



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Raleigh

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September 20 - September 27, 2026

Worship this Sunday

September 20, 2026

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

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger

Greek 101: Mathetes

Scripture: Psalm 138 | John 8:31-38

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

[Click here for our YouTube Channel](#)

The pastor on call for the month of September is The Rev. Laurie Taylor Weicher. She can be reached at 919 714-7213 or at lweicher@fpcraleigh.org.

From Tara's Desk

Dear Church,

A few weeks ago, I was excited to announce that we had hired an Interim Youth Director for the months ahead. Sadly, after a short time here, he felt the job was not for him.

I am glad to tell you, however, that our very own David Poisson has decided to step into this role. David, his wife Ann, and their sons Luke and Jonathan are long-time members of this congregation. In addition, David has extensive experience helping with youth group and teaching youth Sunday school before taking on this role. I am excited that he feels called to continue his ministry with the youth of our church in this way.

David's position is full-time, and we are so very glad to have him on staff. If you see him around the church, be sure to welcome him to this new role.

In faith, hope, and love,
The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger
Senior Pastor



David Poisson
Interim Director of Youth Ministries
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919 714-7211

Coming Up

M I D W E E K
BIBLE
STUDY



Bring a bag lunch and join us at 12:00 p.m. for lively discussion and Bible Study each Wednesday in the Phoenix room. We'll study Isaiah in September and October, then switch to Amos, another awesome prophet, for the month of November. In December we'll do a thematic Advent Bible Study. Join us each week, or when your schedule allows.

FEATURED SPEAKER



Jimbo Perry

Executive Director
Chief Justice's
Commission on
Professionalism

**PLEASE RSVP BY
SEPTEMBER 17**



SCAN TO RSVP

Or email
tbulger@fpcraleigh.org
or call 919.821.5750

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"To the public, I offer service."
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and a conversation to explore how we
might put our professionalism into
practice to serve our community.



THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 24, 2026
12:00 - 1:00 PM



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MEMORIAL HALL
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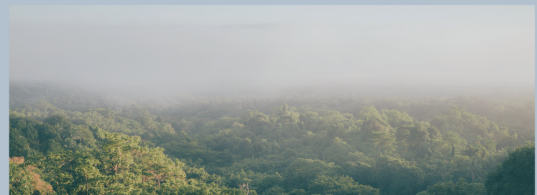
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INQUIRER'S CLASS



If you've been worshipping with us and want to learn more about the church or how to become a member, we hope you'll join us for our inquirer's classes. We will meet in the Parlor at 9:45 on Sunday, September 13 and 20. We'll explore what it means to be a Presbyterian and some of the ministries of this congregation. There will be a church tour on Sunday, September 27 for anyone interested.



Parking Fundraiser

Join in the Fun and Help Raise Money for FPC Presbyterian Women during the Wide Open Music Festival on October 3rd. We are conveniently located just 1 block from the Pinecone Stage. You Can Help: Volunteer for a shift and Park for Free, then enjoy the Festival. Or Pay to Park at FPC and enjoy the Festival; Spread the Word for your Friends to Park at FPC. Festival Hours are from 12pm - 11pm.

The festival is a popular downtown community event that attracts more than 150,000 people to enjoy music, art and food. Artists play bluegrass, Americana, folk, gospel, norteno, R&B, and other genres whose roots run deep. It's about celebrating music that comes from the heart and brings people together.

Two shifts available: 11:30 - 3:30 P.m. & 3:30 - 8:00 P.M.

Join us in Fellowship and Fun!

Contact Pam Jones if you have any questions at 404-668-0420 or via email p3jones@yahoo.com

[Click here](#) to register to volunteer



On Friday September 25th at 7:00pm, here at FPC Raleigh, Dr. Kirsten Homdrom presents a solo piano recital featuring works by Johann Sebastian Bach, Florence Price, Francis Poulenc, and others. Admission is free; please join us!



Join us Sunday, October 11 for a celebration of fellowship, food, and faithful giving at our Pig Pickin' Stewardship Kickoff!

This church-wide event marks the start of our fall Stewardship season; a time when we come together to reflect on God's abundant blessings and how we're called to share them with joy. After worship, we'll head to Memorial Hall to enjoy a traditional Southern Pig Pickin' complete with pulled pork, BBQ chicken, delicious sides, tea and lemonade, and banana pudding. Bring your appetite, your friends, and your open hearts! This is more than just a meal, it's the beginning of a season where we'll explore how our generosity helps support the mission and ministries of our congregation, both locally and globally.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PIG PICKIN' N' CHICKEN SATURDAY, OCT.10 AND SUNDAY, OCT.11, 2026

Please help us with this event which kicks off the annual Stewardship Fall Campaign. **Set-up is on Saturday, Oct.10 from 11:00 AM to 1:30PM and Serving/Clean-up on Sunday, Oct.11 from 10:00 AM (or after Sermon).** We promise breakfast snacks (for the Saturday Set-up team) and lots of fun for all. A link to **Sign-up Genius** is below. If you prefer, please email Kathie Cheatham (kcheat4349@aol.com) or Ed Yohman (femayoh@aol.com) for either or both days.

We need you!

Sign Up Here!



Join us for a long-held tradition at FPC, the All Church Retreat at Montreat! February 12-14, 2027

This event has been held for over 30 years, but after a hiatus due to the pandemic & Hurricane Helene, we're thrilled to be BACK!

The Rev. Dr. Tara Bulger will be our keynote speaker!

Our theme is "To be a Christian" and will explore 4 different themes throughout the weekend.

Activities include:

- Keynotes
- Small groups
- Free time in Montreat
- Talent show
- Worship
- and more!

Register by November 10.

Click to learn more
and to register!



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WOMEN

The FPC Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Membership Committee is currently seeking nominations for Honorary Life Membership in Presbyterian Women PC (USA). Nominations are due by November 25th. There will be hard copies of the nomination form located in Sunday School classes as well as the Lisa Ham Gathering Space. The nomination form includes a list of past recipients for reference. Please contact [Becky Glendy](#), HLM

Committee Moderator with any questions.

Nomination Form

Forms Now Available in Realm

Need to fill out a church form such as a Facilities Use Request or the PW HLM Nomination Form? Many of our forms are now available in **Realm** for easy access and completion.

Simply log in to your Realm account and follow the steps below:

- Go to more
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Thank you for helping us keep our church connected and organized! If you have any questions, please reach out to Director of Communications, Jean Suber at 919 714-7207 or jsuber@fpcraleigh.org.



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