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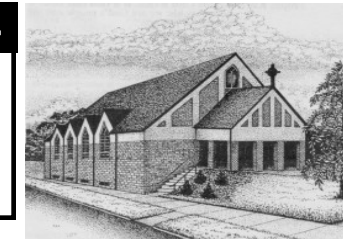
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Rally Day

It is hard to believe, but summer vacation is almost over. **Sunday, August 17th**, is Rally Day, the day when we begin a new Sunday School season, the day when many of our programs and activities begin again for the school year.

On Rally Day, new Sunday school teachers and classes will be introduced at a church-wide gathering in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. The Welcoming Team will provide a healthy breakfast.

The Lord's Supper

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship on Sunday, August 17, 2014. Prepare your heart.



In Remembrance of Me

The deadline for the September "First Press" is August 18, 2014. Please submit your articles and information to the church office by email: penihaug@att.net or by dropping off your copy to the church office, neatly printed or typed or on a flash drive. Thanks!

August Birthdays

- 4 Betsy Morehouse
- 5 Velma Prescott
Mac Cranford
Grady Wade
- 6 Danny Vining
- 7 Avery Lewis
- 8 Sandy Morehouse
- 9 Bill Loebler
- 11 Bob Rossi
- 12 Kenny Compton
- 13 Emily Bunn
- 14 Jean Elder
- 15 Tiffany McWaters



- 16 Carol McGiboney
Haylee Sierra Burts
- 17 Homer Borders
- 18 Ryan Henderson
- 22 John Stamps
- 23 Bettie Miller
Charles Strickland
- 25 Kevin Hester
- 26 Dale Tingle
- 27 Elizabeth Gregory
- 29 Brad Hawley
- 30 Dennis Raines
- 31 Holden Evans

If your birthday has not appeared on our monthly list, please notify us and we will add it to our data base so that when your next birthday rolls around, we will be able to help you celebrate!

Presbytery of Greater Atlanta

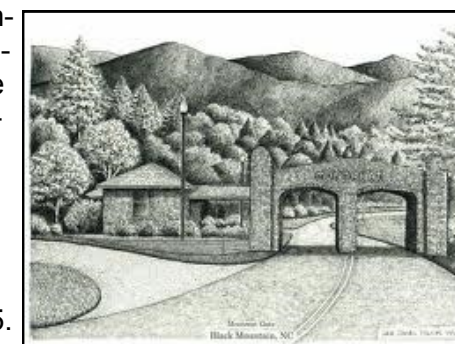
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

The Presbytery of Greater Atlanta will be meeting on Saturday, August 16, 2014 at the First Presbyterian Church in Peachtree City. Please keep the Church in your prayers.

Montreat Retreat

November 7th - 9th

It is time to start signing up for the congregational retreat to Montreat, NC. This intergenerational event combines worship, study and fun in the beautiful mountains of our Presbyterian Conference Center near Asheville, NC. Costs for the trip can be obtained from the church office. Some financial help is available. A deposit of \$50 will be due with registration and a second payment of \$100 is due on August 31, at the latest. Final payments will be due on October 5. Forms are in the narthex.



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SESSION & ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

Weekly E-newsletter:

If you are not receiving the FPC weekly E-News, send your e-mail address to:

info@fpccov.org or call the church office.



Session Meeting

There was no regular meeting during the month of July. The Session will meet immediately after worship on Sunday, August 10.



Back to School

To Students and Teachers:

Have a safe and successful year!

Pledge Arrears for 2014
\$ -6,047

Monthly Financial Report

2014 June Numbers rounded	Monthly Budget	Monthly Income/Expenses	YTD Income/Expenses
Pledged Income	30,978	36,012	179,824
Non-Pledge Income	2,666	3,300	25,078
Other Income	500	35	5,320
Total income	34,145	39,347	210,222
Expenses	36,743	37,995	207,600
Net Totals 6/30/14	(-2,598)	1,352	2,622

To Our Friends at First Presbyterian Church,

In this time of sorrow we have received many cards and notes expressing your love and sympathy. It is with thankful hearts that we express our gratitude for this blessing. This is a very sad time for us and it has been most comforting to look in your eyes and see the love of God as you shared your thoughts with us. These loving thoughts will help through the days ahead.

