

ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

There will be a **Congregational Meeting, today**, at the conclusion of the worship service, for the purpose of hearing a report and acting on the session's request for the approval of a Capital Funds Campaign.

Ambassador Choir Singing Date:

Thursday, June 4 - Sing at Merryvale. Please come to regular rehearsal in FPC Choir Room at 10:30 a.m. We will have complimentary lunch at Plain Nuts at 11:30 a.m., followed by our performance at Merryvale at 1:30 a.m. Please wear purple shirts.

On **Tuesday, June 2, at 6:00 p.m.**, there will be a **Joint Meeting for all Presbyterian Women's Circles** in the Martin Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite salad to share. The Birthday Offering will be received. Jeanie Liem will report on Thornwell. Speaker will be Jean Patton, gifted quilter who will bring samples of her creations for us to enjoy. Jean discovered her quilting talent after retirement from the Newton County Public School System, where she had taught for twenty-nine years. PW Officers for 2015-2017 will be installed.

Ssanctury and Handbell Choir Party, Wednesday, June 3, 6:00 p.m. at Clark's Grove Pavillion.

The grandson of Don and Mary Bollinger, **Nicholas James Bollinger**, son of Blair Bollinger, graduated from USC May 16, with a double major of Cello in Music and Film in the Arts. His plan is to go to Columbia Univ. in NY where he has been accepted for a masters in Film.

Elisha Thompson graduates in June from Averill Park High School in Averill, New York. Elisha is the son of Michael Thompson.

Stephanie Scarborough graduated from Shorter University in December 2014 with a bachelor degree.

Elizabeth Ashworth, granddaughter of Joyce Ashworth, graduated from Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, Virginia.

Antonio Burtts, graduated from Alpha Omega High School in Covington. He is the son of Janet Burtt and the grandson of Bill and Diane Loebler.

Selina Giles graduated from Eastside High School and has plans to attend a medical technical school for X-ray technology. She is the daughter of Robin and Andy Callahan and granddaughter of Jan Giles.



This Week at FPC

Sunday, May 31
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
12:00 Congregational Meeting

Thursday, June 4
10:30 Ambassador Choir

Tuesday, June 2
4:00 Exercise
6:00 PW Salad Supper/Meeting

Sunday, June 7
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service

Wednesday, June 3
6:00 Choir/Bells Party—Clark's Grove Pavilion

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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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 May: 2 pound bags of sugar;** you may bring other staple goods as your heart leads.

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. Monetary donations are also accepted. Your donation by check, or cash in an envelope with your name will be credited to your offering statement.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Nursery Volunteers today:

The Henderson Family

Next Week:

The Jessup Family

May Usher Chairs:

Fletcher Stamps & Jack Weesner

Sound Engineer:

Ken Walker

MEMBERS OF 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

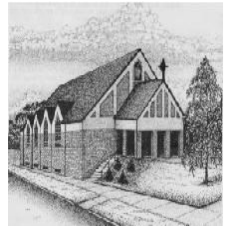
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

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>Nursery</i>
Peni Haug	<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	Tiffany McWaters	<i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>
Alan Bunn	<i>Music Director</i>		



Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2015



Order of Worship GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Piece d'Orgue* J. S. Bach

INTROIT *Come Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN
Sanctuary Choir

✦CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 6:3
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of God's glory.

✦HYMN 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!* NICAEA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving and Generous Father, you teach us through your Son that we find ourselves only when we give ourselves away. You call us to love others as he loved us, so your will is done on earth as it is in heaven. When we wonder what that means, you point us to his cross and ask us to watch and pray. We confess that such love doesn't come easy for us. Sometimes, we struggle to make room for the people you bring into our lives. We admit that we would much rather talk about love than practice it. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us your love again, for Jesus' sake. Amen. (silence for personal prayer and reflection)

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AMAZING GRACE
Hymn 649, stanza 1
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

Forgiven and renewed by Christ's Spirit, let us pass the peace of Christ to one another. The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Make a Joyful Noise* Petricko/arr. Davis
Sanctuary Choir

Make a joyful noise! Make a joyful noise!
Make a joyful noise to the Lord all people, come join your voices

to raise, letting every note that we bring in worship be filled with gladness and praise.

