Cross Connections

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

October 2017



A Very Busy Month!

Wed, Oct 4 (6:00 pm) - Oktoberfest Celebration – appetizers will be served at 5:30 pm. Come and enjoy a wonderful German meal. **Our Silent Auction** will take place during the celebration. If you have an item for the Silent Auction, please let Bess Line know NOW! (See back page for details!)

Sat, Oct 7 (3 pm) – Our pumpkins arrive for the Pumpkin Patch. We will need people to make the unloading chain from truck to patch – the more people, the faster we get done! Please sign up to HELP in the patch Oct 8 through 31, visit the table in the atrium.

Sat, Oct 14 (7 am - 1 pm) – Indoor Yard Sale in Trinity Hall. We will be accepting any and all items beginning Thurs, Oct 5 in Trinity Hall. Scour your closets, attics, garage – donate to St. Paul's so we can have another great yard sale! (See back page for details!)

Fri, Oct 27 (7 pm) – Joint Reformation Service at St. Thomas More in Chapel Hill. Roman Catholics and Lutherans will worship together to mark the special anniversary of the Reformation.

Sat, Oct 28 (5 pm) – Trunk or Treat (Note this is a change of date and time from originally posted). We'll begin the evening with hot dogs and popcorn at 5 pm. We invite you to bring snacks or a side dish to accompany the hot dogs. We'll do a parade of costumes and then trunk or treat.

Sun, Oct 29 (12:30 pm) – Reformation Celebration and Lunch. The entire congregation is invited to a celebration of all things Lutheran. Vicar Adam and Pastor Scott and a few yet to be recruited people will be preparing lunch for the congregation. Menu is still in the works. In addition, there will be photo opportunities with Martin and Katie Luther, Trivia contests, pin the Theses on the door contest and much, much more. Prizes will include Martin and Katie Luther Bobblehead dolls, 500th anniversary mugs, Luther Rose temporary tattoos, coloring books, and some other surprises. Come one, come all to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation!

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From the Pastor...

September surely went out with some great programming and I want to thank all those that participated in the NC Pride Festival. Emily Vardell and Brenda Linares have been instrumental in helping guide the activities of this event, but with their move to Kansas in the offing, our Vicar, Adam Schultz took over some of the duties of organizing and planning for this event. As a gay man, Adam is uniquely qualified to assist in welcoming the LGBTQ community to our fellowship. I give thanks for this ministry and his efforts on our behalf.

October is always one of the busiest times of the year at St. Paul's. We will be hosting our final Pumpkin Patch Sale this year and we really need people to help our coordinator, Joan Albright, by answering the call to unload, populate the sales booth and generally help with clean up and take down. In addition, Karen Hassett and Bess Line are preparing for the annual Yard Sale. Both of these projects benefit groups that help with the projects and it is important to offer as much assistance to them as possible.

October also means Oktoberfest, the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, Trunk or Treat, the Joint Catholic/Lutheran Prayer Service on October 27th, Confirmation for Jonathan Maine and for Mary Margaret McKenzie, the League of Women Voter's "Meet the Candidates Event" and our congregational conversation around planning the future of the Damascus House. I am sure I have left out something because when I look at the calendar on Susan's door, there doesn't seem to be a day when there is a room available for another thing this month.

God has blessed us with a great and welcoming facility and we use it. I give thanks for all who answer God's call to serve in any capacity.

May God bless us as this new church year runs at full speed.

Pastor Scott

From the Vicar...

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. – Hebrews 13:2

I want to once again thank you the congregation for the wonderful welcome I have received upon my arrival here at S. Paul's. Some of you helped to unload my moving truck, others have done repairs on Damascus House, and still others have extended invitations to dinner, small groups, lunches, and more. In ways big and small, I have really enjoyed getting to

know a little about each of you, and I look forward to learning more and growing deeper in relationship with you all. Just a few weeks ago, I knew only a handful of you, but because of your hospitality and generosity, we can no longer claim to be the strangers that the writer of Hebrews mentions. Your hospitality to me has made me a friend, a brother in Christ, and a coworker in ministry.

