

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 649, stanza 1 AMAZING GRACE  
**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.**

✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

For generations, disciples of Jesus have offered Christ's peace to one another in worship.  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

ANTHEM John Ireland/ arr. Busarow  
*My Song is Love Unknown*  
Sanctuary Choir

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN Tory Bouchillon  
*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 Genesis 12:1-3  
John 3:16-17

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.  
*Making the World a Better Place*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

✦ HYMN 298 ABBOT'S LEIGH  
*Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

✦ 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 *On Jordan's Stormy Banks* arr. Diane Bish

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HENDON  
Hymn 697, stanzas 1 and 6  
**Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise; let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take my self and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.**

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
**Lord, use the works of our hands and the movements of our feet, as well as the words of our mouths, to help others and to show your love to your people nearby and your people across the world. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

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

✦ HYMN 765 *May the God of Hope Go With Us* ARGENTINA

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CHORAL RESPONSE *Song of Hope* ARGENTINA  
Sanctuary Choir

✦ POSTLUDE *Toccata Francois* Craig A. Penfield

✦ Please stand, if you are able.



**Worship Notes**

\*Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries is assisting with worship today. Additional worship leaders are:  
Ryan Henderson and Charlotte Thompson  
Brownie Troop 12319, Leader Courtney Henderson  
Tory and Liane Bouchillon  
Girl Scout Troop 28544, Leader Lisa Bouchillon

\*Sermons from FPC can be heard on the church website: [fpccov.org](http://fpccov.org)

\*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**

†Darris Burrell-heart surgery	†Peni Haug-travel to Israel and Egypt from 2/24-3/13
†Betty Lunsford-home	<b>Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:</b>
†Edie Chandler Lowe-chemotherapy	†Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers
†Ann Bouchillon-home	†Gretchen Buendia-Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville
†Howard Barton -rehab in Social Circle	<b>Riverside</b>
†Amanda Teixeira-heart surgery in Colorado (Lynn Miller's daughter)	†Joy Knight
†Jan Coulon-home	†Martha Borders
†David Sewell-knee replacement, home	†Rita Harrell
†Jim Stalvey, Jr.-melanoma	<b>Benton House</b>
†Linda Pemberton-home, (mother of Tiffany McWaters, ELC Director)	†George Stamps
†Penny Hill-cancer (Executive Presbyter for the Greater Atlanta Presbytery)	†Doris Mote
†Don Bollinger-home	<b>Merryvale</b>
†Bill Waterson-cancer (neighbor of Bernice & Betty Bailey)	†Bill Taylor
†Lisa Baker-cancer treatment	†Elizabeth Gadilhe
†Lucy Johnson-cancer (friend of the Liems)	†Betty Robinson
†Anderson Krieger-maintenance chemotherapy (6th grade student at Providence Christian School.)	<b>Hospital Visitor:</b> Day Kennon

*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

**Mid-Week Feast** will be Wednesday, March 11, at 6:00 p.m. The menu will be hamburgers, hotdogs, chili, baked beans, potato salad and slaw. Bring a dessert to share! Be sure to make your reservation by filling out one of the forms in the pew pocket or calling the church.

**The Silver Saints and the Ambassador Choir** will have lunch together on Thursday, March 12, at 12 noon in the Martin Fellowship Hall.

**Capital Campaign** meets March 10 at 4:00 p.m.

**Vacation Bible School - Save the Date - June 22-26**



**Year End statements of giving are available** in the narthex for all households who gave to the church in 2014. The envelopes are in alphabetical order. If there is not a report for you and you feel you should have one, call the church office and we will print one for you. Thank you for your generous offerings!

### This Week at FPC

**Sunday, March 8**  
9:00 Handbell Choir  
9:30 Children's Choir  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship Service  
5:00 Youth Connection

**Tuesday, March 10**  
4:00 Exercise class

**Wednesday, March 11**  
4:00 Adventure Club  
6:00 Mid-Week Feast  
6:45 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, March 12**  
10:30 Ambassador Choir  
12:00 Silver Saints Luncheon

**Sunday, March 15**  
9:00 Handbell Choir  
9:30 Children's Choir  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship Service  
5:00 Youth Connection

### 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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Covington, Georgia 30014-2314



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 March** : canned vegetables.

**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.

### THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

**Nursery Volunteers today**  
Moss Family

**Next Week:**  
Weesner Family

**Sound Engineer:**  
Ken Walker

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 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  
Adrian Ivey  
Michael Thompson  
Danny Vining  
Jean Wolverton

### 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>



*Third Sunday in Lent*

March 8, 2015

**Girl Scout Sunday**

*Order of Worship*

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *How Great Thou Art* arr. Dan Miller  
*Pastorale* J. S. Bach

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT Digerness  
*Out of the Depths I Cry to You (Psalm 130)*  
Sanctuary Choir

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 66:1-2  
Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!  
**Sing the glory of God's name!**  
Give to the Lord glorious praise!

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
Dear God, hear our prayers. You have invited us to pray, promising us that you listen to our hearts as well as our words. You already know the things we have said and done. There is nothing we can hide from you. Still, you say you love us. So we confess our sins; we own up to who we are, in the hope that you will help us to be more like the people you want us to be, the people that deep inside we also want to be. Forgive us, so that we can make a new start, joyfully. We pray this in Jesus' name. (silence for personal prayer and reflection)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE  
Hymn 693, stanza 3 GIFT OF LOVE  
***Come, Spirit come, our hearts control; our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship, and are freed.***

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

