# Ongoing Activities in the Life of the Church

# This Week at FPC

<b>Sunday, November 20</b> 9:00 Handbell Choir 9:30 Children's Choir	Thursday, November 24 Happy Thanksgiving Day! 10:30 Ambassador Choir
10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service 12:00 Brunch & Fellowship	Friday, November 25 Church Office Closed
<b>Tuesday, November 22</b> 4:00 Exercise 6:00 Thanksgiving Worship at First Baptist Church	Sunday, November 27 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i> 9:00 Handbell Choir 9:30 Children's Choir 10:00 Sunday School
Wednesday, November 23 6:45 Choir Rehearsal	11:00 Worship Service with Communion

#### Let's Gather Together Today after Worship

Thanksgiving is a joyful time to express gratitude for our many blessings. Instead of a big turkey dinner, let's gather for brunch after worship in the fellowship hall. Donations to cover the cost will be accepted. See you there!

Community Thanksgiving Service will take place on Tuesday, November 22, 6:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church.



#### Thornwell Thanksgiving Gifts

For many years now, our church has partnered with Thornwell Home for Children with outreach, mission trips and witness opportunities. This week we are giving out Thanksgiving "Turkeys" that can be filled with coins (or any other cash gifts), all of which will go directly to Thornwell to support their ministry to children in need. Please give generously, and return your filled "turkeys" to the church no later than Sunday, November 27th.

Offering statements for July-September are available in the narthex. If you find an error or omission on your statement, please notify Peni in the church office as soon as possible.



Presbyterian Women have placed a collection box in the narthex for the Santa Claus Express donations for residents of the Presbyterian Homes of GA. Pick up a flyer today listing the items needed. Anyone can donate. Sunday, November 27, is the deadline to bring your donations.

#### Still wondering what to give someone on your Christmas

**list?** Why not honor him or her with a contribution to one of the many causes supported by our church: Boy Scouts, Baby Love, Food Pantry, Nicaragua missions, Thornwell, Faith Works, Hudson/Chandler bike fund, or the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.. It's easy: choose the cause, write your check to the church with the name of the cause that you are supporting in the memo line; then, let Perri Walden, Judy Davis or any member of the Witness team know that you have made the contribution, and a member of the witness team will give you a card to present to the recipient.

#### 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 the pastor as you leave or call the church office at 770-786-7321. E-mail:

Pastor, Billy Wade: wbwade75@gmail.com Dan Walden: djwalden@mac.com Church Office/Peni Kehoe: penihaug@gmail.com Website: www.fpccov.org Mailing Address: 1169 Clark Street, SW Covington, Georgia 30014 You may listen to recent sermons by visiting our website (www.fpccov.org) and clicking on "Media."



The Food Pantry is now open on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 -**Pantry** 12:00. Donations of any non-perishable food items are welcome.

November suggested donations are: cookies, bread and rolls

Baby Love is our program to collect diapers and wipes, or donations toward them, to give to local organizations which distribute them to parents in need. Place diapers in the cradle in the narthex. Donations should be designated to "Baby Love".



# THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

November Usher Chair: **Betty Bailey** 

Sound Engineer: Ken Walker

# MEMBERS OF SESSION

Class of 2016 Charles Ardis Joyce Ashworth Betty Bailey Patrick Carmichael Perri Walden Jake McCarthy

Class of 2017 Baxter Bouchillon Adriane Ivey Michael Thompson Danny Vining Jean Wolverton

Class of 2018 Gary Boteler Billy Fortson Scarlett McCurry Stephanie Scarborough Tom Stillerman

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr. Dan Walden Director of Youth and Children's Ministry Peni Kehoe Secretary-Treasurer Alan Bunn Music Director

Pastor | Alice Walker CAGO, AAGO Organist/Ambassador Choir Shaun and Aubrey Evans Nursery Kara Sugg Director of the Early Learning Center



PRELUDE

# INTROIT

## **+HYMN 367**

O Lord, we have offered thanksgiving out of our abundance, and confused being comfortable with being blessed. We have assigned great importance to things of little consequence. So often we have not truly acknowledged Christ as first in our lives, or sought his kingdom among us. Forgive us, for we pray in Christ's name. (silence for personal prayer and reflection)

alleluia!

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Christ the King Sunday November 20, 2016



# Order of Worship

# GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude in E Minor J. S. Bach All Creatures of Our God and King Gilbert Martin Praise Him! Praise Him! Charles Callahan

IN THE LORD I'LL BE EVER THANKFUL In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful 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; the Lord 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 to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness.

#### And the people with his truth.

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

## CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

LAFFERTY

Hymn 175, stanza 1

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu,

#### *<b>†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE*

FAITHFULNESS

Hymn 39, stanza 3 (congregation seated) *Choir:* 

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright home for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

**<b>All:** (standing)

Great is thy faithfulness Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see. All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

## **†**THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM Carol of Prophecy Shirley W. McRae Sanctuary Choir, Children's Choir, & Handbell 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.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS John 18:33-40 Philippians 2:5-11

SERMON Christ the King William B. Wade, Jr.

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### **+**HYMN 100

00 STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

*<b>†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH* 

The Apostles' Creed p. 35 in front of hymnal

ASH GROVE

## CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYERp. 35 in front of hymnal

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY Now Thank We All Our God David Cherwien

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Hymn 37, stanza 1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God our creator triumphantly raise; who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the end of our days. God's banners are o'er us; pure light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night: till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished, as forward we travel from light into light.

#### **†**PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lead us, O God, to conform this world to your reign 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 643

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Now Thank We All Our God

## **†**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**CHORAL RESPONSE** IN THE LORD I'LL BE EVER THANKFUL In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful Sanctuary Choir

♦POSTLUDE

EIN' FESTE BURG

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

♥Please stand if you are able.



#### **UNDER CONSTRUCTION** The Capital Campaign Team is pleased to announce that the construction of our new choir loft is nearing completion. Your generous gifts will also be used to finance a remodeling of

the **Fellowship Hall** including the removal of the stage, an upgrade of the flooring and lighting, and a fresh paint job. In order to facilitate this next part of the project, we need to have the stage cleared of all items that are currently stored there. Please make arrangements to remove items from the stage no later than **today** so that work may begin during the week of Thanksgiving. If you have any questions, please call the church office. Dan Wald leading wo Please en worship G Recording

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#### Worship Notes

**Dan Walden,** Directory of Youth and Children's Ministries, is assisting with leading worship today.

Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of reverence as we prepare to worship God. Remember to **turn on your cell phones** when you leave.

Recordings of Sunday sermons can be accessed on the church website: www.fpccov.org.



## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

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