And now it is time for me to return the favor. Many of you have asked how I am settling in at Damascus House, and although I can honestly say very nicely, I would like to invite you to come see for yourself. On Sunday, October 8 after the 11:00 worship service, I will be hosting an

open house for as many of you as would like to come see the house and how I have made it my home for the year. Whether you have never stepped foot in Damascus House before or have been there many times, I would like to share some hospitality with you as a sign of my appreciation and gratitude for my "angels" of welcome and saints of hospitality. Drop in any time between 12:30 and 2:00 PM. I look forward to greeting you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Vicar Adam

New Horizons

Duke Lutherans is welcoming new and returning students to Duke. September has been a "full court press," and we're anticipating a winning year. Duke Lutherans has expanded our programming, written a grant request for special freshmen programming, and added an intern, Ali Tranvik.

One of my favorite writers, John O'Donahue writes:

When the heart is ready for a fresh beginning, unforeseen things can emerge. And in a sense this is exactly what a beginning does. It is an opening for surprises. Surrounding the intention and the act of beginning, there are always exciting possibilities...

Such beginnings have their own mind, and they invite and unveil new gifts and arrivals in one's life. New beginnings are new horizons that want to be seen; they are not regressions or repetitions. Somehow they win clearance and become fiercely free on the grip of the past.

What is the new horizon in you that wants to be seen?

Duke Lutherans is seeing a new horizon, new students, new programming, a new initiative of service and being neighbor. We are thankful for your partnership and ask for your continued prayers as we make a difference in the lives of Duke students and the larger Durham community. God's peace be with you.

Laura Wind, Duke Lutherans

Come to the Table

Each Sunday evening, Duke Lutherans Campus Ministry students come together at a table – first, to share the bread and wine of Holy Communion during our



weekly worship, then to share a delicious home-cooked meal. Students always leave these Sunday gatherings feeling full and fed, both physically and spiritually. And that is in large part thanks to you, members at St. Paul's and Grace who graciously provide these meals for our students.

Whether you've served a Duke Lutherans dinner before or if it would be your first time, we invite you to come "taste and see" this ministry for yourself, and consider signing up to provide dinner on one of the following dates: Oct 15, Jan 14, Jan 21, Jan 28, Feb 18, Mar 4, Mar 25, Apr 8, or Apr 15.

We gather at 5:30 pm in the York Room of the Divinity School for worship, and our community meal begins at 6:00 pm. Please email alexandra.tranvik@duke.edu with any questions or to

<u>alexandra.tranvik@duke.edu</u> with any questions or to claim a date!

We are so grateful for the support you give this community in food-form.

Ali Tranvik Duke Lutherans Vicar

Triangle Area Lutherans

Did you know that our congregation is a member of the Triangle Conference, one of the sixteen conferences that make up the North Carolina Synod of the ELCA? The Conference brings together the fourteen ELCA congregations and four Lutheran Campus Ministries in the Triangle for mutual support and cooperation and to work together as the face of Lutheranism in our area. The congregations included in the Triangle Conference are: in Cary – Christ the King; in Chapel Hill – Holy Trinity; in Durham – Arbol de Vida, Christus Victor, Church of the Abiding Savior, Our Savior, and St. Paul's; in Fuquay Varina –

Abiding Presence; in Garner – Lord of Life; and in Raleigh – Good Shepherd, Grace, Holy Trinity, Joy of Discovery, and St. Philip. Lutheran Campus Ministries in the Triangle serve UNC (Holy Trinity Chapel Hill), Duke (St. Paul), NC State (Holy Trinity Raleigh) and NC Central (Church of the Abiding Savior).

Rostered leaders in the Triangle Area get together regularly to share how the Spirit is moving in their communities and to discern how local congregations can work together and support each other. Being part of the Triangle Conference gives us all the opportunity to get to know and be part of this larger Lutheran community. This month, we are highlighting the ministries of one of our Triangle congregations, Christus Victor, Durham in our newsletter and will hold that congregation in prayer. In upcoming months, we will feature other congregations and Campus Ministries so that we can get to know all our brothers and sisters and see what Lutherans across the Triangle are up to. The Conference has also started a Facebook page to spread the word about special events, worship services and ministry opportunities taking place throughout the Triangle. Follow "Triangle Area Lutherans" on Facebook for updates on all the latest happenings in Triangle Lutheran churches.

