

ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

One Great Hour Offering Information: See the inserts and envelopes in the bulletin. The offering for this important ministry of the Presbyterian Church will be collected today and on Easter.

Longleaf Hospice Invites You to a Memorial Service to be held at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church today, at 3:00 p.m. You may bring photos of your departed loved ones. A reception will follow the service.

On **Easter Sunday** for the 10th year in a row our **Flower Cross** will be erected. Please bring fresh cut flowers to decorate the cross. This has been a wonderful tradition for our church to show the community the beautiful reminder of the Resurrection of our Lord.

Once again it is time for us to begin thinking about our Nicaraguan brothers and sisters in Christ. Our church will be responsible for baby bags again this year; so we will be collecting receiving blankets, baby wipes, small size baby powder, soap and lotion, hand sanitizers, and cloth diapers. We can still use travel size shampoos and soaps. You can also contribute to the mission by purchasing:

> a water filter-\$30.00

> a Spanish Bible or New Testament-\$5.00-\$7.00

> paying for extra luggage \$40.00

> or simply contributing to the mission in general. We always find needs that we were not expecting. Last year we were able to buy a child's hearing aids with money that you had contributed. Checks can be made to the church with Nicaragua in the memo.

Welcome families and new members...come and enjoy an afternoon of fun, food and fellowship!! This annual church event will have traditional outside games for all ages like sack races, crafts, and Easter egg hunt (2 p.m.). Please RSVP by April 16.

When: Saturday, April 19, from 1:00 to 4:00

Where: Home of Doug and Debra Arnold
80 River Shoals Court, Covington 30016

Bring: Basket with 10 plastic eggs filled with wrapped candy (per child) and finger food or dessert to share please call church office, 770-786-7321 to make a reservation or RSVP with Debra, 678-588-5734.



This Week at FPC

Sunday, April 13, Palm Sunday

9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
4:30 Youth Connection

Monday, April 14

12:00 Worship and Lunch

Tuesday, April 15

12:00 Worship and Lunch
4:00 Exercise

Wednesday, April 16

12:00 Worship and Lunch
4:00 Adventure Club
6:45 Sanctuary Choir

Maundy Thursday, April 17

10:30 Ambassador Choir
12:00 Worship with communion and Lunch

Good Friday, April 18

12:00 Worship and Lunch

Saturday, April 19

1:00 Easter Egg Hunt - see note above

Sunday, April 20, Easter

9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service

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:

Henderson Family

Next Week:

Jessup Family

Ushers:

Charles Ardis, chair

Sound Engineer:

Ken Walker

MEMBERS OF SESSION

Class of 2014

Debra Arnold
Bill Loeble
Darcel Tabb
Roger Tingler
Cy Wolverton
Sam Hay, IV

Class of 2015

Gary Boteler
Billy Fortson
Jan Giles
Jim Stillerman
Kevin Weber

Class of 2016

Charles Ardis
Joyce Ashworth
Betty Bailey
Patrick Carmichael
Perri Walden

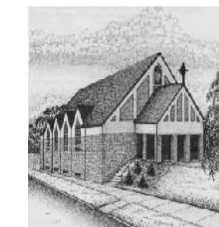
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr. <i>Pastor</i>	Alice Walker <i>CAGO, AAGO</i>
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>	Alan Bunn <i>Music Director</i>
	Krissy Jones <i>Nursery Director of the Early Learning Center</i>



Palm/Passion Sunday

April 13, 2014



Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Sleepers, Wake!* J. S. Bach
Bill Cobham, trombone Alice Walker, organ
The Master Hath Come Welsh Melody
Hosanna, Loud Hosanna GESANGBUCH, Wittenberg, 1784

OPENING SENTENCES Luke 19:28-36

INTROIT *Ride through Jerusalem* Bedford
Children's Choir and Handbell Choir

✠ **CALL TO WORSHIP** Luke 19:37-38

As he was now drawing near, at the decent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying:

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!

✠ **PROCESSIONAL HYMN 196** VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN
All Glory, Laud, and Honor

CALL TO CONFESSION Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16

The proof of God's amazing love is this:
While we were sinners Christ died for us.

**Because we have faith in him,
we dare to approach God with confidence.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we confess that we know what it is to stand in a crowd and cheer, to support a cause and then forget it within a week. We know what it is to deny you and to deny what is right, to fail you and your will for peace and justice. We have made promises that we have failed to keep and we have sacrificed our principles to our own self-interest. We are not worthy to be called your disciples. Yet you, O God, are faithful; you, O God are eternally loving and accepting. Forgive us our lack of faith, courage and vision. Make us into a new people, in and through Jesus our Savior.