With gratitude and blessings
Jeanie & Warren Liem



Thank You Notes

Our sincere, heartfelt thanks for all the prayers and kindnesses shown in so many ways during Don's ordeal with pain. Believe in Miracles was his comment as he is now pain free. Dr. Hanowell has said complete bed rest for two weeks before seeing him again.
In God's love,
Don and Mary Bollinger



Mary Crudup now resides at:
Hope Center
1200 Winder Hwy
Dacula, GA 30019

SERVING US IN JULY

Nursery Volunteers

8/3 Lori & Charles Ardis Family
8/10 Sam & Karen Moss Family
8/17 Donna Weesner Family
8/24 Rob & Kerry Jones Family
8/31 Doug & Brigham Arnold

Ushers

8/3: Terri Digby, Jake McCarthy, Donna Weesner, and Shaun Evans
8/10: Perri Walden, Bernice Bailey, Betty Bailey
Sound Engineer: Ken Walker

Hospital Visitors

8/3 Jean Wolverton
8/10 Jean Blair
8/17 Jon Williams
8/24 Cy Wolverton
8/31 Leon Hughes

MEMBERS OF SESSION

Class of 2014

Debra Arnold
Bill Loeble
Darcel Tabb
Roger Tingler
Cy Wolverton
Sam Hay, IV



Class of 2015

Gary Boteler
Billy Fortson
Jan Giles
Jim Stillerman
Kevin Weber

Class of 2016

Charles Ardis
Joyce Ashworth
Betty Bailey
Patrick Carmichael
Perri Walden



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Newton Schools begin a new year!	2
	See our website at: www.fpccov.org					
3 9:00 Handbell Choir 9:30 Children's Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship	4	5 4:00 Exercise	6 4:00 Prayer Group 6:45 Sanctuary Choir	7 ELC Open House at 10:00 & 11:15 in the sanctuary 10:30 Ambassador Choir	8	9 Youth Family Lake Day at Lake Jackson* *see page 4
10 9:00 Handbell Choir 9:30 Children's Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship	11 Early Learning Center classes begin	12 4:00 Exercise	13 4:00 Adventure Club 4:00 Prayer Group 6:00 Mid-Week Feast 6:45 Sanctuary Choir	14 10:30 Ambassador Choir	15 	16 Presbytery Meeting in Peachtree City at 1st Presbyterian
17 RALLY DAY 9:00 Handbell Choir 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Children's Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship & Communion	18 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	19 4:00 Exercise	20 4:00 Adventure Club 4:00 Prayer Group 6:45 Sanctuary Choir	21 10:30 Ambassador Choir	22	23
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Mission Trip Report

Talk about loaves and fishes!!! We, on the mission trip to Nicaragua, saw your contributions multiply before our eyes. Because of you and the other contributors, we were able to double the number of water filters and food bags that we delivered. We gave out 35 baby bags, partnered with Compassion International to offer 54 scholarships for one year's study at a local trade school, presented the prenatal clinic with 5 breast pumps and left funds to have their broken ultra sound fixed or replaced. We taught Bible School for over 400 children, spent the days having fun with students of a special needs school, visited a nursing home, and carried sandwiches to inmates in a grossly overcrowded prison. We prayed and cried and gave thanks over and over again for your generosity that continues to support this mission, and for your prayers that assure us that we are being cared for.

Thank you,
Judy Davis



Food Pantry Needs

Community Food Pantry

Bring donations to the church or drop them off at the Community Food Pantry from 9:00-11:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday. Call (770) 784-0037 for directions.

Special requests for August: Cooking Oil. and other staple food items

**August 4-6 or August 15-16
Reconciling Paul
2014-15 Horizons/Presbyterian Women
Bible Study Leader Training**

Program fees: \$105—\$125

Location: Columbia Theological Seminary,
Harrington Center 222, Decatur, GA 30031

These courses are designed for those who will lead the 2014-2015 Horizons Bible Study; others interested in a contemporary study of Second Corinthians are welcome. The author of this year's study leads this session. Course participants will dig deeply into the material, hear from a panel of leaders, participate in listening groups and receive tips for leading the study throughout the coming year. For a current listing of all courses, visit <http://www.ctsnet.edu/lifelong-courses-and-events>.



