

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hope in the Lord! For with God there is steadfast love; with God is great power to redeem.

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name.

* THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Praise, O Praise, Our God and King* Ehret

Sanctuary Choir and John Scott, trumpet
*Praise, O praise our God and King; hymns of adoration sing;
For His mercies still endure, ever faithful, ever sure.
Praise Him that He gave the rain to mature the swelling grain;
For His mercies still endure, ever faithful, ever sure.
Praise Him for our harvest store; He hath filled the garner floor.
For His mercies still endure, ever faithful, ever sure.
Glory to our bounteous King! Glory let creation sing!
Glory to the Father, Son, and blest Spirit, Three in One!
Praise, O praise our God and King!*

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 I Thessalonians 5:1-11

SERMON William B. Wade, Jr.

The Last Word

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN 142 CORONATION

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

* 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

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *PRECIOUS LORD*
Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, help me stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light; take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY Robert Hebble *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

* HYMN 554 ASH GROVE *Let All Things Now Living*

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lead us, O God, to conform this world to your kingdom of love, justice, and peace. Help us to live as the Lord requires: to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you, our God. Keep us faithful in your service until Christ comes in final victory and we shall feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal realm. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN 551 ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* (stanza 4)

Even so, Lord, quickly come to Thy final harvest home; gather Thou Thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin; There forever purified, in Thy presence to abide: Come, with all Thine angels come, raise the glorious harvest home.

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

John 16:33; Revelation 11:15
Jesus said: "In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of

our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever. Amen.

* CHORAL RESPONSE CRUCIFER *Lift High the Cross* Sanctuary Choir

* POSTLUDE ST. THOMAS *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord* Sanctuary Choir

WORSHIP NOTES

- We welcome back John Scott who will be playing the trumpet in today's service.
- Dan Walden, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with worship.
- 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

† Brennan Simkins, 7 year old cousin of the Hay family - chemo treatment in preparation for second bone marrow transplant at St. Jude Hospital in Memphis.	† Rita Harrell and Joy Knight
† David Shane, nephew of Doug & Sherri Bolton - heart surgery	Nursing Homes:
† Darrell Davis - Rockdale Medical Center	† Sarah Chesnut and Sarah Hooten - Covington Manor
† Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, awaiting lung transplant	† Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers
† Ricky Loftin - surgery, home	† Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center
† Jonathan Paschal - surgery, home	† Hal Cline
† Chris Weesner - surgery this month	† Gretchen Buendia - Parkwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville
† Bob Lanford, Father of Rob Lanford - cancer treatment	Military:
† Betty Bailey - radiation and chemo therapy	† David and Savannah Rickert
† Danny Vining - radiation therapy	† Mike Laib
† Buddy Hughes - Hodgkins disease, friend of Judy Davis	
† John Braden - heart transplant	<i>The hospital team member who will be visiting people this week is Louly F. Hay.</i>

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

December Meeting Schedule

Christmas Celebrations

- Circle I - Tuesday, December 1, 10:30 a.m. at the home of Joyce Ashworth 2081 Willow Springs Church Road, Social Circle, 770-464-0627
- Circle II - Tuesday, December 1, 10:00 a.m. at the home of Linda Boyd, 4176 Hwy. 81 SW, Covington, 770-787-3350
- Circle III - Tuesday, December 1, 6:30 p.m. at the home of Linda Boyd, 4176 Hwy. 81 SW, Covington, 770-787-3350 (Yes, 2 times in one day!)
- Circle IV - Tuesday, December 1, 10:00 a.m. at the home of Alice Walker, 8214 Wood St. Covington, 770-787-6915 (Christmas brunch)

All women of the church are invited to attend the circle of their choice. Please call the hostess to let her know you plan to attend.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

<p>Sunday, November 22 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service No Youth Connection</p> <p>Tuesday, November 24 4:00 Exercise Class 7:00 Community Thanksgiving Worship Service at FPC</p> <p>Wednesday, November 25 Food prep at Sharp Center</p>	<p>Thursday, November 26 Thanksgiving Day Community Thanksgiving Dinner at Sharp Learning Center Office Closed</p> <p>Sunday, November 29 First Sunday of Advent 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service with the Lord's Supper 6:00 Youth Connection</p>
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What Presbyterians Believe: The class will continue on Sundays, November 29, and December 6, at 9:45. Newly elected Session members will take part and others who would like to know more about this subject are invited also.