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ST. FLAVIAN
(Hymn 166, stanza 2)
**As you with Satan did contend and did the victory win,
O give us strength to persevere, in you to conquer sin.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Taizé
(Hymn 544)
**Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.** (sing 3 times)

✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

He is the Prince of Peace.
Amen!
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Antiphonal Hosanna* Leavitt
Sanctuary Choir

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 Luke 19:39-48

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.
Where's This Thing Leading?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN 215 *What Wondrous Love Is This* WONDROUS LOVE

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Declaration of Faith*
**Jesus was God in the flesh.
Jesus Christ overthrew evil powers that enslaved and
degraded people, yet he made no use of power to
protect himself. He healed those who were sick in body and
mind, yet he did not avoid pain and suffering for himself. He
commanded his followers to place loyalty to him above
loyalty to family and country, yet he lived among them as a
servant. Jesus taught with authority, challenging many
time-honored customs and ideas, yet he submitted to
humiliation and death without a word on his own behalf.
He forgave sinners, yet he was counted among sinners.**

**We recognize the work of God in Jesus' power and
authority. He did what only God can do. We also**

**recognize the work of God in Jesus' lowliness. When he
lived as a servant and went humbly to his death the great-
ness that belongs only to God was manifest. In both his
majesty and lowliness Jesus is the eternal Son of God, God
himself with us.**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *Be Thou My Vision* Tom Fettke
Robert Sewell, euphonium Alice Walker, organ

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**O Lord, we give thanks that you have entered our lives. Hear
our shouts of praise, accept our tributes, and
remember us in our weakness. Amen.**

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ HYMN 217 *On a Barren Hilltop* KING'S WESTON
stanza 1; Choir
stanza 2-3: All

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE DREAM ON
Dream On, Dream On
Sanctuary Choir

✦ POSTLUDE *As Jesus Stood Before the Cross* J. S. Bach

✦ Please stand if you are able.



Everyone mark your calendar for Saturday, May 3, at 4:00. We are having an all church **Spring Fling**. Come one, come all. Just across from the fellowship hall we will meet, eat and sing together in our very own park. Bring your chairs and a dish to share. The Congregational Life and Care Team will provide the meat, drinks and paper products. In case of bad weather we will move into the fellowship hall.

Contact Darcel Tabb or Betty Bailey if you would like to help with set-up and clean-up. See you there.

Worship Notes

✦ Kevin Weber will be assisting with the leading of 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

† Jean Oldham--rehab in Madison
† Bonnie Tingler--rehab after hip surgery
† Hollie Chastain--recovering from surgery, (niece of Margaret Wallace)
† Richard Carmichael-cancer treatment (brother of Patrick Carmichael)
† Harry Adams--rehab after stroke (brother of Margaret Wallace)
† Dale Pearce--diagnosed with cancer (friend of Dennis & Judy Hooten)
† Llavonne Bunn--car accident/ankle surgery/rehab, (Alan Bunn's mother)
† Jerry Haynes-health issues (friend of Milton Patton)
† Emma Bowen-sister of Debbie Gossage
† Mary Annese-surgery & rehab for broken leg (mother of Barbara Martin)
† Jane LeMaster-multiple myeloma (sister of Ed Perkerson)
† Debbie Johnson-breast cancer (Susanne Perkerson's sister)
† Lecia Landolt, pancreatic cancer (friend of Patti Lanford)
† Louie Katchko-heart surgery (friend of Warren and Jeanie Liem)
† Dave Knox-cancer (brother-in-law to Beth and Danny Vining)
† Donnie Vining-cancer treatment (nephew of Beth and Danny Vining)
† Lucas Cronan-leukemia (Denny Dobbs' great niece's child)
† Anderson Krieger-leukemia (5th grade student at Flint Hill)
† Roland Nelson-hospice care (nephew of Carol McGiboney)
† Jeanie Liem-awaiting kidney transplant

Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:
† Mary Cline-relocated
† Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers
† Gretchen Buendia-Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville
† Joy Knight -Riverside
† Martha Borders-Riverside

Benton House
† George Stamps
† Mary Crudup
† Doris Mote
† Joan Smith
† Velma Prescott

Covington Square
† Rita Harrell

Merryvale
† Doris Hicks
† Bill Taylor
† Elizabeth Gadilhe

We extend our sympathy and prayers for the family of Helen Hester who died on Friday. The funeral will take place this afternoon at FPC.

Hospital Visitor:
Ann Bouchillon

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.

Library Work Day

The Witness Team is sponsoring a work day on Saturday, **April 26**, at the Newton County Library on Floyd Street. We'll meet in the lobby at 10:00 am. We expect to be re-shelving books and other light duties that free the librarians to better serve their many patrons. For more information, call Jan Giles at 404.216.2927. We hope you will join us!