Upcoming in the Triangle

- Oct 1, 5:30 PM: Installation of Pastor Marsha Anderson, Good Shepherd, Raleigh
- Oct 1, 6 PM: Beer & Hymns, Tir Na Nog Irish Pub, Raleigh – Contact: Jennifer Manis, Holy Trinity, Raleigh
- Oct 1, 7:30 PM: Beer & Hymns, Fullstream
 Brewery, Durham Contact: Mark Coulter, Holy
 Trinity, CH
- Oct 27, 7 PM: Reformation Catholic/Lutheran worship, St. Thomas More Catholic, Chapel Hill
- Nov 13: Lutheran World Relief pick up for quilts, healthkits, etc., Grace Lutheran, Raleigh

This Month's Featured Congregation:

Christus Victor Lutheran Church 1615 E Hwy 54, Durham, NC 27713 www.christus-victor.org

Christus Victor Lutheran Church is located in South Durham, across Highway 54 from the Parkwood neighborhood, and not far from Highway 55. We are known in South Durham for the annual Living Nativity and the quilting ministry (6 women and 140+ quilts last year, close to 150 this year). Recently, neighbors in South Durham have recognized our summer Music Camp and the upcoming 3v3 Basketball Tournament set for Saturday, Sept 30th. During the interim process in 2016, CVLC moved from 2 traditional Sunday

morning service times to 1 traditional service with better energy at 10:00 AM. We are discerning if God is calling to us to start a second service, and what type of service that will be, so we follow God's Will.

Reformation Book Sale

The 500th anniversary of the Reformation is fast approaching! Do you want to learn more about Martin Luther, his writings, and their impact on Christianity? Stop by our Reformation 500 Bookstore in the foyer to shop for engaging books on the Reformation for readings of all ages and interests! Save up to 50% plus receive free shipping on all Bookstore titles. Choose which books you would like, complete an order form and drop the form in either Pastor Scott or Susan Esposito's mailbox. You have the option of paying when you place the order or when you pick up your order at the church. Deadline to order is November 12.

Our Bookstore is sponsored by Augsburg Fortress, the publishing ministry of the ELCA. The books include best selling biographies like Luther the Reformer as well as an atlas of the European Reformations, a graphic novel for young readers, and primary sources from The Annotated Luther Series.

"One Another"

Here are some thoughts related to Stephen Ministry. Where do you fit in this picture?

"Most people are much more open to giving care than to receiving it. When giving care, one is in a position of strength, stability, and authority. When receiving care, one is acknowledging weakness, insecurity, and vulnerability."

As a result, many people today, though they really could benefit from a Christian friend who would listen and care for them, instead tough it out on their own – the strong silent type, or – wear a smile across the face that is holding back a flood of tears. And, unfortunately our society encourages this – to ask for help is to admit weakness, and to show weakness is to admit inferiority.

But wait a minute, God did not create us to be independent. We were created to be interdependent. We are designed to live in community with others! There are more than 50 bible verses that contain the words 'one another', i.e.: "love one another," "encourage one another," "build up one another," "pray for one another."

God did not intend us to suffer alone. Jesus promises, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened." (Matt. 11:28) This promise is received when we turn to one another for comfort and difficulties in life, please do not succumb to the societal norm of remaining strong and suffering alone. Take the courageous step of seeking help.

Stephen Ministry offers the opportunity for a very confidential relationship, with someone who will listen to you and provide you with the care and encouragement you need, while Christ works inside to bring rest to your weary, burdened heart.

For more information, please contact any of your Stephen ministers or leaders: Judy Kraska, Nan Treul, Kim Hoke, Jeff Anderson, Barbara Ellertson, Marcy Brown, Paulette Misenheimer, Audrey Busch, Penni Perrotte, Tony Perrotte, or Pastor Anderson.

(We hope to begin a new Stephen Minsitry class in early January – the training requires 50+ hours of commitment. If interested in learning more details about this, please contact Judy Kraska or Nan Treul.)

Preschool Pitter Patter



by Amanda Stoen
October brings us ever
changing weather and a settled school routine for so many of us. The preschool children have settled into their new routines at school – routines that will help them learn self-

help skills, independence and self-confidence. They are busy learners at this age and we focus on active learning in our classrooms. Change and new routines can be a little scary for all of us but with planning and preparation (and a few deep breaths), our children are able to focus on their job of learning through play.

