

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

From the *Book of Common Worship*

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

(Time for silent prayer and personal confession)

O God our judge and redeemer, by the light of your truth let the righteous know your goodness and sinners know your mercy, that together they may give you grateful praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Confession of 1967 9.08

Christ gave himself freely, taking upon himself the judgment under which all people stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became the victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all people. Our judge is also our redeemer in Christ Jesus. God knows us fully, and fully and graciously forgives. We are forgiven, Alleluia!

* *GLORIA PATRI* Hymn 579
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love* CHEREPONI
Ladies' Ensemble

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Amos 7: 7-17
Luke 10: 25-37

SERMON

Lauren Slingerland

Reluctant Prophets

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN 332 *Live Into Hope* TRURO

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Brief Statement of Faith, 10.4

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *arr. Hayes*
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

* RESPONSE Hymn 428, verse 1 SCHUMANN
**We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Yours, O Lord, are power, majesty, splendor and glory. All in the heavens and on the earth is yours, and of your own we give you. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN 432 *Song of Hope* ARGENTINA
(sing twice)

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE Variations on *Kingsfold* arr. Bunn

WORSHIP NOTES

- * Lauren Slingerland, Seminary Intern, is preaching today. Jay Lanners, Carol Dunbar, Meghann Timmins and Dan Walden, Director of Children's and Youth Ministry, are helping to lead 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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| † Molly Weber-ear surgery, Friday, 7/16 | † Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor |
| † Charles Ardis-surgery for pelvic and leg injuries, Atlanta Medical Center | † Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers |
| † Larkin Arnold-home after surgery | † Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center |
| † Becky Ramsey, sister of Alice Walker—home | † Hal Cline |
| † Joyce Campos, chemotherapy — close friend of the Schubert Family | † Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville |
| † Beatrice, friend of Danielle Schubert—hospice care | |
| † Danny Vining - chemotherapy | |

Military:

- † David and Savannah Rickert
- † Mike Laib
- † John Rossi

*We celebrate with **Matt Kinnaid and Ashley Proctor** who were married in Asheville, NC on Saturday, July 10th. Matt is a child of this church, son of **Barbara and John Kinnaid**, brother and brother-in-law of **Trip and Tiffany Mattice Kinnaid**. Mr. Wade performed the service.*

The hospital team member who will be visiting people this week is Louly Hay.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, July 11
9:30 Children's Choir
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
Salem Campmeeting through Friday, July 16

Monday, Monday July 12
10:30 Ambassador Choir Rehearsal at Salem Camp Meeting to sing for the 11:00 service.

Tuesday, July 13
4:00 Exercise Class
Wednesday, July 14
No Handbells on this date
Thursday, July 15
No Ambassador Choir

Sunday, July 18
9:30 Children's Choir
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
Noon Called Session Meeting

Activities in the Life of the Church

Summer Sunday School: All classes will continue to meet during the summer.

Vacation Bible School begins tomorrow and continues through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-noon. Children from rising pre-k to 5th grade students may register here at the church or on-line at our website: www.fpccov.org



Our own **Ambassador Choir** will join with the FUMC Senior Saints to provide music during the 11:00 am worship service on **Monday, July 12th**. The Camp meeting goes through Friday and all are welcome. For schedules go to: www.salemcampmeeting.org

Pastor's Schedule: Mr. Wade will be back in the office on July 13.

Date Change: Exercise Class this week only on Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All adults are invited to participate.

Called Session Meeting will be held on Sunday, July 18, immediately following the morning worship service, for the stated purpose of receiving new members.

Handbells for Summer Fun Rehearsals

Wednesday, July 14—NO REHEARSAL (Alice-Salem Camp Meeting)

Wednesday, July 21 - 7:00 p.m. in FPC Sanctuary

Wednesday, July 28 - 7:00 p.m. in FPC Sanctuary

Prayer Requests may be made by filling out the yellow cards in the pew racks and placing them in the offering plate or in the box on the table in the narthex. The Prayer Group meets every **Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon** in the Parlor. You are invited to join us.

Time for Favorite Hymns During the Summer: Alice Walker will be happy to play favorite hymns for the organ postlude at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Requests may be made to Alice at 770-787-6915 (home), 770-789-3651 (cell), or awalker.organist@gmail.com.

Termite repair construction is scheduled to begin tomorrow. Since the entrance door to the offices cannot be seen from the conference room, which will serve as Peni's office for the duration, a doorbell has been installed and may be rung so that we may let you in if the door is locked.

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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Reserve Your Space for the Montreat Retreat

We are now taking reservations for the **Montreat Retreat** which will be held November 5-7. Use the green forms found in the narthex. Fill out the form and attach your deposit check to it, then turn it in to the church office as soon as possible. The next installment will be due by August 22, and the final payment will be due the week before the retreat.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Caring for Our Youngest Members in the Nursery:

Bates Family
Next week:
Hawley Family
Loeble Family

Hosts:

Jerry Gunter

Ushers:

Jim & Jean Elder, chair
Jean Oldham
Raines

Sound System:

Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

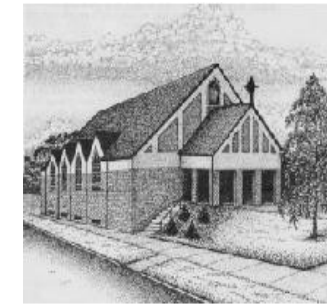
Class of 2010
Stephanie Fortson
Ruth McDaniel
Jonathan Miller
Pam Stillerman
Gene Wallace

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	<i>Pastor</i>	Aubrey Evans & Maria Serrato <i>Nursery</i>
Dan Walden	<i>Parish Associate Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i>	Deana Graham <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>
Peni Haug	<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	Lauren Slingerland <i>Seminary Intern</i>
Alan Bunn	<i>Music Director</i>	sarahlaurenslingerland@gmail.com
Alice Walker	<i>CAGO, AAGO Organist/Ambassador Choir</i>	



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia

July 11, 2010

Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *The Cloths of Heaven* STATHAM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT *Help Us Accept Each Other* BARONITA
Ladies' Ensemble

* CALL TO WORSHIP Joel 2: 21-29

Be glad and rejoice,
for the Lord has done great things!

**O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the Lord your God.**

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you.

**You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the Lord, am your God,
and there is no other.**

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
your sons and daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.

In those days, I will pour out my spirit.

**Be glad and rejoice,
for the Lord has done great things!**

* HYMN ST. THOMAS

**Let justice flow like streams of sparkling water pure,
Enabling growth, refreshing life, abundant,
cleansing, sure.**

**Let righteousness roll on as others' cares we heed,
An ever flowing stream of faith translated into deed.**

**So may God's plumb-line straight, define our
measure true,
And justice, right, and peace pervade this world
our whole life through.**

CALL TO CONFESSION