

ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

It's time once again for...

Adventure Club

Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m.

Adventure Club is for all children grades Kindergarten through 5th. We'll meet on Wednesday afternoons from 4:00 to 5:45 p.m. to learn about God and God's people through games, drama, music and arts & crafts.



Billy Wade, Patrick Carmichael and Adriane Ivey will be commissioners at the next Presbytery meeting on August 22, at First Presbyterian Church, Atlanta.



Montreat Retreat

It is time to start signing up for the congregational retreat to Montreat, NC, which is scheduled for the weekend of **November 6-8, 2015**. This is an intergenerational event that combines worship, study and fun in the beautiful mountains of our Presbyterian Conference Center near Asheville, NC. A deposit of \$50 will be due with registration. Forms with the prices listed are in the narthex on the round table.

This Week at FPC

Sunday, August 16 RALLY DAY

9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service/Communion

Tuesday, August 18

4:00 Exercise

Wednesday, August 19

4:00 Adventure Club
6:45 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, August 20

10:30 Ambassador Choir

Saturday, August 22

9:00 Presbytery Meeting

Sunday, August 23

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

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

The Food Pantry could really use the following items: **bar soap, Ramen noodles, canned corn** - we haven't been able to get these items from Atlanta Food Bank the last couple of orders, so we are out completely.

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 receptacle 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

Nursery Volunteers today:

Baxter/Lisa Bouchillon Family

Next Week:

Shaun/Aubrey Evans Family

Usher Chair:

Jean Wolverton

Sound Engineer:

Ken Walker

MEMBERS OF SESSION

Class of 2015

Gary Boteler
Billy Fortson
Jan Giles
Jim Stillerman
Bob Tabb
Fletcher Stamps
Jack Weesner

Class of 2016

Charles Ardis
Joyce Ashworth
Betty Bailey
Patrick Carmichael
Perri Walden

Class of 2017

Baxter Bouchillon
Adriane Ivey
Michael Thompson
Danny Vining
Jean Wolverton

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr.
Dan Walden

Pastor

Director of Youth
and Children's Ministry

Peni Haug
Alan Bunn

Secretary-Treasurer
Music Director

Alice Walker

CAGO, AAGO

Organist/Ambassador Choir

Maria Serrato

Nursery

Tiffany McWaters

Director of the

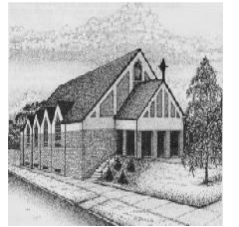
Early Learning Center



Twelfth Sunday
after Pentecost

Rally Day

August 16, 2015



Order of Worship GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

May the Mind of Christ, My Savior A. Cyril Barham-Gould
"Hornpipe" from Water Music Suite George Frideric Handel
Toccata on ELLACOMBE Mark Thallander and Bruce Wilkin

INTROIT

Know That God is Good MUNGU NI MWEMA

Children's Choir, Sanctuary Choir, and Congregation
(please join in singing the third time through on cue)

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 148

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens;

praise the Lord in the heights!

Praise the Lord, all his angels;

praise the Lord, all his host!

Praise God, sun and moon and all you shining stars!

Rulers of the earth and all people,

young men and women alike, old and young together,

praise the Lord!

HYMN 15

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All Creatures of Our God and King

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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 6:1-14

SERMON

More Than Enough

William B. Wade, Jr.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN 309

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Come, Great God of All the Ages

✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Declaration of Faith*

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God's reality and rule.

Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time. It is part of our discipline to observe a day of worship and rest, setting aside our own working to enjoy God's work, celebrating with sisters and brothers the Lord's goodness.

We need constantly to search out God's way in Scripture, not expecting detailed directions for every decision, but relying on the Word to tell us who God is, to press God's present claim on us, and to assure us of God's grace and comfort.

RESTORE, RENEW, REACH OUT Sam Hay, Jr.

