

## Ongoing Activities in the Life of the Church

### This Week at FPC

**Sunday, May 14**  
**Mother's Day Offering**  
**Graduate Sunday**  
 9:00 Handbell Choir  
 9:30 Children's Choir  
 10:00 Sunday School  
 11:00 Worship Service  
 4:00 Eagle Award Ceremony

**Tuesday, May 16**  
 4:00 Exercise Class

**Wednesday, May 17**  
 6:45 Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, May 18**  
 10:30 Ambassador Choir

**Saturday, May 20**  
 8:00 Men's Breakfast and Study

**Sunday, May 21**  
 9:00 Handbell Choir  
 9:30 Children's Choir  
 10:00 Sunday School  
 11:00 Worship Service  
 12:00 Session meeting  
 1:00 Youth Connection Pool Party



# Happy Mother's Day!

**Men's Breakfast & Study** will meet Saturday, May 20, at 8:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Bring your breakfast and a friend!

**May 30: Red Cross Blood Drive.** We will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, May 30, from 1:00 - 6:00 pm in the Martin Fellowship Hall. The Memorial Day weekend begins the summer and the blood supply shrinks during that time. Help to save a life by donating a pint or two! You may sign up on the [Red Cross web page](#).

**Giving Statements** for January-April are ready for those who pledge or give to the operating fund or to the capital fund by check or an envelope with your name on it. They are on the table in the narthex in alphabetical order. If you find an error, please call Peni in the church office, or email her and she will correct it.

### 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."



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

May suggested donations are: boxed or canned dinners with meat

**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

**May Usher Chair:**  
 Koen Ardis

**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

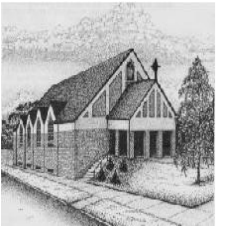
### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr.	<i>Pastor</i>	Alice Walker	<i>CAGO, AAGO</i>
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>



## Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2017



### Order of Worship

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**PRELUDE** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Jeffrey Honore  
*Fairest Lord Jesus* Joel Raney  
*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* Sue Mitchell-Wallace

**INTROIT** *For the Beauty of the Earth* DIX  
 Sanctuary Choir

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 105:1-4  
 Give thanks to the Lord; call on God's name;  
 make known among all people the deeds of the Lord!  
**Sing praise to God; tell of all God's wonderful works!**  
**Glory in God's holy name.**  
 Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!  
 Seek the Lord, seek God's strength;  
 seek God's presence continually!

✦ **HYMN 611** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* HYMN TO JOY

✦ **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

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Proverbs 3:5-6  
 Acts 17:16-34

**SERMON** *The Next Step* William B. Wade, Jr.

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**  
 Will Gregory and Fletcher Stamps

✦ **HYMN 748** *Go with Us, Lord* TALLIS' CANON

✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY

Dale Wood

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

SCHUMANN

Hymn 708, stanza 1

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

✦PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that is good, we praise you for your mercies, for your goodness that has created us, your grace that has sustained us, your discipline that has corrected us, your patience that has borne with us, and your love that has redeemed us. Help us to love you, and to be thankful for all your gifts by serving you in the world and delighting to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

SEALING OF THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

We do not live by bread alone. Jesus said: "I am the Bread of Life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION

(Eat the bread when you are served. We will drink the cup together after all are served.)

ANTHEM

The Voyage Handbell Choir

Ron Mallory

THE LORD'S PRAYER

p. 35 in front of hymnal

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦HYMN 541

RANDOLPH

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

✦CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

from Psalm 121

The Lord is our keeper.

The Lord will keep our going out and our coming in from this time forth and for evermore.

✦CHORAL RESPONSE For the Beauty of the Earth DIX Sanctuary Choir

✦POSTLUDE

Eleanor Whitsett

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

✦Please stand if you are able.

Decorative box with 'Congratulations, Graduates!' and text about Fletcher Stamps, Will Gregory, Tom Stillerman, Michael Bates, Jackson Hales, Daniel Lanford, and Perry Lum.

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 when you leave. ✦Recordings of Sunday sermons can be accessed on the church website: www.fpccov.org.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

- List of names and their circumstances, including Wayne McCurry, Brandon Vining, Charlie Ann Cooley, etc.

Decorative box with 'Graduates continued...' and text about Louisa Luranc, Jay Lanners, Jr., and Morgan Worley.