

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

- * CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NETTLETON
Hymn 356, 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
According to John's gospel, after his resurrection Jesus appeared to the disciples who were huddled in fear behind closed doors. He said to them: "Peace be with you." For generations, disciples of Jesus have offered Christ's peace to one another in worship. The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PROCLAMATION

- ANTHEM Taylor
Come Sing Your Thanks to the Lord
Sanctuary Choir and Children's Choir
Rebecca Bates, flute Dan Walden, maracas

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

- SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12:13-21

- SERMON The Rev. Dr. Thomas F. Sparks
Quit Talking to Yourself

THE RESPONSE

- * HYMN 555 NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT
Now Thank We All Our God
- * AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
A Declaration of Faith IX.3
Christ calls us to live in the presence of God. Jesus lived with a constant sense of his Father's presence. He put God's claim on his life above all else. He joined others in God's worship and praise. He drew strength from the Scriptures. He prayed and taught his disciples to pray.

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God's reality and rule. Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time.

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 16 in front of hymnal

- CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE FAITHFULNESS
Hymn 276 refrain
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *For the Beauty of the Earth* Neil Harmon

- * CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ASH GROVE
Hymn 554
Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God our Creator triumphantly raise; who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the end of our days.

- * PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Gracious God, we come giving thanks for the abundance of your blessings. Help us to grow in our faith, to stretch without becoming overburdened, to find the joy in offering ourselves to you. Take what we bring in gratitude, and do with it more than we yet have imagined; for we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE SENDING

- * HYMN 430 DARWALL'S 148TH
Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

A TIME OF COMMITMENT

- * CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

- * POSTLUDE *Thou Art the Rock* Henri Mulet

CELEBRATION LUNCHEON

We will go to the Lofts in Porterdale for our dinner together. Maps are located on the table in the narthex.

WORSHIP NOTES

- * The Rev. Dr. Thomas Sparks has been the Pastor of the Conyers Presbyterian Church for the last six years. He and his wife, Kathryn, grew up in North Carolina. They have two grown children and two grandchildren.
- * Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries and Carrie Bowers, Intern Pastor, are assisting with worship today.
- * Please stand if you are able.
- * Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of reverence as we prepare to worship God. Remember to **turn off cell phones** during the service.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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| † Steve Ivey, Adriane Ivey-Hawley's father—tests | Assisted Living/Nursing Homes: |
| † Leslie Henderson, Eric Henderson's mother—cancer | † John Cannon-Riverside |
| † Buster Chadwick—knee replacement, home | † Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor |
| † Yvonne Shepherd, sister of Patrick Carmichael—major surgery | † Hal and Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers |
| † Jim Murdock, friend of Billy & Theodosia Wade—pancreatic cancer | † Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center |
| † Jan Coulon—cancer treatment | † Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville |
| † Richard Londry, cousin of Susan Crowell—cancer | † Helen and George Stamps—Benton House |
| † Kurt Hester—home | Military: |
| † Dennis Sauls, brother-in-law of Patti Lanford—cancer | † David and Savannah Rickert |
| † Frances Crozier, Billy Wade's sister—chemotherapy | † Mike Laib |
| † Jeannie Liem—home, dialysis | † John Rossi |
| † Charles Ardis—home | † Renee Boston |
| † Brennan Simkins—bone marrow transplant | † Charles Bailey |
| † Courteney LeCroix Hoover—had a stroke while waiting for a double lung transplant, Florida | |
| † Jackie Burns, 1st cousin of Carol McGiboney—mass in lungs | |
- Covington Square**
† Rita Harrell
† Joy Knight

We express our sympathy to Clarence Price, whose uncle died last week, and for Alissa Smith whose friend, Danny Moore, has died.

The hospital team member who will be visiting people this week is Ann Bouchillon.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, November 21
CONSECRATION SUNDAY
9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
12:00 Celebration Luncheon

Tuesday, November 23
4:00 Exercise Class
7:00 Community Thanksgiving Service at Good Shepherd Church

Wednesday, November 24
No Adventure Club, Mid-week Feast, Choir Rehearsal or DVD Study Series

Thursday, November 25
Happy Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 28
9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service with the Lord's Supper
5:00 Youth Connection

Activities in the Life of the Church

No Exercise Class this week.

Prayer Requests may be made by filling out the yellow cards in the pew racks and placing them in the offering plate or in the box on the table in the narthex. The Prayer Group meets every Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Parlor. You are invited to join us.

