



awfulness in our lives and world.

Cast out our demons, Lord,  
Make us new again

Forgive us when we contribute to the brokenness of the world and the lives  
of people around us.

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Make us new again

Forgive us when we trust darkness more than we trust your light.

Cast out our demons, Lord,  
Make us new again. Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE 361      *O Christ, the Great Foundation*      AURELIA  
***O Christ, the great foundation on which your people stand to preach  
your true salvation in every age and land: pour out your Holy Spirit to  
make us strong and pure to keep the faith unbroken as long as worlds  
endure. Baptized in one confession, on church in all the earth, we  
bear our Lord's impression, the sign of second birth: one holy people  
gathered in love beyond our own, by grace we were invited; by grace  
we make you known.***

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

### ***PROCLAIMING THE WORD***

THE WORD WITH CHILDREN      Rev. Neeley Rentz Lane

ANTHEM      *Ride On, King Jesus!*      arr. Hall Johnson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING      Mark 1:21-28

SERMON      *Who is Jesus?  
Loving Authority*      Rev. Neeley Rentz Lane

### ***RESPONDING TO THE WORD***

HYMN 181 (stanzas 1 & 3)      *Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit*      EBENEZER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from PCUSA Brief Statement of Faith)

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.**

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:**

**preaching good news to the poor**

**and release to the captives,**

**teaching by word and deed**

**and blessing the children,**

**healing the sick**

**and binding up the brokenhearted,**

**eating with outcasts,**

**forgiving sinners,**

**and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,**

**Jesus was crucified,**

**suffering the depths of human pain**

and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to life eternal.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

#### OFFERING

DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**God of all, may our offerings this day spread the loving authority of Jesus Christ throughout the world. And by the authority of Jesus, may we go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything that Jesus has commanded us. Amen**

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

HYMN 275

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

EIN FESTE BURG

#### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Passacaglia in C Minor*

J. S. Bach



Souper Bowl of Caring is on **Sunday, February 7th**. We will be donating funds to a charity selected by our youth. You may give by Text To Give, Realm, and/or mailing a check to church. Please specify "Souper Bowl." To learn more about Souper Bowl of Caring we invite you to visiting their mission's website.

# Ongoing Activities in the Life of the Church

## This Week at FPC

### Sunday, January 31, Epiphany 4

9:45 Adult Sunday School—link below  
 10:00 Youth Sunday School—link below  
 11:00 Worship Service  
 (Livestream link provided the in Weekly Enews)  
 7:00 Jammies and Jesus (link below)  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82191056781>  
 Meeting ID: 821 9105 6781

### Wednesday, February 3

6:00 Seekers & Searchers on Zoom

### Sunday, February 7, Epiphany 5

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## Christian Education

**Adults** - Adult Sunday School is a casual time of conversation and fellowship. Each week is a stand-alone lesson, so if you miss a week, come back the next! Adult Sunday School meets on Zoom at 9:45am. The Zoom link for Adult Sunday school will be the same for the next two months: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83852010376> Meeting ID: 838 5201 0376

**Youth** - Youth Sunday School is led by Pam and Jim Stillerman and offers a time of connection and of studying scripture. Youth Sunday School meets on Zoom at 10:00am. [Click here](#) to join Zoom. Passcode: AlcovyFit1

**Children** - Pre-recorded on Facebook on Saturdays by Dan and Perri Walden or you can find them on our children's webpage: <https://www.fpccov.org/children.html> Be sure to tune in to hear their message.



### Searchers and Seekers Small Group

For all visitors, New members, and members who want to know more about FPC Covington and the PCUSA. We invite you to join in a time of fellowship and study. What do we believe? Why do we believe what we believe? What is our church polity? How do we understand salvation and grace? What does it mean to be a member of the church? Why do we do what we do and say what we say? If you have expressed any of these questions – this is place for you! Please contact Donna Weesner if you are interested in joining this ministry opportunity!

Join us on Zoom: Feb. 3 from 6-7

Zoom Information: Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82728290092>

Meeting ID: 827 2829 0092

### Virtual Valentines

**Calling all creative Children of God!** You are invited to create a Valentine for a member of our church family and/or community member! We will be dropping off craft kits to children on our church roster next week. If you would like a kit dropped off on your doorstep let us know! All Valentines are to be returned to the church by Feb. 8. You are also welcome to leave them at your front door and arrange for pick up. If you are interested in participating in this Virtual Valentine Craft ministry opportunity please contact Cindy Moon ([cindymoonhomes@gmail.com](mailto:cindymoonhomes@gmail.com)).

### Grief Small Group

Grief is a natural response to loss. It involves emotional, psychological, and many times physical suffering. We often think of grief as a reaction to the death of a loved one but it can also be a reaction to loss of a job, of a way of life, of physical abilities, or as many of us have suffered lately, the loss of interaction with other people. Covid has brought grief to our doorsteps in more ways than one. Often sharing our grief with others who are also grieving lessens the burden; therefore, for this reason, Neeley and the Pastoral Care Team would like to offer those of you who are dealing with loss of any kind a chance to meet together to share our griefs and share ideas of things that have helped us cope with loss. If you are interested in joining a grief group please contact Neeley Neeley@fpccov.org.

