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November 1 - November 8, 2026

Worship this Sunday

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

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Tara W. Bulger
Theology 101: The Church
Scripture: Psalm 23 | Acts 2:42-47

Click here for our live stream and worship resources

Click here for our YouTube Channel

The pastor on call for the month of November 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,

I am very much looking forward to our All-Church Retreat at Montreat on February 12-14, 2027. The retreat should be a wonderful time of fun and fellowship.

Part of what we will do together during that time is explore some ideas set forth by minister Fred Craddock when he wrote, “When I was in my late teens, I wanted to be a preacher. When I was in my late twenties, I wanted to be a good preacher. Now that I am older, I want more than anything else to be a Christian. To live simply, to love generously, to speak truthfully, to serve faithfully, and to leave everything else to God.”

It's that idea of being a Christian that we’ll explore together. We’ll look at what it means to live simply, love generously, speak truthfully, and serve faithfully. What do those ideas mean to each of us? How do we live them out in this time and place? I hope you’ll come ready to discuss and share as we explore these themes.

If you haven’t already, sign up for the All-Church Retreat by ***clicking here.*** I really hope to see you there!

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

Coming Up



Road Closures

The Oak City Marathon will be held this Sunday, November 1st, resulting in road closures around the church. This will mostly affect our 8:30 a.m. worship service.

Because Morgan St. and Salisbury St. will be closed, along with many routes from the north, we recommend entering the city from the South. If you come up from McDowell Street, Hargett St. will be open, and you can enter the church parking lot from there. Please allow extra travel time, and if you’re late,

it's completely understandable; just come on in! See you Sunday.

Making Room: A Collaborative Advent Devotional

This Advent, we're creating something special together, and we'd love for you to be part of it!

Instead of ordering a preprinted devotional this year, we're inviting members of our church family to help write our very own Advent devotional. We're looking for people willing to share a short reflection on Scripture.

You don't have to be a professional writer or theologian. You simply need a willingness to share a bit of your faith and help encourage others during this season of waiting and wonder.

If you'd like to contribute a devotion, ***sign up today***! More information and writing guidelines will be provided to everyone who signs up.



Where to live as you age
A special Lunch and Learn with Liisa Ogburn

We're delighted to have Liisa Ogburn join us on Sunday, November 8 at 12:15 in Memorial Hall for a Lunch and Learn. Liisa will share information about CCRCs in the Raleigh area, as well as information about home health care. Liisa is widely respected and has led presentations around Raleigh and helped individual clients. Come learn about options for thoughtful aging for yourself, your parents, or other loved ones. Continuing Care Retirement Communities.

You can ***register here*** or go to fpcraleigh.org/events. You may also add your name to the Event

Registration Book located as the desk in the Edge Lobby.



Check out *Clear*, by Carys Davies from the church library or your local public library and start reading this tale that takes place on a remote Scottish Island. Then make plans to join us Tuesday, November 10 either at noon in person, or at 7pm on zoom.

You can ***register here*** or go to fpcraleigh.org/events. You may also add your name to the Event Registration Book located at the desk in the Edge Lobby.



On Thursday, November 12, we are headed back to the Southern Supreme Fruitcake Factory and we'd love for you to come along!

Join us for this special trip that is always a favorite!

After lunch, we will head to Southern Supreme Fruitcake Factory in Bear Creek, where you can browse a wonderful selection of delicious treats, holiday gifts, and, of course, their world-famous fruitcakes.

It's a perfect opportunity to get a head start on your Christmas shopping while enjoying the sights, smells, and tastes of the season.

Invite a friend and make plans to be part of this joyful outing!

Transportation will be provided. Bus departs FPC Parking Lot at 10:30 a.m.

Register Here, call the church at 919 821-5750, or sign up in the

We'll stop for lunch on the way at Mrs. Lacy's Magnolia House in Sanford.

event reservation book at the desk in the Edge Lobby by November 9.



Bicentennial Ornament $10



Notecards (10-pack) $10



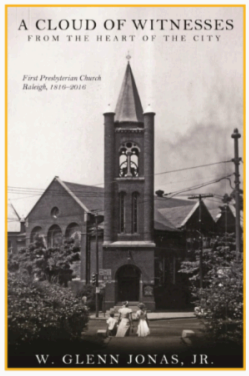
Angel Centerpiece $40



Butterfly Ornament $15



'FPC' Apron $5



Bicentennial History $15

FPC Gifts & Stocking Stuffers

Visit our PW sales display in the Edge Lobby

Sundays:

November 15 | November 22

December 6 | December 13

Proceeds will purchase wish-list items for our FPC kitchen and dining.

There will be a selection of other new ornaments; (Stars - $15) and (Fish - $15) for sale. Also new this year are handmade angel centerpieces for $40.

Presbyterian Women, please sign up here to help at our table.



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 hiaitus 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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