

## ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

### Vacation Bible School \*\* July 7th - 12th \*\* THIS WEEK!!

At **SonTreasure Island**, your treasure seekers will play island games, create colorful crafts and enjoy tropical snacks. But more importantly, they will discover the rich treasure of God's love through the life of Jesus. Adult and youth volunteers are needed. Registration forms are available in the narthex. Call Dan Walden at 404-405-3559 for more information.



### Cross Walk

A crosswalk is a safe space - a "sanctuary" - for those traveling through life. Help us to create a "Cross Walk" here at FPC. Bring wall-mountable crosses from your travels so that we can display them on the wall in the hall outside the narthex. Include a note with your name(s) and cross origin information so that we can create a book detailing the cross display for future generations.

### Summer Stewardship

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 payment before you leave, the lights will still be on at the church to welcome you home. Thanks!



### Montreat Retreat is set for November 7-9, 2014



The congregation is invited to the church retreat in Montreat. Please register using the bright yellow form on the table in the narthex. If you've never attended, you are in for a real treat! See the article in the June *First Press* telling a bit about Montreat and the retreat.

### This Week at FPC

**Sunday, July 6**  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship Service

**Tuesday, July 8**  
4:00 Exercise

**Monday - Friday**  
9:00-noon Vacation Bible School

**Sunday, July 13**  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship Service  
Communion

## 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 July:

Kool-aid (2 quarts), toilet paper, and other staple food items.

## THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

**Nursery Volunteers today:**  
Trista Hooten-Wilson Family

**Next Week:**  
Kevin Bates Family

**Ushers:**  
John and Jane Williams  
Larry and Day Kennon

**Sound Engineer:**  
Ken Walker

## MEMBERS OF 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

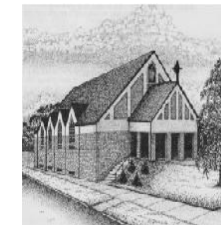
## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

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>	Tiffany McWaters	<i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>



## Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

July 6, 2014



## Order of Worship GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### PRELUDE

*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past* Arr.. Edwin T. Childs  
*Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* Walker's Southern Harmony, 1835

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 113:2-3; 105:1-4  
From the rising of the sun to its setting, may the Lord's name be praised!

**Blessed be the name of the Lord now and evermore.**

Give thanks to the Lord, invoke him by name;  
Make known God's deeds among the people.

**Pay him honor with song and psalm, and tell of his marvelous deeds.**

Exult in God's hallowed name; let those who seek the Lord be joyful in heart,

**Look to the Lord and be strong; at all times seek God's presence.**

Let us worship Almighty God!

**Amen and Amen!**

✦ **A Medley of Hymns**

*The Star Spangled Banner* NATIONAL ANTHEM  
**O say can you see by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thru the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.  
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?**  
Francis Scott Key, 1814

HYMN 337 *My Country, 'Tis of Thee* (v.1) AMERICA  
**My country, 'tis of thee; sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing;  
Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride,  
From every mountainside let freedom ring.**

HYMN 340 *This Is My Song* (v. 1) FINLANDIA  
**This is my song, O God of all the nations,  
A song of peace for lands afar and mine.  
This is my home, the country where my heart is;  
Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;  
But other hearts in other lands are beating  
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.**

HYMN 338 *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies (v.1)* MATERNA  
**O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,  
For purples mountain majesties above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee;  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining  
sea!**

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, we pray that your mercy will be upon us as we confess to you our failures in love and in friendship. We have shown indifference, anger and hostility to one another. We have talked about love and have calculated the times we have forgiven. We have talked about service and have selfishly thrust others aside, that we might advance our own ambitions. We have talked about sacrifice and have rested in comfort while others were weighted down by oppression and injustice. Forgive our neglected vows, our broken promises; the sins we confess and the ones we dare not name. And in the name of the One who was crucified for sin, forgive us, we pray. Amen.**

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

#### ✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

LAUDA ANIMA

Hymn 620, stanza 1

***Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your  
tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
evermore his praises sing; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the  
everlasting King.***

#### ✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Philippians 4:7

May the God of peace which surpasses all understanding guard  
your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.  
The Peace of Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### ANTHEM

*"God Help the Outcasts"*

from *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*

Menkin/Schwartz

Tory Bouchillon

I don't know if You can hear me, or if You're even there,  
I don't know if You would listen to a gypsy's prayer.  
Yes, I know I'm just an outcast,. I shouldn't speak to you.  
Still I see Your face and wonder...Were You once an outcast too?

