

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

ANTHEM *Psalm 139* Pote  
Sanctuary Choir  
*Take This Light* Patterson  
Children's Choir

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM  
Holden Christopher Evans

HYMN 498 (congregation seated) KINGDOM  
*Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING II Corinthians 5:16—6:2

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.  
*Are You Saved?*

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*  
p. 14 in front of hymnal

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *Beautiful Savior* David Cherwien

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE MONKLAND  
Hymn 244  
**Let us with gladsome mind praise the Lord who is so kind: for God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
**Gracious God, your care for us is unending. Your love for us is unlimited. Help us to care for others the way you have cared for us. Teach us to love**

**your people the way you first loved us. Make us a generous people who know you are the source of all good gifts; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

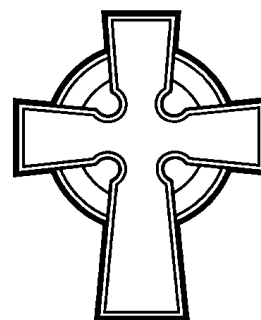
**BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

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

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE *Hallelujah* Bell

\* POSTLUDE *Fugue in G Minor* J. S. Bach



**Worship Notes**

\* Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with the worship service 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**

†Milton Patton's mother—Rockdale Medical Center  
†Hazel Griffith, hospice care—grandmother of Kevin Bates  
†Marvin Mills—brother of Maxine Blankenship; hospital  
†Theresa Mills—sister-in-law of Maxine Blankenship; hospital  
†Renee Robinson—working in China for a year (Bettie Miller's granddaughter)  
†Chris Weesner—home  
†Danny Vining—home after knee surgery  
†Louise Strickland—home, after a fall  
†Marvin Paige—cancer (Perri Walden's uncle)  
†JoEllyn Kimball—complications of lung transplant  
†Corky Krupp—cancer (Warren Liem's cousin)  
†Courteney LeCroix Hoover—waiting for double lung transplant, Florida  
†Shirley Smith, needs kidney transplant (Clarence Price's sister)  
**Covington Square**  
†Rita Harrell  
†Joy Knight

**Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:**  
†Sarah Chesnut--Covington Manor  
†Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers  
†Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center  
†Russ Cole—Azalea Gardens  
†Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Rehabilitation Center, Snellville

**Benton House**  
†Helen and George Stamps  
†Mary Crudup  
†Doris Mote  
**Military:**  
†Savannah (Cannon) Knudson  
†Mike Laib  
†Renee Boston

*We celebrate with and congratulate **Rick Gunter** who was recognized as the **Cubmaster of the Year** for the Yellow River District.*

*We extend our sympathy and prayers for **Jessica Jessup** and her family at the death of her grandmother, Fanny Fields .*

**Hospital Visitor:** Ann Bouchillon

**You are invited to join with other** Newton County residents and officials who will gather today to honor the memory of **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.** by celebrating the works of county servants who help keep his spirit alive.

**Doug Bolton** and our pastor, **Billy Wade** are past recipients of the "I Have a Dream" award, and **Tiffany Mattice Kinnaird** and **Meghann Timmins** have received the MLK Scholarship to Oxford College & Emory University. **Louly F. Hay** has been one of the speakers for the day. This year, two of our middle school students, **Jim and Will Gregory** will be participating in the program as readers.

The program is held in Porter Auditorium at Newton High School beginning at 3:00 pm. Come and join in the celebration!

**ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**Make your reservation for Mid-Week Feast by using the forms in the pew rack.** Join us Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. for food and fellowship. This week's menu is: spaghetti, tossed salad and garlic bread. Bring a dessert and join us!

**The Wednesday Night Study Group** meets at 6:45 p.m. following the Mid-Week Feast in the Parlor. We are currently studying the Old Testament.

**The Sacrament of Baptism** will be received by Holden Christopher Evans, son of Aubrey and Shaun Evans, during the morning worship service today.

**A Congregational Meeting** will take place following the worship service on Sunday, January 22, for the purpose of hearing a budget report from the Finance Team and approving changes in the call to the pastor.

**Circle 5—the 5th Wheel**, Thursday, January 26, at 7:00 p.m. At the new home of Angie Blair, 5259 David Circle, SE, Covington, GA 30014 678-727-3931. Please call the hostess to let her know you plan to attend.

**The Witness Team is planning another mission trip** to the Tuscaloosa or Birmingham area during the first week in April. What a way to serve God and his creation!!! Please prayerfully consider this and let us know if you are interested and want more information. Judy Davis 770-464-4025 or Patti Lanford 770-490-3660.

