

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

- * *GLORIA PATRI* Hymn 579
- * *PASSING OF THE PEACE*
The peace of the Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Canticle of Love* arr. Hopson
Sanctuary Choir
Ubi caritas et amor Deus ibi est.
When true love and charity are shown God is always found.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
We are brought together by love, by Christ Jesus.

Love is kind and suffers long; love is meek and thinks no wrong. Love than death itself is strong; therefore, give us love.

Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur.
Let us all be joyful in the Lord, now and always.

Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.
May all people love the Lord God, God Eternal.

Prophecy will fade away, melting in the light of day; Love will with us ever stay; therefore, give us love. Faith and hope and love we see, joining hand in hand agree; But the greatest of all is love; therefore, give us love.

Ubi caritas et amor Deus ibi est.
When true love and charity are shown God is always found.

Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
May we all now with sincere hearts be bound by love. Therefore, give us love.

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that, hearing, we may also obey your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Jonah 1:1—2:1; 3:1-4:11

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.
Hard to Stomach

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

- * HYMN 229 LASST UNS ERFREUEN
From All That Dwell Below the Skies
- * AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*
p. 14 in front of hymnal

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 16 in front of hymnal

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

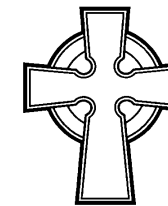
OFFERTORY Diane Bish
The Spacious Firmament on High

- * CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
Hymn 455, stanza 6
**All creatures, your Creator bless,
and worship God in humbleness.
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

- * PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Gracious God, help our lives to express the faith we profess, so that others also may hear and know your abundant love; for we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

- * HYMN 285 AUSTRIAN HYMN
God, You Spin the Whirling Planets
- * CHORAL RESPONSE *Psalms 139* Pote
Sanctuary Choir
- * CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- * POSTLUDE J. S. Bach
A Festal Fanfare from the Fourth Concerto



WORSHIP NOTES

- * Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministry, is assisting with worship today.
- * Please stand if you are able.
- * Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of reverence as we prepare to worship God. Remember to **turn off cell phones** during the service.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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| † Brennan Simkins – 8 year old cousin of Hay family – second bone marrow transplant | † Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center |
| † John Roark—hip replacement | † Hal Cline |
| † Beth Vining—broken foot | † Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville |
| † Janet Burtt—home after surgery | Military: |
| † Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, awaiting lung transplant | † David and Savannah Rickert |
| † Jonathan Paschal - chemotherapy | † Mike Laib |
- Covington Square**
† Rita Harrell and
† Joy Knight
- Nursing Homes:**
† Maymenell Bohanan – Riverside
† Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor
† Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers
- The hospital team members who will be visiting people this week are Jim and Jean Elder.*

DUO-ORGAN CONCERT BY BECKY AND ALICE Becky Ramsey and Alice Walker will present a pipe organ concert in the sanctuary of First United Methodist Church of Covington today at 3:00 PM. Admission to the concert is free. The program is sponsored by the Arts Association in Newton County, and free-will donations will be accepted for the Young Artists Scholarship Fund.

The program will be audience-friendly, so plan to bring your family. A reception in the church Fellowship Hall will follow the program.

Year End statements of giving for all who pledged and gave to the church during 2009 are ready to be picked up. They are in the narthex in alphabetical order. Taking yours with you saves on postage and makes us good stewards of your gifts. Thanks for your generosity.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, January 31

9:30 Children's Choir
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service
 3:00 Organ Concert @
 FUMC
 6:00 Youth Connection

Tuesday, February 2

4:00 Exercise Class
 6:00 Presbyterian Women's
 Chili Supper & Meeting

Wednesday, February 3

4:00 Adventure Club
 6:00 Mid-Week Feast
 6:30 Handbell Choir
 6:45 Study Group
 7:15 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, February 4

7:15 Youth Prayer Breakfast
 10:30 Ambassador Choir
 11:30 Prayer Group

Saturday, February 7

8:00 Men's Breakfast &
 Study

Sunday, February 7

9:30 Children's Choir
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Scout Sunday
 Worship Service
 6:00 Youth Super Bowl
 Party at Hays' Home

Activities in the Life of the Church

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Please remember that Tuesday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m. is our festive chili supper. After dinner and a short skit, we will be discussing lesson six in our study of Joshua. Having your book available will be a help in our "break out" study groups. All women are welcome to join us.

