



*The Nineteenth Sunday
after Pentecost
October 3, 2021*

Order of Worship

✦ Stand as able



Gathering As God's Beloved People

GATHERING MUSIC

*Fairest Lord Jesus
Allemande from Cello Suite No. 4 in E-flat Major
Julia Gaines, Cello*

J.S. Bach

PRELUDE

What Wondrous Love is This

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say rejoice!

All: Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near!

One: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say rejoice!

All: Rejoice! The Lord is here!

✦ HYMN 401

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

✦ CALL TO CONFESSION

✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

On this day of breaking bread and drinking cup with all gathered around one table, help us to remember your vastness! God, we confess we do not put our trust in you. We carry worry around on our shoulders. We ache with stress. Remind us to put our trust in you in times of distress. Remind us of your expansive reach, your persistent love, your peace that surpasses all understanding. Amen.

✦ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Church, We are forgiven!
We are free to try again.

✦ RESPONSE HYMN 701

SANCTUARY

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

✦ PRACTICING PEACE

PCUSA Season of Peace

Proclaiming the Word

WONDERING WITH GOD'S CHILDREN

*God's Got the Whole World in His Hands
God's got the whole world in God's hands.
God's got the whole wide world in his hands.
God's got the whole world in his hands.
God's got the whole world in his hands.*

African American Spiritual

*God's got the wind and the rain in his hands.
God's got the wind and the rain in his hands.
God's got the wind and the rain in his hands.
God's got the whole world in his hands.
God's got the little bitty baby in his hands.
God's got the little bitty baby in his hands.
God's got the little bitty baby in his hands.
God's got the whole world in his hands.
God's got you and me sister in his hands.
God's got you and me sister in his hands.
God's got you and me brother in his hands.
God's got the whole world in his hands.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 4:1-9

SERMON

Roadblocks to Gratitude: Worry

Rev. Neeley Rentz Lane

Responding to the Word

✦HYMN 506 stanzas 1,2,4 *Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table* COPELAND
(during the hymn you are invited to bring forward bread for the Table)

MOMENT OF STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

✦694 *Great God of Every Blessing* AURELIA
Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care, you are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share. How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start: sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.

The Sacrament of Communion

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE 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.

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.

Hymn 770 Stanzas 2,3,4 *I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table*

WELCOME TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Church, you are invited to partake with bread and cup upon hearing the words "The Gifts of God for the People of God." We recognize Christ is present with us as the Body of Christ in our sanctuary and in our homes this day. May the Holy Spirit dwell with you as we participate in the sacrament of communion together. One bread, One Body! (instructions for in-person communion are provided for you with your individual communion elements.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Being the Church in the World

✦HYMN 530

One Bread, One Body

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Praise Him! Praise Him!
Alice Walker, organ

Marilyn Arison

Worship Notes

Friendship Register

There are Friendship registers in each pew. We ask that you sign in each week that you attend. If you are a visitor or interested in church membership signing in helps us with a way to contact you. The registers are also our way to know who to call in the case of a Covid-19 exposure. Thanks!

Nursery for Children

We have a nursery available for children newborn—1st grade. It is located on the lower level. Ask an usher to direct you. Children are also welcome to wiggle and giggle in the pew.

Worship Bags for Children

The bags are labeled with children’s name tags clipped to their bag and they are invited to use the same bag every time they come to worship. For our visitors and newcomers we have bags labeled “Child of God The bags are hanging on a rack on the right side of the narthex.

Serving Today:

Liturgists: Alisa Castilla & Courtney Pittman **Tech Team:** Dan Walden, Brad Phillips & Jonny Atkins;
Acolyte: Harry Hawkins; **Usher Chair:** Trista Hooten Wilson

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Flyers about the **Peace and Global Witness Offering** were handed out with today’s bulletin. Envelopes for your offering were also handed out or are available from the usher table. Please put “Peace Offering” in the memo space on your check. For those who give on-line through REALM, choose the fund “Peace & Global Witness” option.

Activities in the Life of the Church

This Week at FPC

Sunday, October 3 World Communion Sunday Peace and Global Witness

10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service with Communion
7:00 Jammies & Jesus on Zoom

Monday, October 4

6:00 *Tattoos on the Heart* on Zoom

Tuesday, October 5

10:00 Elizabeth Ann Circle
10:30 Martha Circle
6:00 Ruth Circle Meeting
7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 6

Neeley distributes at home communion
10:00 Coffee and Conversation
6:30 Parables Study on Zoom

Sunday,

10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
7:00 Jammies and Jesus

Children's Sunday School

10:00am

Sunday School Room Downstairs
Teachers: Rotation Model
Interested in teaching?
email info@fpccov.org

Youth Sunday School

10:00am

Youth Room Downstairs
Teachers: Pam and Jim Stillerman

Adult Sunday School

10:00am

Sunday School, Fellowship Hall
Session Member Training, parlor

Jammies and Jesus!

Sunday Evenings at 7:00—7:15pm on Zoom Jammies and Jesus is BACK!! Sunday evenings on Zoom. Invite a friend! <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82191056781>

Pastor's Bible Study

Tuesdays at Noon in the parlor. Join to spend time studying the upcoming Sunday's scripture text!

Youth and Adult Bible Study

Wednesday Evenings 6:30pm-7:30pm on Zoom

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82161931180>

October Topic: The Parables

Facilitators: Brad Philips, Courtney Pittman, and Neeley Lane

Fall Book Study—*Tattoos on the Heart*

Monday Evenings 6:00pm on Zoom

Oct. 4—chapters 7 & 8; Oct. 11—chapter 9

Books are \$13 please order via Neeley by September 9

Women's Circle Meetings for October

Elizabeth Ann Circle will meet Tuesday, October 5th at 10:00am Location to be announced. Chapter 2 "Tamar" will be discussed.

