

ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Vacation Bible School ** July 7th - 12th ** SAVE THE DATES!!

At **SonTreasure Island**, your treasure seekers will play island games, create colorful crafts and enjoy tropical snacks. But more importantly, they will discover the rich treasure of God's love through the life of Jesus. Adult and youth volunteers are needed. Registration forms are available in the narthex. Call Dan Walden at 404-405-3559 for more information.



Cross Walk

A crosswalk is a safe space - a "sanctuary" - for those traveling through life. Help us to create a "Cross Walk" here at FPC. Bring wall-mountable crosses from your travels so that we can display them on the wall in the hall outside the narthex. Include a note with your name(s) and cross origin information so that we can create a book detailing the cross display for future generations.



Silver Saints' Lunch has been set for Thursday, July 3, at noon. All those eligible for a Senior discount are invited, as well as members of the Ambassador Choir.

SMYRNA CAMPGROUND AND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2920 Hwy 212, Conyers, GA
WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO OUR 187TH ANNUAL CAMPMEETING
June 20th - June 26th, 2014
Rev. Dr. Billy Wade will preach
Sunday, 6/22, Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship, 730 p.m.
Special music before the service.
Meals served in dining hall at 12:15 and 6:00.
"Glory Through the Ages"



Montreat Retreat is set for November 7-9, 2014

The congregation is 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! See the article in the June *First Press* telling a bit about Montreat and the retreat.

This Week at FPC

Sunday, June 22

10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service

Monday 6/23

During filming for the movie "Bessie" the crew will use the fellowship hall for catering and serving lunch.

Tuesday, June 24

4:00 Exercise

Sunday, June 29

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 June:

Kool-aid (2 quarts), toilet paper; and other staple food items.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Nursery Volunteers today:
Baxter & Lisa Bouchillon Family
Next Week:
Shaun & Aubrey Evans Family

Ushers:
Patrick Carmichael, chair

Sound Engineer:
Ken Walker

MEMBERS OF SESSION

Class of 2014

Debra Arnold
Bill Loebler
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

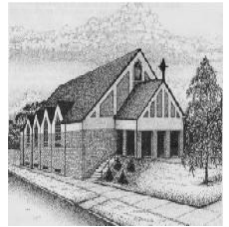
Charles Ardis
Joyce Ashworth
Betty Bailey
Patrick Carmichael
Perri Walden

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>	Krissy Jones <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>
Alan Bunn <i>Music Director</i>	



Second Sunday after
Pentecost
June 22, 2014



Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty* Paul Manz
Praise to The Lord, the Almighty Robert Hebble
I Stand at the Threshold (Sinfonia to Cantata No. 156) J. S. Bach

✠ **CALL TO WORSHIP** from Revelation 1:4-6
Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come,
and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the first-born of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.
To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood.
And made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father,
to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

✠ **HYMN 307** (from Revelation 4:8-11) CWM RHONDDA
God of Grace and God of Glory

CALL TO CONFESSION from Revelation 2:5, 4:19
Remember from where you have fallen, repent, and do the works of the Spirit. Those whom I love I reprove and chasten. Therefore repent and confess.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION from Revelation 3:15-20
Lord you know us. You know our hearts, our works, our good intentions. You know how lukewarm we can be in our faith. You know our lack of trust, our cynicism about our neighbors, our greed when we do not share our blessings. We have been blind to our own sins while condemning others. Forgive us, and renew our faithfulness, our energy, our love for your people and your purposes. By your grace, strengthen us to live and love fully: through Jesus Christ we pray.
(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS from Rev. 7:9-17
Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne and to the Lamb.
For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be our Shepherd, and He will guide us to springs of living water.
And God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ASSURANCE

Hymn 839, stanza 1 (from Revelation 7:14)
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
Refrain (sing twice)
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE from Revelation 19:6-7

Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.
Hallelujah, the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.
So the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *The Holy City* (from Rev. 21:2, 9-14) Stephen Adams
Janet Carmichael, 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

SCRIPTURE READING Revelation 5:6-14, 21:1-4

SERMON The Rev. Larry Kennon
In the End Is Our Beginning

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN 215 *What Wondrous Love Is This* WONDROUS LOVE
(from Revelation 22:1-5)

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from Revelation 21, 22

This we believe: In the end is our beginning. He is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty He gives water without price from the fountain of the water of life. The new Jerusalem has the glory of the Lord as its light, and the nations shall exult in His glory. For the Lord God will be our light, and He shall reign forever and ever. We believe He is coming again. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE WONDROUS LOVE

Hymn 215, stanza 3 (words next column)
And when from death, I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be. And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through eternity, I'll sing on.

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY Traditional Finnish Melody
In Heavenly Love Abiding

✦ DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606) (Revelation 1:4-7) 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

Lord, the Book of Revelation teaches us that You are a Gift that keeps on giving. And we are such takers of Your abundant giving. We take what we need, more than we need, all that we need. So turn our taking into giving, since we are in Your giving image. Make our giving like Yours: giving in joy and abundance, giving as Jesus gave Himself for us all - giving, and not always taking. Bless gift and giver. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ HYMN 833 *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go* ST. MARGARET
(from Revelation 7:13-17)

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION from Revelation 22:20-21

Go in peace and testify to the One who tells us: Surely I am coming soon. Amen. Come Lord Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

✦ POSTLUDE *You Shall Go Out With Joy!* Douglas E. Wagner

✦ Please stand if you are able.

Worship Notes

✦ We welcome the Rev. Larry Kennon as our preacher today.
✦ 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.
✦ **Staff notes:** Billy Wade will be out of the office from June 30- July 7; Peni Haug will be on vacation from June 24 - July 8. During her absence the office will be covered by volunteers whose hours may be slightly truncated. If you leave a phone message your call will be returned as soon as possible.
If you have an emergency during their absence you may contact Dan Walden, 404-405-3559, for assistance.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

† Don Bollinger--recovering from surgery
† Bonnie Tingle--Emory Mid-town
† Bill Waterson--cancer (neighbor of Bernice & Betty Bailey)
† David Moss--surgery (son of Travis Moss)
† 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 (She is the Congregational Consultant with the Presbytery Of Greater Atlanta)
† Richard Carmichael-cancer treatment (brother of Patrick Carmichael)
† Dale Pearce--hospice (friend of Dennis & Judy Hooten)
† Lavonne Bunn--car accident/ankle surgery/rehab, (Alan Bunn's mother)
† Jerry Haynes-health issues (friend of Milton Patton)
† 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)
† Donnie Vining-cancer treatment (nephew of Beth and Danny Vining)
† Anderson Krieger-leukemia (5th grade student at Flint Hill)
† Roland Nelson-hospice care (nephew of Carol McGiboney)
† Jeanie Liem-awaiting kidney transplant

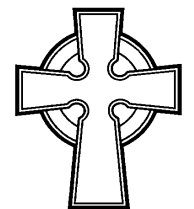
Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:
† Mary Cline-relocated
† Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers
† Gretchen Buendia-Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville
† Joy Knight -Riverside
† Martha Borders-Riverside

Benton House
† George Stamps
† Mary Crudup
† Doris Mote
† Velma Prescott
† Bonnie Tingle

Covington Square
† Rita Harrell

Merryvale
† Doris Hicks
† Bill Taylor
† Elizabeth Gadilhe

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.