

ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

If you had your picture made for the new directory, be sure to pick up your directory after worship.

There will be a **Congregational Meeting** at the conclusion of today's worship service for the purpose of electing 2 members of the congregation to the Nominating Committee.

Adventure Club: Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m. Children in grades K-5, are invited to this program for 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.

Men of the Church will meet on **Saturday, August 30, at 8:00 a.m.** for breakfast in the fellowship hall (bring your own). We will begin a study of Shirley Guthrie's *Christian Doctrine*.

Attention, Presbyterian Women: It will soon be time for our first Circle meetings of the new year. We will officially begin our new year for Presbyterian Women with a Unit Meeting on **Monday, September 8, at 6:00 p.m.** in the fellowship hall. All circles will meet together for dessert, fellowship, and distribution of 2014-2015 Yearbooks/Horizons Study Books. There will be special music, a guest speaker, and a three-minute entertaining video on Prayer. All PW members are encouraged to come and help us get a great start for the Fall! **Visitors are welcome!**

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. 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. **September 1, we need to release the rooms we don't need** so if you plan to attend we need to have your reservation. Thanks!



This Week at FPC

Sunday, August 24

9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
Congregational Meeting
6:00 Youth and Parents' Meeting and Dinner

Tuesday, August 26

4:00 Exercise

Wednesday, August 27

4:00 Adventure Club
6:45 Sanctuary Choir
Thursday, August 28
10:30 Ambassador Choir

Sunday, August 31

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 August:

Cooking oil and other staple food items

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Nursery Volunteers today:

Rob and Kerry Jones Family

Next Week:

Doug & Brigham Arnold

Ushers:

Bernice Bailey
McCarthy Family

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

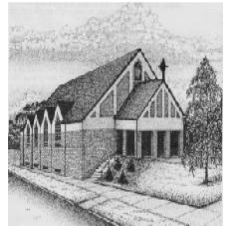
Charles Ardis
Joyce Ashworth
Betty Bailey
Patrick Carmichael
Perri Walden

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>Nursery</i>
Peni Haug <i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	Tiffany McWaters <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>
Alan Bunn <i>Music Director</i>	



**Eleventh Sunday
after Pentecost
August 24, 2014**



Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* Johann Cruger
Rejoice, the Lord Is King John Darwall
The Lord's My Shepherd Brother James' Air

INTROIT LOUEZ LE SEIGNEUR
Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!

✠CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 118:24; 95:1-2

This is the day the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise!

✠HYMN 409 *God Is Here!* ABBOT'S LEIGH

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, who in Jesus Christ came to bring new life, we confess our tendency to hold on to old ways. We have forgotten our baptism; we have forgotten who we are.

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

**We have not loved others as you have loved us.
We have not forgiven others as you have forgiven us.
We have lived as if you are not God, and we continue to make a mess of our lives and the world.**

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

Forgive us, Lord. Help us to trust your power to change us and to change the world; for we pray in Jesus' name.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Hymn 792, refrain

***There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole.
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sinsick soul.***

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NETTLETON
 Hymn 475, stanza 3
O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE
 The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM KWAKE YESU NASIMAMA
Here On Jesus Christ I Will Stand
 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 READINGS Psalm 42:1-6a
 Colossians 3:15-16

SERMON *Worship* William B. Wade, Jr.

1. Christian Worship: An Introduction

Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the triune God. In worship the people of God acknowledge God present in the world and in their lives. As they respond to God's claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, believers are transformed and renewed. In worship the faithful offer themselves to God and are equipped for God's service in the world.

From the "Directory for Worship", in the *Book of Order*, Presbyterian Church (USA).

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN 401 *Here in This Place* GATHER US IN
 Jon Paschal, guitar

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*
 p. 35 in front of hymnal

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *Bridegroom of Our Soul* John Blackburn

✦ DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606) OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Gracious God, help us to live as resurrection people, following the Christ in faith, clinging to him in hope, witnessing to him in love. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ HYMN 37 *Let All Things Now Living* ASH GROVE

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

✦ POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress* Dennis R. Johnson

✦ 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
 † Don Bollinger - home
 † Shelby Childers-ICU at Emory (son-in-law of Elizabeth Gadilhe)
 † Peter Musarra-recovering from 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)
 † 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)
 † 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

Riverside
 † Joy Knight
 † Martha Borders

Benton House
 † George Stamps
 † Doris Mote
 † Velma Prescott

Covington Square
 † Rita Harrell

Merryvale
 † Bill Taylor
 † Elizabeth Gadilhe

We extend our sympathy and prayers for **Joe Cannelongo** and his family in the death of his sister, **Tess Bulena**.

We also pray for the **Tingler family** in the death of **Bonnie Tingler**, mother of **Roger and Dale**.



Hospital Visitor:
 Cy Wolverton

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.