**

FPC will again serve as a polling place on Tuesday, May 8 for city of Durham residents (due to the Durham Public Library still being closed for renovations). **We recommend that you contact the staff by phone or e-mail that day as there will be very little, if any, parking available at FPC during regular hours.** The DaySchool will operate on its normal schedule. Meetings that are not affected by parking restrictions will meet as scheduled. Please contact Tom Bloom, Business Administrator, at [t.bloom@firstpres-durham.org](mailto:t.bloom@firstpres-durham.org) if you have questions.



**Sunday, May 13**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter – Mother's Day**  
**9:45 a.m. Sunday School** (Classes for all ages)  
**11:00 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion**  
**Cherrie Henry, preaching**

Give mom a break from cooking on Mother's Day and let Cris and Beth prepare lunch for your family! Following worship, families with a meal reservation can attend our **annual Mother's Day Luncheon**. Donations will be received to offset the cost of the meal. Please make a reservation today by completing the enclosed sheet and putting it in the offering plate as it passes. Please respond only once for your household. Thank you.

**PALESTINE IS OUR HOME – Presentation and Book Signing**

**Monday, May 14 at 12:30 p.m.**

featuring **Nahida Halaby Gordon, PhD**, organized around the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Nakba. Bring your lunch. Dessert and beverage will be provided. Dr. Gordon was born the youngest of four children into a Presbyterian (Church of Scotland) family in Jerusalem, Palestine. She is a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Wooster, Ohio, and is active in the Israel-Palestine Mission Network of Presbyterian Church (USA), and on the steering committee of the Christian ecumenical organization, the Friends of Sabeel North America (FOSNA). Her book is a compilation of interviews she conducted with survivors and refugees of the 1948 Palestinian Nakba, and, also, her own family's experience. Books will be available for purchase. Event is sponsored by The Coalition for Peace with Justice.

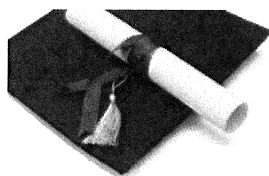


Keep those supplies coming! The demand for blessing bags has increased with the coming of springtime. Please continue to bring brown lunch bags, snack crackers, individually packaged fruit snacks, and nutrition bars, as well as small bottles of water on Sundays through Pentecost, May 20. Ready-made blessing bags are appreciated as well. Thank you for your support of the Walk-in Ministry.



### Smart Devices Needed

Do you have an old iPod, iPhone, or iPad? Please bring it to church to donate! Your device will be donated to Music and Memory ([www.musicandmemory.org](http://www.musicandmemory.org)) to provide "personalized music" for people suffering from dementia. Look for the plastic box with the Music and Memory logo in the volunteer's office, or contact Christyn Klinck for more information ([cfklinck@gmail.com](mailto:cfklinck@gmail.com)). Donations accepted through Sunday, May 27.



### 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 **Valerie McMillian** in the church office by email: [v.mcmillian@firstpres-durham.org](mailto:v.mcmillian@firstpres-durham.org) or leave in Valerie's mailbox at the church. **The deadline is May 27.**

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### ~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: **Cris Rivera**

Narthex Greeter: **Delia Kwon**

After Worship Greeters: **Delia Kwon** (side/font); **Andy Henry** (rear/narthex)

Ushers: **Emily Wilkins** (head), **Mickey Velkey**, **John Mozart**, **El Hess**, **Ginny Widmark**

Communion Elders:

Head Elder/Replenish elements: **Ellie Dilworth**

Bread: **Lenore Champion** (B1/process), **Bob Breitweiser** (B2), **Jerry Postema** (B3), **Cris Rivera** (B4)

Cup: **Brent Curtis** (C1), **Al Arrowood** (C2/process), **Dewey Lawson** (C3), **Karen Romines** (C4)

Shepherds: **Andy Henry** (center aisle), **Caroline Rourk** (font aisle), **Marcia Lorimer** (pulpit aisle)

# Brethren, We Have Met to Worship 396



1 Breth-ren, we have met to wor-ship and a - dore the Lord our God.  
2 Sis - ters, will you come and help us? Mo-ses' sis-ter aid - ed him.  
3 Is there here a trem-bling jail-er, seek-ing grace and filled with fears?  
4 Let us love our God su - preme-ly; let us love each oth - er, too.



Will you pray with all your pow - er while we try to preach the word?  
Will you help the trem-bling mourn-ers who are strug-gling hard with sin?  
Is there here a weep-ing Mar - y pour-ing forth a flood of tears?  
Let us love and pray for sin - ners till our God makes all things new.



