

Hear our hearts, as well as our words, Lord, as we confess who we have been.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of heaven and earth, we confess that too often we greet the day intent on the needs and pressing responsibilities of our lives. We live as though you were not God, as though the world offered us all we could desire. We are blind to your presence and deaf to the opportunities you give us. Help us to awake to the joy of your calling. Let us love you with all our heart and mind and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves.

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

from Psalm 139

**Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
And see if there be any wicked way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* GLORIA PATRI Hymn 579
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.

* THE PASSING OF THE PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Poor Man Lazarus* arr. Hairston
Sanctuary Choir

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 READINGS Romans 8:26-27
I Thessalonians 5:16-18

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.
How Do We Pray?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN 333 *Seek Ye First* LAFFERTY
* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*
p. 14 in front of hymnal

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

(Sing on cue from cantor.)

PSALM 46

Presbyterian Refrain 6
Hal H. Hopson



God is our ref - uge; God is our strength.

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THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY

MARTYRDOM

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

* DOXOLOGY Hymn 592 OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Come into our hearts, Holy One, and fill us with your peace and with your power, that we may live and speak the great good news of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN 315 AFRICAN-AMERICAN SPIRITUAL
Every Time I feel the Spirit

All: Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray. Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

Choir: stanzas 1 and 2

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE *Sevenfold Amen* Lutkin
Sanctuary Choir

* POSTLUDE *Chaconne* Louis Couperin

O Lord, Thou knowest how busy I must be this day. If I forget Thee, do not Thou forget me. Sr. Jacob Astley

There will be a Congregational Meeting if the way be clear, Sunday, October 10, at the conclusion of the morning worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to hear a report from the Nominating Committee and to elect elders to the class of 2013.

WORSHIP NOTES

- * Patrick Carmichael and Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, are helping to lead 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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| † Jim Murdock, friend of Billy & Theodosia Wade—pancreatic cancer | † Jackie Veris, 1st cousin of Carol McGiboney—mass in lungs |
| † Jan Coulon—cancer treatment | † Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, received a double lung transplant |
| † Richard Londry, cousin of Susan Crowell—cancer | Covington Square |
| † Kurt Hester—home | † Rita Harrell |
| † Dennis Sauls, brother-in-law of Patti Lanford—cancer | † Joy Knight |
| † Danny Moore, friend of Alissa Smith—cancer treatment | Nursing Homes: |
| † Frances Crozier, Billy Wade's sister—chemotherapy | † John Cannon, Merryvale |
| † Jeannie Liem—home, dialysis | † Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor |
| † Ken Walker—cataract surgery, 9/16 | † Hal and Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers |
| † Paul DeConinck—home hospice care. | † Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center |
| † Sam Hay—home | † Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville |
| † Doug Houck's sister—home recovering from surgery | Military: |
| † Charles Ardis—home | † David and Savannah Rickert |
| † Danny Vining —biopsy | † Mike Laib |
| † Brennan Simkins—bone marrow transplant | † John Rossi |
| † Courtney LeCroix Hoover—needs double lung transplant, Florida | † Renee Boston |
| † Roger Gossage—home | |

The hospital team member who will be visiting people this week is Louly Hay.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, September 26
9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
12:00 Congregational Meeting
5:00 Youth Connection

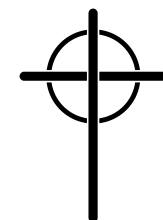
Monday, September 27
7:00 Handbells for Fun

Tuesday, September 28
4:00 Exercise Class

Wednesday, September 29
4:00 Adventure Club
6:00 Mid-week Feast
6:45 DVD Study Group
7:00 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, September 30
10:30 Ambassador Choir
11:30 Prayer Group

Sunday, October 3
9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
12:30 Presbyterian Women's Salad Luncheon
5:00 Youth Connection



Activities in the Life of the Church

An Exercise Class is held on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All adults are invited to participate.

Mid-Week Feast Join us for the Mid-Week Feast on Wednesday, at 6:00 p.m. in the Martin Fellowship Hall. The menu is: barbeque pork sandwich, baked beans, and potato salad. Bring a dessert to share and join us for dinner and fellowship. Remember—make your reservation on the form in the pew rack. You may also call the church office or register from the website: www.fpccov.org.

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.

DVD Lecture Series will meet on 9/29, after the Mid-Week Feast at 6:45 p.m. The series will continue with the study of Islam: "God's Word-The Quranic World View." Join the class and the lively discussion which follows each lecture.



