

✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM

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.

You Have Put on Christ BAPTIZED IN CHRIST
Children's Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS Isaiah 58:6-9a
James 2:14-17

SERMON Facing Hunger William B. Wade, Jr.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN 298 ABBOT'S LEIGH
Lord, You Give the Great Commission
(stanzas 1-3)

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Declaration of Faith

God sends us to exercise compassion.
In his concern for justice in the social order
God has never forgotten the needs of individuals.
In the end the Lord will judge all persons
by the simple, unremembered acts of kindness
they did or failed to do for the least of their sisters
and brothers. We acknowledge God is at work here
and now when people show personal concern for
each other and work to make helping agencies,
including the church itself, more compassionate.
We believe God sends us to risk our own peace and
comfort in compassion for our neighbors.
We are to give to them and receive from them,
accepting everyone we meet as a person;
to be sensitive to those who suffer in body or mind;
to help and accept help in ways that affirm dignity
and responsibility. We must not limit our compassion
to those we judge deserving, for we ourselves do
not deserve the compassion of God.

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY G. F. Handel
Aria from XII Concerto pour Instruments a cordes

✦ DOXOLOGY (Hymn 607) OLD HUNDREDTH

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Make us generous in our giving and in our living, O God.
Fill us until we overflow with your goodness and grace,
for we pray in the precious name of the one who emptied
himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

✦ HYMN 298 ABBOT'S LEIGH
Lord, You Give the Great Commission
(stanzas 4 and 5)

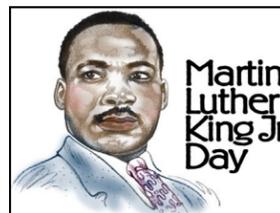
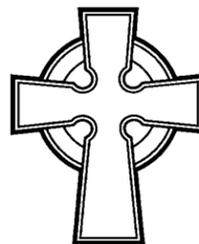
✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

✦ POSTLUDE J. S. Bach
A Festal Fanfare from the Fourth Concerto

✦ Please stand, if you are able.

There will be a Congregational Meeting today at the conclusion of the 11:00 a.m. worship service, for the purpose of hearing the budget and acting on changes in the Call to the Minister.



The annual King Day Celebration will be held today at 3:00 p.m. at the Porter Auditorium (Newton High School).

Worship Notes

- 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

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Sam Hay, Jr.-home †Jack Yoder-home †Jim Gregory-broken nose †Agnes Campbell-cataract surgery †Buster Gregory and his son, Joel--
bereavement in the death of son and brother †Eleanor Jones-legs amputated and her husband who had cancer surgery (Billy Wade's cousin and in-law) †Brandon Gay-burn unit at Grady Hospital (grandson of Frances Ivey) †Bill Cobham-home †Bernice Bailey-home †Mary Aunese-surgery & rehab for broken leg (mother of Barbara Martin) †Jan Coulon-surgery, home †Jane LeMaster-multiple myeloma (sister of Ed Perkerson) †Jenny Hinz-lupus (Andrew Hinz's relative) †Eleanor Graham Jones-rehab (Billy Wade's cousin) †Debbie Johnson-breast cancer (Susanne Perkerson's sister) †Lecia Landolt, pancreatic cancer (friend of Patti Lanford) †Louie Katchko-lung cancer (friend of Warren and Jeanie Liem) †Dave Knox-cancer (brother-in-law to Beth and Danny Vining) †Donnie Vining-brain surgery (nephew of Beth and Danny Vining) †Rebecca Bates-will begin radiation †Lucas Cronan-leukemia (Denny Dobbs' great niece's child) †Judy Findlay-liver transplant (niece of Betty Bailey) †Helen Sessions-breast cancer (friend of Warren and Jeanie Liem) †Anderson Krieger-leukemia (5th grade student at Flint Hill) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Roland Nelson-hospice care (nephew of Carol McGiboney) †Jeanie Liem-awaiting kidney transplant <p>Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Mary Cline-relocated †Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers †Gretchen Buendia-Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville †Joy Knight -Riverside <p>Benton House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Helen and George Stamps †Mary Crudup †Doris Mote †Frances Ivey †Joan Smith, #215 †Velma Prescott <p>Covington Square</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Rita Harrell <p>Merryvale</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Doris Hicks †Bill Taylor †Elizabeth Gadilhe †Martha Borders |
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We extend our sympathy and prayers for the family of Susan Wilson, sister of Michael Wilson and sister-in-law of Trista Hooten-Wilson, who died on Monday.

