

*Ongoing Activities in the Life of the Church*

*This Week at FPC*

**Sunday, October 23**  
 9:00 Handbell Choir  
 9:30 Children's Choir  
 10:00 Sunday School  
 11:00 Worship Service  
 5:00 Youth Connection

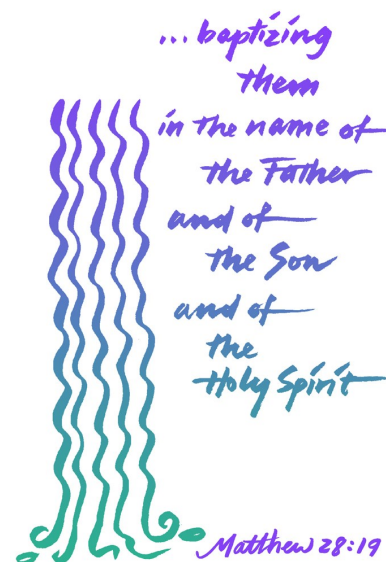
**Tuesday, October 25**  
 4:00 Exercise

**Wednesday, October 26**  
 6:45 Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, October 27**  
 10:30 Ambassador Choir

**Sunday, October 30 Stewardship Day**  
 9:00 Handbell Choir  
 9:30 Children's Choir  
 10:00 Sunday School  
 11:00 Worship Service  
 12:00 Celebration lunch  
 1:00 Youth Connection Rake 'n' Run

**Veteran's Day** is fast approaching, what a wonderful way to honor a Veteran than donating a tired Old Glory for retirement! Cub **Scout Pack 4511** is taking donations of old, tattered American Flags to be used in **Flag Retirement Ceremonies**. This is an ongoing project. If you would like to donate, or know someone that does, please take folded flags to our Church's Office. Peni Kehoe will then turn them over to the Pack.



**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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**The Food Pantry** is now open on **Wednesdays and Fridays** from 9:00 - 12:00. Donations of any non-perishable food items are welcome.

**October** suggested donations are:  
 Cereals (hot & cold) and grits

**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**

**Usher Chair for October:**  
 Jean Wolverton

**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

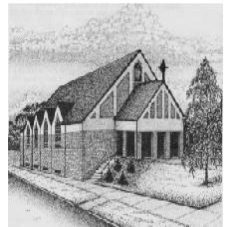
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF**

William B. Wade, Jr. <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>



**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**October 23, 2016**



*Order of Worship*

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

**PRELUDE** *Near to the Heart of God/Children of the Heavenly Father* arr. Brant Adams  
*Sacred Harp Medley* WARRENTON/BEACH SPRING  
 Erin Cassel, violoncello Alice Walker, piano

**INTROIT** *SOMEBODY'S KNOCKIN'*  
*Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door*  
 Children's Choir

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 95:1-2  
 O come, let us sing to the Lord!  
**Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**  
 Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving!  
**Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise!**

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

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious God, you give us an abundance of good things, richly to enjoy and use for your glory. Yet we have been anxious to hoard your gifts, and to acquire still more for ourselves. We have not trusted your promises, and have not sought your kingdom first. Forgive our ingratitude for all you have given, our fear that your provision will not be enough, and our failure to be generous with others, even as you have lavished generosity upon us. Bring to fullness in us the good fruit of your Spirit, that we would live in joyous faith, hope, and love; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
 (silence for personal prayer and reflection)

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

✦ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** NETTLETON  
 Hymn 475, stanza 1  
**Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!**

## ✦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**ANTHEM** *For Everyone Born* FOR EVERYONE BORN/arr. Trenney  
Erin Cassel, Cello

*For everyone born, a place at the table, For everyone born, clean water and bread, a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, For everyone born, a star overhead.*

REFRAIN:

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace; yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy.*

*Woman and man, a place at the table, Revising the roles, deciding the share, with wisdom and grace, dividing the power, Dividing, a system that's fair.* REFRAIN

*For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part in the song. The hands of a child and hands that are wrinkled, For young and for old, the right to belong.* REFRAIN

*For everyone born, a place at the table, To live without fear, and simply to be, to work, to speak out, to witness and worship, For everyone born, the right to be free!* REFRAIN

## 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.*

**REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH** James Roger Skinner

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** Kelly Ann Skinner,  
Ansley Marie Skinner, Addison Hope Skinner

✦ **HYMN 488** WATERLIFE  
*I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP** Stan Hall

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Exodus 36:2-7  
2 Corinthians 9:6-8

**SERMON** William B. Wade, Jr.  
*Opening the Floodgates*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ **HYMN 716** BEACH SPRING  
*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

✦ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from Luke 10  
**What shall we do to inherit eternal life?**

What is written in the law? How do you read?

**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength; and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.** Jesus said, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

## CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

## THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE OFFERTORY

J. S. Bach

*Minuets Nos. 1 and 2 from "Suite for Unaccompanied Violoncello in G Major"*

Erin Cassel, violoncello

✦ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** HENDON

Hymn 697, stanza 6

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

## ✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, you nourish us by the outpouring of your love. You strengthen us with your enlivening Spirit.

**We are sustained by your goodness and power. You are the source of every good act we perform and every talent we possess.**

You have given to us in abundance.

**Accept these offerings and our very lives as signs of our faith and our thanksgiving; in the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ **HYMN 81**, stanza 3 AUSTRIAN HYMN  
*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

**See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove. Who can faint while such a river ever flows, their thirst to assuage? Grace, so like the Lord the giver, never fails from age to age.**

## ✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ **CHORAL RESPONSE** SOMEBODY'S KNOCKIN'  
*Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door*  
Sanctuary Choir

✦ **POSTLUDE** *Allegro Assai Vivace* Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

✦ Please stand if you are able.

## Worship Notes

✦ Erin Cassel holds both a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Cello Performance and has studied with renowned pedagogues including Paul York, Martha Gerschefski, Felix Wang, Gilda Barston, and Melissa Kraut. She is a core member of the Savannah Philharmonic as well as a founding member of Atlanta's eclectic cello quartet Celli. Erin runs a Suzuki cello studio in Atlanta and has taught at Suzuki workshops and institutes around the south-east. Her most recent endeavor has been here in Covington, where she is the Artistic Director of the Arts Association's Newton County Youth Strings and runs the Suzuki cello studio in the program.

✦ **Dan Walden**, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with the leading of 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](http://www.fpccov.org).

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

† Charlotte Epps-home after a fall

† Brook Tinger-shoulder surgery (granddaughter of Roger & Tootles)

† Alton Cochran-rehab in Morgan Memorial Hospital

† Joyce Ashworth-Morgan Memorial Hospital for rehab

† For Faye Kitchens' brother-in-law who has non-Hodgkins lymphoma

† Kalin Patin-6 month old boy, born prematurely experiencing problems

† Travis Moss-recovering from surgery

† Chuck Hodges-treatment for lymphoma (friend of Patti Lanford)

† Becky Ramsey-surgery on 10/20

† Ursula Kaminski-cancer treatment

† Louise Strickland-home

† Rebecca Kirby-cancer (family of Scarlet McCurry)

† Danny Vining-prostate cancer/new treatment

† 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 (friend of Patti Lanford)

† Sophia Hawley-Cystic Fibrosis

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

† Roger Gossage-awaiting transplant

† Jan Coulon-home

† Jim Stalvey, Jr.-melanoma

### **Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:**

† Russ Cole-Rockdale Healthcare

† Jeanne Cannon-Darien, GA

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

### **Riverside**

† Joy Knight -hospice care

† Martha Borders

† Rita Harrell

† George Stamps

### **Merryvale**

† Guy McGiboney

† Bill Taylor

† Betty Robinson

† Louise White

† Betty Goins

† Hughie Hudson

We extend our sympathy and prayers for **Travis Moss** in the death of her aunt, Ophelia Elliott, and for the **McKenzie family** in the death of Deborah Lynn McKenzie.

**Hospital Visitor:**  
Jean Wolverton