

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Reach Out to Jesus* CARMICHAEL  
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

## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 13:6-9

SERMON *The Other Fig Tree* William B. Wade, Jr.

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

♣ HYMN 356, stanzas 1-2 NETTLETON  
*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

♣ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*  
p. 14 in front of hymnal

## CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

## OFFERTORY

HYFRYDOL  
*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

♣ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 369 I'M GONNA LIVE

♣ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

In this moment draw me to yourself Lord, and make me aware not so much of what I've given as of all I've received and so have yet to share. Send me forth in power and gladness and with great courage to live out in the world what I pray and profess, that, in sharing, I may do justice, make peace, grow in love, enjoy myself, other people, and your world now, and you forever. Amen.

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

♣ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Isaiah 55:12  
For you shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace;

the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

♣ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (sing 2 times)

*You Shall Go Out with Joy*

You shall go out with joy — and be led forth with peace; — the  
moun-tains and the hills will break forth be - fore you; there'll be  
shouts of joy, — and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their  
hands. And all the trees of the field will clap their hands, — the  
trees of the field will clap their hands, — the trees of the  
field will clap their hands — while you go out with joy.

\*Clap hands.  
WORDS: Steffi Geiser Ruben (Isa. 55:12) THE TREES OF THE FIELD  
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♣ POSTLUDE

LAAST UNS ERFREUEN

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

♣ Please stand, if you are able.



Go Out With Joy



Mr. Wade's sermons on the parables of Jesus include:  
June 9: *Sowing Seed* (The Sower) Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23  
June 16: *From Seeds to Shrubs* (The Mustard Seed) Mark 4:30-34  
June 23: *One Out of a Hundred* (The Lost Sheep) Luke 15:1-7  
June 30: *The Other Fig Tree* (The Fig Tree) Luke 13:6-9

## Worship Notes

- ♦ Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with 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

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|---|---|
| †Rebecca Bates-surgery, home  | †Erin Kelahan-auto accident and brittle bone disease (friend of Joyce Ashworth) |
| †Barbara Johnson--cancer treatment  | †Claude Bennett-friend of Milton Patton   |
| †Helen Stamps-Riverside   | †Jeannie Liem-awaiting kidney transplant  |
| †Rick Gunter-broken leg   | †Donnie Vining-chemotherapy (nephew of Beth and Danny Vining)                   |
| †Susan Wilson-cancer (Michael Wilson's sister)                              | †Jackie Wood-brain tumor (neighbor of Bernice Bailey)                           |
| †Chris Martin-cancer treatment  | †Shirley Smith-awaiting kidney transplant (Clarence Price's sister)             |
| †Shelby Kinnaid - surgery, June 20  |   |
| †Frank Davis-home   |   |
| †Teddy Horton-throat cancer (nephew of Blankenship family)                  |   |
| †Evelyn Underwood-home (mother of Pam Stillerman)                           |   |
| †Lucas Cronan-leukemia (Denny Dobbs' great niece's child)                   |   |
| †Maureen Picard-breast cancer (cousin of Barbara Martin)                    |   |
| †Jack Yoder-home  |   |
| †Velma Prescott-at daughter's home  |   |
| †Judy Findlay-liver transplant (niece of Betty Bailey)                      |   |
| †Hazel McClure-broken leg, Riverside  |   |
| †Helen Sessions - breast cancer (friend of the Liems)                       |   |
| †Danielle Schubert-chemotherapy, home                                       |   |
| †Agnes Vining-treatment for cancer (sister-in-law of Danny and Beth Vining) |   |
| †Richard Katenkamp-lung & liver cancer (friend of the Liems')               |   |
| †Anderson Krieger-leukemia (4th grade student at Flint Hill)                |   |
| †Tyler Head-spinal cord injury, home (Newton High wrestler)                 |   |
| †Roland Nelson-very ill (nephew of Carol McGiboney)                         |   |
- Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:**  
 †Mary Cline-relocated  
 †Russ Cole -The Magnolia, Conyers  
 †Gretchen Buendia-Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville  
 †Clarence Price-Parkview Manor
- Benton House**  
 †Helen and George Stamps  
 †Mary Crudup  
 †Doris Mote  
 †Murray and Hazel McClure  
 †Frances Ivey
- Covington Square**  
 †Rita Harrell  
 †Joy Knight
- Merryvale**  
 †Doris Hicks  
 †Bill Taylor  
 †Elizabeth Gadilhe  
 †Martha Borders

