

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ST. FLAVIAN  
(Hymn 81, stanzas 1 and 2)

**Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray, teach us with Thee to mourn our sins, and close by Thee to stay.**

**As Thou with Satan didst contend, and didst the victory win, O give us strength in Thee to fight, in Thee to conquer sin.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS  
2 Corinthians 5:17-20

\* 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.**

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

ANTHEM *Reconciliation* Lloyd Pfautsch  
Sanctuary Choir  
John Scott, Trumpet

*God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself. Therefore if anyone be in Christ, there is a new creature. Old things are passed away. Behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, Who hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ, And hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation. God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself.*

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 READING John 11:1-44

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.  
*Dress Rehearsal*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\* HYMN 81 ST. FLAVIAN  
(stanzas 3 and 4)  
**And through these days of penitence, and through Thy Passiontide, yea, evermore, in life and death,**

**O Lord, with us abide.**

**Abide with us, that so, this life of suffering over-past, an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last!**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH  
*A Brief Statement of Faith 10.1 and 10.5*  
**In life and in death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of  
Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

**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.**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *I to the Hills Lift Up Mine Eyes* Lani Smith

\* DOXOLOGY Hymn 592  
*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
**O God of new life, you restore us with the hope of the gospel; you bind up our wounds and make us whole once again. You enliven us with the gift of your Spirit and empower us to serve you in thought, word, and deed. Accept now the gifts we bring; transform their worth and enhance their effectiveness to accord with your will. Amen.**

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

\* HYMN 84 RATHBUN  
*In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE Sanctuary Choir

\* POSTLUDE *Allegro from Concerto in D* Samuel Wesley

**WORSHIP NOTES**

- \* Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministry, is assisting with worship today.
- \* We welcome to our service today John Scott, trumpeter.
- \* 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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| † Jim Elder—home   | † Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers  |
| † Tootles Tingler—home   | † Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center   |
| † Joe Hughes (Leon Hughes brother) - heart surgery                     | † Hal Cline  |
| † B.C. Crowell—home  | † Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville                                  |
| † Joyce Ashworth—Social Circle Rehabilitation Center                   | <b>Military:</b>   |
| † Don & Carol Adams—recovering from auto accident.                     | † David and Savannah Rickert   |
| † Beth Vining—broken foot  | † Mike Laib  |
| † Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, awaiting lung transplant |  |
| † Jonathan Paschal— recovering from surgery at home.                   | <i>We extend our sympathy and prayers for Joyce Ashworth and her family in the death of her husband Jim.</i> |
| <b>Covington Square</b>  |  |
| † Rita Harrell and   |  |
| † Joy Knight   |  |
| <b>Nursing Homes:</b>  | <i>The hospital team member who will be visiting people this week is Jon Williams.</i>                       |
| † Maymenell Bohanan – Riverside  |  |
| † Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor                                      |  |

**Easter Lilies**

Easter lilies will be available to place in the Sanctuary in memory or honor of someone. The price is \$8.00 and these may be taken home after the Easter service. Please fill out the form below, tear off, and place in the offering plate with a check or drop it off by the office by March 16th.

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please use first and last names for any person being remembered (not Mr., Mrs., etc.)

**THIS WEEK AT FPC**

**Sunday, March 14**  
 9:30 Children's Choir  
 9:45 Sunday School  
 11:00 Worship Service  
 Session Retreat  
 at Calvin Center

**Tuesday, March 16**  
 4:00 Exercise Class

**Wednesday, March 17**  
 4:00 Adventure Club  
 6:00 Mid-Week Feast  
 6:30 Handbell Choir  
 6:45 Study Group  
 7:15 Sanctuary Choir

**Thursday, March 18**  
 7:15 Youth Prayer Breakfast  
 10:30 Ambassador Choir  
 11:30 Prayer Group

**Sunday, March 21**  
 9:30 Children's Choir  
 9:45 Sunday School  
 11:00 Worship Service  
 12:00 PC "Connection" Lunch  
 6:00 Youth Connection

*Activities in the Life of the Church*

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

**Mid-Week Feast:** Join us for the Mid-Week Feast at 6:00 p.m. in the Martin Fellowship Hall. The menu is: soup, chicken and dumplings, salad bar, rolls and cornbread. 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 web-site.

**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: "Pietists and the Turn to Experience."

Next Sunday, March 21, **Dr. John Griffith**, President of Presbyterian College will be preaching. He will be eating lunch in the fellowship hall after worship, with former and prospective students.

Plans are underway for our church to host **lunch each day of Holy week**. Please indicate the day(s) and number of people we might expect from your family.

Name _____				
3/29 Mon.	3/30 Tue.	3/31 Wed.	4/1 Thur.	4/2 Fri.
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**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:**

Loeble Family  
 Luton Family

**Next week:**  
 Weesner Family  
 Hawley Family

**Hosts:**

Jerry Gunter

**Ushers:**

Margaret and Leon Hughes

**Sound System:**

Ken Walker

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION**

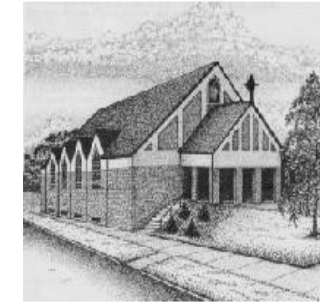
**Class of 2010**  
 Stephanie Fortson  
 Ruth McDaniel  
 Jonathan Miller  
 Pam Stillerman  
 Gene Wallace

**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>	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

March 14, 2010  
 Fourth Sunday in Lent

**Order of Worship**

*GATHERING AROUND THE WORD*

PRELUDE *Agnus Dei* Francois Couperin  
*Were You There?* Dale Wood  
*Adagio from Sonata III* Felix Mendelssohn

INTROIT Sanctuary Choir

\* CALL TO WORSHIP John 1:9-12

The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him.

**He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him.**

But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God.

\* HYMN 181 ELLACOMBE

*Come Sing to God*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, our lives are in your hands. We seek to be faithful, but we are haunted by things we have done and said in the past, by memories of people we have hurt, by ways we have failed to live up to your calling. Forgive us. Heal our wounds and strengthen our faith.**

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

**We are anxious about the future. Forgive us for our lack of trust, and the fear which comes as a result.**

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

**Speak to us, Lord, a word of hope. Give us strength through the power of your Spirit, for we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ.**