**Children's parties at the local shelter hosted by FPC** began in October 2010. Thanks to the many groups and families in our church for making these parties a success for the past 15 months. We are entering another year and a new party calendar is being prepared. This activity will take one hour of your time and persons of all ages may act as hosts. You will be rewarded by enjoying a fun time with the children and with others from the church. Please call Jean Elder at 770-787-7951 for further information and details on how you may participate.

| This Week at FPC   |  |
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| <p><b>Sunday, January 15</b><br/>                     9:00 Handbell Rehearsal<br/>                     9:30 Children's Choir<br/>                     9:45 Sunday School<br/>                     11:00 Worship Service with Baptism<br/>                     3:00 Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration</p> | <p><b>Wednesday, January 18</b><br/>                     4:00 Adventure Club<br/>                     6:00 Mid-Week Feast<br/>                     6:45 Choir Rehearsal<br/>                     6:45 Study Group</p>  |
| <p><b>Monday, January 16</b><br/>                     Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday<br/>                     Church Office Closed</p>  | <p><b>Thursday, January 19</b><br/>                     10:30 Ambassador Choir</p>   |
| <p><b>Tuesday, January 17</b><br/>                     4:00 Exercise Class</p>   | <p><b>Sunday, January 22</b><br/>                     9:00 Handbell Rehearsal<br/>                     9:30 Children's Choir<br/>                     9:45 Sunday School<br/>                     11:00 Worship Service with a Meeting of the Congregation</p> |

**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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**Food Pantry Needs for January:**

Any non-perishable food items can be donated to the Community Food Pantry, but we ask that you concentrate on macaroni and cheese for the month of January. You may bring your donation to church and place it in one of the bins in the narthex or tubs elsewhere in the building.

**THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY**

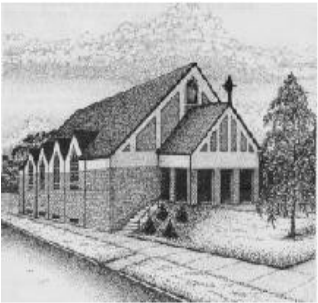
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| <p><b>Nursery Volunteers Today:</b><br/>                     Moss Family<br/>                     Shawn Loftin</p> <p><b>Next Week:</b><br/>                     Bates Family<br/>                     Luton Family</p> | <p><b>Ushers:</b><br/>                     Dennis and Lelia Raines<br/>                     Sam and Loucy Hay</p> <p><b>Sound System:</b><br/>                     Ken Walker</p> |
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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION**

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| <p><b>Class of 2012</b><br/>                     Bernice Bailey<br/>                     Rebecca Bates<br/>                     Mac Cranford<br/>                     Judy Hooten<br/>                     Day Kennon</p> | <p><b>Class of 2013</b><br/>                     Patrick Carmichael<br/>                     Judy Davis<br/>                     Denny Dobbs<br/>                     Aubrey Evans<br/>                     Dave Gregory</p> | <p><b>Class of 2014</b><br/>                     Debra Arnold<br/>                     Bill Loeble<br/>                     Carol Stillerman<br/>                     Roger Tingler<br/>                     Cy Wolverton</p> |
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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF**

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| <p>William B. Wade, Jr. <i>Pastor</i><br/>                     Louly Fowler Hay <i>Parish Associate</i><br/>                     Dan Walden <i>Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i><br/>                     Peni Haug <i>Secretary-Treasurer</i><br/>                     Alan Bunn <i>Music Director</i></p> | <p>Alice Walker <i>CAGO, AAGO Organist/Ambassador Choir</i><br/>                     Pauleen Green &amp; Maria Serrato <i>Nursery</i><br/>                     Krissy Jones <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i></p> |
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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Covington, Georgia  
 January 15, 2012  
 Second Sunday after Epiphany

**Order of Worship**

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

PRELUDE *Fanfare in C Major* Henry Purcell  
*Third Sonata - Con moto maestoso* Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

INTROIT *God Welcomes All* South African Traditional

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 107:1-3, 8

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.  
**God's steadfast love endures for ever!**  
 Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,  
 whom he has redeemed from trouble  
 and gathered in from the lands, from the east  
 and the west, from the north and the south.  
**Let them thank the Lord, for God's steadfast love,  
 for God's wonderful works to all of us!**  
 For the Lord satisfies those who are thirsty,  
 and the hungry God fills with good things.

\* HYMN 487 LAUDES DOMINI

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. You speak, but we do not listen. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage.**  
**In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, forgive others as we have been forgiven and live together in grace.**

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

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.**