

**ONGOING ACTIVITIES
IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**Mid-week
Feast**



Join us for **Mid-Week Feast on Wednesday, 4/12, 6:00 p.m.** The menu will be several flavors of quiche: vegetarian zucchini, ham and cheese, pizza, sausage quiche, salad and fruit. Bring a dessert to share. The cost for adults is \$6.00 and for children 10 and under is \$3. Please use one of the forms in the pew rack to make your reservation. You may also call the church office or e-mail to: penihaug@gmail.com (by Tuesday at noon).

Witness Mission Trip to Thornwell Homes: Several people have traveled to Thornwell Homes to help do some work around the cottages and yards. Please pray for their mission and for safe travel.



Here is your chance to find out more about Presbyterian Village in Austell, one of the **Presbyterian Homes of Georgia** communities. On **Saturday, April 18**, from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Presbyterian Village is hosting "Celebrating Families and Friends". A complimentary BBQ lunch will be served from 11:30-2:30 and games and entertainment for all ages promise for a full day of fun!

Presbyterian Village is a continuing care retirement community that might prove to be a wonderful home for someone in your family. Tours of the community will be available. If you are interested in joining a carload from church, please contact the church office. If you wish to visit on your own, please RSVP to Debbie Laney, 404-230-5758, dlanley@phgainc.org.

New E-mail Addresses for Billy Wade and Peni Haug are listed in the 1st box in the next column. Please begin using them right away! Thanks.

This Week at FPC

Sunday, April 12
9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
5:00 Youth Connection

Thornwell Mission Trip continues through Wednesday.

Tuesday, April 14
4:00 Exercise

Wednesday, April 15
4:00 Adventure Club
6:00 Mid-Week Feast
6:45 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, April 16
10:30 Ambassador Choir

Sunday, April 19
9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
12:00 Session Meeting
5:00 Youth Connection

**WELCOME TO
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF COVINGTON**

If you would like information about membership or the programs, mission, and fellowship of the church, speak to one of the pastors as you leave or call the church office at 770-786-7321.

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**Food Pantry
Needs**

Bring donations to the church or drop them off at the Community Food Pantry from 9:00-11:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday. Call (770) 784-0037 for directions.

Special requests for April:

canned fruits; you may bring other staple goods as your heart leads.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Nursery Volunteers today:

CJ and Caryn Thompson

Next Week:

Josh/Holly Hughes Family

April Usher Chair:

Joyce Ashworth

Sound Engineer:

Ken Walker

MEMBERS OF SESSION

Class of 2015

Gary Boteler
Billy Fortson
Jan Giles
Jim Stillerman
Bob Tabb
Fletcher Stamps
Jack Weesner

Class of 2016

Charles Ardis
Joyce Ashworth
Betty Bailey
Patrick Carmichael
Perri Walden

Class of 2017

Baxter Bouchillon
Adrian Ivey
Michael Thompson
Danny Vining
Jean Wolverton

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr.	<i>Pastor</i>	Alice Walker	CAGO, AAGO
Dan Walden	<i>Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i>	Pauleen Green & Maria Serrato	<i>Organist/Ambassador Choir</i>
Peni Haug	<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>		<i>Nursery</i>
Alan Bunn	<i>Music Director</i>	Tiffany McWaters	<i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>



**Second Sunday
of Easter**

April 12, 2015

Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

*Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain
The Strife Is O'er*

Edwin T. Childs
G. P. da Palestrina

INTROIT

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!
Ambassador and Sanctuary Choirs

LLANFAIR

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 108:1-4

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
His steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Let the house of Aaron say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Let those who fear the LORD say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

✦ **HYMN 246**

Christ is Alive

TRURO

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 Timothy 1:14-15

The grace of God overflows for us through Christ Jesus who came into the world to save sinners. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we thank you for this Easter season. It is a much-needed time for us to concentrate more fully on strengthening our relationship with you. We confess the lack of zeal with which we often approach this relationship. We confess the ways we shut you out of our lives. We confess the times when our doubts and fears have overcome our deep need for you. Help us to resolve anew to grow in our desire to be close to you, for the sake of Christ's work on earth.