Another date to remember is February 10 when we will meet at 10 a.m. at Covington Manor to play bingo with the folks. Since this is near Valentine's Day, we will spark a little cheer with Valentine favors. A bingo party should be fun for all.

Since our church is hosting the Holy Week Services this year, we do want to assist Jean Blair and committee in providing lunch for these 5 days—March 29, 30, 31, April 1 & 2. "Many hands make light work."

An Exercise Class is held on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. All adults are invited to participate.

Mid-Week Feast Join us for the Mid-Week Feast on Wednesday, at 6:00 p.m. in the Martin Fellowship Hall. The menu is: spaghetti, tossed salad & garlic bread. Bring a dessert to share and join us for dinner and fellowship. Remember—make your reservation on the form in the pew rack. You may also call the church office or register from the website.

DVD LECTURE SERIES The Mid-Week DVD Lecture Series, "The History of Christian Theology," taught by Dr. Philip Cary, takes place at 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday evenings after the Mid-Week Feast. Participants enjoy the lectures and the lively discussions afterward. This week's lecture is: "Protestants on Predestination."

Silver Saints—Lunch Bunch

Valentine's Day is coming fast and the Boy Scout Troop sponsored by our Church is hosting a "Valentine's Dinner" on Saturday, February 13, in the fellowship hall. (next column)

The menu is a choice of Prime Rib Roast or Salmon with the "trimmings." Let us show our support by attending this dinner as our special "55 and more" group. Arrangements have been made to have our reservation for 5 p.m. and we will be seated together. Donations will be accepted to cover the cost of the meal. Please call Jean Elder at 770-787-7951 or the church office at 770-786-7321, by Thursday, February 11, to make reservations. Join us for this time of Valentine's Day fun. Love, hugs and hope to see you there!

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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THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Caring for Our Youngest Members in the Nursery:

Stillerman Family
 Loucy/Sam Hay Family

Next week:

Arnold Family
 Lewis Family

Hosts:

Barbara & Chris Martin

Ushers:

The Dobbs Family, Chair

Sound System:

Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

Class of 2010

Stephanie Fortson
 Ruth McDaniel
 Jonathan Miller
 Pam Stillerman
 Gene Wallace

Class of 2011

Jean Blair
 Carol Dunbar
 Rick Gunter
 Jay Lanners
 Donna Weesner

Class of 2012

Bernice Bailey
 Rebecca Bates
 Mac Cranford
 Judy Hooten
 Warren Liem

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr.
 Louly Fowler Hay

Pastor

Parish Associate

Dan Walden
 Peni Haug

Director of Youth and Children's Ministry
Secretary-Treasurer

Alan Bunn

Music Director

Alice Walker

CAGO, AAGO

Organist/Ambassador Choir

Aubrey Evans & Maria Serrato

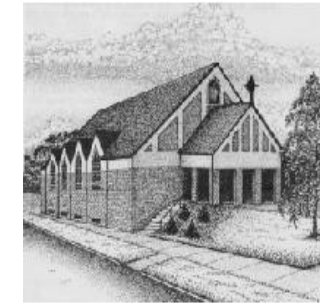
Nursery

Deana Graham

Director of the Early Learning Center

Elizabeth Daniell

Student Intern



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia

January 31, 2010

Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* David Lowe

Petite Prelude Joseph Jongen

INTROIT *Psalm 139* Pote

Sanctuary Choir

• CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 139:1-3, 7-10*

O Lord, you have searched me and known me!
 You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
 you discern my thoughts from afar.

**You search out my path and my lying down,
 and are acquainted with all my ways.**

Where shall I go from your Spirit?

Or where shall I flee from your presence?

If I ascend to heaven, you are there!

If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!

If I take the wings of the morning and

dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

even there your hand shall lead me,

and your right hand shall hold me.

* HYMN 138 NICEA

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

CALL TO CONFESSION *Psalm 139:23-24*

Search me, O God, and know my heart!

Try me and know my thoughts!

And see if there be any wicked way in me,

And lead me in the way everlasting!

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, you search us and know us. You know the secrets of our heart, even better than we do. You know how we have run away from your call; still you are ready to receive us again, ready to use us again.

In mercy, forgive and heal our inclination to wander. Fashion us by your Spirit into vessels fit for good use; that we may bear faithfully what you have entrusted to our care—treasures of Christ's saving work for a lost and broken world.