

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AURELIA  
 Hymn 443, Stanza 1-2 *O, Christ, the Great Foundation*  
**O Christ, the great foundation on which your people stand to preach your true salvation in every age and land: pour out your Holy Spirit to make us strong and pure: to keep the faith unbroken as long as worlds endure.**

**Baptized in one confession, one church in all the earth, we bear our Lord's impression, the sign of second birth: one holy people gathered in love beyond our own, by grace we were invited, by grace we make your known.**

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PROCLAIMING THE WORD*

ANTHEM *Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me* TOPLADY  
 Men's Choir

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; Let the water and the blood, from thy wounded side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, save from wrath and make me pure.

Could my tears forever flow, could my zeal no languor know, These for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone. In my hand no price I bring; simply to thy cross I cling.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when my eyes shall close in death, When I rise to worlds unknown, and behold thee on thy throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

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 Galatians 3: 23-29

SERMON Lauren Slingerland  
*How Do You Know You're in the Family?*

*RESPONDING TO THE WORD*

\* HYMN *We Are the Family of God* Jon Byron  
 Dan Walden, guitar

**Chorus:**  
**We are the family of God, Yes, we are the family of God, and he's brought us together to be one in him, That we might bring light to the world.**

**Go make disciples of all lives,**  
 continued next column

**Show them my way is true.  
 Tell them the wonderful story,  
 That they might be one in me too. (Chorus)**

**Let them know life in the making,  
 Let them know peace from above,  
 Show them by your own example,  
 Of love in the family of God. (Chorus)**

**Bigger and better is my love,  
 That I have bestowed unto you.  
 Now it's for each one to share of,  
 That all things might now become new. (Chorus)**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *A Brief Statement of Faith 10.3, 10.5*  
**In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen!**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY Albert L. Travis  
*More Love to Thee, O Christ*

\* DOXOLOGY Hymn 592 OLD HUNDREDTH

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
**O Lord, the earth is yours and everything in it. You have abundantly given to us so many blessings. Of your own we give back to you. Accept and use our offerings for your glory, for the service of your kingdom, and for the building up of the whole human family through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

*BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD*

\* HYMN 438 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* DENNIS

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE *Prelude in Classic Style* Gordon Young

WORSHIP NOTES

- \* Lauren Slingerland, seminary intern, is preaching today as well as helping to lead worship.
- \* 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.

**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](mailto:awalker.organist@gmail.com).

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>† Judy Davis—Mission Trip to Nicaragua, June 25-July 3</li> <li>† Becky Ramsey, sister of Alice Walker—surgery June 25</li> <li>† Kathryn Wallace—home, broken hip</li> <li>† Margaret Wallace—home</li> <li>† Mary Myers—surgery, home</li> <li>† Jean Rogers, Theodosia Wade's mother—home</li> <li>† Paula Drake, sister of Melissa Daniel—home</li> <li>† Joyce Campos, chemotherapy — close friend of the Schubert Family</li> <li>† Mary Crudup—home</li> <li>† Sharon Quackenbush, cancer (friend of Sandy Neisser)</li> <li>† Danny Vining - chemotherapy</li> <li>† Courtney LeCroix Hoover—needs double lung transplant, Florida</li> <li>† Don &amp; Carol Adams—recovering from auto accident.</li> <li>† Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, awaiting lung transplant</li> </ul> | <p><b>Covington Square</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>† Rita Harrell</li> <li>† Joy Knight</li> </ul> <p><b>Nursing Homes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>† John Cannon, Merryvale</li> <li>† Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor</li> <li>† Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers</li> <li>† Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center</li> <li>† Hal Cline</li> <li>† Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville</li> </ul> <p><b>Military:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>† David and Savannah Rickert</li> <li>† Mike Laib</li> <li>† John Rossi</li> </ul> <p><i>We extend our sympathy and prayers for Gary Boteler and family at the death of his father, Howard Boteler.</i></p> <p><i>The hospital team member who will be visiting people this week is Ann Bouchillon.</i></p> |
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THIS WEEK AT FPC

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| <p><b>Sunday, June 20</b><br/> <b>Father's Day</b><br/>         No Children's Choir<br/>         9:45 Sunday School<br/>         11:00 Worship Service</p> <p><b>Monday, June 21</b><br/>         Newsletter Deadline</p> <p><b>Tuesday, June 22</b><br/>         4:00 Exercise Class</p> | <p><b>Thursday, June 24</b><br/>         10:30 Ambassador Choir<br/>         11:30 Prayer Group</p> <p><b>Friday, June 25</b><br/>         Office termite repair scheduled to begin.</p> <p><b>Sunday, June 27</b><br/>         No Children's Choir<br/>         9:45 Sunday School<br/>         11:00 Worship Service</p> |
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**Summer Sunday School:** All classes will continue to meet during the summer. The **Jubilee Class** has begun a video discussion series entitled **"Jesus and the Gospels"**. Through weekly video lectures by an Emory University professor, and conversation led by Patrick Carmichael, the class will seek to answer questions like: "What accounts for the great diversity in the images of Jesus that have emerged in the various gospels? Is it possible to shape a single picture from the various accounts of his life given us by these gospels? Can we really know who Jesus was?" Join us for a challenging and thought-provoking conversation.

