

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Jonah* DILLWORTH
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 READING John 15:1-8

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.
The Vine and the Branches

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

- * HYMN 422 BEACH SPRING
God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

A SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND
INSTALLATION (insert) Debra Arnold

- * 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 Robert Hebble
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

- * CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE LINSTEAD
(Hymn 514, stanza 3)

Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere! Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

- * PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Creator God, all good things come from your hand. Cut off from you, we can do nothing. So, nurture us, that by your grace, we may grow and live fruitful lives for the sake of your people. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

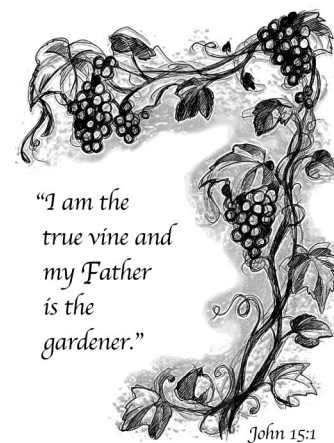
- * HYMN 430 DARWALL'S 148TH
Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

- * CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

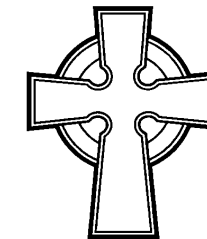
- * CHORAL RESPONSE *Hallelujah* Bell

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

- * POSTLUDE *Toccata* Theodore Dubois



There will be a Congregational Meeting at the conclusion of the morning worship service today for the purpose of hearing a report on the budget and acting on changes in the call to the minister.



Worship Notes	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 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	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Milton Patton's mother—home †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 †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) †Courtney LeCroix Hoover—waiting for double lung transplant, Florida †Shirley Smith, needs kidney transplant (Clarence Price's sister) 	<p>Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †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 <p>Benton House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Helen and George Stamps †Mary Crudup †Doris Mote <p>Military:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Savannah (Cannon) Knudson †Mike Laib †Renee Boston <p>Hospital Visitor: Linda Boyd</p>
<p>Covington Square</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> †Rita Harrell †Joy Knight 	

ONGOING ACTIVITIES IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

A Knitting Group is being formed to provide prayer shawls for members of our church community. The group will meet in the Youth Lounge the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 2:00 PM. Please join us and bring a pair of 11 or 13 knitting needles and 3 skeins of Homespun Yarn. The yarn is available at Michael's and similar stores. If you need further information, call Linda Boyd at 770-833-4942.

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: chicken pot pie, salad and rolls. 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.

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 Tuscaloosa or Birmingham. 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.

Lost and Found: If anyone has found a pair of black rimmed glasses, please call the church office. If you have lost anything at the church, you may call the church office to see if it has been found.

This Week at FPC	
Sunday, January 22	6:45 Choir Rehearsal 9:00 Handbell Rehearsal 9:30 Children's Choir 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service with a Meeting of the Congregation
Tuesday, January 24	2:00 Knitting Group 4:00 Exercise Class
Wednesday, January 25	4:00 Adventure Club 6:00 Mid-Week Feast
	Thursday, January 26 10:30 Ambassador Choir
	Sunday, January 29 9:00 Handbell Rehearsal 9:30 Children's Choir 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service

**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

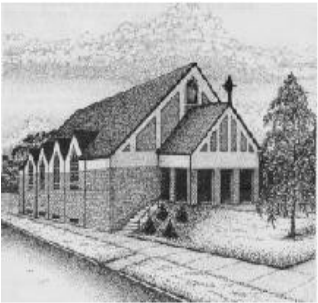
<p>Nursery Volunteers Today: Bates Family Luton Family</p> <p>Next Week: Loeble Family Hawley Family</p>	<p>Ushers: Dennis and Lelia Raines Sam and Loucy Hay</p> <p>Sound System: Ken Walker</p>
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

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

<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> Pauleen Green & Maria Serrato <i>Nursery</i> Krissy Jones <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i></p>
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia
January 22, 2012
Third Sunday after Epiphany

Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

To Thee, Lord Jesus, Thanks We Give J.S. Bach
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee Matthew H. Corl
The King of Love My Shepherd Is John A. Behnke

INTROIT

SOUTH AFRICAN TRADITIONAL
God Welcomes All
Sanctuary Choir

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 63:3-4
Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you, O God.
I will bless you as long as I live, I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

* **HYMN 482** LOBE DEN HERREN
Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Lord God, we confess that we often have failed in our attempts to be your church. We have not told of your strength, of your love, of your grace, and of your mercy. We have hidden from those most in need of your Good News. Forgive us, O God. By your grace, give us the courage to face our deepest fears knowing that you go before us, beside us, and behind us. We ask this prayer in the name of the One who has come among us, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

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!