

**ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE
LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

Women's Study Group - Change of Location: The "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World" study group will meet in Martin Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. on **Tuesday, October 20**.

Sandy's Dog Park - Work Days Postponed

There is a temporary delay in the work dates established, but your continued interest and volunteer support is appreciated and needed. New dates will be announced in the near future. The Dog Park is located in Chimney Park at 8201 Hazelbrand Road, Covington, GA 30014, which is behind the Newton County Health Department and the Covington Library. A sign is posted along the walking trail indicating the site. The park is being built in memory of Sandy Elder, daughter of Jim and Jean Elder. Sandy was a member here.



Fun for the Saints

The **Silver Saints and the Ambassador Choir** will have lunch together on Thursday, October 22, at noon. If you are new to the group, please call your reservation to the church office, 770-786-7321. If you are a regular, you already have a reservation!

Congregational Meeting:

If the way be clear, there will be a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, October 25, 2015**, at the end of the morning worship service for the purpose of electing elders to the Session for the class of 2018.

Worship in Pink!



Next Sunday, we encourage you to wear pink to show support for those who have breast cancer, those who have survived, those who love anyone who has or has had the disease and to champion the search for a cure!

This Week at FPC

Sunday, October 18

9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service & Baptism
12:00 Oxford Student/Faculty Lunch

Tuesday, October 20

10:00 PW Book Study in the Martin Fellowship Hall
4:00 Exercise

Wednesday, October 21

4:00 Adventure Club
6:45 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, October 22

10:30 Ambassador Choir
12:00 Saints/Ambassador Choir
Lunch in the fellowship hall

**Sunday, October 25
Worship in Pink**


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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You may listen to recent sermons by visiting our website (www.fpccov.org) and clicking on "Media."

 **The Food Pantry** is now open on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 - 12:00. Donations of any non-perishable food items are welcome, but during October it is suggested that you donate: **hot and cold cereals and grits**

Food Pantry Needs **Baby Love:** The Witness Team has an on-going project to collect disposable baby diapers and wipes to distribute to local agencies to help families in need. You may place your donations in the receptacle here at the church and the donations will be delivered. Monetary donations are also accepted. Your donation by check, or cash in an envelope with your name will be credited to your offering statement.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Nursery Volunteers today: Rob/Kerry Jones Family Next Week: Doug & Brigham Arnold	October Usher Chair: Gary Boteler Sound Engineer: Ken Walker
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MEMBERS OF SESSION

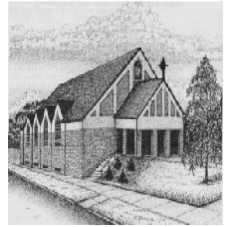
Class of 2015 Gary Boteler Billy Fortson Jan Giles Jim Stillerman Bob Tabb Fletcher Stamps Jack Weesner	Class of 2016 Charles Ardis Joyce Ashworth Betty Bailey Patrick Carmichael Perri Walden	Class of 2017 Baxter Bouchillon Adriane Ivey Michael Thompson Danny Vining Jean Wolverton
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

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



**Twenty-First Sunday
after Pentecost
October 18, 2015**



Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

When in Our Music God is Glorified Sue Mitchell Wallace
Blessed Jesus, We Are Here Randall Thompson
Alice Walker, organ

Prelude and Fugue in B-Flat Major
from "The Well-Tempered Clavichord" J. S. Bach
Karina Chan, piano

INTROIT

I'm Gonna Live I'M GONNA LIVE
I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me Sanctuary Choir

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

This is the day the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Psalm 118:24

✦ **HYMN 611** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* HYMN TO JOY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION from Romans 12
Merciful God, we have lived too much like the world and not enough for it. We have not rejoiced in hope, been patient in tribulation, or constant in prayer. Too often we have failed to practice hospitality. We have avoided the lowly. We have cursed those who do us wrong. We have sought to repay evil with evil. Good Lord, forgive us. Increase our faith, and renew a right spirit within us, that we may live out our days as your people; for we pray in Jesus' name.
(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

✦ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** AMAZING GRACE
Hymn 649, stanza 1
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Illumined by Your Light* James Clemens
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.*

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Daylanie Eliorah Gibson

✦ HYMN 486 *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise* KINGDOM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 9:30-37; 10:35-45

SERMON *To Be a Disciple* The Rev. Lyn Pace

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN 757 KINGSFOLD
Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples
(stanzas 1 & 2)

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

A MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP Darcel Tabb

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY Ludwig van Beethoven
Allegro in D Major from "Sonata," Opus No. 79
Karina Chan, piano

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE I'M GONNA LIVE
*I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, any
time! I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, anytime!*

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**God of unchanging truth, your promise is eternal,
your benevolent care spans the ages. We come with
our gifts to be molded in accordance with your
purposes. We offer ourselves to be shaped by your
will. Fill us with wisdom, and make us vessels of your
truth. Make all that we do an out-pouring of your
goodness, spreading compassion on the afflicted and
care to all who may be in need. Amen.**

**BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD
INTO THE WORLD**

✦ HYMN 757 KINGSFOLD
Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples
(stanza 3)

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN 757
Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples KINGSFOLD
(verse 4 only)

✦ POSTLUDE Alexandre Guilmant
March in F Major, Opus 46, No. 5

✦ Please stand if you are able.

