

Ongoing Activities in the Life of the Church

This Week at FPC

Sunday, July 16
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service with Communion

Thursday, July 18
10:30 Ambassador Choir

Sunday, July 23
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service

Save the Date! August 2, 2017
Blood Drive at FPC, 1:00-6:00 p.m.

Wherever You Roam

While you are preparing for vacation remember that the church's expenses do not take a vacation. If you will mail your check or do an on-line gift before you leave, the lights will still be on at the church to welcome you home. Thanks!



The historic Salem Camp Ground is hosting the **189th Salem Camp Meeting** with worship twice daily (at 10:45 a.m. and 7:45 p.m.) featuring duo pianists Alice Walker and Becky Ramsey, and special music provided by a variety of talented musicians, including our Ambassador Choir who will be singing for the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service on **Monday, July 17**.

Montreat Retreat Information: Registration is now open for the Congregational Retreat at Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, NC. It will take place November 3-5, 2017. Room and breakfast rates are on the pink form available in the narthex from the ushers' table. **Registrations must be received by July 28. Thanks!**

Blood Drive, August 2, from 1:00-6:00 p.m. To pre-register on the Red Cross website go to: <http://www.redcrossblood.org>. Drop-ins are also welcome. If you'd like to volunteer to welcome donors call or email Scarlett McCurry, tommysgirl4life@gmail.com, 678-577-1852, or Michael Thompson at mktompson96@gmail.com, 518-577-8691.



Mary Bollinger
51 Bird Song Way
Apartment A-102
Hilton Head Island, SC 29926
(in 2 weeks-she's with her daughter until then.)
E-mail: bollingermaryj@gmail.com
(now valid)

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) and clicking on "Media."



The **Food Pantry** is now open on **Wednesdays and Fridays** from 9:00 - 11:30. Donations of any non-perishable food items are welcome.

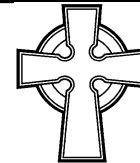
July suggested donations are:
bar soap, toothpaste, shampoo

Baby Love is our program to collect diapers and wipes, or donations toward them, to give to local organizations which distribute them to parents in need. Place diapers in the cradle in the narthex. Donations should be designated to "Baby Love".



THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

July Chair:
Scarlett McCurry



Sound Engineer:
Ken Walker

MEMBERS OF SESSION

Class of 2017
Adriane Ivey
Michael Thompson
Danny Vining
Jean Wolverton
Jake McCarthy
Koen Ardis

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

Class of 2019
Carter Gibson
John McCarthy
Teresa McCurry
Cheryl Meichsner
Miriam Wheeler

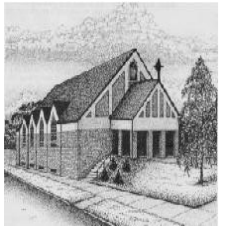
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

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



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 16, 2017



Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

Alan Bunn, piano

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name, worship the Lord in holy splendor.
The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, upon mighty waters.
The voice of the Lord is powerful, the voice of the lord is full of majesty...
The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; **the Lord sits enthroned as king for ever.**
May the Lord give you strength.
May the Lord bless you with peace!

✦ HYMN 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!* NICAEA

✦ 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

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Samuel 6:1-17

SERMON

God in a Box

William B. Wade, Jr.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN 41 O *Worship the King, All Glorious Above* LYONS

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY

✦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
**You touch our lips, O God, and with our voices we
praise you. You touch our hearts and make our lives
new. Send us forth from here with joy and with a burn-
ing desire to spread the good news of Jesus Christ, in
whose name we pray. 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

(We will be invited by rows to come to the table, beginning
with the back row.)

Alan Bunn, piano solo

THE LORD'S PRAYER

p. 35 in front of hymnal

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦HYMN 2, stanza 4 ITALIAN HYMN
**To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence
evermore! Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
and to eternity love and adore.**

✦CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NICAEA
Hymn 1, stanza 4
**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

✦POSTLUDE Alan Bunn, piano

✦Please stand if you are able.



Worship Notes

✦The Rev. Louly F. Hay is assisting with the worship service today.
✦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** when you leave.
✦Recordings of Sunday sermons can be accessed on the church website:
www.fpccov.org.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

†Donald Vining-spine surgery 7/17
(brother of Danny Vining)
†Zach Sullivan-home (son of Beth &
David Sullivan)
†Debi (Dee) Selin-home
†Janet Burts-home, recovering from
surgery (daughter, Bill & Diane Loeble)
†Norma Smith-needs heart surgery
(friend of the Schubert family)
†Tootles Tingler-recovering from
knee surgery
†Wayne McCurry-home
(father of Tommy & Tiffany McCurry)
†Brandon Vining-recovering from surgery
(son of Beth & Danny Vining)
†Charlie Ann Cooley-chemotherapy
& radiation (great-niece of Sallie
Paschal)
†Charlotte Epps-home
†Mr. Andy-recovering from stroke
(neighbor of the Arnold family)
†Bill Strohecker-hospice care
(father of Diane Loeble)
†Anderson Krieger-Scottish Rite
†Jeanette Davis-kidney failure
(mother of Maria Davis)
†Carol Baynes-cancer (friend of
Phyllis Yoder)
†Fran Prince-chemotherapy
†Chuck Hodges-treatment for
lymphoma (friend of Patti Lanford)
†Rebecca Kirby-cancer (family of
Scarlet McCurry)
†Ron Swatty-heart problems,
brother-in-law of Charles Ardis)
†Lecia Landolt-chemo for pancreatic
cancer (friend of Patti Lanford)
†Louise Strickland-home
†Mitchell Jessup -cancer (father of
Nick Jessup)
†Sharon Walton-chemotherapy
(friend of Patti Lanford)
†Sophia Hawley-Cystic Fibrosis
†John Fish-cancer (Bryson Wade's
uncle)

†Roger Gossage-awaiting transplant
†Jan Coulon-home
†Jim Stalvey, Jr.-melanoma
Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:
†Bill Taylor-Hope House, Lawrenceville
†Russ Cole-Rockdale Healthcare
†Jeanne Cannon-St. Simon's Island, GA
†J. L. Johnson -Dogwood Forest
Alpharetta, GA

Riverside

†Martha Borders

†Betty Goins

Merryvale

†Guy McGiboney

†Betty Robinson

†Louise White

†Alice Gadilhe

†Hughie Hudson

Peace Corps Volunteer

†Pattie Lanford stationed Zambia

We offer our prayers and sympathy
for **Milton Patton** in the death of his
friend, Gene Hoyt Smith, who died
last Friday.

Hospital Visitor:

Jean Wolverton

Please update your prayer
requests this week! Requests that
have not been updated will be
removed next week.
Email: penihaug@gmail.com or call
the church office,
770-786-7321