God's steadfast love made all earth's people, and in love's pasture God leads us along, so let's lift our voices as one together with joyful noises and song.

Make a joyful noise! Make a joyful noise!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord all people, let's swell the courts as we sing, lauding all the wonders of Love's Creator with all the noise we can bring.

God's steadfast love endures forever, and with thanksgiving the gates open wide, so the joyful noises of all creation in God's great heart may abide. Make a joyful noise!

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

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 3:1-17

SERMON

What Now?

William B. Wade, Jr.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN 320 *The Church of Christ in Every Age* WAREHAM

✦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

Howell/Burkhardt

All My Hope on God Is Founded (Based on MICHAEL)

✦GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

✦PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of grace and hope, send us from this place where we have been loved, equipped and empowered by your Holy Spirit, into this community and the world so needful of the good news. Give us eyes to see and voices to witness. Send us out as ambassadors in the name of Christ, the Savior of the world; for we pray in his name. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦HYMN 298

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Lord, You Give the Great Communion

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

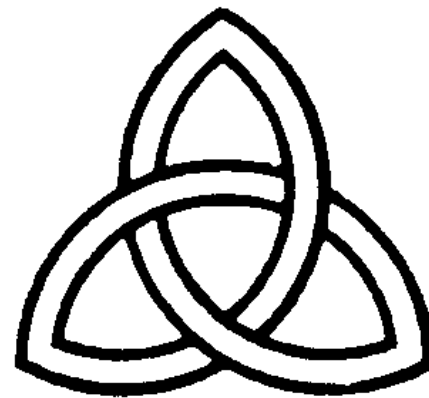
✦CLOSING PRAYER

✦POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune in C

William P. Rowan

✦Please stand if you are able.



Worship Notes

✦Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with worship today

✦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

†Jean Elder-bad fall (in Florida), several fractures, will transfer to Covington for rehab asap.

†Jean Cannon-surgery for aneurism, in rehab

†Greg Jones-broken neck vertebrae, Atlanta Medical Center (Rob Jones' father)

†Betty Lunsford-fall, surgery from fractured femur, Newton Medical

†Sophia Hawley-Cystic Fibrosis

†John Fish-cancer (Bryson Wade's uncle

†Ruth McDaniel-back pain, home

†Nancy Driver-diagnosed with ALS (sister of Penny Blakeney)

†Velma Prescott-home

†Amanda Teixeira-heart surgery (Lynn Miller's daughter)

†Roger Gossage-awaiting transplant

†Billy Richardson-cancer (cousin of Ed Perkerson)

†Bill Miller-stroke (Beth Vinings' brother)

†Catherine Horton-ill (sister of Maxine Blankenship)

†Darris Burrell-home

†Edie Chandler Lowe-chemotherapy

†Howard Barton -rehab in Social Circle

†Jan Coulon-home

†Jim Stalvey, Jr.-melanoma

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

†Don Bollinger-home

†Lisa Baker-cancer treatment

†Anderson Krieger-maintenance chemotherapy (6th grade student at Providence Christian School.)

Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:

†Russ Cole -The Magnolias, Conyers

†Gretchen Buendia-Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville

Riverside

†Joy Knight -hospice care

†Martha Borders

†Rita Harrell

(new phone: 404-422-9538)

Benton House

†George Stamps

†Doris Mote

Merryvale

†Guy McGiboney

†Bill Taylor

†Elizabeth Gadilhe

†Betty Robinson

Celebrate with Amy and Matt Sery on the birth of their son, **John Charles Sery, ("Jack")** who was born May 19th. He is the 14th great-grandchild of Betty Robinson.

Hospital Visitor: Day Kennon

