

## Ongoing Activities in the Life of the Church

### This Week at FPC

<b>Sunday, July 8</b> 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service	<b>Thursday, July 12</b> 10:30 Ambassador Choir
<b>Monday, July 9</b> Youth Day at Stone Mountain Park	<b>Sunday, July 15</b> 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service/Communion
<b>Tuesday, July 10</b> 4:00 Exercise Class	

## Stone Mountain Park

**Monday, July 9th**

*All rising 6th–12th grade students are invited!*

Join us for a day at the park! We'll hike the mountain, ride the cable cars, have a picnic, climb the ropes course, play putt-putt golf and visit Geysers Towers!! Cost is \$20 if you are able.

We'll leave from the church at 9:00 a.m. and return by 5:00 p.m. Friends are welcome to join us, but we need to know ahead of time so that we have enough vehicles. **Help us plan transportation by making your reservation today!**

Contact Dan Walden via e-mail [djwalden@mac.com](mailto:djwalden@mac.com), or by text at 404-405-3559.

## SMART LUNCH, SMART KID

Wednesday, July 25th

Let's be the hands and feet of Jesus in our community by serving lunches to our hungry neighbors! Youth Connection will leave from the church at 11:00 a.m. and travel to a neighborhood north of Oxford where we will serve lunches and play games with the kids in the neighborhood. Afterward, we have lunch and go swimming together, returning to the church by 4:00 p.m. Contact Dan Walden at the church office to let us know that you plan to join us.

## Farewell Luncheon for the Wade's

It's just five more weeks until we gather to wish Billy and Theodosia "happy trails" to the next stage of their life. We are planning a festive luncheon for his last day, August 5, and have created a tentative menu. Now we need volunteers to prepare various dishes. If you would like to help, please call or email Jean Wolverton. 678-342-3463 or [jcwolv3423463@bellsouth.net](mailto:jcwolv3423463@bellsouth.net)

## 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](http://www.fpccov.org)) and clicking on "Media."



**Food Pantry Needs**

The Food Pantry is now open on **Wednesdays and Fridays** from 9:00 - 1:00. Donations of any non-perishable food items are welcome.

Suggested donations:

**July:** 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

**Usher Chair - July**  
Bob Tabb

**Transportation 7/15**  
Susan Boteler

**Sound Engineer:**  
Ken Walker

## MEMBERS OF SESSION

**Class of 2018**  
Gary Boteler  
Billy Fortson  
Stephanie Scarborough  
Tom Stillerman  
Koen Ardis  
Sophia Hawley

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

**Class of 2020**  
Doug Bolton  
Stan Hall  
Cindy Moon  
Bob Tabb  
Michael Thompson

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

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



## Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 8, 2018

## Order of Worship

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE	<i>Jesus, Savior, Pilot</i>	PILOT
	<i>Lord of All Hopefulness</i>	SLANE
	<i>All Things Bright and Beautiful</i>	Clay Christiansen

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 9:1-2  
I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.  
**I will tell of all your wonderful works.**  
I will be glad and exult in you.  
**I will sing praise to your name, O Most High!**

✦ HYMN 267 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* MADRID

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, who in Jesus Christ came to bring new life, we confess our tendency to hold on to old ways. We have forgotten our baptism; we have forgotten who we are. We have not loved others as you have loved us. We have not forgiven others as you have forgiven us. We have lived as if you are not God, and we often have made a mess of our lives and the world. Forgive us. Help us to trust your power to change us and to change the world; for we pray in Jesus' name.**

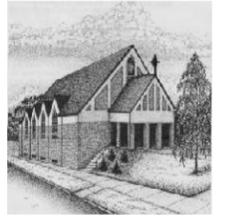
(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

✦ CONGREGATIONAL 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 *Wade in the Water* arr. by Moses Hogan  
Janet Carmichael, soprano Alice Walker, piano

### 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 I Corinthians 1:18-31

SERMON *Foolishness* William B. Wade, Jr.

