

## **First Presbyterian Church**

### 4th Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2020 10:30 AM

Pastor: Rev. Andy S. Chambers 469 N. Main Street, Cornelia, GA 30531 (706)778-2822, www.firstprescornelia.org

#### **PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP**

Christ is the door by which we enter your new order, O God; he is the source of our comfort and the anchor of our faith. Through him you have shown us the way into the land of your promise, where peace is eternal and grace has no bounds. As we enter the courts of your sanctuary may we know you are with us, and give you all honor due your glorious name. Amen.

MUSICAL MEDITATION	Think About His Love	
	arrangement Hayes	

Donna James

**MORNING PSALM** 

Psalms 23

#### 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.

#### HYMN OF PRAISE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

For the times we are afraid of the stranger,
for the times we refuse the stranger,
because we think our resources are just too meager,
Lord, forgive us.
For the times we stereotype the stranger as enemy,
as dangerous, as inferior somehow,
Lord, forgive us.
For the times we are too busy trying to impress our guests—
the times we think we are being hospitable,
but instead serve only our own needs—
Lord, forgive us.
For the times we miss the gift of the stranger,
for the times we close our door in fear,
for the times we miss your face in the other,
Lord, have mercy. Forgive us.

(our prayer continues in silence)

#### **Assurance of Pardon** (responsive)

Ephesians 1:7-8a

Friends, in Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. Thanks be to God! Amen.

#### OFFERTORY

SPECIAL	Music
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**People Need the Lord** Songwriters: Greg Nelson / Phill Mchugh Donna James

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 25: 31-46

#### SERMON

**Church Vitality: Outward Incarnational Focus** 



#### BENEDICTION

#### Response

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me, And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Rev. Andy S. Chambers



### <u>Upcoming Birthdays</u>

May 3: Pat Austin May 4: Bonnie McKim & Noy Touralack May 5: Callyn Chosewood May 9: Joyce Barrett May 10: Karen Sprayberry May 11: Vida Rogers May 12: Carolyn Denton May 13: Toui Khamatsamay

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayer Person(s) of the week: **Toui, Tay, & Simon Khamatsamay** 

In the Oaks (Scenic): John Howard Ruth Breed

In the Military: **Captain Alex McLean** and family; **Cpt. Joe Campbell** and his family, **LCpl Kevin Matthews** (Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii) and his family.



Sylvia Palmer; Jerry and Joyce Barrett; Laurie Oldroyd (George and Martha Kaulbach's daughter); Bill Ford; Michelle Truelove and family; Jan Tolbert (friend of Pastor Andy); Betty Schaeffer; Hadden Carswell (friend of Duren Chambers and Maddie Chosewood); Greg Hopkins; John Foster; Celeste Sumner; Teresa Touralack; Ann Nermoe (Bill Ford's sister); Melody Little (Marilyn Bedsworth's daughter); Garth and Sue Smith; Carolyn and Jeff Denton; David and Martha Lee Sherman; Karen Hooper (Troy Webb's Stepsister); Mary Sue Tripp (Troy Webb's cousin); Maria Costley; Robin Griffin; Khamphant Touralack (Souvanh's brother); Scott and Melissa Painter; Jackie Williams (Sharon Baskin's cousin); Philip Barber; Bonnie McKim; Brad Donaldson (Ron & Karen Sprayberry's son-in-law); Pete Lewis (Joy Mullen's uncle); our country, its leaders, and those working in the medical field.

#### **Household Prayer: Morning**

Lord Jesus, as I serve you this day, let not my heart be troubled. Help me to believe with conviction that you are with me, and that I am in you, and you are in God. Amen.

#### **Household Prayer: Evening**

Faithful God, my rock and my fortress, into your hands I commit my spirit. As darkness falls, let your face shine upon your servant, and keep me in your steadfast love. Amen.



### Avery Chambers, HCHS Class of 2020

Graduation for Avery and her fellow Senior class should have been held on Friday, May 22. Although the graduation ceremony has been postponed until later in the summer, Avery has still had to miss out on all the special things that make the end of your high school career fun and exciting. To help lift her spirits and ease her transition to college, Nancy Hendricks (Avery's Deacon), would like to organize a special gift for her.

We will be putting together a **gift basket** from her FPC family filled with things she may need when she attends the University of Georgia in the Fall. If you would like to contribute, please drop your gift off at the Church Office on or before **May 15**. Let's help make Avery's Senior year as special as we can!

# WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING

THURSDAYS - 10AM

Join Us On Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4388280904 Meeting ID: 438 828 0904





## Thank You to those who have already sent in a photo!

If you haven't already....we would love to have you send in a photo that can be used in an updated Church Directory.

It doesn't have to be professional-we just want our members to see your smiling face along with your information.

Send to: office@firstprescornelia.org

## Brown Bag ど Bible

WEDNESDAYS 12PM

APRIL 22 - MAY 20

Grab your lunch and join us in a study of the Gospel of John.





