

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TRENTHAM  
 (Hymn 316, stanza 1)  
*Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\* GLORIA PATRI Hymn 579

\* THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Jesus said: "Peace I leave you; my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."  
 The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

ANTHEM *Lead On, O King Eternal* Henry T. Smart  
 Ambassador and Sanctuary Choirs

Lead on, Lord, we will follow; guide our feet and light our pathway, Lord lead on. Take these treasures that we hold, and use them as you will; O Lord of all creation, lead on. Lead on, O King Eternal, the day of march has come; henceforth in fields of conquest your tents shall be our home. Through days of preparation your grace has made us strong; And now, O King Eternal, we lift our battle song. Lead on, O King Eternal, 'til sin's fierce war shall cease, And holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace; For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums; With deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes. Lead us on, and blend with ours your voices in the triumph song. Lead on, O King Eternal, we follow, not with fears; For gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears. Your cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light; The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!

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 Genesis 2:4b-7; 3:19  
 John 14:1-6

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.  
*The Garden*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\* HYMN 151 *Crown Him with Many Crowns* DIADEMATA

\* 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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *In Thee is Gladness* Max Drischner

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

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Almighty God, help us to live as Easter people, clinging to the hope of resurrection and proclaiming the good news through all we say and do. Amen.**

**BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN (insert)  
*For All the Saints*

THE DEDICATION OF THE GARDEN

Blessing of the Ground (insert)

HYMN (insert) ST. ANNE  
*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*  
 John Roark, accordion

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**WORSHIP NOTES**

- \* Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries is assisting in the worship service today.
- \* We welcome Dr. John H. Roark as our guest organist.
- \* 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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| † Alice Walker—home  | † Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville                    |
| † Joe Hughes (Leon Hughes brother) - heart surgery                     | <b>Military:</b>   |
| † B.C. Crowell—home  | † David and Savannah Rickert   |
| † Don & Carol Adams—recovering from auto accident.                     | † Mike Laib  |
| † Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, awaiting lung transplant | <i>The hospital team member who will be visiting people this week is Jim &amp; Jean Elder.</i> |
| <b>Covington Square</b>  |  |
| † Rita Harrell and   |  |
| † Joy Knight   |  |
| <b>Nursing Homes:</b>  |  |
| † John Cannon, Merryvale   |  |
| † Maymenell Bohanan - Riverside  |  |
| † Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor                                      |  |
| † Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers                                  |  |
| † Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center                       |  |
| † Hal Cline  |  |

**THIS WEEK AT FPC**

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| <b>Sunday, April 18</b><br>9:45 Sunday School<br>11:00 Worship Service and Dedication of the Memorial Garden<br>6:00 Youth Connection       | <b>Thursday, April 22</b><br>7:15 Youth Prayer Breakfast<br>10:30 Ambassador Choir<br>11:30 Prayer Group     |
| <b>Monday, April 19</b><br>"First Press" deadline   | <b>Friday, April 23</b><br>7:00 An Art Affair at The Center  |
| <b>Tuesday, April 20</b><br>4:00 Exercise Class   | <b>Sunday, April 25</b><br>9:00 Children's Choir<br>9:45 Sunday School<br>11:00 Youth Sunday Worship Service |
| <b>Wednesday, April 21</b><br>4:00 Adventure Club<br>6:00 Mid-Week Feast<br>6:30 Handbell Choir<br>7:00 Study Group<br>7:15 Sanctuary Choir |  |

## Activities in the Life of the Church

**Memorial Garden Dedication** will take place at the end of worship today. Take the insert with you as the congregation proceeds to the garden.

**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 at 6:00 p.m. in the Martin Fellowship Hall. The menu is: chicken pot pie, salad bar and rolls. 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](http://www.fpccov.org).

**DVD Lecture Series:** The Mid-Week DVD Lecture series, "The History of Christian Theology," taught by Dr. Philip Cary, takes place at 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday evenings after the Mid-Week Feast. Participants enjoy the lectures and the lively discussions afterward. This week's lecture is: "Neo-Orthodoxy - From Kierkegaard to Barth."