PRESBYTERIAN HOMES
OF GEORGIA

The **Presbyterian Homes' first Online Auction on eBay Giving Works**, began September 15th and will run through September 30th. Your chance to have the winning bid on trips, art, jewelry, memorabilia, and services is just a click away! How much would you bid to get a New York shopping spree with a personal shopper, three night hotel stay, and two airline tickets? How much are two 2011 Masters Golf Tournament Badges worth? Have you always wanted an oil painting of your beloved pet? Want to get a deal on a Wii interactive game system or a Judith Ripka ring? There will be over 50 items in our auction. There will be something for everyone! Remember to go online and log onto **eBay.com** using this link:

http://donations.ebay.com/charity/charity.jsp?NP_ID=37554 to view the items that are being offered. Items will change during the two weeks that the site is active, so visit often and bid! If you don't have the link handy, just go to eBay's Giving Works site and type in: Presbyterian Homes of Georgia, to link to our site. (Before you shop, you will also need to register to establish an eBay account if you do not already have one.)

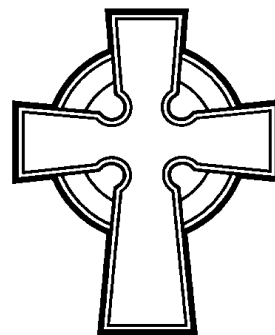
This is a great opportunity to support the *Caring Hands Fund* that helps Presbyterian Homes of Georgia keep the promise that in over 60 years of service no resident has had to leave the home they have made with us because they have outlived their financial resources. All proceeds from the auction benefit *The Caring Hands Fund*. You can also help by e-mailing your friends and posting this announcement on your Facebook page. See the weekly e-newsletter on Tuesday to copy and paste the announcement to your e-mail. It's going to be fantastic!

**WELCOME TO
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF COVINGTON**

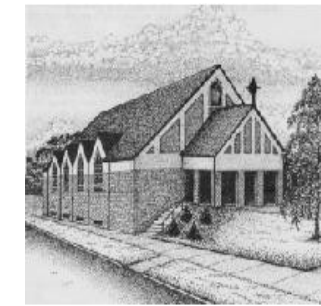
If you would like information about membership or the programs, mission, and fellowship of the church, speak to one of the pastors as you leave or call the church office at 770-786-7321 or e-mail:

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THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY		
<p>Caring for Our Youngest Members in the Nursery: Ann Bouchillon Stillerman Family</p> <p>Next week: Loucy/Sam Hay Family Arnold Family</p>	<p>Hosts: Lynn & Jonathan Miller</p> <p>Ushers: Jon & Jane Williams, chair Sam Hay, III & Sam Hay, IV</p> <p>Sound System: Ken Walker</p>	
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION		
<p>Class of 2010 Stephanie Fortson Ruth McDaniel Jonathan Miller Pam Stillerman Gene Wallace</p>	<p>Class of 2011 Jean Blair Carol Dunbar Rick Gunter Jay Lanners Donna Weesner</p>	<p>Class of 2012 Bernice Bailey Rebecca Bates Mac Cranford Judy Hooten Warren Liem</p>
<p>William B. Wade, Jr. <i>Pastor</i> Louly Fowler Hay <i>Parish Associate</i> Dan Walden <i>Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i> Peni Haug <i>Secretary-Treasurer</i> Alan Bunn <i>Music Director</i></p>	<p>Alice Walker <i>CAGO, AAGO Organist/Ambassador Choir</i> Aubrey Evans & Maria Serrato <i>Nursery</i> Deana Graham <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i></p>	



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia
September 26, 2010

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

From God I Ne'er Will Turn Me Dietrich Buxtehude
Blessed Jesu, at Thy Word J. S. Bach

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP Patrick Carmichael
"Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10-11
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth!"

SILENT PRAYER St. Augustine
You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they rest in you.

INTROIT *In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful* TAIZÉ
Sanctuary Choir

COLLECT John Henry Newman
Come, O Holy Spirit. Come as Holy Fire and burn in us,
come as Holy Wind and cleanse us within,
come as Holy Light and lead us in the darkness,
come as Holy Truth and dispel our ignorance,
come as Holy Power and enable our weakness,
come as Holy Life and dwell in us.
Convict us, convert us, consecrate us,
until we are set free from the service of ourselves,
to be your servants in the world.
Amen.

* **HYMN 425** ABBOT'S LEIGH
Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining

CALL TO CONFESSION from Psalm 139
O Lord, you have searched us and known us!
You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
You search out our paths and our lying down, and are acquainted with all our ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue, lo, O lord, you know it altogether.