Don't forget to link your Harris Teeter VIC Card and Kroger Plus Card to the preschool. The Harris Teeter account number is **3049**. You can link in any store or online and you do not need to be a preschool parent to link your card. To link your Kroger Plus card, visit krogercommunityrewards.com to register online. Our NPO number is **82098**. Thank you for your support!

We still have a couple remaining spots in our 2s and 4s classes. If you know of anyone searching for a preschool this year, please have them contact me at the church by phone or email: preschool@stpaulsdurham.org.

Katherine Circle

The next meeting of the Katherine Circle of WELCA will be on Tuesday, October 17 at 10:00 am in Trinity Hall. Devotions will be led by Arloa Bittikofer. There will be a speaker providing information on Urban Ministries of Durham. A possible service project will be discussed. Hostesses will be Marilyn Hawley and Diana Dominick. Nancy Anderson is in charge of church pew supplies. All women of the church are invited to attend.

Can Women Achieve Justice?

This will be a topic of study based on the new ELCA social statement at the Triangle Conference Fall Gathering, taking place on Saturday, October 7th at 10 am. Registration and coffee begins at 9:30 am. Location is Christus Victor, 1615 E NC Hwy 54 in Durham. All activities and restrooms on the ground level. Check with Marilyn Bell-Hawley for details and/or to register.

Young In Spirit

The Young in Spirit group met in September and decided their schedule for the year, beginning in October and running through May. Anyone interested is invited to join us! All activities are held on the second Wednesday of the month unless otherwise noted. Watch the Sunday bulletins for times of departure and specific plans.

- ► October 11, 2017 Old Salem in Winston-Salem. Lunch will take place there. There will be a sign-up sheet on the Announcements and Reservations bulletin board in the atrium. Contact person is Marilyn Bell-Hawley. Time TBA.
- ► **November** Synagogue Tour in Durham
- ► **December** Chrismons in Danville, VA
- January 2018 Saxapahaw Paper Puppet Museum
- February Valentine's Day Lunch after Ash Wednesday Service
- ► March "Under the Kudzu" Movie (Rosenwald Schools) presented by Movie's Director (probably held on a Sunday after church for the congregation)
- ► **April** Quilt Barn Tour in Person County
- ► May Roma's Clydesdale Farm in Castalia, NC
- ► **Bonus** Motown Christmas Concert at the Carolina Theatre in Durham Nov 24 at 8:00 pm.

Choir Expanding to 8:30 Service once a Month

The choir will sing at the early service on the second Sunday of each month starting October 8. We are hoping some dedicated "8:30 people" will join us! Drop a line to Jackie Nappi



(<u>music@stpaulsdurham.org</u>) or talk to any choir member if you're interested. Here is the schedule for fall:

Oct 8 "Spirit of God, Descent" arr. By John

Helgen

Nov 12 "Look at the World" by John Rutter

Dec 10 "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came" arr.

By John Leavitt

Plan now for Christmas Pageant! ☆

It's time to put the Christmas Pageant on your calendar and plan for rehearsals! The date and time of the pageant is



Sunday, December 17 at 5:00 pm, followed by the traditional lasagna supper; all taking place in Trinity Hall. Children will begin the Saturday rehearsals the week before Thanksgiving. Friends and family of children are welcome to join us for the fun!

Dates of rehearsal:

- ♦ Sat, Nov 18, 10:00 am
- ♦ Sat, Dec 2, 10:00 am
- ♦ Sat, Dec 9, 10:00 am
- ♦ Sat, Dec 16, 10:00 am

If you have any questions, please contact Jody Timmins.

Welcome our Guest Speaker

The Continuing Conversations Group has scheduled to have a guest speaker on **Sunday**, **October 22**, after worship, about 12:30ish in Trinity hall. The speaker is Atty. Roger Echols, Durham County District Attorney. A light lunch will be served. Everyone is welcome to attend.

"Operation Santa Claus" Donations Needed

For the past few years, the Tongue & Thimble group has been sewing Christmas stockings to donate to the mentally handicapped residents at Murdoch Developmental Center in Butner. In preparation for this endeavor, we would appreciate your donating any leftover remnants of cotton Christmas fabrics which are cluttering your closets! Red and green felt pieces at least 12" x 18" would be great too. In addition, we could use thread and rick rack or other decorative tapes in red, green, blue, gold, silver, or tan. These can be dropped off at the receptionist's desk at St. Paul's.