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *Domine Deus* from "Gloria" Antonio Vivaldi
Lord God Above Us, King of Heaven
Julianna Laseter, soprano. Alice Walker, organ

✦DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606) OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✦PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord, we drink from wells we did not dig. We enjoy the fruits of harvests we did not plant. Now, by your grace, help us to dig and to plant so that others may be nurtured in your love and sent out in the power of your Spirit to witness to a new age, in Christ's name. Amen.

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

SEALING OF THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

This is the joyful feast of the people of God. They shall come from East and West, from North and South, to sit at table in the kingdom of God.

This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invites all those who trust in him to share the feast that he has prepared.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us pray...

Words of Institution

Communion

Eat the bread when you feel ready. This signifies God's presence to you individually. We will drink the cup together after all are served. This signifies God's presence to the Church.

ANTHEM

I Often Dance
Sanctuary Choir

Gary Hallquist

*I often dance in celebration, my heart leaps, my spirit sings.
He is my source of jubilation, I will soar on eagle's wings.
I often dance with wide-eyed wonder, troubled times on wounded feet.
No stormy wave can pull me under, hope sustains the steady beat!
He turns my sorrow into dancing.
I will sing and not be silent.
I will praise Him with the dance!*

*I often dance with love and laughter, splashing in His showers of grace.
Weep for a night, but joy comes after, gently lifting me in His embrace.
I often dance with all creation, steps of life I love to learn.
I dance with great anticipation for the Bridegroom will return.*

*He turns my sorrow into dancing.
I will sing and not be silent.
I will praise Him with the dance!*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦HYMN 305 *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!* DARWALL'S 148TH

✦CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦CHORAL RESPONSE

I Often Dance
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✦POSTLUDE

Charles-Marie Widor

"Toccata" from *Symphony No. 5*

✦Please stand if you are able.



Worship Notes

- ✦We welcome **Julianna Laseter**, who will be singing in our service this morning. Julianna is a student at Temple University.
- ✦**Dan Walden**, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with leading worship.
- ✦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

†Mitchell Jessup -cancer (father of Nick Jessup)
†Louise White-fall
†Betty Robinson-back to Merryvale
†Phyllis Pruner-severe neck pain
†Sharon Walton-treatment for kidney cancer (friend of Patti Lanford)
†Greg Jones-broken neck vertebrae, Atlanta Medical Center (Rob Jones' father)
†Sophia Hawley-Cystic Fibrosis
†John Fish-cancer (Bryson Wade's uncle)
†Nancy Driver-diagnosed with ALS (sister of Penny Blakeney)
†Amanda Teixeira-heart surgery (Lynn Miller's daughter)
†Roger Gossage-awaiting transplant
†Billy Richardson-cancer (cousin of Ed Perkerson)
†Catherine Horton-hospice care (sister of Maxine Blankenship)
†Edie Chandler Lowe-chemotherapy
†Jan Coulon-home
†Jim Stalvey, Jr.-melanoma
†Penny Hill-cancer (Executive Presbyter for the Greater Atlanta Presbytery)
†Don Bollinger-home
†Lisa Baker-cancer treatment

†Anderson Krieger-continuing treatment for leukemia (7th grade student at Providence Christian School.)

Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:
†Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers
†Jeanne Cannon-Darien, GA

Riverside

†Joy Knight -hospice care
†Martha Borders
†Rita Harrell

Benton House

†George Stamps
†Doris Mote

Merryvale

†Guy McGiboney
†Bill Taylor
†Elizabeth Gadilhe
†Betty Robinson

We extend our sympathy and prayers for the family of **Frances Ivey** who died on Thursday. Funeral plans to be announced.

We also extend our prayers and sympathy to **Don Bollinger** and his family on the death of his sister, **Martha Zukas**, who died August 12, in Rio Rancho, NM.

Hospital Visitor:
Leon Hughes

Capital Campaign

Today we will kick off a campaign that will give each of us an opportunity to participate in the tradition that has been handed down to us and has brought us to this point.

Please consider prayerfully how you might contribute to the ongoing ministry of Christ's church in this place as together we **Restore** our facilities, **Renew** our commitments, and **ReachOut** in compassion to a world in need of Jesus Christ.

