

✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

ANTHEM *Sahayta* Ben Allaway  
Oxford Singing Children

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 Matthew 4:12-23

SERMON *Fishing* William B. Wade, Jr.

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

✦ HYMN 720 *Jesus Calls Us* GALILEE

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Declaration of Faith* 9.1

**Christ calls us to be disciples.  
In forming his people and sending them into the world  
Jesus called individuals to be disciples.  
They were to share the joy of his companionship,  
to understand and obey his teachings,  
and to follow him in life and death.  
We confess that Christians today are called to  
discipleship. Life shared with Christ and shaped by  
Christ is God's undeserved gift to each of us.  
It is also God's demand upon every one of us,  
never perfectly fulfilled by any of us.  
Forgiven by God and supported by brothers and  
sisters, we strive to become more faithful and effective  
in our daily practice of the Christian life.**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY Michael Burkhardt  
*Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices*

✦ DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606) OLD HUNDREDTH  
*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**We give thanks, dear God, for all of your goodness and love in our lives and in our world. Take our hands and let them work for you. Take our feet and move them in the paths you set before us, for we pray in Christ's name. Amen.**

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

✦ HYMN 700 I'M GONNA LIVE  
*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE Ben Allaway  
*Sahayta*  
Oxford Singing Children

✦ POSTLUDE *You Shall Go Out With Joy!* Douglas E. Wagner

✦ Please stand, if you are able.

**Oxford Singing Children** is an auditioned choir for students in 4th-7th grades. The choir provides basic musicianship skills, performance experience and other musical opportunities, while building friendships and learning the benefit of teamwork. The group rehearses weekly at First Presbyterian Church as a part of their outreach in the community. Under the direction of Mary Lynn Luke, Artistic Director - Music and Eva Bone, Rehearsal Assistant, Oxford Singing Children and Oxford Youth Singers perform Christmas in Covington to celebrate the holiday season in December. With the expertise of Jay Tryall, Artistic Director - Stage, the groups collaborate again in the spring to perform a musical which will be *Oliver!*, March 27 - 30.

**2014 Session Team Leaders**

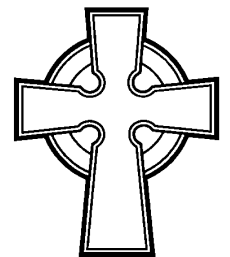
**Clerk:** Bill Loeble  
**Christian Education:** Kevin Weber, Sam Hay, IV, Charles Ardis  
**Congregational Life and Care:** Darcel Tabb, Betty Bailey  
**Facilities and Equipment:** Cy Wolverton, Billy Fortson  
**Finance:** Roger Tingler, Gary Boteler  
**Personnel:** Bill Loeble  
**Welcoming:** Debra Arnold  
**Evangelism:** Patrick Carmichael  
**Witness:** Jan Giles, Perri Walden  
**Worship:** Jim Stillerman, Joyce Ashworth

*Worship Notes*

- We welcome the Oxford Singing Children who will be singing during worship today.
- 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  
†Sam Hay, Jr.-home  
†Jack Yoder-home  
†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)  
†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:**  
Stephanie Fortson

*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

**Hymn Festival is Here!** The Hymn Festival at FPC will be today at 4:00 p.m. 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!

Our **Youth Connections, both middle and high school**, 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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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 2<sup>nd</sup>** 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!

**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](mailto: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.

<i>This Week at FPC</i>	
<p><b>Sunday, January 26</b> 9:00 Children's Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service 4:00 Hymn Festival at FPC 4:30 Youth Connection (making soup)</p> <p><b>Tuesday, January 28</b> 4:00 Exercise</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, January 29</b> 6:45 Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><b>Thursday, January 30</b> 10:30 Ambassador Choir</p> <p><b>Sunday, February 2</b> 9:00 Children's Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service 12:00 Youth Connection Lunch</p>

**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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Dan Walden: [djwalden@mac.com](mailto:djwalden@mac.com)  
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Website: [www.fpccov.org](http://www.fpccov.org)  
Mailing Address: 1169 Clark Street, SW  
Covington, Georgia 30014



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.

Food Pantry Needs

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

<p><b>Nursery Volunteers today:</b> Rob &amp; Kerry Jones Family</p> <p><b>Next Week:</b> Doug &amp; Brigham Arnold</p>	<p><b>Ushers:</b> Guy &amp; Carol McGiboney Gary &amp; Susanne Boteler</p> <p><b>Sound Engineer:</b> Ken Walker</p>
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

<p><b>Class of 2014</b> Debra Arnold Bill Loeble Darcel Tabb Roger Tingler Cy Wolverton Sam Hay, IV</p>	<p><b>Class of 2015</b> Gary Boteler Billy Fortson Jan Giles Jim Stillerman Kevin Weber</p>	<p><b>Class of 2016</b> Charles Ardis Joyce Ashworth Betty Bailey Patrick Carmichael Perri Walden</p>
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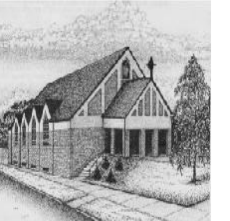
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

<p>William B. Wade, Jr. <i>Pastor</i> Dan Walden <i>Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i> Peni Haug <i>Secretary-Treasurer</i> Alan Bunn <i>Music Director</i></p>	<p>Alice Walker <i>CAGO, AAGO Organist/Ambassador Choir</i> Pauleen Green &amp; Maria Serrato <i>Nursery</i> Krissy Jones <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i></p>
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**Third Sunday  
after Epiphany**

**January 26, 2014**



### *Order of Worship*

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Prelude in A Minor* J.S. Bach  
*I Trust in God with All My Soul* J.S. Bach  
*Adagio Molto* Alexander Guilmant

INTROIT *Children of Light* Valerie Ann Webdell  
Oxford Singing Children

✠CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 96:1-2  
Come people, and sing to the Lord!  
**We will make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**  
Come into God's presence with thanksgiving!  
**Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise!**

✠HYMN 388 *Come All You People* UYAI MOSE  
first time - solo  
second time - choir  
third time - all

### CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
**Merciful God, we confess that we are not the disciples you have called us to be. We are less than diligent in our study; we do not know how to pray as we should; we fail to speak when people are in desperate need of hearing the gospel. Forgive us, we pray. Through your Spirit, inspire us so that we might awaken from our apathy, and boldly walk where we would not dare, for we pray in the name of the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior.**  
(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

✠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AZMON  
Hymn 610, stanza 2  
**The name of Jesus charms our fears, and bids our sorrows cease, sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.**