Hospital Visitor:
Linda Boyd

To keep our concerns up-to-date, names may remain on this list for up to four weeks. Please contact the church if you wish your name or family member's name to be continued or removed.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Our Youth Connections, both Jr. and Sr. high, are working together on a project that will benefit our community. It's called the **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING**. They will be helping to stock Newton County's local food pantry, and here's how you can help. Each Sunday, through February 2nd, they will be in the narthex collecting canned goods and taking orders for quarts of delicious homemade vegetable soup that they will be making. Then, Sunday, February 2nd is the traditional SOUPER BOWL OF CARING (on the day of the Super Bowl). That day they will accept your canned goods, have the traditional "kettles" awaiting any monetary contribution you would like to make, and they will have your homemade soup ready for you to take home to be enjoyed that day or later. Look for the Youth Connections table in the narthex. And thank you so much for your support!

Youth Connection

Hunger – How can our Youth Connection work together to provide for people in need? That will be our focus in the next several weeks.

Jr. High and Sr. High meet 4:30 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

"Road Trip" - We will canvass a nearby neighborhood for canned goods.

It's time to make your appointment for the new Pictorial Directory.

Please sign up as soon as possible so you can get the appointment time that is best for your family. There is a table in the foyer where someone will assist you in making that appointment. The dates are Wednesday, February 26th - Saturday, March 1st. The times are 2:00 - 7:00 except for Saturday, which will be 10:00 -2:00. See the brochure in the bulletin. For more information contact Darcel Tabb at darceltabb@yahoo.com.

Newton Hayriders Square Dance Group is offering square dance lessons on Monday evenings at FPC from 7:00-9:00 in the fellowship Hall. You may call Alton Cochran if you want more information at 678-625-9795

Hymn Festival is Almost Here! The Hymn Festival at FPC will be Sunday, January 26, at 4:00 PM in our Sanctuary. This event will be a highlight of our FPC year, musically speaking, as we join voices and hearts with several other choirs and artists to the glory of God. We will discover new melodies and words with which to praise God as we sing some "new" hymns in our Hymnbook. Some of the "old" hymns will be presented in new and creative ways. We will welcome to our service Herbert Buffington at the organ, Scott Stanton, timpanist, and the Empire Brass from Kennesaw State University. In addition, Liane Bouchillon will be offering liturgical dance, and our adult and children's choirs will be joined by singers from First Presbyterian Church of Conyers and First United Methodist Church of Covington. Billy Wade will be providing liturgical and pastoral leadership for the service. Be sure to attend this inspirational service!

This Week at FPC

Sunday, January 19

9:00 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
3:00 MLK Day Service
at Porter Auditorium
4:30 Youth Connection
4:30 Called Session Meeting
5:00 Youth Parents' Meeting

Tuesday, January 21

4:00 Exercise

Wednesday, January 22

6:45 Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 23

10:30 Ambassador Choir

Sunday, January 26

9:00 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
4:00 Hymn Festival at FPC
5:00 Youth Connection

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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Food Pantry Needs

Bring donations to the church or drop them off at the Community Food Pantry from 9:00 -11:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday. Call (770) 784-0037 for directions.

Special requests for January:

Soups, chili, chicken & dumplings, spaghetti sauce. You may bring other staple goods as your heart leads.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Nursery Volunteers today:

Weesner Family

Next Week:

Rob & Kerry Jones Family

Ushers:

Guy & Carol McGiboney

Gary & Susanne Boteler

Sound Engineer:

Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

Class of 2014

Debra Arnold
Bill Loebler
Darcel Tabb
Roger Tingler
Cy Wolverton
Sam Hay, IV

Class of 2015

Gary Boteler
Billy Fortson
Jan Giles
Jim Stillerman
Kevin Weber

Class of 2016

Charles Ardis
Joyce Ashworth
Betty Bailey
Patrick Carmichael
Perri Walden

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr.

Pastor

Dan Walden

Director of Youth
and Children's Ministry

Peni Haug

Secretary-Treasurer

Alan Bunn

Music Director

Alice Walker

CAGO, AAGO

Organist/Ambassador Choir

Pauleen Green & Maria Serrato

Nursery

Krissy Jones

Director of the

Early Learning Center



Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2014



Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Abide, O Dearest Jesus* Sigfrid Karg-Elert

INTROIT *God Welcomes All* THEMBA AMEN
Sanctuary Choir

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 146:1, 5-7, 10

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live.

I will sing praises to my God while I have being.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob.

Whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them;

who keeps faith forever;

who executes justice for the oppressed;

who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord will reign forever!

Praise the Lord!

✠ HYMN 401 *Here in This Place* GATHER US IN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we confess that we have failed many times to love our neighbors as ourselves. We have been caught up in our own lives and have failed to see the needs of others. Open our eyes, Lord, that we might see others more as you see them.

Fill our hearts with your love that will enable us truly to reach out and love our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive our shortcomings, dear Lord, and give us the strength to do your will, for we pray in Jesus' name.

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

✠ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NETTLETON

Hymn 475, stanza 3

**O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.**