

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HAMBURG

Hymn 101, stanza 4
**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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 Luke 19:28-44

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr. *Palm Sunday Rocks*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* ANTHEM *O the Lamb* Bell *Sanctuary Choir*

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *A Brief Statement of Faith IX.5*

Christ calls us to pilgrimage toward the kingdom.

Jesus announced the coming of God's kingdom and its hidden presence in the midst of the world's kingdoms. He taught his disciples to seek God's kingdom first.

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us lives in pilgrimage toward God's kingdom.

Like Christ we may enjoy on our journey all that sustains life and makes it pleasant and beautiful.

No more than Christ are we spared the darkness, ambiguity, and the threat of life in the world.

We are in the world, but not of the world.

Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world, but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom.

Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to that kingdom: to serve as he has served us; to take up our cross, risking the consequences of faithful discipleship;

**to walk by faith, not by sight,
to hope for what we have not seen.**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *Passacaglia in D Minor* Dietrich Buxtehude

* DOXOLOGY Hymn 592 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord of Life, help our lives to express what our lips dare to utter. Give us faith that we may follow in the footsteps of Jesus, loving others as he has loved us; for we pray in his name. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN 85 WONDROUS LOVE *What Wondrous Love is This*

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

A Declaration of Faith X.5

Jesus is Lord!

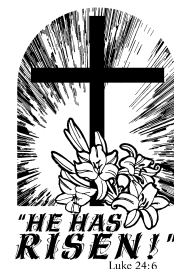
He has been Lord from the beginning.

He will be Lord at the end.

Even now he is Lord.

* CHORAL RESPONSE *Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!* ST. DROSTANE Sanctuary Choir

* POSTLUDE George Frederic Handel *Allegro* from "Concerto Grosso in C Minor"



Flowering of the Cross

An outdoor cross will be erected before Easter Sunday on the front lawn of the church. You are invited to bring cut flowers on Easter with which to decorate the cross to commemorate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP NOTES

- * Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries is assisting in the worship service today.
- * Patti Lanford and Carol Dunbar will be playing the handbells this morning with the anthem.
- * Thanks also to the children leading the processional this morning.
- * 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—surgery Friday | † Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center |
| † Jonathan Millers' mother—surgery & rehabilitation | † Hal Cline |
| † Jean Oldham—home | † Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville |
| † Theodosia's Wade's sister-in-law—Piedmont | Military: |
| † Diane Loebble—home | † David and Savannah Rickert |
| † Joe Hughes (Leon Hughes brother) - heart surgery | † Mike Laib |
| † B.C. Crowell—home | |
| † Joyce Ashworth—home | |
| † Don & Carol Adams—recovering from auto accident. | <i>Celebrate with Martha Taylor who was awarded the "Best Practices Award," first place, for the "Celebrate Hope" program she submitted as part of her position as the Volunteer Services Director at Newton Medical Center. This award was presented at the annual GA Society of Directors of Volunteer Services meeting in March.</i> |
| † Beth Vining—broken foot | |
| † Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, awaiting lung transplant | |
| † Jonathan Paschal— home | |
| Covington Square | |
| † Rita Harrell and | |
| † Joy Knight | |
| Nursing Homes: | |
| † John Cannon, Merryvale | |
| † Maymenell Bohanan - Riverside | |
| † Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor | <i>The hospital team member who will be visiting people this week is Mary Bollinger.</i> |
| † Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers | |

Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 3, at 11:00 a.m. at the home of Sam and Loucy Hay. Join us in hunting the eggs and then for lunch. Bring a basket with 10 plastic eggs filled with wrapped candy (per child), and a salad or dessert to share for lunch. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. The egg hunt will begin shortly after 11:00 and lunch will begin around noon.



THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, March 28

9:30 Children's Choir
 9:45 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service
 5:30 Youth Connection

Monday—Friday

Noon—Holy Week Worship
 with lunch following

Tuesday, March 30

4:00 Exercise Class

Wednesday, March 31

4:00 Adventure Club ???
 6:30 Handbell Choir
 7:15 Sanctuary Choir

**Thursday, April 1
 Maundy Thursday**

7:15 Youth Prayer Breakfast
 10:30 Ambassador Choir
 11:30 Prayer Group
 7:00 Maundy Thursday
 Worship with Communion

**Sunday, April 4
 Easter**

9:45 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. in the fellowship hall. All adults are invited to participate.

Mid-Week Feast: There will be no Mid-Week Feast on Wednesday evening, March 31st. Please join us for Holy Week Services at noon that day and lunch afterwards.

DVD LECTURE SERIES: No meeting on March 31.

"He Shall Arise," an Easter Musical will be presented at 6:00 p.m. this evening at First Baptist Church Covington. Everyone is invited.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Each Easter, Presbyterian churches from all over our denomination collect the **One Great Hour of Sharing** offering. This offering benefits people in need around the world. If you can donate, please note "One Great Hour" on your check and place it in the envelope supplied in your bulletin. For more information a leaflet is included in today's bulletin. Thank you.

FPC is hosting the Holy Week services and lunch each day after the service. Please indicate the day(s) and number of people we might expect from your family.

Name _____

3/29 Mon.	3/30 Tue.	3/31 Wed.	4/1 Thur.	4/2 Fri.
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**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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Community Holy Week Services

Our church will be hosting the Community Holy Week Services at noon each day this week. Lunch will be served in the fellowship hall at 12:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday

The Maundy Thursday candlelight communion service will be celebrated around tables in the Martin Fellowship Hall, Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

**Caring for Our Youngest
 Members in the
 Nursery:**

Ann Bouchillon
 Laib Family

Next week:
 Loucy/Sam Hay Family
 Stillerman Family

Hosts:

Lynn and Jonathan Miller

Ushers:

Donna Weesner
 Gene Wallace

Sound System:

Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

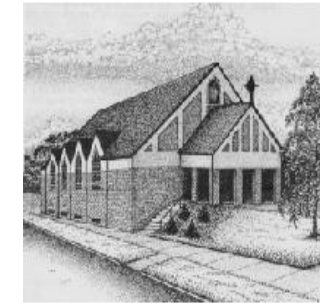
Class of 2010
 Stephanie Fortson
 Ruth McDaniel
 Jonathan Miller
 Pam Stillerman
 Gene Wallace

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 Alan Bunn	<i>Parish Associate Director of Youth and Children's Ministry Secretary-Treasurer Music Director</i>	Deana Graham Elizabeth Daniell	<i>Nursery Director of the Early Learning Center Student Intern</i>



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
 CHURCH**

Covington, Georgia

March 28, 2010
 Palm/Passion Sunday

Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Chaconne in E Minor* Dietrich Buxtehude
Triumph Song Alec Rowley
 INTROIT *Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!* ST. DROSTANE
 Sanctuary Choir

* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 16:11

Lift up your heads, O gates!
 And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
 that the King of glory may come in.
Who is the King of glory?
 The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!
 Lift up your heads, O gates!
 And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
 that the King of glory may come in.
Who is the King of glory?
 The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 88 VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN
All Glory, Laud and Honor

* PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THANKSGIVING

* HYMN (insert) ELLACOMBE
Hosanna, Loud Hosanna
 Sanctuary Choir, Handbells and Congregation

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

O God, we confess that we know what it is to stand in a crowd and cheer, to support a cause and then forget it within a week. We know what it is to stand by silently, to deny you and to deny what is right, to fail you and your will for peace and justice. We have made promises that we have failed to keep and we have sacrificed our principles to our own self-interest. We are not worthy to be called your disciples. Yet you, O God, are faithful; you, O God, are eternally loving and accepting. Forgive us our lack of faith, courage, and vision. Make us into a new people, in and through Jesus our Savior.