Thank you for helping us recycle your fabrics and notions as we bring joy to others during the holiday season.

Durham Habitat for Humanity in Honduras

Did you know that each time a Habitat house is built with a family in Durham, a house is sponsored for a family in Honduras? Habitat affiliates nationwide are asked to "tithe" 10% to fund Habitat for Humanity's Global Village work abroad. In 2018, Durham Habitat will be coordinating two trips to the Honduras. The trips are Jan 26 - Feb 4 and Feb 9 - Feb 18. If you have interest or questions, contact Larry Grovenstein, who is planning to participate in the January trip.

New Series Starts

Beginning October 3, Growing thru Grief will be offering the fall six-week Introduction to Grief Series. William Hollowman, Manager of Duke Hospice Bereavement Services, is the presenter. Topics:

Oct 3: Dimensions of Grief/What is Normal?

Oct 10: Experiencing the Pain of Loss

Oct 17: Difficult Emotions Oct 24: Remembering

Oct 31: Important Events

Nov 7: Reinvesting in the Future

Growing thru Grief is a free, open, confidential program sponsored by a coalition of area religious and civic organizations to provide support and comfort to those who mourn. Following the presentation, we will break into small group discussions. Meetings are held year-round on Tuesdays at St. Paul's. Come at 4 pm for coffee and cookies. The meeting starts at 4:30 and ends by 6.

In the Mailbag...

I wish to thank everyone in the St. Paul's community for the expression of love for my sister and all the effort that went into her funeral service and internment. It was heartwarming to see how many people she had touched in her life of teaching, charity work, and service to the church. The number of friends who expressed their sense of love and respect for Dotte was inspiring to me. The service was a celebration of her life. Dotte's time here on earth was a life well lived.

On a lighter note, going through my sister's house showed me how much she enjoyed cheering for the Durham Bulls and Duke Sports. I am now in possession of an unopened can of Duke True Blue Soda, celebrating the 1991 NCAA Basketball Championship. Her many pictures and souvenirs showed me how much she enjoyed her travels to Germany and the many other places that she visited. The number of pictures she had of the dogs and cats that she loved over the years, fills a not so small box. They were obviously a significant part of her life.

Again, I will always be grateful for all of the expressions of sympathy and loss at the passing of my sister, Dotte.

Very truly yours, Richard Williams Davenport, FL

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We truly appreciate your donation to DCIA. Your support sustains and extends our work to bring religious communities together for healing poverty, racism and violence in Durham. Whether gathering diverse ministers and leaders to build bridges together, or connecting people in dialogue and interfaith learning, we've been pleased to see involvement grow this year. More people have been using our community resource guides to connect people in need with programs for food, clothing, housing and financial assistance. We've equipped more congregations with Mental Health First Aid training. In these and more ways, the contributions of partners like you make a difference to life of Durham and its spiritual fellowships.

Sincerely,
Spencer W. Bradford
DCIA Executive Director
Durham Congregations In Action

Welcomed by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

On September 3, 2017, Aidan
Barada Bell, and Olivia Francesca Bell,
children of Grace Barada Bell and Omar
Odysseus Bell were baptized. Aidan was
born on October 7, 2010 in Arlington, VA. His
sponsors are: Taylor Barada, Jeff Wray, Laura
Erickson. Olivia was born on December 21, 2013 in
Arlington, VA. Sponsors for Olivia are Miji Bell,
Kathy Bekedam, Molly Pugh, Alex Wright.

On September 17, 2017, Tatiana Cutherbertson, child of Rachel Giehl was baptized. Tatiana was born on October 18, 2016 in Burlington, NC. Sponsors are Barrett Giehl, Erica Prieto. Grandparents are Ann and Daniel Giehl.

Welcome new Baby

We are pleased to announce the birth of Madelyn William Elliott, born on September 12, 2017 to Brad and Caroline Elliott of Arizona. Madelyn is the greatgrandchild of Ida Elliott.

Our Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Diane Eaker, who died on Tuesday, September 19. Her funeral will be held at St. Paul's on Thursday, September 28 at 1:00 pm with interment in the Memorial Columbarian immediately after. Following the interment, there will be a reception in the foyer.

