

ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE  
LIFE OF THE CHURCH

*This Week at FPC*

**Sunday, May 15**  
**Day of Pentecost**  
9:00 Handbell Choir  
9:30 Children's Choir  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship with the Lord's Supper  
Noon Lunch and Talent Festival  
3:00-5:00 Youth Connection  
Year-end Party!

**Tuesday, May 17**  
4:00 Exercise  
4:00 Presbytery Meeting

**Wednesday, May 18**  
4:00 Adventure Club Party  
6:45 Sanctuary Choir  
**Thursday, May 19**  
10:30 Ambassador Choir  
**Saturday, May 21**  
8:00 Men's Breakfast & Study  
**Sunday, May 22**  
9:00 Handbell Choir  
9:30 Children's Choir  
10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship Service  
3:00 8 Hand Concert at FPC

**Graduates who are members/friends of FPC** will be honored next Sunday, **May 22**, during worship. Others who are family of FPC members, will be remembered in the bulletin if we have their names, place of graduation (high school, college, military, technical, etc.) and degree & major, if applicable and how you are related. Please submit the names to the church office no later than Thursday, May 19. (by email or phone)

**Vacation Bible School - June 6th - 10th: 9:00 - Noon**

All children who are rising Kindergarten through 5th grades are welcomed. Middle and high school youth are needed as volunteers as well. **Save the dates today and tell a friend about it!**



**Presbyterian Women - Save the Date!**

**Tuesday, June 14, at 6:00 pm** the women will meet for their end-of-the-year salad supper in the fellowship hall. Details will soon be published.

**First Press Deadline** is May 15. We will be combining the news for **June and July**, so plan ahead and submit items for both months. Please have your articles in to the church office by first thing tomorrow! Don't forget to check the calendar before you decide on a date for a meeting or an event. You may call Peni, 770-786-7321, or email, [penihaug@gmail.com](mailto:penihaug@gmail.com). All articles may be edited for grammar, errors, length or content by church staff. Thank you!

**DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

**Year-to-date Statements** are available in the narthex on the round table. Please pick yours up to review your giving for 2016. Thanks.

**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 - 12:00. Donations of any non-perishable food items are welcome.

**May** suggested donations are: boxed or canned meals with meat

**Save the Date!**



FPC will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on **Tuesday, May 31, from 1:00-6:00 pm**. Please mark it on your calendar to donate and help prevent a summer blood shortage. Further information will follow soon.

**THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY**

**May Usher Chair:**  
Billy Fortson

**Sound Engineer:**  
Ken Walker

**MEMBERS OF SESSION**

**Class of 2016**  
Charles Ardis  
Joyce Ashworth  
Betty Bailey  
Patrick Carmichael  
Perri Walden  
Jake McCarthy

**Class of 2017**  
Baxter Bouchillon  
Adriane Ivey  
Michael Thompson  
Danny Vining  
Jean Wolverton

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

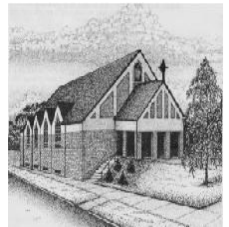
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF**

William B. Wade, Jr. *Pastor*  
Dan Walden *Director of Youth and Children's Ministry*  
Peni Haug *Secretary-Treasurer*  
Alan Bunn *Music Director*

Alice Walker *CAGO, AAGO Organist/Ambassador Choir*  
Maria Serrato, Aubrey Evans *Nursery*  
Kara Sugg *Director of the Early Learning Center*



**The Day of Pentecost  
May 15, 2016**



*Order of Worship*

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

**PRELUDE**

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
*Processional for a Joyful Day*

Diane Bish  
Dale Wood

*The Gift of Love*  
Koen Ardis, trumpet

GIFT OF LOVE

**THE PROPHECY**

Acts 2:17-21; 2:1

**THE WITNESSES**

*As the Wind Song*  
Handbell Ensemble and Sanctuary Choir

WAIRUA TAPU

✦ **PROCESSIONAL HYMN 401**

*Here in This Place*

GATHER US IN

✦ **PRAYER**

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.

from Hymn 693

✦ **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 READING** I Corinthians 12:4-13, 27-31

**SERMON** *Gifts of the Spirit* William B. Wade, Jr.

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN 288 *Spirit of the Living God* LIVING GOD

✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Declaration of Faith*  
**The Holy Spirit equips the Christian community. The early Christians recognized a diversity of abilities and functions as gifts of the Spirit. Some were tempted to use these gifts to serve their own needs and ambitions, to form elite groups who looked down on others. But the gifts were given for the common good, to build up the community in love and to equip it for its mission in the world.**

