


ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Adventure Club will be in session on Wednesdays beginning **August 13, at 4:00 p.m.** Elementary school aged children are invited to this program to have fellowship, to learn about Jesus and to have fun! Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, may be reached at 404-405-3559 (phone or text) or at his e-mail address: djwalden@mac.com, if you have questions or need more detail about Adventure Club. Children should be picked up at 5:45; then stay for the Mid-Week Feast! See below for details.

Mid-Week Feast is back! Wednesday night dinners will be the 2nd Wednesday of every month beginning **August 13th, at 6:00.** Come enjoy the fellowship. Make sure that you use the sign-up cards in the pews and place them in the offering plate. You may also call the church office to give your reservation. The price will remain the same which is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children over 10 yrs. old.

If you had your picture made for the new directory, be sure to pick it up at the Wednesday night dinner. Contact Darcel Tabb or Betty Bailey for more information. If you are not at the supper, you may pick it up the next Sunday after worship.



**Montreat Retreat
November 7-9, 2014**

All are invited to the church retreat in Montreat. Please register using the bright yellow form on the table in the narthex. If you've never attended, you are in for a real treat! It is now time to make the second payment for the upcoming FPC Retreat. To make the payment accurate we really need to know how many plan to attend. We'd appreciate your registration form and deposit ASAP.

This Week at FPC

Sunday, August 10
 9:00 Handbell Choir
 9:30 Children's Choir
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service
 12:00 Session Meeting

Tuesday, August 12
 4:00 Exercise

Wednesday, August 13
 4:00 Adventure Club
 6:00 Mid-Week Feast
 6:45 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, August 14
 10:30 Ambassador Choir

Saturday, August 16
 Presbytery Meeting

**Sunday, August 17
 Rally Day!**
 9:00 Handbell rehearsal
 9:15 Breakfast
 9:30 Children's Choir
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service with the Lord's Supper

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 August:

Cooking oil and other staple food items.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Nursery Volunteers today:
 Sam & Karen Moss Family

Next Week:
 Donna Weesner Family

Ushers:
 Perri Walden, Bernice Bailey,
 Betty Bailey

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

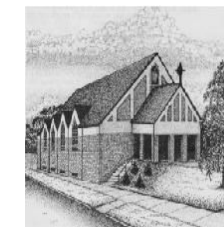
Class of 2016
 Charles Ardis
 Joyce Ashworth
 Betty Bailey
 Patrick Carmichael
 Perri Walden

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

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



**Ninth Sunday
after Pentecost
August 10, 2014**



Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Erneueren Gesangbuch, 1665
Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation Timothy Albrecht
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need John Carter

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 96:1-3

O sing to the Lord a new song.

Sing to the Lord, all the earth!

Sing to the Lord, bless God's name.

Tell of God's salvation from day to day.

Declare God's glory among the nations,
 God's marvelous works among all people!

✦ **HYMN 327** LASST UNS ERFREUEN

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, who has called us from death to life and set us about the high task of proclaiming this good news to a despairing world, we ask forgiveness for our narrow focus on ourselves, and our tendency to see salvation as a stamp of approval upon our way of life and our values. Forgive, Lord, our failure to see the entire world as your creation and all people, as those you love; for we pray in Christ's name.
 (silence for personal prayer and reflection)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE LIVING GOD

Hymn 288
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI Hymn 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *In Bright Mansions Above* K. Lee Scott
Danny Vining, solo

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

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 11:1-18

SERMON *Who Can Withstand God?* William B. Wade, Jr.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN 451 OPEN MY EYES
Open My Eyes, That I May See

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *A Brief Statement of Faith*
We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *Shall We Gather at the River* John G. Barr

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE I'M GONNA LIVE
Hymn 700, stanza 1
I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, move in our hearts that we might be ambassadors of your forgiving and reconciling power in our lives and in this world, for we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

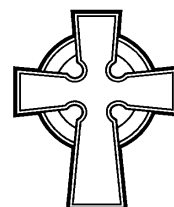
BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ HYMN 309 ABBOT'S LEIGH
Come, Great God of All the Ages

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ POSTLUDE *Jubilee* Fred B. Binckes

✦ Please stand if you are able.



Worship Notes

✦ Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Family Ministries, is 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

† Joe Schell-kidney failure/dialysis (father of Krissy Jones)
† Pat Patrick--recovering from surgery
† Shelby Childers-ICU at Emory (son-in-law of Elizabeth Gadilhe)
† Verona Miles-recovering from dog attack
† Peter Musarra-home after surgery (Danielle Schubert's father)
† Bill Waterson-cancer (neighbor of Bernice & Betty Bailey)
† Lisa Baker-cancer treatment
† Mike Peppers-severe heart problems (friend of the Liems)
† Don Bollinger-home
† Steve Hayner--cancer treatment, (President of Columbia Seminary)
† Cassandra Morrow--severe pain from broken wrist and surgery (Congregational Consultant with the Presbytery Of Greater Atlanta)
† Richard Carmichael-cancer treatment (brother of Patrick Carmichael)
† Jane LeMaster-multiple myeloma (sister of Ed Perkerson)
† Debbie Johnson-breast cancer (Susanne Perkerson's sister)
† Lecia Landolt, pancreatic cancer (friend of Patti Lanford)
† Louis Katchko-serious condition with cancer (friend of Warren and Jeanie Liem)
† 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 Crudup--Hope Center
† Mary Cline-relocated
† Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers
† Gretchen Buendia-Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville
† Joy Knight -Riverside
† Bonnie Tingler--Riverside
† Martha Borders-Riverside

Benton House
† George Stamps
† Doris Mote
† Velma Prescott

Covington Square
† Rita Harrell

Merryvale
† Bill Taylor
† Elizabeth Gadilhe

Living with daughter: Doris Hicks

Our sympathy and prayers go out for the Vining family in the death of Donnie Vining who died last week. He was the nephew of Beth and Danny Vining.

We celebrate with Carter & Cheryl Gibson in the birth of their daughter, Daylanie Eliorah Gibson, who was born on August 1, 2014.

Hospital Visitor:
Jean Blair

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.