The Ruth Circle will meet on October 5th at 6:00 in the fellowship hall. You are invited to bring your own meal and drink. Water will be provided. They will also discuss Chapter 2—Tamar.

Martha Circle will meet at Day Kennon's home (outside) at 10:30 October 5th. Light lunch served. Lesson 2 will be presented by Julie Mackenzie. (Zoom available)



Tech Team Volunteer
Sunday Mornings

WE NEED YOU!

EMAIL
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BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
October 17th 5:30 pm
Church Playground



Community Food Pantry Needs Fruit!

The Food Pantry is requesting donations of canned fruit for the months of September and October. Suggested items are: Mandarin Oranges, Peach slices, Pineapple slices, Pineapple tidbits, Tropical fruit and applesauce. There will be a receptacle in the narthex for your donations. Thanks!

We thank you for your continued support of First Presbyterian Church of Covington!

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 your offering: Text to: 73256
 Enter FPCCOV as your message, click to send
 Or use this link: <https://onrealm.org/FirstPresbyterianChurchCov/give/FPCCOVtext>

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

- ✦ Cathy Martin-breast cancer surgery 9/27 (sister-in-law of Chris Martin)
- ✦ Jeff Terrell-recovering from medical procedure (friend of Steve & Louly Kapp)
- ✦ Prayers for Hurricane Ida victims, Haiti & Afghanistan
- ✦ Anne Cranford-treatment for breast cancer
- ✦ Lynn Lanier-amyloidosis (friend of Chris Martin)
- ✦ Dan Walden-Cardiac Amyloidosis
- ✦ Tommy Bassett-terminal liver cancer (friend of Beth & Danny Vining)
- ✦ Doug Bolton-burn injury treatment
- ✦ Steve Jones-cancer (friend of Alice Walker)
- ✦ Susan Fiedler-cancer (friend of Darcel Tabb)
- ✦ Hulda McDonald-health issues (friend of Judy Davis)
- ✦ Blair Weaver-health issues
- ✦ Sarita Pope-breast cancer (mother-in-law of Elizabeth Martin Pope)
- ✦ Beverly Beasley-caring for husband who has leukemia (friend of Jean Elder)
- ✦ Karen Moss-breast cancer
- ✦ Carter Mackenzie-neck injury (son of Julie & Jeff Mackenzie)
- ✦ Karen Lein Kaasa-home health care (sister-in-law of Julie MacKenzie)
- ✦ Tom Bass-cancer treatment & dialysis (friend of Beth & Danny Vining)
- ✦ Wilford Reed-health issues (friend of Jeff MacKenzie)
- ✦ Bob Darby-kidney problems (friend of Jeff MacKenzie)
- ✦ Joyce Williams-Alzheimer's, breast cancer treatment (sister of Danny Vining)
- ✦ Brandon Massey-blood cancer (grandson of Chuck and Sherry Brasher)
- ✦ Carol Baynes-cancer (friend of Phyllis Yoder)

- Independent and Assisted Living**
- ✦ Travis Moss-Pruitt Healthcare
 - ✦ Penny Blakeney-home
 - ✦ Julia Brubaker-Benton House
 - ✦ Jean Elder-currently in Florida with her daughter (address available from church Office or on REALM)
 - ✦ Dot Fincher-Merryvale
 - ✦ Guy McGiboney-Merryvale
 - ✦ Betty Robinson-Merryvale
 - ✦ Louise White-Merryvale
 - ✦ Jerry McGaffney-Merryvale

- Military Service**
- ✦ Koen Ardis-Navy
 - ✦ Lee Scarborough-Army
 - ✦ Billy Scarborough-Marines

Keep the APNC in Your Prayers

Those serving on the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee:
 Jodi Walden Atkins; Dana Hall;
 Judy Hooten; Steve Kapp;
 Randy Layton; Pam Stillerman & Bob Tabb.



Prayer Requests

All prayer requests should be sent to: admin@fpccov.org or by clicking the "Email Peni" button at the bottom of the Enews prayer list. Please specify if you want the request in the bulletin or for pastors only, or only the confidential prayer circle.

Interested in Joining the Church?

If you're interested in joining the FPC church family, you are welcome to reach out to Neeley. You can enjoy a coffee together and discuss what it means to become a member.

To set a date:
 by email: neeley@fpccov.org;

Do you have a mobile phone or a tablet?

If so, you can download the bulletin on your device to follow the service and save paper. If you pick up a paper bulletin please remember to recycle it here or at home! The environment will thank you! (Please do put your device on silent!)

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Neeley Rentz Lane Alisa Castilla Courtney Pittman Krista Firkus Alice Walker Peni Kehoe	<i>Senior Pastor</i> <i>Seminary Intern</i> <i>Seminary Intern</i> <i>Music Director</i> CAGO, AAGO <i>Organist/Ambassador Choir</i> <i>Church Administrator</i>	<i>Caring for Our Children in the Nursery</i> Danielle Schubert Beverley Beasley Amiah Williams Ian Rein
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MEMBERS OF SESSION

Class of 2021 Jay Lanners Warren Liem Cindy Moon Pam Stillerman Cy Wolverton	Class of 2022 Aubrey Evans John McCarthy Stephanie Scarborough Trista Hooten Wilson	Class of 2023 Stan Hall Louly Hay Kapp Ed Perkerson Bob Tabb
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