**We are convinced that the Holy Spirit still calls people to various offices in the church and gives diverse gifts to believers. We are to use them to speak and embody plainly the gospel of Christ in the world. No gift is of value without love.**

### THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *Rock of Ages* Thomas Hastings

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE LINSTeAD

Hymn 526, stanza 1

**Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy: bread is broken; the wine is poured; Christ is spoken and seen and heard. Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again; pass the Word around: loaves abound!**

✦PRAYER OF DEDICATION from Hymn 286

**Breathe on us, Breath of God, fill us with life anew, that we may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.**

## SEALING OF THE WORD

### CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

#### 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. The choir will come forward first.)

Anthem *Canticle of the Spirit* David Poole

*Darkness in the beginning brooded over earth and heaven, I too was silent waiting, hovering, listening over the water.*

*Then from the mouth of God rumbled the Word like rolling thunder; I, in a blaze of sunrise, bounded dancing into creation.*

*Mountains and deserts I traveled, speaking God's word through signs and prophets: Moses, Saul, and the elders, Gideon, Joshua, Samuel, David. Came I a whirlwind rushing sweeping Elijah up to heaven; Set I the bones to rattling, rising, marching on in the Spirit.*

*When to Jordan I journeyed, Jesus was rising from the river, John to the sky was pointing, followed by eyes of thousands gathered. I from the clouds descended, spiraling down a dove from heaven, Echoed the voice of thunder: "This is my son, to whom you must listen."*

*On Pentecost they gathered in one house the twelve disciples; Parthians, Medes, and Elamites also, people of every tribe and nation. Heard they the rafters groaning, creaking as in a mighty earthquake; Bursting the doors, a rushing wind swept in and wrapped them 'round;*

*Leaped I as tongues of fire over their heads and all around them; Breathed I my flame within them, sending my spirit on in creation.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 35 in front of hymnal

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦HYMN 610 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

✦CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦CHORAL RESPONSE *Gather Us In* GATHER US IN  
 Sanctuary Choir

✦POSTLUDE *God of Grace and God of Glory* Paul Manz

✦Please stand if you are able.

## Worship Notes

✦**Dan Walden**, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with 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.

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

†Hewett Jones-broken arm (son of Jason and Krissy Jones)

†Jerry Walden-Westbury Health & Rehab (Father of Dan Walden)

†Gene Wallace-eye surgery, home

†Danny Vining-prostate cancer/new treatment

†Mary Annese (Barbara Martin's mother)

†Alfred Miller-2 yr. old, 3rd surgery related to brain tumor/complications

†Luke Gregory-diagnosed with Type I diabetes

†Leon Savage-home

†Jack Yoder-home

†Kora Hester-home (daughter of Kevin & Brittany Hester)

†Nancy Kindle - auto accident (neighbor of Laurie & Alan Bunn)

†Jerry Smart (brother of Faye Kitchens)

†Henry Garrison-prostate cancer (brother of Sallie Paschal)

†Jill Osbourne-breast cancer (friend of Barbara Martin)

†Colleen Paige - cancer (cousin of Perri Walden)

†Ron Swatty-heart problems, brother -in-law of Charles Ardis)

†Sandy Peterson-cancer (former member)

†Lecia Landolt-chemo for pancreatic cancer (friend of Patti Lanford)

†Kim Bailey-on-going physical therapy after bicycle accident (Bernice Bailey's daughter-in-law)

†Ann Hill-ovarian cancer (Theodosia Wade's cousin)

†Mitchell Jessup -cancer (father of Nick Jessup)

†Sharon Walton-chemotherapy for kidney cancer (friend of Patti Lanford)

†Sophia Hawley-Cystic Fibrosis

†John Fish-cancer (Bryson Wade's uncle)

†Roger Gossage-awaiting transplant

†Catherine Horton-hospice care (sister of Maxine Blankenship)

†Jan Coulon-home

†Jim Stalvey, Jr.-melanoma

†Penny Hill-cancer (Executive Presbyterian for the Greater Atlanta Presbytery)

†Anderson Krieger-continuing treatment for leukemia

**Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:**

†Russ Cole-Rockdale Healthcare for rehab

†Jeanne Cannon-Darien, GA

†J. L. Johnson -Dogwood Forest Alpharetta, GA

**Riverside**

†Joy Knight -hospice care

†Martha Borders

†Rita Harrell

**Benton House**

†George Stamps

**Merryvale**

†Guy McGiboney

†Bill Taylor

†Betty Robinson

†Louise White

†Betty Goins

†Hughie Hudson

We extend our sympathy and prayers for **Dick Burrell** whose wife, **Darris Burrell**, died last week. The funeral was held at FPC on Friday.

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