



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Stay Connected at First Presbyterian Church!

From meaningful worship and small group opportunities to fellowship gatherings, and special seasonal events, God is moving in powerful ways throughout our church family. Read below to discover what is coming up and how you can get connected.

Worship this Sunday March 8, 2026

Join us for Worship at 8:30 a.m. or 11:00 a.m.

Pastor Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

Sermon Title: Marks of A Disciple: Humility

Scripture: Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 | Philippians 1:27-2:16

[Click here for our live stream and worship resources](#)

From Tara's Desk

Dear Church,

I had the pleasure of going to Youth Group on Sunday night. It was a time for the youth to get to know me and ask the pastor some questions.

First, I have to tell you, the future of the church is in good hands. Our youth are amazing people. They are articulate, thoughtful, and kind. I am so grateful for the time I got to spend with them.

And second, they ask amazing questions! Each youth was allowed to write questions on a piece of paper, which were placed in a hat and drawn out at random. Not only did I answer the questions, but they also took turns answering them from their perspective. Some of the questions asked were easier than others. They asked about my favorite bible story and about how I was called to ministry. But they also asked some tough questions, like whether Judas went to heaven. Do people who do bad things suffer punishment from God? They were not interested in easy questions and answers! They are thinking theologically and asking good, deep questions.

I am proud of our church for its commitment to these youth and for the formation it has provided over the years in their lives of faith. The world will be a better place because of the youth this church has loved and supported. I look forward to seeing where their futures will take them!

In faith, hope, and love,

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

News & Upcoming Events:



Graduating Seniors!

Completed applications are due Friday, April 15.

Questions? Email [*Fran Yohman*](mailto:Fran.Yohman)

Printed applications will also be available in the Edge Lobby.



PW March Circle Meetings

- Circle 4 meets Monday, March 9 at 10:30 a.m. in FPC's Memorial Hall & via Zoom (Hostess: Kathy Roebuck)
- Circle 6 meets Tuesday, March 10 at 3:00 p.m. at Glenaire (6000 Building, 5th Floor Lounge, West Side)
- Circle 8 meets Monday, March 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Jennifer Ingram
- Circle 9 meets Sunday, March 8 at 5 p.m. in FPC's Lisa Ham Gathering Space (Hostesses: Ann LeGarde and Nell Burke)
- Circle 10 meets Saturday, March 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Nan and Ian McCaslin

If you are not yet connected to a Circle and would like more information, please email [Anne Swaim](mailto:Anne.Swaim).

Holy Week at First Presbyterian Church



Palm
SUNDAY
March 29
8:30 am & 11:00 am



Maundy
THURSDAY
April 2
7:00 pm



Good
FRIDAY
April 3
12:00 pm & 7:00 pm



Easter
SUNDAY
April 5
8:30 am & 11:00 am

Join us in preparing our hearts
for the Risen King!



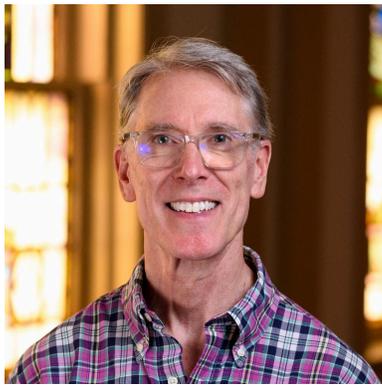
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Congregational Visitation Team

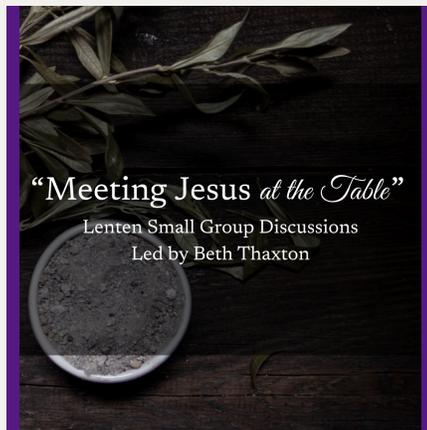
A group of about 10 church members have committed to visit some of our older members once a month. This extra connection with the church strengthens the ties that bind and remind others that their church cares for them. If you'd like to find out more about joining the visitation team, please email [Carol Anne Moehring](mailto:CarolAnne.Moehring@oberlin.edu). If you know of a church member who may like regular visits, please let Carol Anne know. We'd love to visit them!



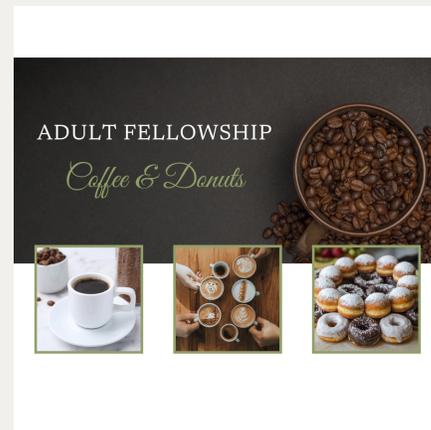
Keyboard Harmony: Eric Wall & Karl Zinsmeister



Sunday, March 8 at 3:00 p.m., our wonderful organist, Dr. Karl Zinsmeister, will be playing a joint organ recital at White Memorial Presbyterian Church as a part of the Sounds on Oberlin Concert Series. The diverse program, which includes works by J. Cook, G. Walker, J.S. Bach, D. Pinkham, C. Ore, D. Locklair, F. Price, C. Franck, and M. Dupre, is open and free to the public.



Join us for a Lenten Small Group on the Tuesdays during Lent.



Come and join us for a delightful morning of fellowship, laughter, and sweet treats on Tuesday,

Bring your own lunch while we discuss "Meeting Jesus at the Table" led by Beth Thaxton.

We will meet on the Third Floor in the Ed Greer Room from 12:00-12:50 p.m.

Dates:
March 10 | March 17
March 24 | March 31

All are welcome!

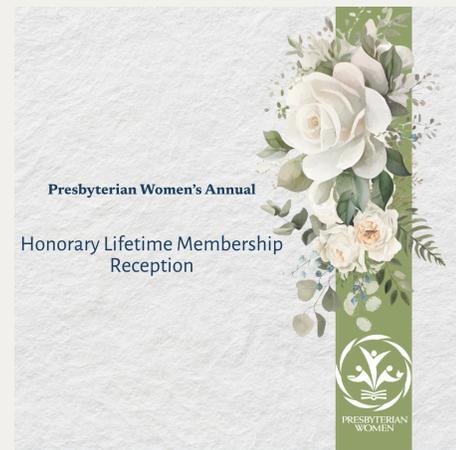
March 17 from 10:00 - 12:00 p.m. in the Edge Lobby.

This special time of connection is a wonderful opportunity to connect with friends and meet new faces.

All are welcome so please bring a friend!

Presbyterian Women's Annual Honorary Lifetime Membership Reception

The congregation is invited to join PW as they recognize two church members for their faithful service to FPC Raleigh and our community at large. Honorees will be announced at the 11:00 a.m. worship service on March 15 and all are invited to the reception afterwards in the Lisa Ham Gathering Space where we will celebrate their accomplishments.



SAVE *the* DATE

2026 FPC WOMEN'S RETREAT

Where: Trinity Center | Pine Knoll Shores, NC

When: November 6-8

More details to come!

Registration opens Sunday, April 12



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