

ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE  
LIFE OF THE CHURCH

*This Week at FPC*

**Sunday, April 17**

9:00 Handbell Choir  
9:30 Children's Choir  
10:00 Sunday School  
3:00 Youth Connection-"Shrek"

**Tuesday, April 19**

9:00 Ambassador Choir leaves  
for Griffin UMC  
4:00 Exercise

**Wednesday, April 20**

No Adventure Club  
6:45 Sanctuary Choir

**Friday, April 22**

7:30 pm Youth Lock-In

**Saturday, April 23**

8:00 Men's Breakfast

**Sunday, April 24**

**Youth Sunday**  
9:00 Handbell Choir  
9:30 Children's Choir  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship Service

**Men's Breakfast Study Date Change**

The Men's Breakfast Study has been changed from April 30 to **April 23**. The men meet at 8:00 for breakfast (bring your own) and to have a short study. Plan to attend and bring a friend!

**Silver Saints and Ambassador Choir Lunch, Thursday, April 28  
12:00 noon in the Martin Fellowship Hall**

If you plan to attend and are new to this group, please make a reservation in the church office at 770-786-7321 or call Jean Elder at 770-787-7951. This will assure arrangements are adequate. This is a fun group, you will enjoy the "chit-chat and laughter" we have together. We hope you will join us.

**Save the Date!**

FPC will be sponsoring an **American Red Cross Blood Drive** on Tuesday **May 31st** from 1:00 p.m.-6:00 pm

**Volunteers are needed** to work one or all shifts. Please contact Baxter Bouchillon at [baxterbouchillon@gmail.com](mailto:baxterbouchillon@gmail.com), Scarlett McCurry at (678) 577-1852 or [tommysgirl4life@gmail.com](mailto:tommysgirl4life@gmail.com) or Perri Walden at [perriwalden@charter.net](mailto:perriwalden@charter.net).



"My sheep hear my voice.  
I know them, and  
they follow me."

-John 10:27

**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 the pastor as you leave or call the church office at 770-786-7321.

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You may listen to recent sermons by visiting our website ([www.fpccov.org](http://www.fpccov.org)) and clicking on "Media."



The Food Pantry is now open on **Wednesdays and Fridays** from 9:00 - 12:00. Donations of any non-perishable food items are welcome.

April suggested donations are:  
canned fruit

**Baby Love:** The Witness Team has an on-going project to collect **disposable baby diapers and wipes** to distribute to local agencies to help families in need. You may place your donations in the **cradle** here at the church and the donations will be delivered. Monetary donations are also accepted. Your donation by check, or cash in an envelope with your name will be credited to your offering statement.

**THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY**

**April Usher Chair:**  
Tom Stillerman

**Sound Engineer:**  
Ken Walker

**MEMBERS OF SESSION**

**Class of 2016**  
Charles Ardis  
Joyce Ashworth  
Betty Bailey  
Patrick Carmichael  
Perri Walden  
Jake McCarthy

**Class of 2017**  
Baxter Bouchillon  
Adriane Ivey  
Michael Thompson  
Danny Vining  
Jean Wolverton

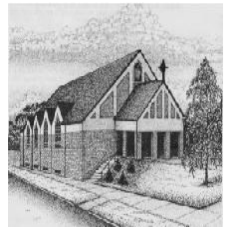
**Class of 2018**  
Gary Boteler  
Billy Fortson  
Scarlett McCurry  
Stephanie Scarborough  
Tom Stillerman

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF**

William B. Wade, Jr. <i>Pastor</i>	Alice Walker <i>CAGO, AAGO</i>
Dan Walden <i>Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i>	Organist/Ambassador Choir
Peri Haug <i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	Maria Serrato, Aubrey Evans <i>Nursery</i>
Alan Bunn <i>Music Director</i>	Kara Sugg <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>



**Fourth Sunday  
of Easter  
April 17, 2016**



*Order of Worship*

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

PRELUDE *O Day Full of Grace* Wayne L. Wold  
*My Jesus, I Love Thee* Diane Bish

INTROIT *Will You Come and Follow Me* KELVINGROVE  
Sanctuary Choir

✦CALL TO WORSHIP I Peter 1:3

By God's great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

✦HYMN 267 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* MADRID

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THANKSGIVING

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

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

ANTHEM G. F. Handel  
*I Know That My Redeemer Liveth* from *Messiah*  
Tory Bouchillon, solo

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.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING John 10:22-30

SERMON *Tell It Plainly* William B. Wade, Jr.