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN 450 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

✦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. by Ron and Linda Sprunger  
*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise with  
Come Thou Fount, This Is My Father's World, and  
How Deep the Father's Love for Us*  
Alexis Ward, piano Alice Walker, organ

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ASH GROVE  
Hymn 37, stanza 1

**Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to  
God our Creator triumphantly raise; who fashioned  
and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us  
on to the end of our days. God's banners are o'er us;  
pure light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in  
the night: till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness  
banished, as forward we travel from light into light.**

✦PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**O God, from our first steps and all along the way, you  
have blessed us with goodness and mercy. Your loving  
kindness never fails. So we bring with gratitude the  
fruit of our labors, the service of our hands and the**

**songs of our hearts. Bless not only what we bring for  
others but what we keep to use in your name. Grant  
that we may walk with you, always and in everything  
giving thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

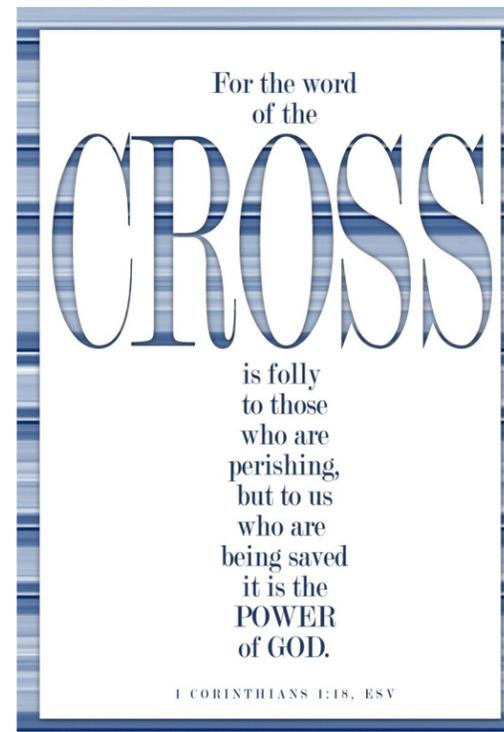
✦Hymn 80 *You Shall Go Out With Joy* THE TREES OF THE FIELD

**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;  
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you;  
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will  
clap, will clap their hands. And all the trees of the field  
will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their  
hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands while  
you go out with joy.**

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✦POSTLUDE Heinrich Fleischer  
*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

✦Please stand if you are able.



### Worship Notes

- ✦Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministry, is assisting in the leading of worship.
- ✦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](http://www.fpccov.org).

### In Our Thoughts and Prayers

†Larry Kennon-surgery, Emory  
†Adriane Ivey-Emory  
†Charles Woods-surgery (friend of Bill Cobham)  
†Bob Lange-home  
†Mark Fogarty-cancer  
†Sandra Evans-recovering from surgery (sister of Bill Cobham)  
†Patti Lanford - bus accident  
†Dot Schaeffer-has moved to California with her son.  
†Beverly Star Edmonds-cancer (Steve Kapp's mother)  
†Bettie Miller-recovering from surgery  
†Jerry Smart-stage 4 lung cancer (brother of Faye Kitchens)  
†Harry Hicks-heart surgery (father of Doug Hicks)  
†Spencer Boyd-lung cancer  
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Augusta, GA 30909-3047  
†Angela Gregory-cancer (sister of Dave Gregory)  
†Lewis Bunn-stage 4 lung cancer, (father of Alan Bunn)  
†Roger Gossage-broken shoulder  
†Sophia Hawley-cystic fibrosis  
†Adriane Ivey-home  
†Tom Holmes-cancer (friend of Dan Walden)  
†Brandon Massey-blood cancer (grandson of Chuck and Sherry Brasher)  
†Clynton Byer-heart surgery (friend of the Ardis family)  
†Jeanette Davis-hospice (mother of Maria Davis)  
†Ethan Lassiter (8)-brain tumor (grandson of E. G. and Maryanne Lassiter)  
†David Cooper-cancer (father of Rebecca Bates)  
†Anderson Krieger-maintenance chemotherapy at home  
†Carol Baynes-cancer (friend of Phyllis Yoder)

†Robin McKeown-cancer (friend of Phyllis Yoder)  
†Mitchell Jessup-cancer (father of Nick Jessup)  
**Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:**  
†Julia Brubaker-Benton House  
†Jeanne Cannon-St. Simon's Island, GA

#### Merryvale

†Guy McGiboney  
†Betty Robinson  
†Louise White  
†Alice Gadilhe  
†Hughie Hudson  
†Patricia McGuire

#### Home

†Jan Coulon  
†Debi (Dee) Selin  
†Roger and Kathryn Wallace

#### Peace Corps Volunteer

†Patti Lanford stationed in Zambia  
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Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of church member **Russ Cole**, and the family of **Betty Massey** (mother of Gary Massey) who both died recently.

**Hospital Visitor:**  
Sallie Paschal

**Please update** your prayer requests this week!  
Names will be left on for one month unless updated.  
Email: [penihaug@gmail.com](mailto:penihaug@gmail.com)  
or call the church office,  
770-786-7321