The Community Thanksgiving Worship Service will take place November 23, 7:00 p.m. at the Episcopal Church of the



Community Thanksgiving Worship

Good Shepherd, on Clark Street across from Clark's Grove. Our choir will join with choirs from other churches in the community. The Rev. Lyn Pace, Chaplain

of Oxford College, will be preaching.

No Adventure Club, Mid-Week Feast or DVD Lecture Series this week. Wednesday activities will resume on December 1.

Thanksgiving Day of Prayer

Our member, Agnes Campbell, has been working with *Guideposts* magazine as a prayer volunteer. Monday, November 22, is being designated as Thanksgiving Day of Prayer. We are invited to share our prayer requests and our prayers on that day. The church doors will be open on Monday, the 22nd, for you to come and pray.

There are prayer request sheets in the narthex on which you can submit your requests.



Tear here and place in the offering plate or bring to the church office.

Christmas Poinsettias

Help to decorate the Sanctuary during Christmas by placing poinsettias in honor or in memory of friends and loved ones. The more plants we have, the more festive our Sanctuary will appear. Each poinsettia will cost \$7.00. Please sign up and pay by December 5. Please use first and last names of honorees. Thanks!

Name of donor _____

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Cash or Check attached \$ _____

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF COVINGTON

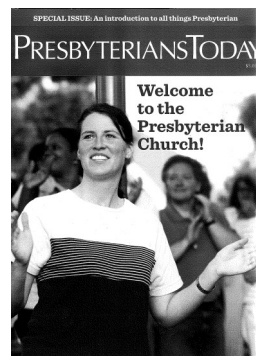
If you would like information about membership or the programs, mission, and fellowship of the church, speak to one of the pastors as you leave or call the church office at 770-786-7321 or e-mail:

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Please be sure to stop by the narthex and pick up your family's copy of the special issue of *Presbyterians Today* magazine, "Welcome to the Presbyterian Church." This special issue is full of facts, stories, pictures, charts and a lot more valuable information about our denomination. Your Session sincerely hopes that you will enjoy reading this special issue and that you will celebrate what it means to be Presbyterian!



THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Caring for Our Youngest Members in the Nursery:

Stillerman Family
Ann Bouchillon

Next week:
Arnold Family
Sam/Loucy Hay Family

Host:

Agnes Campbell

Ushers:

McCarthy-Digby Family

Sound System:

Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

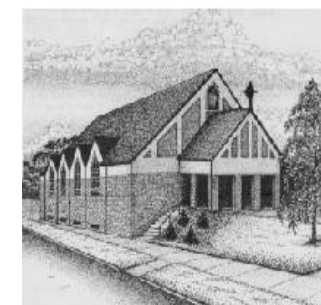
Class of 2010
Stephanie Fortson
Ruth McDaniel
Jonathan Miller
Pam Stillerman
Gene Wallace

Class of 2011
Jean Blair
Carol Dunbar
Rick Gunter
Jay Lanners
Donna Weesner

Class of 2012
Bernice Bailey
Rebecca Bates
Mac Cranford
Judy Hooten
Warren Liem

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr. <i>Pastor</i>	Alan Bunn <i>Music Director</i>
Louly Fowler Hay <i>Parish Associate</i>	Alice Walker <i>CAGO, AAGO</i>
Dan Walden <i>Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i>	Aubrey Evans & Maria Serrato <i>Nursery</i>
Carrie Bowers <i>Intern Pastor</i>	Deana Graham <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>
Peni Haug <i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia

November 21, 2010

Christ the King Sunday
Consecration Sunday

Order of Worship

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

To Thee, Lord Jesus, Thanks We Give J. S. Bach
Now Thank We All Our God Michael Burkhardt
We Gather Together KREMSEY

INTROIT *Thanksgiving Time Canon-Chime* arr. Pavone
Children's Choir

* CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 98:1-4
O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

His right hand and holy arm have gained him victory.
The Lord has made known victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.
He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

* HYMN 551 ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, hear our prayers. You have searched us and known us. You know our inward thoughts and are acquainted with all of our ways. To you, O God, we confess that we have sinned. We proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord of all, but we do not live as if his rule has any claim upon our lives. We have been preoccupied with ourselves. We use our power to dominate and manipulate others. We ignore those who cry out for our help and refuse to offer compassion to those in need. Too busy with our daily lives, we regularly fail to see you at work in the world. Merciful God, forgive us. Redirect our thoughts and our attention so that might live lives that proclaim the reign of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)