### Worship Mouse



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Neeley Rentz Lane	Senior Pastor	Peni Kehoe	Church Administrator
Krista Firkus	Music Director	Danielle Schubert	Nursery
Alice Walker	CAGO, AAGO Organist/Ambassador Choir		

## MEMBERS OF SESSION

<b>Class of 2021</b> Jay Lanners Warren Liem Pam Stillerman Donna Weesner Cy Wolverton	<b>Class of 2022</b> Aubrey Evans John McCarthy Cindy Moon Stephanie Scarborough Trista Hooten Wilson	<b>Class of 2023</b> Cheryl Gibson Stan Hall Louly Hay Kapp Ed Perkerson Bob Tabb
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## We thank you for your continued support of First Presbyterian Church of Covington!

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 your offering: Text to: 73256  
 Enter FPCCOV as your message, click to send  
 Or use this link: <https://onrealm.org/FirstPresbyterianChurchCov/give/FPCCOVtext>

If you made a pledge for 2021, choose "2021 Pledge" as the fund. Then the system will walk you through entering your bank or credit card information. If you did not make a pledge you can choose another fund such as "Non-pledge"; or "Thornwell" "Food Pantry", etc. There is a drop-down menu you can scroll through to choose a fund. You now have the option to help offset the cost of on-line giving. Just check the space and use the suggested donation or put in what you'd like to give. Use this link for on-line giving: <https://onrealm.org/FirstPresbyterianChurchCov/give/now>

### In Our Thoughts and Prayers

- ◆ Carol McGiboney-Covid-19
- ◆ Steve Jones—cancer (friend of Alice Walker)
- ◆ Laurie, Alan & Emily Bunn-Covid-19 (daughter, granddaughter and son-in-law of Beth & Danny Vining)
- ◆ Mark & Jenny Fogarty-Covid-19
- ◆ Bill Cobham-surgery on February 3rd
- ◆ Susan Fiedler-cancer (friend of Darcel Tabb)
- ◆ Hulda McDonald-health issues (friend of Judy Davis)
- ◆ Linda Shirley-knee fracture & other bone issues (teacher at Flint Elementary)
- ◆ Roger Tingler-Covid-19 with pneumonia
- ◆ Billy Fortson-Covid-19 at home
- ◆ Betty Robinson-Covid 19, Merryvale
- ◆ Blair Weaver-health issues
- ◆ Jane Parker-recovering from fall
- ◆ Mitchell Wheeler-cancer (nephew of Jack & Miriam Wheeler)
- ◆ Betty Lunsford-recovering at home
- ◆ Sarita Pope-breast cancer (mother-in-law of Elizabeth Martin Pope)
- ◆ Nancy Smith-recovering at home (daughter of Sandy & Betsy Morehouse)
- ◆ Ginny Elliott-rehab following fall (step-mother of Aubrey Evans)
- ◆ Beverly Maddox-caring for husband who has leukemia (friend of Jean Elder)
- ◆ Karen Moss-breast cancer
- ◆ Carter Mackenzie-neck injury (son of Julie & Jeff Mackenzie)
- ◆ Karen Lein Kaasa-home health care (sister-in-law of Julie Mackenzie)
- ◆ Tom Bass-cancer treatment & dialysis (friend of Beth & Danny Vining)
- ◆ Wilford Reed-health issues (friend of Jeff Mackenzie)
- ◆ Bob Darby-kidney problems (friend of Jeff Mackenzie)
- ◆ Joyce Williams-Alzheimer's, breast cancer treatment (sister of Danny Vining)
- ◆ Peter Milner-cancer surgery (nephew of Day & Larry Kennon)
- ◆ Angela Gregory-cancer treatment, in Scotland (sister of Dave Gregory)
- ◆ Brandon Massey-blood cancer (grandson of Chuck and Sherry Brasher)
- ◆ Carol Baynes-cancer (friend of Phyllis Yoder)
- ◆ Sophia Hawley-cystic fibrosis

#### Special Prayers

Piedmont Newton frontline workers as well as other medical staff. The hospital is very busy with helping sick patients, night and day. Please pray for their work and their safety.

#### Independent and Assisted Living

- ◆ Travis Moss-Pruitt Healthcare
- ◆ Penny Blakeney-home
- ◆ Julia Brubaker-Benton House
- ◆ Jean Elder-currently in Florida with her daughter (address available from church office)
- ◆ Dot Fincher-Merryvale
- ◆ Guy McGiboney-Merryvale
- ◆ Betty Robinson-Merryvale
- ◆ Louise White-Merryvale
- ◆ Jerry McGaffney-Merryvale

#### Military Service

- ◆ Koen Ardis-Navy
- ◆ Lee Scarborough-Army

#### Condolences

Prayers are with the family of **Carol Capell**. Carol was a former member of FPC. Carol passed away on January 25, 2021 due to complications with COVID-19.

Our prayers are with **Susan Boteler** in the death of her dear friend, **Larri Harris**.

Also with the **Thornwell Homes family** in the death of one of their students, **Kimberly**.

Our prayers are extended to **Rita Tingler** and her family upon the death of her husband, **Dale**, last week. He was also the brother of **Roger Tingler**.

#### Praises!

We send our prayers and congratulations to the **Rev. Kimmy Briggs** on her call as Pastor to First Presbyterian Church of Lewiston, Montana. She will be taking up her position as of February 15th.

Ordination and Installation of our New Elders: Cheryl Gibson, Stan Hall, Bob Tabb, Cindy Moon, Ed Perkerson, Louly Hay-Kapp

#### Procedure for Prayer Requests

All prayer requests should be sent to: [admin@fpccov.org](mailto:admin@fpccov.org) or by clicking the "Email Peni" button at the bottom of the Enews prayer list. Please specify if you want the request in the bulletin or for pastors only, or only the confidential prayer circle.

#### Worship Notes

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*Thanks to those serving us today*

Dan Walden,  
Phil Anderson, Brad Phillips