Memorials

We have a received a memorial in memory of Diane Eaker by Alice Barnes, Durham.



It is exciting to see so many young children in our church and they are growing up so quickly! If you would like to have an opportunity to get to know some of our youngest and most

endearing members and their families, please consider volunteering to staff our nursery. We are in sincere

need of volunteers to supervise children as they play during the 11:00 am service, and you can pick the specific dates and frequency that work with your schedule. Please contact Signe Offenberg at 919-599-7778 or by email at signeo@email.com.

Camp Agape Work Day! - October 21st

Work tasks include:

- trail work: spreading wood chips, trimming roots
- replacing landscape timbers in Katie's Garden
- ♦ sign cleaning
- ♦ roadside pick-up
- split rail fencing repairs
- ♦ boardwalk painting

Breakfast and lunch provided! Work starts after breakfast, between 8:30 & 9:00 am. For more info or to let us know you plan to help, please call 919-552-9421 or email: AceEd@agapekurebeach.org

Adult Sunday School

Currently, the Adult Sunday School class is participating in a study of the St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans. Everyone is encouraged to read the 16 chapters of Romans as we discuss these in some detail.



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Silent Auction

Our 2nd Annual Silent Auction will be **Wednesday, Oct 4** during the Oktoberfest meal. Thanks to all the people who donated and/or bought items last year! We are accepting items now for the 2017 Silent Auction (contact Bess Line at Bessline@SBCGlobal.net or 210-383-7298).

Ideas for donations: Handmade items (quilts, jewelry, cakes, etc.); restaurant gift certificates, gift baskets, re-gifted Christmas presents, a weekend at the beach or mountains, antique items or any item you would feel motivated to buy! The proceeds from the Silent Auction this year will go to the Damascus house for repair, renovation and upkeep. Thanks!

Yard Sale: News and Updates!

Our 9th Annual Yard Sale will be on **Saturday**, **October 14 from 7 am to 1 pm.** We will be accepting donations in Trinity Hall starting Wednesday, Oct 4 AFTER the Oktoberfest meal. From now until October 4, please bring donations downstairs to the Jerusalem room (the "movie" room) – if you must bring them in early. There will be sign-ups in the foyer for volunteers; every yard sale is definitely a group effort! Pack 12 parents and cubs will be working along with volunteers from St. Paul's.

Most of the items which are not sold will be given to TROSA. They will come with a truck after the sale to get donations so we will not have to transport it ourselves. If you have a specific charity that you would like to receive some goods (for example, clothing for Dress for Success), please talk with Karen Hassett or Bess Line.

Remember that we will try to sell almost anything, as long as it is useable and in good (working) condition. Please do not give us non-working lawn equipment or old-model televisions and computers. Keep in mind our "re-gifting" category which is for "essentially new" items that people can give as presents. We will also continue the "Antique and

Vintage" category, which was very successful last year. If you have any questions about this, Bess Line (who is a certified appraiser, and spent 35 years running estate sales) will be happy to answer them. Bessline@SBCGlobal.net Or 210-383-7298.

NEW Information: This year, the proceeds from the yard sale will go to our Cub Scout Pack 12, and also toward the repair, renovation and upkeep of "Damascus House.

Other questions? Please email me: karen.hassett@gmail.com or call (or text) at 919-599-0961.

Thanks again for your donations and/or help! Yours in Christ, Karen Hassett

From the Congregation Council and Pastor Scott

Please join us for a brief presentation and conversation about the Damascus house and property – its current use, potential uses, and possible options for consideration.

Sunday, Oct 15 between services and after 11 am **And**, with pizza, Wednesday, Oct 18 at 6 pm Come and help shape the future!!

Upcoming Election in Durham Candidates Forum

The Durham Unit of the League of Women Voters of Orange, Durham ad Chatham Counties is sponsoring a forum for the public to hear from the candidates for Durham Mayor and City Council. The forum, moderated by Kelly McCullen, Director of The North Carolina Channel/UNCTV, will be held on Sunday, October 15 in Trinity Hall from 3-5 pm. Each candidate has been invited to present opening remarks, followed by a question and answer period, and then closing remarks. The forum is free and open to the public.