**Hospital Visitor:**  
Day Kennon

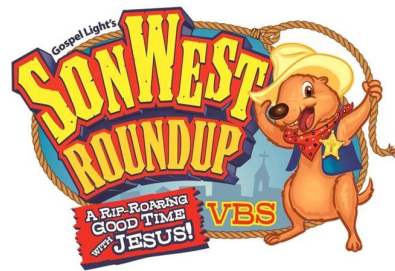
To keep our concerns up-to-date, names may remain on this list for up to four weeks. Please contact the church if you wish your name or family member's name to be continued or removed.

## ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

**From the Witness Team:** save the week of Sept. 22 for a **state-side mission trip**. Details will be released soon.

### Montreat Retreat Registration

It is time to make your reservation for the church retreat at Montreat which is scheduled for November 8-10, 2013. The whole church family is invited! The blue registration forms are on the round table in the narthex. Please fill out the form and attach your deposit. Full details are listed on the form. If you have other questions speak with Billy Wade or Dan Walden.



### Vacation Bible School will take place

July 8-12

9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Registration forms and music CDs are available on the narthex table. If you have questions or would like to volunteer to help with VBS see or speak with Debra Arnold or Dan Walden.

### This Week at FPC

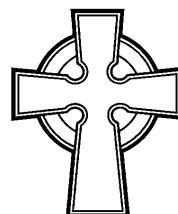
**Sunday, June 30**  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship Service

**Tuesday, July 2**  
4:00 Exercise

**Wednesday, July 3**  
4:00 Prayer Group

**Thursday, July 4**  
Office is closed of the holiday  
No Ambassador Choir

**Sunday, July 7**  
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.

#### E-mail:

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Covington, Georgia 30014-2314



### 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 July:

bath soap, toothpaste, shampoo  
(small and travel sizes are accepted)

### THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

**Nursery Volunteers today:**  
Laurie Bunn

**Next Week:**  
Kevin and Callie Webber

**Ushers:**  
Jon and Jane Williams  
Cy and Jean Wolverton

**Sound Engineer:**  
Ken Walker

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

**Class of 2013**  
Patrick Carmichael  
Judy Davis  
Denny Dobbs  
Aubrey Evans  
Dave Gregory

**Class of 2014**  
Debra Arnold  
Bill Loeble  
Darcel Tabb  
Roger Tingler  
Cy Wolverton

**Class of 2015**  
Gary Boteler  
Billy Fortson  
Jan Giles  
Jim Stillerman  
Kevin Weber

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr. <i>Pastor</i>	Alice Walker <i>CAGO, AAGO</i>
Louly Fowler Hay <i>Parish Associate</i>	<i>Organist/Ambassador Choir</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>	



**Sixth Sunday  
after Pentecost  
June 30, 2013**



### Order of Worship

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Thy Strong Word* Kevin Uppercue  
*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* ST. DENIO  
*Adagio* Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

### ✦ CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the Lord, "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but shall accomplish that for which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.  
**Amen.**

### ✦ HYMN 477 HANOVER

*Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim*

### CALL TO CONFESSION Isaiah 55:7b

Let us return to the Lord, that our God may have mercy on us, for the Lord will abundantly pardon.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Save us, merciful God, from the fears that paralyze us and keep us from living abundant lives. Save us from the bondage to busyness, to all the things that we feel must be done before we stop to think, feel or care; from the prisons of old patterns, our lack of imagination, our tendency to settle for what is easy or comfortable; from the peace we make that is no peace - with ourselves, with others, with the world.**

(silence for personal reflection)

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### ✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TAIZÉ

***In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice.  
Look to God, do not be afraid; lift up your voices, the Lord is near; lift up your voices, the Lord is near.***

### ✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**