Today the Sacrament of Baptism is being administered
to **Daylanie Eliorah**, daughter of Carter and Cheryl
Gibson. Please welcome her to the household of God.



The Rev. Lyn Pace has been the Oxford College chaplain since 2009. He and significant other, Ami Hernandez, have one son, Sam, as well as a dog (Abby) and cat (Callie). They live in the city of Oxford where Lyn has served on the city council since January of 2012. At Oxford College, Lyn facilitates the work of the ten religious and spiritual life clubs on campus, assists with leadership programs, offers care and counsel for the college community. Prior to coming to Oxford, Rev. Pace was the associate chaplain, director of service learning, and director of the Bonner Scholars Program at Wofford College in Spartanburg, South Carolina. From 2002-2003, he served as a minister in the British Methodist Church on the Isle of Wight in England.

Lyn earned his BA degree in religion and history from Wofford College in 1999 and received the Master of Divinity degree from Emory's Candler School of Theology in 2002. Currently, he is working on his Doctor of ministry degree from Candler School of Theology and hopes to graduate in May 2017. Outside of work, he enjoys spending time with family and friends, running, reading, traveling, and going to Jimmy Buffett concerts.

Worship Notes

✦ We welcome to our service this morning pianist **Karina Chan**, Biology Major at Oxford College. Karina, a Sophomore, has been studying piano for 15 years. Her Faculty Advisor is Theodosia Wade.
✦ **Darcel Tabb** is our Stewardship speaker for today. Darcel and her husband, Bob, have been members of FPC since 2010. Darcel has served on the Session as the Congregational Life Team Chair and works with the Worship Team on occasion. She is serving on the Stewardship Committee this year. She teaches exercise at the YMCA and helps care for her grandsons, Dylan and Alex, children of Kerry and Rob Jones.
✦ 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

† Rita Harrell-home at Riverside	† Edie Chandler Lowe-radiation
† Sam Hay, Jr.-home	† Jan Coulon-home
† Wilbur Fisher-meningitis, former Newton High coach	† Jim Stalvey, Jr.-melanoma
† Kim Bailey-Bicycle accident (Bernice Bailey's daughter-in-law)	† Penny Hill-cancer (Executive Presbyter for the Greater Atlanta Presbytery)
† Ann Hill-ovarian cancer (Theodosia Wade's cousin)	† Lisa Baker-cancer treatment
† Mickey Humphries-nursing care in Virginia (Tootles Tingle's sister)	† Anderson Krieger-continuing treat- ment for leukemia (7th grade student at Providence Christian School.)
† Allen Ensminger-motorcycle accident, home (brother of Perri Walden)	Assisted Living/Nursing Homes: † Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers † Jeanne Cannon-Darien, GA
† Mitchell Jessup -cancer (father of Nick Jessup)	Riverside † Joy Knight -hospice care
† Phyllis Pruner-severe neck pain	† Martha Borders
† Sharon Walton-chemotherapy for kidney cancer (friend of Patti Lanford)	† Rita Harrell
† Sophia Hawley-Cystic Fibrosis	Benton House † George Stamps
† John Fish-cancer (Bryson Wade's uncle)	† Doris Mote
† Nancy Driver-diagnosed with ALS (sister of Penny Blakeney)	Merryvale † Guy McGiboney
† Amanda Teixeira-heart surgery (Lynn Miller's daughter)	† Bill Taylor
† Roger Gossage-awaiting transplant	† Elizabeth Gadilhe
† Billy Richardson-cancer (cousin of Ed Perkerson)	† Betty Robinson
† Catherine Horton-hospice care (sister of Maxine Blankenship)	Hospital Visitor: Jean Blair

In October, we would like everyone to send thank you notes in appreciation of **Alan Bunn** as our Director of Music for all the work he does with children, youth, adult choir, bell choir and much more. You may send cards directly to Alan or to the church office:

First Presbyterian Church
1169 Clark Street SW
Covington, GA 30014



Be sure to mark it "Attn: Alan Bunn Thank You!" We have been recognizing each of our staff throughout the year. Their dedication and commitment to our congregation and the wider community are deeply appreciated.