### Activities in the Life of the Church

**First Press Deadline:** Articles and calendar items are due in the church office tomorrow, Monday, June 21. Your prompt delivery is appreciated. You may e-mail Peni at: penihaug@bellsouth.net or drop off your legibly written submission at the church office. Thanks for your help in making the **First Press** a full and accurate reflection of congregational life.

**Exercise Class** Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All adults are invited to participate.

**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.

### HANDBELLS FOR FUN!

"Handbells for Fun" class will take place in the Sanctuary from 7:00 - 7:45 p.m. on Wednesdays. We will be learning the fundamentals of playing handbells and learn to play some easy handbell anthems and celebrate our time together with a party at our last session! To enroll, contact Alice Walker at 770-787-6915, cell phone 770-789-3651. The schedule of classes is listed below.

#### HANDBELLS FOR FUN SUMMER REHEARSALS

Wednesday, June 16 - 7:00 p.m. in FPC Sanctuary  
 Wednesday, June 23 - 7:00 p.m. in FPC Sanctuary  
 Wednesday, June 30 - 7:00 p.m. in FPC Sanctuary  
 Wednesday, July 7 - 7:00 p.m. in FPC Sanctuary  
 Wednesday, July 14 - NO REHEARSAL  
 (Alice at Salem Camp Meeting)  
 Wednesday, July 21 - 7:00 p.m. in FPC Sanctuary  
 Wednesday, July 28 - 7:00 p.m. in FPC Sanctuary

First Presbyterian Church is affiliated with the **Care and Counseling Center of Rockdale and Newton**, a resource to help with counseling needs. Call 404-636-1457 ext. 419, for an appointment, or ask the church staff for information.

**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 or e-mail  
 wbwade@bellsouth.net  
 djwalden@mac.com  
 penihaug@bellsouth.net

Website: [www.fpccov.org](http://www.fpccov.org)  
 Mailing Address: 1169 Clark Street,  
 Covington, Georgia 30014.

**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**

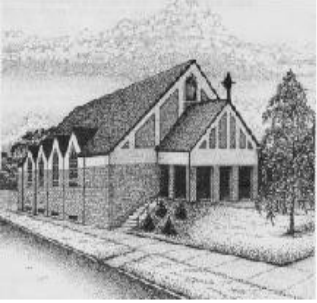
<p><b>Caring for Our Youngest Members in the Nursery:</b>          Jessup Family          Ardis Family  <b>Next week:</b>          Jodi Walden          Shawn Loftin</p>	<p><b>Hosts:</b>          Agnes Campbell  <b>Ushers:</b>          Bill &amp; Jean Blair, chair          Pam Stillerman  <b>Sound System:</b>          Ken Walker</p>
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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION**

Class of 2010	Class of 2011	Class of 2012
Stephanie Fortson Ruth McDaniel Jonathan Miller Pam Stillerman Gene Wallace	Jean Blair Carol Dunbar Rick Gunter Jay Lanners Donna Weesner	Bernice Bailey Rebecca Bates Mac Cranford Judy Hooten Warren Liem

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF**

William B. Wade, Jr. Louly Fowler Hay	<i>Pastor</i>	Alice Walker Aubrey Evans & Maria Serrato	CAGO, AAGO <i>Organist/Ambassador Choir</i>
Dan Walden Peni Haug Alan Bunn	<i>Parish Associate Director of Youth and Children's Ministry Secretary-Treasurer Music Director</i>	Deana Graham Elizabeth Daniell	<i>Nursery Director of the Early Learning Center Student Intern</i>



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia  
 June 20, 2010

### Order of Worship

#### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Processional for a Joyful Day* Dale Wood  
*Trumpet Tune* Gordon Young  
*Largo* Francesco Veracini

#### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

\* INTROIT *Rise Up, O Men of God* FESTAL SONG  
 Men's Choir

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 133

How very good and pleasant it is  
 when kindred live together in unity!  
**It is like the precious oil on the head,  
 running down upon the beard,  
 on the beard of Aaron,  
 running down over the collar of his robes.**  
 It is like the dew of Hermon,  
 which falls on the mountains of Zion.  
**For there the Lord ordained the blessing,  
 of life forevermore!  
 Let us worship God!**

\* HYMN 439 ST. PETER  
*In Christ There Is No East or West*

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
 (silence for personal prayer and reflection)  
 adapted from *A Brief Statement of Faith* 10.3  
**In sovereign love, God, you created the world good and made everyone equally in your image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. Forgive us, Lord, when we rebel against you and hide from you, our Creator. Forgive us when we violate the image of you, God, in others and in ourselves. Restore us to the one community you intended for us to enjoy. Make us a new creation God, empower us through Jesus Christ to live as your disciples and gather us in unity through the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS