* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Christ be with you.

And also with you.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us pray for Scouts, for Scouters, and for all people. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Because we have failed in the trust others placed in us, we pray for forgiveness and for renewal to be trustworthy. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For strength to be loyal to our calling in baptism as his disciples in the world. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For forgiveness when we saw the need to help and passed that need by, when we failed to ask if we could be helpful to a friend or a stranger. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the spirit to be friendly to all people and even to those who are unfriendly to us. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the gift of courtesy to all people but especially to the elderly, the disabled, and little children. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For a heart that rejoices in being kind to people, to animals, and to earth on which we live. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the will to discipline ourselves to be obedient to the will of our God, and not to our selfish desires. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For a cheerful spirit to see us through disappointing events in our lives, for a faith that believes God will bring some good even from events that cause us pain and sadness. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For an appreciation that all that we have is the gift of our gracious God, for a mind and a heart that will be thrifty in managing the resources God has entrusted to our care. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the courage not to be afraid of doing what is right and to be brave in working for justice. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the will to work to keep clean our minds, our hearts, and our land. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the gift of reverence for God who values all that he has created; for reverence for people, for animal life, for the earth and all its resources—all precious in God's sight. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all the people and all the needs we bring before you in our prayers, trusting in your mercy, through our Lord, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM America! arr. Mary McDonald Ambassador and Sanctuary Choirs

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness. America! America! God mend thine every flaw; Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years; Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears! America! America! God shed His grace on thee And crown thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea.

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 Jeremiah 17:7—8, I Peter 5:2

SERMON

David Abercrombie

Service with a Purpose

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN LEE

Serve the Lord with Gladness (insert)

* 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 Amazing Grace Virginia Harmony, 1831 Jake McCarthy, violin

* DOXOLOGY

Hymn 592

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Your importance in our lives, O God is reflected in our gifts. We return to you, through the ministry and outreach of this church, a portion of all that you have entrusted to us. We promise that these offerings will not be the end of our giving. We will also invest our time and abilities in your work of healing, comforting, teaching, guiding and proclaiming good news. Bless each gift, whatever its size and multiply the good to be done through our talents and treasure. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

HYMN 561

Samuel Francis Smith, 1831

My Country 'Tis of Thee

- * CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- * RETIREMENT OF THE COLORS
- * CHORAL RESPONSE

arr. John Bell

Halle, Halle, Halle Ambassador and Sanctuary Choir

POSTLUDE

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Now Thank We All Our God

David Abercrombie is the District Executive in the Yellow River District of the Atlanta Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America, and an Eagle Scout.

WORSHIP NOTES

- * 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

- John Roark—hip replacement
- Beth Vining—broken foot
- Janet Burtts—home after surgery
- Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, awaiting lung transplant
- Jonathan Paschal—chemother-

Covington Square

- Rita Harrell and
- Joy Knight

Nursing Homes:

- Maymenell Bohanan Riverside
- Sarah Chesnut Covington Manor

- Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Convers
- Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center
- Hal Cline
- Gretchen Buendia Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville

Military:

- David and Savannah Rickert
- Mike Laib

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

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, February 7

9:30 Children's Choir 10:00 Sunday School

11:00 Scout Sunday Worship Service

6:00 Youth Super Bowl Party at Hays' Home

Tuesday, February 9

4:00 Exercise Class

6:00 Mid-Week Feast

Wednesday, February 10

4:00 Adventure Club

6:30 Handbell Choir

6:45 Study Group 7:15 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, February 11

7:15 Youth Prayer Break-

10:30 Ambassador Choir 11:30 Prayer Group

Saturday, February 13

Special Valentine Dinner

Sunday, February 14

9:30 Children's Choir 10:00 Sunday School

11:00 Worship Service

Activities in the Life of the Church

An Exercise Class is held on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. 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: chicken pot pie, tossed salad & 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.

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: "Protestant Disagreements."

The flowers in the Sanctuary last week were given by Carol and Ellis Dunbar to the Glory of God and in honor of Alice Walker and Becky Ramsey whose organ and piano concert took place at The First United Methodist Church, Covington. (We apologize that this was omitted in last week's bulletin.)

Scout Law

A Scout is trustworthy A Scout is loval A Scout is helpful A Scout is friendly A Scout is courteous A Scout is kind

A Scout is obedient A Scout is cheerful A Scout id thrifty A Scout is brave A Scout is clean A Scout is reverent

WELCOME TO

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THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Caring for Our Youngest Members in the

Nursery:

Arnold Family Lewis Family

Next week:

Gregory Family Ardis Family

Hosts:

Stephanie Fortson Donna Weesner

Ushers:

Rick Gunter Roger & Tootles Tingler Sound System:

Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

Class of 2010

Stephanie Fortson Ruth McDaniel Jonathan Miller Pam Stillerman Gene Wallace

Peni Haug

Alan Bunn

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

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN **CHURCH**

Covington, Georgia

February 7, 2010 Scout Sunday

Celebrating 100 Years of **Boy Scouting in the United States** Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

INTROIT

strong.

John G. Barr

Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him

Halle, Halle, Halle Ambassador and Sanctuary Choirs

arr. John Bell

* PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Thou shalt love thy God with all thine heart.

I promise to do my best to do my duty to God. Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.

I promise to do my best to do my duty to my country. Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

I promise to do my best to help other people.

My son, forget not My law, but thine heart keep My commandments.

I promise to do my best to obey the Scout Law. Obey My voice, and I will be your God, and you shall be

My people, and walk in all the ways that I command you. I promise to do my best to keep myself physically

A wise man is strong, yea, a man of knowledge increaseth

I promise to do my best to keep myself mentally

Thou shalt do that which is right and good in the sight of

I promise to do my best to keep myself morally straight.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not reply on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and he will make straight your paths.

* HYMN 469 Morning Has Broken

BUNESSAN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Bill Loeble