

**ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE  
LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**Today - Church-wide Picnic:** The picnic will be held at the Clark's Grove Pavilion. Clark's Grove is the neighborhood just west of the church. Swimming will be open at 5:00 p.m. At 6:00 p.m., we EAT! Chicken and drinks will be provided; please bring a side dish and/or a dessert to share. You may also want to bring lawn chairs and, of course, your swimming gear.



**CHURCH NURSERY WORKER**

We are searching for a replacement for Ms. Pauleen Green who has left us after serving faithfully for more than 5 years. Responsibilities include teaching and supervision of young children (toddlers through 5 years) during bell choir rehearsal, Sunday School, and worship on Sunday mornings: 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Compensation is negotiable depending upon the level of experience of the candidate. Please direct interested candidates to contact the church office or send resumes to [info@fpccov.org](mailto:info@fpccov.org).



Nursery Worker Wanted

**Second-Quarter Statements of Giving** for those who pledge are available in the narthex on the round table. Please pick up your statement as it will save our postage budget. Thanks!

**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, July 12**  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship Service  
5:00 Swimming at Clark's Grove  
6:00 Supper at Clark's Grove

**Tuesday, July 14**  
4:00 Exercise

**Thursday, July 16**  
10:30 Ambassador Choir

**Sunday, July 19**  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship Service & the Lord's Supper

**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 9:00-12:00 Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday. Call (770) 784-0037 for directions. **Special requests for July: bath soap, toothpaste, shampoo;** you may bring other staple goods as your heart leads.

**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:**  
Doug & Brigham Arnold  
**Next Week:**  
Jason/Krissy Jones Family

**July Usher Chairs:**  
Bob Tabb & Baxter Bouchillon

**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

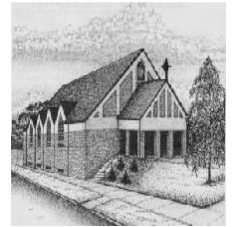
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF**

William B. Wade, Jr. <i>Pastor</i>	Alice Walker <i>CAGO, AAGO</i>
Dan Walden <i>Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i>	Pauleen Green & Maria Serrato <i>Nursery</i>
Peni Haug <i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	Tiffany McWaters <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>
Alan Bunn <i>Music Director</i>	



**Seventh Sunday  
after Pentecost**

**July 12, 2015**



*Order of Worship*  
**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

**PRELUDE** *Invention 13* J.S. Bach  
*Holy Manna* HOLY MANNA/arr. Tate

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 67:1-3

God, be gracious to us and bless us;  
make your face shine upon us,  
that your way may be known upon earth,  
your saving power among all nations.  
**Let the people praise you, O God;  
let all people praise you!**

✦ **HYMN 645** MIT FREUDEN ZART  
*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** RESTORATION

Hymn 415, stanza 1  
**Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded,  
sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of  
pity, love, and power. I will arise and go to Jesus; he  
will embrace me in his arms. In the arms of my dear  
Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Lord, your mercy is more than our minds can measure.  
Your love outlasts our sin. We have sought retribution  
rather than reconciliation. We have displayed false  
piety rather than true compassion. We pray for your  
forgiveness, and pray that you will renew us by the love  
of Christ who was crucified and died for us.**  
(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

The proof of God's amazing love is this:  
While we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Hear the  
good news! Who is in a position to condemn?  
**Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,  
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.**  
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has  
gone, a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven  
and be at peace.

♣ CONGREGATION 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.**

♣ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

ANTHEM "If with All Your Hearts" from *Elijah* Mendelssohn  
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 READINGS

Romans 3:21-25,  
5:8, 6:23

SERMON *Grace to You* William B. Wade, Jr.

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

♣ HYMN 649 AMAZING GRACE

*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

♣ 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 KINGSFOLD/ arr. Paul A. Tate

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

♣ DOXOLOGY Hymn 606

**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

**Merciful God, we give you thanks for your grace to us. We have not earned your goodness, but we seek to reflect your light in our lives. Rouse us from self-absorption to see your people in need, to cross the barriers that divide us, to heal the wounds that alienate us, to discover the face of Christ in those from whom we have separated our lives; for we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

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

♣ HYMN 716 BEACH SPRING

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

♣ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

♣ POSTLUDE Stuart K. Hine

*How Great Thou Art*

♣ Please stand if you are able.



**Salem Camp Meeting**

The 187th Salem Camp Meeting begins this Friday, July 10th, and continues through Friday, July 17th. Worship services are held each day at 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Alice Walker and her twin sister Becky Ramsey will continue the tradition of serving as dual accompanists for all of the worship services this week. Our own Ambassador Choir will be leading worship in song on Monday, July 13th. Choir members are asked to arrive at the tabernacle at 10:30 a.m. for rehearsal prior to the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Lunch will be served in the Salem Hotel dining room at 12:15 p.m. Also, the Presbyterian Women of Circle II will be attending worship and lunch on Tuesday, July 14th.

*Worship Notes*

♣ **Dan Walden**, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with leading 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*

† Louise Strickland-pneumonia, Newton Medical Center  
† Sam Hay, III-home  
† Betty Strohecker-hospital, tests (mother of Diane Loeble)  
† Phyllis Pruner-severe neck pain  
† Sharon Walton-treatment for kidney cancer (friend of Patti Lanford)  
† Carolyn Bailey-foot surgery with extended recovery (Randy Layton's sister)  
† Rosalee Thompson-Nursing & Rehab Center, Social Circle (Manager of Food Pantry)  
† Jean Elder-bad fall, several fractures, recovering at home  
† Greg Jones-broken neck vertebrae, Atlanta Medical Center (Rob Jones' father)  
† Betty Lunsford-fall, surgery from fractured femur, Newton Medical  
† 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)  
† Bill Miller-stroke (Beth Vinings' brother)  
† 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-surgery this week & continuing treatment for leukemia (7th grade student at Providence Christian School.)

**Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:**

† Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers  
† Jeanne Cannon-**New Address:** 1720 E. Black Island Road SE Darien, GA 31305-4414

**Riverside**

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

**Benton House**

† George Stamps  
† Doris Mote

**Merryvale**

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

**Nicholas Shaun Carmichael**, son of Patrick and Janet Carmichael, died on June 30, in California. We extend our sympathy and prayers for their family. A Service in Witness to the Resurrection will be held on Saturday, July 18, at 1:00 p.m. at FPC.



**Hospital Visitors:**  
Bob & Darcel Tabb

**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.**