All is vain un - less the Spir - it of the ho - ly One comes down.  
Tell them all a - bout the Sav - ior. Tell them that he will be found.  
Breth-ren, join your cries to help them; sis-ters, let your prayers a - bound!  
Christ will call us home to heav - en; at his ta - ble we'll sit down.



Breth - ren, pray, and ho - ly man-na will be show-ered all a-round.  
Sis - ters, pray, and ho - ly man-na will be show-ered all a-round.  
Pray, O pray, that ho - ly man-na will be scat-tered all a-round.  
Christ will gird him-self and serve us with sweet man-na all a-round.





# God Welcomes All

399

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

The first system of music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef and the bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;".

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

The second system of music continues in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef and the bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.". The system concludes with a double bar line.

# 301

# Let Us Build a House

## All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)  
 C7 F C F B<sup>b</sup> C Dm



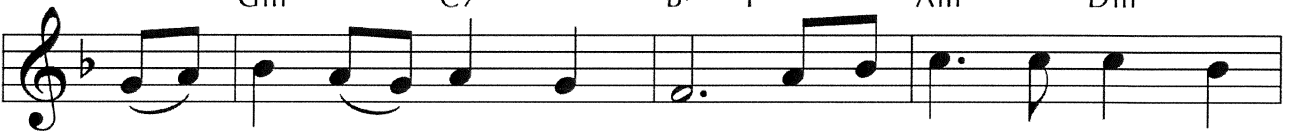
1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can  
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are  
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,  
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the  
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)  
 F C F Dm7 Gm C



safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell  
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek  
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground  
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,  
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)  
 Gm C7 B<sup>b</sup> F Am Dm



how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)  
 Gm C F B<sup>b</sup>



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the  
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as  
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we  
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us  
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

THE CHURCH

(D) (G) (F#7) (Bm) *Refrain* (Em) (Bm)

F B<sup>b</sup> A7 Dm Gm Dm


love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:  
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;  
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:  
 house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

(F#m) (Em) (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)

Am Gm F Gm C7 F B<sup>b</sup> F

all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

## The Week at a Glance!

<p><b>Later Today</b></p> <p><b>After Worship</b> Racial Equity Task Force</p> <p><b>1:00 – 3:00 PM</b> New Officers Training (at Trinity Ave PC; led by Art Ross)</p> <p><b>3:00 PM</b> <b>Concert:</b> Women's Voices Chorus (ticket required)</p> <p><b>5:00 – 8:00 PM</b> Youth Groups End-of-Year Party at the Momsen- Hudson's home</p>	<p><b>Monday, May 7</b></p> <p><b>10:00 AM</b> Presbyterian Women Circle and Bible Study followed by annual Spring Luncheon</p> <p><b>6:30 PM</b> Personnel Committee</p>	<p><b>Tuesday, May 8</b></p> <p><b>1:30 PM</b> Worship Planning</p> <p><b>2:30 PM</b> FPC Staff</p> <p><b>7:00 PM</b> Vox Men's Chorus</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p><b>Election Day</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday, May 9</b></p> <p><b>5:30 PM</b> Worship and the Arts Committee</p> <p><b>6:00 PM</b> Stewardship Committee</p> <p><b>7:00 PM</b> Chancel Choir</p>
<p><b>Thursday, May 10</b></p> <p><b>9:00 AM – 12:30 PM</b> Program Staff Planning Retreat</p>	<p><b>Friday, May 11</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday, May 12</b></p> <p>Food prep for Mother's Day Luncheon</p>	<p><b>Sunday, May 13</b> <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> <b>Mother's Day</b></p> <p><b>9:30 AM</b> Children's Choir rehearsal</p> <p><b>9:45 AM</b> Sunday School Class Scripture Readers' Class</p> <p><b>11:00 AM</b> Worship and Holy Communion (Children's Choir singing)</p> <p><b>After Worship</b> Mother's Day Luncheon / Volunteers pack lunch bags for Durham Public Schools' May 16<sup>th</sup> event</p>

### CHURCH STAFF

*Tom Bloom*, Business Administrator  
*Robert Daye*, Sexton  
*Mindy Douglas*, Pastor/Head of Staff  
*Susan Dunlap*, Parish Associate  
*Sarah Finbow*, Youth Minister



*Marilyn Hedgpeth*, Associate Pastor  
*Cheryl Henry*, Parish Associate  
*Valerie McMillian*, Parish Administrator  
*Sam Miglarese*, Associate Pastor  
*Kathy Parkins*, Minister of Music

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