Presbyterian Women

Fall Unit Meeting

**Monday
September 8, 2014
6:00 p.m.**

Martin Fellowship Hall

Presbyterian Women cordially invite all interested women to be present for the Fall Unit Meeting, a biennial meeting when all circles meet together. The purpose, ministries, and outreach of Presbyterian Women will be highlighted. New 2014-2015 Circle Leaders will be welcomed. Plans for the new year will be presented. Dessert and beverages will be followed by a short but very meaningful video on prayer entitled "Peace, Be Still" featuring Beth Moore and other Christian leaders. This year will be an exciting one for Presbyterian Women! We are happy to welcome new or returning members.

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves: to nurture our faith and Bible study, to support the mission of the church worldwide, to work for justice and peace, and to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.

Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team:

1) Officers:

Moderator: Alice Walker
Vice Moderator: Sherri Bolton
Secretary: Beth Vining
Co-Treasurers: Jeanie Liem and Anne Savage

2) Circle Chairmen:

Circle One: Ann Bouchillon
Circle Two: Jean Blair and Carol Dunbar
Circle Three: Stephanie Fortson
Circle Four: Judy Hooten
E-Circle: Adriane Hawley

**MONTREAT WORSHIP AND
MUSIC CONFERENCE:**

Our FPC music staff attended week 2 of the **Montreat Worship and Music Conference** June 22 - 27, 2014 in Montreat, NC. Participating along with Alan Bunn and Alice Walker were **Lisa and Tory Bouchillon** (first time at Montreat!). We sang in choirs, played handbells, and attended interesting, inspiring sessions to help us grow as church musicians and directors. **Tory** even had a **solo** with the middle school choir at the final Friday night concert on 6/27! It was a wonderful week to learn, relax, and just be with one another in one of the most beautiful places on earth.

CHOIR AND HANDBELL NEWS:

The first **HANDBELL CHOIR** rehearsal is scheduled for **Sunday, August 3** at 9 am in the sanctuary.



The first **CHILDREN'S CHOIR** rehearsal is scheduled for **Sunday, August 3** at 9:30 am in the choir room.



The first **SANCTUARY CHOIR** rehearsal is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 6** at 6:45 pm in the choir room.



Remember that *everyone* is invited to sing and/or play in one of the musical ensembles at First Presbyterian Church. We all serve God in many ways, and one of the most awesome ways is **through music** - both vocal and instrumental.

If you are interested in singing and/or playing in one of the FPC choirs, please attend one of the above rehearsals and/or contact the director of music, Alan Bunn at abunn@jackson.k12.ga.us or organist, Alice Walker, at awalker.organist@gmail.com. We would love for you to share your musical gifts to God and our congregation through performing in one of our nurturing musical ensembles.

Musically,
Alan Bunn, Music Director

Cross Walk

A crosswalk is a safe space - a "sanctuary" - for those traveling through life. Help us to create a "Cross Walk" here at FPC. Bring wall-mountable crosses from your travels so that we can display them on the wall in the hall outside the narthex. Include a note with your name(s) and cross origin information so that we can create a book detailing the cross display for future generations.



Wednesday Night Dinner Is Back



Wednesday night dinners will be the 2nd Wednesday of every month beginning **Wednesday, August 13, at 6:00**. Come enjoy the fellowship. Make sure that you use the sign up cards in the pews and place it in the offering plate.

You may also call the church office to give your reservation. The price will remain the same which is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children over 10 yrs. old.

If you had your picture made for the new directory, be sure to pick it up at the Wednesday night dinner. For more information, contact Darcel Tabb or Betty Bailey. If you are unable to attend Aug. 13th we will be in the foyer of the church August 10th and 17th for you pick-up your directory. After those dates your directory may be picked up from the church office.



Did You Know?

That on January 1, 1944, the Session with the Rev. Marshall Dendy as moderator received a report from the Building Committee to consider selling the present manse and either buying or building a new one.

