

Ongoing Activities in the Life of the Church

This Week at FPC

Sunday, May 19
 9:00 Handbell Rehearsal
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service & Communion
 12:00 Session Meeting
 3:00 Piano & Voice Concert at FPC

Tuesday, May 21
 4:00 Exercise class

Wednesday, May 22
 6:45 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, May 23
 10:30 Ambassador Choir
 3:30 & 6:30 PNC Listening Sessions

Sunday, May 26
 9:00 Handbell Choir
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service

Monday, May 27
 Office Closed for Memorial Day

Today at 3:00 p.m., we will host a **Voice & Duo Piano Concert**. The performers will include: Florence Peacock (Soprano) and Covington's own identical twins duo-pianists, Alice Walker and Becky Ramsey.



Fourth Annual Lake Jackson Ski Camp for Thornwell Homes

We have 2 groups of cottages coming to Lake Jackson this summer for fun in the sun. All groups will be here Monday through Thursday. We absolutely cannot pull this off without our village of cooks. I hope some or all of you are up for the challenge and joy of feeding hungry 15-20 kids and adults again in 2019. Want to participate but don't have time to cook a meal or financially can't afford to feed the masses....no worries! If you have time to pick up a meal for us from a restaurant in Covington and deliver it to the lake, we would love your help in that way (Susan will place the order and pay). My email is sboteler@mindspring.com. Home 770-698-0750 and cell 404-234-4113. I'm happy to answer any questions. Thank you!



Here are the dates and who's coming:

June 17 – 20 - Berkele – middle/high school girls
July 29- Aug 1 – TPH – high school boys

Invitation to All Women of FPC: UNITE! For a strong church, we need a strong group of women. Whether you are a circle member or not, please join us on **June 4th, at 6:00 pm** to greet old friends and to make new ones.

Cindy Webb (from Town Center Olive Oil) and helpers will present a dinner of salmon or chicken, rice, salads, rolls, and a surprise dessert. Donations will be appreciated for this catered meal.

A special invitation goes to our younger women. We mature gals need you for support and energy. It would be SUPERIOR if a large group would gather for the festivities. **Reservations are necessary.** Please call the church office or fill in a form and place in the offering plate. Reservation forms will be in the bulletin beginning next Sunday.

Recycling Church Bulletins: Take your worship bulletin home, if you wish, or put it in the basket by the front doors so they can be recycled! Thanks for being a Good Steward!



**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) 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.

Suggested donations:
May: meals 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
 John McCarthy

Sound Engineer:
 Ken Walker

MEMBERS OF SESSION

Class of 2019
 Carter Gibson
 Jay Lanners
 John McCarthy
 Cheryl Meichsner
 Miriam Wheeler
 Allie Hay

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

Class of 2021
 Warren Liem
 Pam Stillerman
 Donna Weesner
 Cy Wolverton

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Steven Barnes	Interim Pastor	Alice Walker	CAGO, AAGO
Dan Walden	Director of Youth and Children's Ministry	Jenny Giles and Pauleen Green	Organist/Ambassador Choir
Peni Kehoe	Secretary-Treasurer		Nursery
Krista Firkus	Interim Music Director	Darlene Alley	Director of the Early Learning Center



The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 19, 2019



Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *O Filii et Filiae* Rebecca Groom Tevelde

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Those who love Jesus keep his words.
Those who love Christ will make their home with God.
 Those who know Jesus will know his peace.
Those who know Christ will share his love with the world.
 Praise the Lord!
Together, let us worship God!

HYMN 401 *Here in This Place* GATHER US IN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we confess that we are an anxious people who deny your blessing and fail to keep your word. Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins, that we might live in peace and reflect your love in the world; through Jesus Christ our living Lord, we pray ... *(time for silent and personal reflection)* ... Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers, let your hearts be still, for God loves us and forgives all our wrongdoing.

Let us receive the peace of Christ and let us have the courage to keep on being a loving and serving people. Because, thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen!

RESPONSE *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

Hymn 263, verse 2
Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all! Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *If Ye Love Me* Thomas Tallis

*If ye love me, keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may abide with you forever, ev'n the spirit of truth.*

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.*

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 67 (p.529 OT)
John 14:15-27 (p.109 NT)

SERMON The Rev. Steven Barnes
Putting It All Together

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN 757 KINGSFOLD
Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY Douglas E. Wagner
Meditation on "Let Us Break Bread Together"

✦DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606) OLD HUNDREDTH
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all
creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

✦PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Holy God, use us, and these gifts, to feed the hungry,
clothe the naked, and honor your presence in all people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SEALING OF THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

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.

Loving God, you made this world marvelous for us to
enjoy ... as we confidently and boldly pray together,
saying:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it
is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and
forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from
evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and
the glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Communion

Eat the bread when you feel ready. This signifies God's presence to
you individually. We will drink the cup together after all are served.
This signifies God's presence to the Church.

Prayer after Communion

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦HYMN 526 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* LINSTEAD

✦CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦RESPONSE 748 *Go with Us, Lord* TALLIS' CANON
*Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every
coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may
be our gift to you.*

✦POSTLUDE Walter Pelz
Tune on LASST UNS ERFREUEN/EASTER SONG

✦Please stand if able.

Worship Notes

- ✦ **Doug Bolton and Dan Walden** are 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.
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In Our Thoughts and Prayers

- ✦ Virginia Martin-ear tube surgery (granddaughter of Chris & Barbara Martin)
- ✦ Danielle Schubert-home recovering from surgery
- ✦ Agnes Campbell-Piedmont Newton
- ✦ Amanda Hilton-complications from surgery (niece of Susan & Gary Boteler)
- ✦ Bill Cobham-home
- ✦ Ruth McDaniel-home recovering from surgery
- ✦ Sandy Peterson-health issues
- ✦ Robin Valdez-stroke (friend of Steven Barnes)
- ✦ Terry Elder-vision problems (daughter of Jean Elder)
- ✦ Joe Schell-hospital (father of Krissy Jones)
- ✦ Dick Wilson-cancer (brother of Michael Wilson)
- ✦ Gene Mann-kidney failure/dialysis (father of Renee Shelnut)
- ✦ Ellen Clary-cancer (ex-wife of Bill Clary)
- ✦ Steve Bozarth-cancer treatment (father of Debra Arnold)
- ✦ Angela Gregory-cancer treatment, in Scotland (sister of Dave Gregory)
- ✦ Robby Ashworth-treatment for brain tumor (son of Joyce Ashworth)
- ✦ Matt Cooper-CPD officer at home but still recovering
- ✦ Spencer Boyd-lung cancer
- ✦ Tom Holmes-cancer (friend of Dan Walden)
- ✦ Brandon Massey-blood cancer (grandson of Chuck and Sherry Brasher)
- ✦ 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

Merryvale:

- ✦ Patti Borders
- ✦ Guy McGiboney
- ✦ Betty Robinson
- ✦ Louise White
- ✦ Alice Gadilhe
- ✦ Roger Wallace

Home:

- ✦ Sophia Hawley-cystic fibrosis
- ✦ Debi (Dee) Selin
- ✦ Agnes Campbell

Hospital Visitors:
Bob & Darcel Tabb

✦ Pastor Nominating Committee-
please keep this team in your prayers
throughout the process of
searching for our new pastor.



PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE
"Whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."

Please update your prayer
requests this week!
Names will be left on for one month
unless updated.
Email: penihaug@gmail.com
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