God help the outcasts hungry from birth, show them the mercy,  
They don't find on earth. God help my people.  
We look to You still. God help the outcasts or nobody will.

Parishioners, I ask for wealth, I ask for fame.

I ask for glory to shine on my name.

I ask for love I can possess, I ask for God and His angels to bless me.

I ask for nothing. I can get by.

But I know so many less lucky than I.

Please help my people, the poor and downtrod.

I thought we all were the children of God.  
God help the outcasts, children of God.

## 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

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalms 33:4-9, 12, 18-22

I Peter 2:13-17

### SERMON

Al Myers

*Live as Free People*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### ✦ HYMN 700

I'M GONNA LIVE

*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

#### ✦ 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

Arr. Kenneth D. Varner

*Praise to The Lord, the Almighty*

#### ✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

SCHUMANN

Hymn 394, stanza 4

***Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,  
laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one: one in  
might and one in glory while unending ages run!***

#### ✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Accept these gifts that we offer, O God, as a sign of  
the lives that we commit to you. Grant that we might  
reach out through these resources to those who are in  
need of your Word, your comfort, your challenge.  
Bless each of us this week with opportunities to be  
your servant to another person who needs to hear your  
saving word or to be cared for in the name of Christ our  
Lord. Amen.**

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

#### ✦ HYMN 331

*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

NATIONAL HYMN

#### ✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## ✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

ARGENTINA

Hymn 765

***May the God of hope go with us everyday, filling all our lives  
with love and joy and peace: May the God of justice speed  
us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and  
race. Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy  
with all; working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear  
Christ's call.***

#### ✦ POSTLUDE

*March from Suite Algerienne, Op. 60, MM.4* Camille Saint-Saens

✦ Please stand if you are able.

### Worship Notes

✦ We welcome to the pulpit today Rev. Dr. Al Myers, retired minister of  
Conyers Presbyterian Church and longtime friend of this congregation.  
✦ Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministry is assisting with the  
leading of 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

†Don Bollinger--recovering from surgery  
†Verona Miles --recovering from dog  
attack

†Peter Musarra-recovering from surgery)  
(Danielle Schubert's father)

†Bill Waterson--cancer (neighbor of  
Bernice & Betty Bailey

†Lisa Baker--cancer treatment

†Mike Peppers--severe heart problems  
(friend of the Liems)

†Steve Hayner--cancer treatment,  
(President of Columbia Seminary)

†Cassandra Morrow--severe pain from  
broken wrist and surgery  
(Congregational Consultant with the  
Presbytery Of Greater Atlanta)

†Richard Carmichael-cancer treatment  
(brother of Patrick Carmichael)

†Dale Pearce--hospice (friend of Dennis  
& Judy Hooten)

†Jerry Haynes-health issues (friend of  
Milton Patton)

†Jane LeMaster-multiple myeloma (sister  
of Ed Perkerson)

†Debbie Johnson-breast cancer  
(Susanne Perkerson's sister)

†Lecia Landolt, pancreatic cancer (friend  
of Patti Lanford)

†Louis Katchko-serious condition with  
cancer (friend of Warren and Jeanie  
Liem)

†Donnie Vining-cancer treatment

(nephew of Beth and Danny Vining)

†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

†Bonnie Tingler--Riverside

†Martha Borders-Riverside

#### **Benton House**

†George Stamps

†Mary Crudup

†Doris Mote

†Velma Prescott

#### **Covington Square**

†Rita Harrell

#### **Merryvale**

†Doris Hicks

†Bill Taylor

†Elizabeth Gadilhe

#### **Hospital Visitor:**

Ann Bouchillon

***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.***