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

✦HYMN 803 (Psalm 23) RESIGNATON  
*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
 he leadeth me beside the still waters.  
 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the  
 paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow  
 of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;  
 thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.  
 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence  
 of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil;  
 my cup runneth over.  
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the  
 days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of  
 the Lord for ever.

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY

Robin Milford

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

BEACH SPRING

Hymn 716, stanza 1

**God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich  
 and endless store, nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,  
 costly cross, grave's shattered door: gifted by you, we  
 turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise; thankful  
 song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through  
 your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:  
 our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and  
 what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your  
 love, and in encouraging those around us to know and  
 follow Jesus the Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

**SEALING OF THE WORD**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

This is the joyful feast of the people of God!  
 When our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he  
 took the bread and blessed and broke it, and gave it to  
 them and their eyes were opened and they recognized  
 him. This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invited those  
 who trust him to share the feast he has prepared.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KINGDOM

Hymn 516, stanza 1

**For the bread which you have broken, for the wine  
 which you have poured, for the words which you  
 have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

(We will be invited by rows to come to the table. The choir will  
 come forward first.)

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Hymn 473 (sing refrain on cue)

M. Haugen

Shepherd Me, O God 473  
 (Psalm 23)

Capo 1: (Em)  
 Refrain Fm (C) (G) (D)  
 D<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup>

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -  
 yond my fears, from death in - to life.

(Bm7) (C) (Am7) (Bm7) (Em)  
 Cm7 D<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>m7 Cm7 Fm

THE LORD'S PRAYER

p. 35 in front of hymnal

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

✦HYMN 722

CANONBURY

*Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak*

✦CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦CHORAL RESPONSE

KELVINGROVE

*Will You Come and Follow Me*  
 Sanctuary Choir

✦POSTLUDE

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

*Con Moto Maestoso from Third Sonata*

✦Please stand if you are able.

*Worship Notes*

✦**Dan Walden**, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with  
 the leading of worship.  
 ✦Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of reverence as we prepare to  
 worship God. Remember to **turn on your cell phones** when you leave.



*In Our Thoughts and Prayers*

†Jerry Smart (brother of Faye Kitchens) †Debra Hales (daughter of Faye Kitchens) †Henry Garrison-protate cancer (father of Sallie Paschal) †Gene Wallace-surgery †Jill Osbourne-breast cancer (friend of Barbara Martin) †Judy Davis-knee surgery, home †Kevin and Amy Lanclos family, Amy and daughters Emily Anne (stable) and Hannah (life-threatening injuries)-car accident †Colleen Paige - cancer (cousin of Perri Walden) †Ron Swatty-heart problems, brother -in-law of Charles Ardis) †Roger Tingler-hip replacement, rehab in Madison †Sandy Peterson-cancer (former member) †Lecia Landolt-chemo for pancreatic cancer (friend of Patti Lanford) †Kim Bailey-on-going physical therapy after bicycle accident (Bernice Bailey's daughter-in-law) †Ann Hill-ovarian cancer (Theodosia Wade's cousin) †Mitchell Jessup -cancer (father of Nick Jessup) †Sharon Walton-chemotherapy for kidney cancer (friend of Patti Lanford) †Sophia Hawley-Cystic Fibrosis †John Fish-cancer (Bryson Wade's uncle †Roger Gossage-awaiting transplant †Catherine Horton-hospice care (sister of Maxine Blankenship) †Jan Coulon-home	†Jim Stalvey, Jr.-melanoma †Penny Hill-cancer (Executive Presbyter for the Greater Atlanta Presbytery †Anderson Krieger-continuing treat- ment for leukemia <b>Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:</b> †Russ Cole-Rockdale Healthcare for rehab †Jeanne Cannon-Darien, GA †J. L. Johnson - <b>new address</b> Dogwood Forest, Room 306 253 North Main Street, Alpharetta, GA 30009 <b>Riverside</b> †Joy Knight -hospice care †Martha Borders †Rita Harrell †Jack Yoder-rehab <b>Benton House</b> †George Stamps <b>Merryvale</b> †Guy McGiboney †Bill Taylor †Elizabeth Gadilhe †Betty Robinson †Louise White †Betty Goins †Hughie Hudson We extend our sympathy and pray- ers for John McCarthy, Terri Digby and Jake McCarthy, in the death of John's mother, Mary McCarthy. We also extend our sympathy for the family of the <b>Rev. Lane Alderman</b> , who died on Thursday. <b>Hospital Visitor:</b> Jean Wolverton
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