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

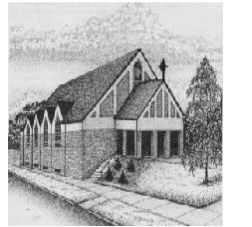
✦ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Hymn 240, verse 2

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth;

Jesus has died and has risen.



**Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name.**

✠THE PASSING OF THE PEACE John 20:19
When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Praise His Holy Name!* Keith Hampton
Ambassador and Sanctuary Choirs
*Sing till the power of the Lord come down.
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy name!
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a soul
like me; I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind,
but now I see.
Jesus, Jesus, how I love Thee! Shout Hallelujah!
Praise His holy name! Must Jesus bear the cross
alone and all the world go free?
No, there's a cross for everyone, and there's a cross
for me. Holy Jesus, praise His name, Oh! Hallelujah!
Praise His Holy Name!
Hallelujah! Let us praise his name, Hallelujah, Lord!
Praise His Holy Name! Praise His Name!
Oh, oh, praise His Holy Name! Praise Him!*

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

*All the children are invited to come forward for the Word for Children.
Afterward, children kindergarten and younger may go to children's
activities downstairs.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING John 20:19-31

SERMON *A Doubting Faith* Dan Walden

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✠HYMN 817 DUNLAP'S CREEK
We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *The Confession of 1967*
In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful people. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and

national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which all people stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all.

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 35 in front of hymnal

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth G. F. Handel
Janet Carmichael, soprano Alice Walker, piano
*I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall
stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though worms
destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God. (Job 29:25-26)
For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them
that sleep. (I Corinthians 15:20)*

✠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Hymn 240, verse 4
**Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name.
Come let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Savior.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name.**

✠PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, and in encouraging those around us to know and follow Jesus the Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✠HYMN 541 RANDOLPH
God Be With You Till We Meet Again

✠CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✠CHORAL RESPONSE *Now Go In Joy* JUNKANOO
Ambassador Choir

✠POSTLUDE Franz Joseph Haydn
Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

✠Please stand if you are able.

Worship Notes

✠Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministry, is preaching and leading worship today.
✠Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of reverence as we prepare to worship God. Remember to **turn on your cell phones** again when you leave.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

†Rosalie Tabb-very ill at Merryvale (Bob Tabb's mother)	†Bill Waterson-cancer (neighbor of Bernice & Betty Bailey)
†Amanda Teixeira-heart surgery (Lynn Miller's daughter)	†Lisa Baker-cancer treatment
†Roger Gossage-awaiting transplant	†Lucy Johnson-cancer (friend of the Liems)
†Joy Knight -hospice care at Riverside	†Anderson Krieger-maintenance chemotherapy (6th grade student at Providence Christian School.)
†Billy Richardson-cancer (cousin of Ed Perkerson)	Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:
†Bill Miller-stroke (Beth Vinings' brother)	†Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers
†Catherine Horton-ill (sister of Maxine Blankenship)	†Gretchen Buendia-Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville
†Darris Burrell-home	Riverside
†Edie Chandler Lowe-chemotherapy	†Joy Knight -hospice care
†Ann Bouchillon-home	†Martha Borders
†Howard Barton -rehab in Social Circle	†Rita Harrell
†Jan Coulon-home	Benton House
†David Sewell-knee replacement, home	†George Stamps
†Jim Stalvey, Jr.-melanoma	†Doris Mote
†Linda Pemberton-home, (mother of Tiffany McWaters, ELC Director)	Merryvale
†Penny Hill-cancer (Executive Presbyterian for the Greater Atlanta Presbytery)	†Guy McGiboney
†Don Bollinger-home	†Bill Taylor
	†Elizabeth Gadilhe
	†Betty Robinson

Hospital Visitor:

To keep our concerns up-to-date, names may remain on this list for up to four weeks. Please contact the church if you wish your name or family member's name to be continued or removed.

