

✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *The Twenty Third Psalm* Albert Hay Malotte
Janet Carmichael, 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 READINGS Micah 6:1-8
Matthew 5:1-12

SERMON The Rev. Callie Weber
Joy Comes in the Giving

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN 70 *What Does the Lord Require of You?* MOON
(sing part one 6 times)

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*
p. 35 in front of hymnal

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord* Edwin T. Chil

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE FOREST GREEN
Hymn 712, stanza 3

In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today, to serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way. O God who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your Son, help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

✦ 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 716 BEACH SPRING
God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS
Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire

✦ POSTLUDE The Rejoicing G. F. Handel

✦ Please stand, if you are able.

Presbyterian Women's Retreat

9:30 – 3:00 Saturday, March 1st
at Burge Plantation
44 Jeff Cook Road
Mansfield, GA 30055

All women of the church are invited, whether you are a Circle member or not. Ladies are encouraged to invite friends and family members for this time of fellowship and thoughtful insight. A continental breakfast and lunch of sandwiches and salads will be provided by the Circles of FPC.

Cindy Elrod, Ph.D., L.P.C., of the Care and Counseling Center of Georgia will speak on two topics. Session 1 – Use Your Words! Session 2 – Spirituality Along Life's Journey. FPC's own Margaret Hughes, RN, CCRN, will provide us information regarding Advanced Directives. After the presentations, you are invited to tour Burge Plantation. Remember to bring your walking shoes!

Reservations can be made in the church narthex on Sundays prior to the event or by calling the church office 770-786-7321. There is No Charge to attend. Carpooling is encouraged.

We are grateful to FPC members Sandy and Betsy Morehouse for opening Burge to us for this event. These acres have experienced Native American settlement, nineteenth century agrarian life, civil war strife and emancipation, reconstruction, tenant farming, and dairy, crop, and cattle operations. From 1809 to the present Burge has been owned by seven consecutive generations of the same family. Its current role as a farm, private club, and entertainment facility utilizes well the lovely rolling fields surrounded by pine and cedar trees as well as the now time-honored home and outbuildings.

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

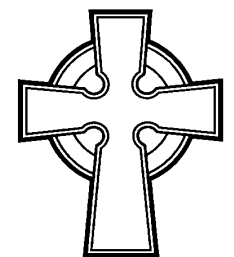
†Emma Bowen-sister of Debbie Gossage
†Buster Gregory and his son, Joel--
bereavement in the death of son and brother
†Eleanor Jones-legs amputated and her husband who had cancer surgery (Billy Wade's cousin and in-law)
†Brandon Gay-burn unit at Grady Hospital (grandson of Frances Ivey)
†Bernice Bailey-home
†Mary Aunese-surgery & rehab for broken leg (mother of Barbara Martin)
†Jane LeMaster-multiple myeloma (sister of Ed Perkerson)
†Jenny Hinz-lupus (Andrew Hinz's relative)
†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)
†Roland Nelson-hospice care (nephew of Carol McGiboney)
†Jeanie Liem-awaiting kidney transplant

Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:
†Mary Cline-relocated
†Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers
†Gretchen Buendia-Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville
†Joy Knight -Riverside
†Martha Borders-Riverside

Benton House
†Helen and George Stamps
†Mary Crudup
†Doris Mote
†Frances Ivey
†Joan Smith, #215
†Velma Prescott

Covington Square
†Rita Harrell

Merryvale
†Doris Hicks
†Bill Taylor
†Elizabeth Gadilhe



Hospital Visitor:
Louly Hay

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**

Today Middle and High school students meet 10:45 in the Narthex. **Super Bowl Sunday**...but better known to us as "Souper Bowl of Caring." The students will collect additional canned goods, collect monetary contributions, and distribute the homemade soup to our congregation who placed orders.

Lunch for the Youth Connection will follow in the Fellowship Hall and then a "road trip" to the Community Food Pantry to deliver their gifts of "Souper Bowl of Caring". **No Youth Connection in the evening.**



Circles to Meet on Tuesday, February 4

Circle I will meet at 10:00 at the home of Ann Bouchillon

Circle II will meet at 10:00 at the home of Betty Robinson

Circle III will meet at 10:30 at the home of Day Kenon; Martha Clay will lead us in lesson six.

Circle IV will meet at 7 p.m. at the home of Penny Blakeney. **Circle V** will meet at 7 p.m. at the home of Rita Tingler.

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.

Singing Sisters from Atlanta's historic Ebenezer Baptist Church will be performing at **Bethlehem Baptist Church on Sunday, February 2, at 4:00 p.m.** Admission is free - with a donation to the Young Artists Program Scholarships. The event is through the Arts Association and sponsored by General Mills.

Sunday, February 9, 2014

Middle and High School students meet at 4:30 in the Fellowship Hall; Choir practice for middle school at 5:30;

Dinner at 6:00. Get prepared for the "hunger games"!!!! Lots of fun games that you may think are cheezy....and yes, there may be cheese involved!!!! **Volunteer needed for providing dinner.**

This Week at FPC

Sunday, February 2

9:00 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
12:00 Youth Connection

Monday, February 3

6:00 Witness Team Meeting

Tuesday, February 4

Circle Meetings as above
4:00 Exercise

Wednesday, February 6

4:00 Adventure Club
6:45 Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 7

10:30 Ambassador Choir

Saturday, February 8

9:00 Presbytery Meeting

Sunday, February 9

9:00 Children's Choir
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service/Communion
4:30 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 February:

canned meats: chicken; beef; stew, spam, ham (no tuna). You may bring other staple goods as your heart leads.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Nursery Volunteers today:

Doug & Brigham Arnold
Next Week:
Jason and Krissy Jones Family

Ushers:
Joyce Ashworth, chair

Sound Engineer:
Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

Class of 2014

Debra Arnold
Bill Loeble
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.	<i>Pastor</i>	Alice Walker	CAGO, AAGO
Dan Walden	<i>Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i>	Pauleen Green & Maria Serrato	<i>Organist/Ambassador Choir</i>
Peni Haug	<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>		<i>Nursery</i>
Alan Bunn	<i>Music Director</i>	Krissy Jones	<i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>



**Fourth Sunday
after Epiphany**

February 2, 2014



Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *We Praise Thee, Lord Jesus, Christ* J. S. Bach
Chaconne in Ancient Style Robert J. Powell
Let All Things Now Living Lois R. Hill

INTROIT VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS
Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 92:1-4

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
to declare your steadfast love on the morning,
and your faithfulness by night,
to the music of the lute and the harp,
to the melody of the lyre.

**For you, O Lord, have made us glad by your work;
at the works of your hands we sing for joy.**

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving and Generous God, you teach us through your Son that we find ourselves only when we give ourselves away. You call us to love others as he loved us, so your will would be done on earth as it is in heaven. When we wonder what that means, you point us to his cross and ask us to watch and pray. We confess that such love doesn't come easy for us. Sometimes, we struggle to make room for the people you bring into our lives. We admit that we would much rather talk about love than practice it. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us your love again, for Jesus' sake.

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

✦ **GLORIA PATRI** (Hymn 581)
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.