AN EXERCISE CLASS meets on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. in the Martin Fellowship Hall.

NO MID-WEEK FEAST Due to Thanksgiving Week Celebrations, there will be no Mid-Week Feast on Wednesday, November 25th. Dinners will resume on December 2nd.

DVD series will return on December 2.

Prayer Group The Prayer Group meets each Thursday (except holidays), at 11:30 in the Parlor. Prayer requests may be entered on one of the yellow forms in the pew and put into the offering plate or in the prayer box in the narthex.

Thanksgiving Meal: If you'd like to help provide the Thanksgiving meal at Sharp Learning Center, sign up on one of the forms available in the narthex or call Rosalee at the Food Pantry, 770-784-0037. Thank you!

FPC will be supporting the community effort to purchase **bullet proof vests for Newton County Sheriff's Deputies**. Each vest costs \$600-700. Our goal is to raise enough funds from congregational donations to purchase five (5) vests. When donating, please make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church and note the purpose as Newton Sheriff's Office vests. Through our donations we may help save a deputy's life.

Please be advised that the Congregational Life and Care Committee will be cleaning out the kitchen freezer and refrigerator on Monday, November 23rd. If you have something special, please identify it with your name before that date and those items will be left intact.

Please remember to sign up for Poinsettias using one of the forms available in the newsletter or bulletin. We need them no later than November 30. Thank you.

Save the Date! All those who qualify for a senior discount are invited to a Christmas lunch on Thursday, December 10, at the church. More details will be forthcoming.

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.

You can FAX us at 770-786-6596

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We give thanks for the 73 households who have returned their pledge cards for 2010. Last year we had 87 pledging households and hope to have that many (or more) again this year. If you have not turned in a pledge card, please prayerfully consider doing so. Having your commitment in writing helps the Finance Team better plan the budget for the coming year. Pledge cards are available in the narthex or church office.



**Annual
Stewardship
Campaign**

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Caring for Our Youngest Members in the

Nursery:

Stillerman Family
Ann Bouchillon

Next week:

Arnold Family
Loucy/Sam Hay Family

Hosts:

Lynn and Jonathan Miller

Ushers:

John, Terri & Jake McCarthy
J. L. Johnson

Sound System

Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

Class of 2009

Doug Bolton
Elizabeth Daniell
Terri Digby
Lane Dobbs
Barbara Johnson
Bill Loebler
Cy Wolverton

Class of 2010

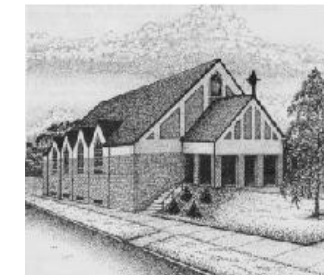
Stephanie Fortson
Ruth McDaniel
Jonathan Miller
Pam Stillerman
Gene Wallace

Class of 2011

Jean Blair
Carol Dunbar
Rick Gunter
Jay Lanners
Donna Weesner

CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr. <i>Pastor</i>	Alan Bunn <i>Choir Director</i>
Louly F. Hay <i>Parish Associate</i>	Alice Walker <i>CAGO, AAGO,</i>
Dan Walden <i>Director of Youth</i>	<i>Organist & Ambassador Choir</i>
<i>and Children's Ministry</i>	Aubrey Evans & Maria Serrato
Peni Haug <i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	<i>Nursery</i>
	Deana Graham <i>Director, ELC</i>



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia

November 22, 2009
Christ the King Sunday

Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *Jesus Christ, Our Lord Redeemer* J. S. Bach
O God, Our Help in Ages Past Edwin T. Childs
Oh, Worship the King Joyce Jones

INTROIT *Lift High the Cross* CRUCIFER
Sanctuary Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 96:10-13

Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!
Yes, the world is established, it shall never be moved;
he will judge the people with equity."

**Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
let the field exult, and everything in it!**

Then shall all the trees of the wood sing for joy
before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes
to judge the earth. He will judge the world with
righteousness.

And the people with his truth.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 151 DIADEMATA
Crown Him with Many Crowns

CALL TO CONFESSION from Psalm 130

Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our voices.

Let your ears be attentive to the voices of our
supplications.

(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who
could stand?

**But there is forgiveness with you, so that you
may be revered.**

So, hear us, as we call to you, confessing who we have
been, and seeking your help for who we yet can be.