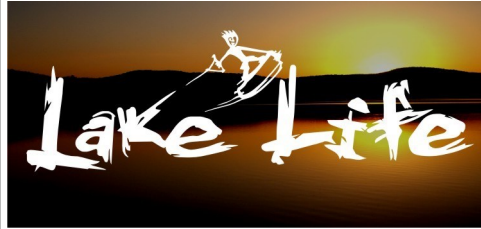
That many of the early pastors of FPC also served other Presbyterian churches in Newton County, especially Bethany. The Session with Rev. Marshall Dendy as moderator, had questions about making changes in the relationship with Bethany. Rev. Dendy served both Covington and Bethany in 1944 and 1945.

That the Statistical Report for FPC to the Atlanta Presbytery was approved on April 6, 1947. This report shows 147 members, the pastor's salary was \$2100, and total benevolence as \$2093.

FAMILY CONNECTION

** YOUTH NEWS for PARENTS **

Please make a note about the following upcoming gatherings.



• **YOUTH FAMILY LAKE DAY:** Saturday, **August 9th @ 10:00am.** Youth and their families are invited to join us for a day on Lake Jackson at the home of Susan & Gary Boteler. We will leave from the church at 10:00am and enjoy lunch and plenty of wet fun at the lake. Invite your friends! **Please RSVP to Dan Walden at 404-405-3559 so that we can make sure we have plenty of food for everyone.**

• **CONNECTION PLANNING:** Sunday, **August 24th. Parents and youth** (6th through 12th grades) are encouraged to come together for dinner followed by some discussion about our plans and our mission together. **Details about time and place TBA. Bring your calendar !!**

It's time once again for...

Adventure Club

Starts Wednesday, August 13th

Adventure Club is for all children grades Kindergarten through 5th. We'll meet on Wednesday afternoons from 4:00 to 5:45 pm to learn about God and God's people through games, drama, music and arts & crafts.

VBS Thanks!!

Thanks to many dedicated adult and teenaged volunteers, we had the best Vacation Bible School ever!!! With the help of these volunteers and the generous donations of many, we took seriously our charge to welcome the children of our church and community in the name of Christ Jesus. **THANKS TO ALL!!**

** Early Learning Center News **

Dear FPC Family,

Wow, what a wonderful Welcome I have received! Thanks to all of you who have stopped by to introduce yourselves and offer assistance with my transition. I am excited to be here and look forward to getting to know all of you better.

We are getting ready to welcome a new school year at FPELC!

We have a busy schedule for August:

- Teacher pre-planning: **August 4th - 6th**
- Open House **August: 7th**
- First day of school: **August 11th**.



We would love to have volunteers to help with Open House on Thursday, August 7th. We will have two sessions: 10:00am for students with last names beginning A-M, and 11:15am for students with last names beginning N-Z. We need help sorting supplies, selling shirts, passing out handbooks, and directing people to the correct classrooms. If you are able to volunteer, please plan to arrive at 9:45.



We will have many opportunities for the FPC family to help and visit the ELC during the school year. We will continue to have library time with guest readers, and we hope to acquire help from some of you with our annual An Art Affair which we plan to host in March of 2015.

Again, thank you for the warm welcome and to those of you who are willing to lend a helping hand for our amazing little school!

Thanks for all of your support and God Bless! ~Tiffany

FALL RETREAT

COME REVIVE AND RENEW YOUR SPIRIT THROUGH ACTIVITIES, MUSIC, AND PREACHING

The retreat theme is "Passing the baton of faith . . . To the Next Generation". Will you be "Runners" or "Balcony People"?

PASSING THE BATON OF FAITH



How would you describe the basic content of the Christian faith that we seek to pass on to the next generations and how would you do that in this changing world?

SCHEDULE

- 2:00 - 3:30 Family Recreation - Activities provided for all ages:(Fishing, Canoeing, Softball, horseshoes, nature walk, hay ride, archery, lake life exploration, scavenger hunt)
- 3:30 - 5:00 Music and Worship
- 5:00 - 6:00 Small Group Discussions
- 6:00 - 7:00 Dinner
\$10 Adults; \$5 child under age 10

(Registration and dinner fee payable in advance at your church)

Infant care provided
Child care provided during worship

WHERE: Calvin Center
Directions: www.calvincenter.org

WHEN: Sunday, September 7, 2014

TIME: 2:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

GUEST SPEAKER: Rev. Dr. Tom Tewell, Executive Director of Macedonian Ministry, a program to equip pastoral leaders for their ministry

PRESENTED BY:
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