**First quarter statements of giving** are available in the narthex for those who pledge. Please pick them up and check them over. If you find errors, please call Peni Haug in the church office.

Don't forget to get your tickets for **AN ART AFFAIR!** Without a doubt, this year will be our best yet, so join us at **The Center** this Friday, April 23rd, at 7:00. If you would like a sneak peak, plan on visiting our Open House this Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and running throughout the day. During the morning of the Open House, raffle tickets will be for sale for folks who will not be able to join us at the event. We appreciate your support and look forward to you seeing our creations! Don't miss it! **Deana**

### Join us for First Presbyterian Church's CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL Saturday, May 1, 2010, 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

This event is open to everyone in our congregation and their extended families to exhibit their special interests. This free event will be open to anyone in our community who would like to see "who we are and the abundant talents in our Church". Tables will be set up in the Fellowship Hall and throughout the lower hallways of the Church for your displays and demonstrations. And while this is not a "fund raiser" or a time for us to sell our products, you can certainly reserve items or take orders.

**Let your families know about this exciting event that they can participate in too.**

If you have not signed up to display your works or would like more information, see Bernice Bailey in the Narthex after church.

### 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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**Health & Wellness Expo** The Rockdale-Newton Regional Senior Provider is hosting the Health Expo on Friday, April 30, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Church at Covington. There will be a free lunch and Senator John Douglas will be the keynote speaker. There will be several pods of treatment from stroke therapy to blood pressure checks to exercise. Speak with FPC member, Roger Gossage, at church or call work, 770-289-8839, if you'd like more details.

### THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

#### Caring for Our Youngest Members in the

**Nursery:**  
Ardis Family  
Gregory Family

**Next week:**  
Jodi Walden  
Jessup Family

#### Hosts:

Agnes Campbell

#### Ushers:

Carol & Guy McGiboney, chairs  
Tina Boston & Judy Davis  
Need 2 volunteers for 4/25

#### Sound System:

Ken Walker

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

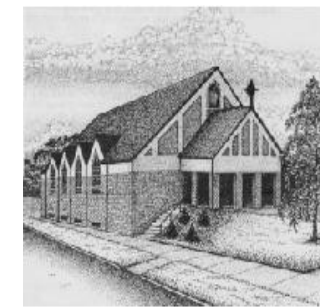
**Class of 2010**  
Stephanie Fortson  
Ruth McDaniel  
Jonathan Miller  
Pam Stillerman  
Gene Wallace

**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. Louly Fowler Hay	<i>Pastor</i>	Alice Walker Aubrey Evans & Maria Serrato	CAGO, AAGO <i>Organist/Ambassador Choir</i>
Dan Walden Peni Haug	<i>Parish Associate Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i>	Deana Graham Elizabeth Daniell	<i>Nursery Director of the Early Learning Center Student Intern</i>
Alan Bunn	<i>Secretary-Treasurer Music Director</i>		



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia

April 18, 2010  
Third Sunday of Easter

### Order of Worship

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Aria* Flor Peeters  
John Roark, organ

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT *HOLY MANNA*  
*Christians, We Have Met to Worship*  
Ambassador and Sanctuary Choirs

\* CALL TO WORSHIP I Peter 1:3-4  
Deuteronomy 33:27

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ whose great mercy gave us new birth into a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. The inheritance to which we are born is one that nothing can destroy or spoil or wither.  
**The eternal God is our dwelling place, and underneath are the everlasting arms.**

\* HYMN 376 *HYFRYDOL*  
*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
(silence for personal prayer and reflection)  
**Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe, and the hope of those who doubt, we confess that our faith is small, that we trust in our own devices more than in your gracious promises to sustain us. Lord, increase our faith; quicken us amidst our unbelief.**

**By your Spirit grant us, who have not seen, yet seek to believe, the faith to receive the fullness of Christ's blessings. Work in us and through us by the same Spirit that raised him from the dead, to your honor and glory.**