

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### This Week:

**Monday –Centering Prayer** 6:00 (Classroom 3)

**Tuesday – 10:00 am –Steady for Life** (Worship Center)

**11:00 am -Prayer Group** (Classroom 3)

**Wednesday – 6:00 pm –Current Conversations** (Classroom 2)

**Thursday – 10:00 am –Steady for Life** (Worship Center)


**Important updated financial** information will be presented in both services today.

**Presbyterian Women** will ***NOT*** meet tomorrow nor on the 15<sup>th</sup>, which was the original alternate date. Instead, they will meet on May 22. See Gail Birdsong for more information.

**Reminder about Big Cove’s facebook page** and visible presence in the community. (See also information in the May newsletter, or contact Julie Loggins with questions)

~**We are forming a Marketing/PR Committee** to help project Big Cove's public image. Please consider lending your talents. If interested, contact Julie Loggins

~**Do you have photos from events** at Big Cove Presbyterian Church? If so, please send them to our NEW email address JUST FOR PHOTOS. We will be saving photos to the Google Drive and archiving them periodically in order to have constant access for publications, social media, etc.

~**Big Cove now has a new Facebook page:** [fb.me/BigCovePCUSA](https://fb.me/BigCovePCUSA). Be sure to "like" and "follow" it, and feel free to invite others to do the same. Here is the QR code if you wish to connect by scanning it 



If you can help in the office for about an hour on some Thursdays, please call or e-mail the office. Two people have already volunteered, so you won't have to help very often!  
Thanks!

Note: Our CCLI Music license allows *only the lyrics* (and not the musical score for the tunes) to be printed or projected during worship.

### Flower Dedication

The flowers in the narthex this week are offered to the Glory of God and in honor of her grandson, David, by Ann Sublett.

### WORSHIP LEADERS for today May 7

**9 AM Service**      **Greeter:** Renay Nunn  
                         **Host:** Elizabeth Butz  
                         **Worship Leader:** Clay Weir  
                         **Power Point:** Ron Jones

**11 AM Service**      **Usher:** David Lilly  
                         **Worship Leader:** Sandra Stephens  
                         **Reader:** Neva Beasley

### BIG COVE MINISTRIES this coming week May 7-13:

**CARE Center Pick-up:** Gary Bass

**WAVE Team:** Jane Rutledge

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Members:** **Brian Birdsong;** Ray Waldrop; Amanda Vernon; Mary Burnette; Sandy Young; Merrie Duncan

**Friends & Relatives:** safe travels for Big Cove youth on return from Gatlinburg; the family of Tom Wilson (Alice Wilson’s husband); the family of Jimmy Jones; the family of Carolyn Lester (sister of Jeannie Laudenbach); Carol Loggins (mother of Julie Loggins Weir); Phyllis Rader (mother of Renay Nunn); Becky Marshall (mother of Melinda Harvey); Rev. Houston Hodges and his wife Pat; Derek Emmerson (friend of Dallas and Jennifer Ferneau and Don Barnhart); Martha Wells (relative of Kay Gentle); Jillian Shandra (daughter of Melinda Harvey); Janie Putnam (friend of Gail Birdsong)

**The Church:** North Alabama Presbytery

**Military & International:** The nation’s service men and women

**Our Nation:** Our President; Our Representatives

**Big Cove Missions & Ministries:** CARE Center; Vine Pastoral Counseling Center; Presbyterian Home for Children

## WELCOME TO BIG COVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



**May 07, 2017**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Pastor:** Rev. Candice L Klein

**“First Light” Worship – Sundays at 9 AM**

**Guitarist:** John Isom

**Percussionist:** Jimmy Jones

**Traditional Worship – Sundays at 11 AM**  
**Music Director and Pianist:** Jervon Niska

*Nursery Available*

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## 9 AM - FIRST LIGHT CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*The Breath of life stills our worries and fears, as we are led to the peaceful place of God's heart*

### Called by God, We Gather

Ringling of the Bell

\*Call to Worship "Great is the Lord"

### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

*We sometimes break your heart, Patient Shepherd, with the choices we make. We want our lives to reflect your constant presence, but the reality is that sometimes, we're just empty. We had hoped our words might bring healing, but too often they hurt those we love the most. We had hoped to find the living Jesus, but sometimes we cannot. Oh, how foolish we are to think we can go on without your mercy, Lord God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, you judge us impartially from the depths of your heart, so we may be born anew by your grace, to continue the journey into your good future. Please forgive us, and guide us once again, O Lord. Amen.*

We can put our hope in God, dear friends, for God offers us love which never fades, life which never ends. In the name of the Son of God, we are forgiven!

*We will live as God's people: forgiven to serve, blessed to share, loved so we might care. Thanks be to God. Amen.*

Greeting Welcoming Christ Among Us

\*Preparation for Message "Ancient Words"

### Spoken to by God, We Listen

Prayer of Illumination 1 Peter 2:19-25 858  
John 10:1-10 759

The Message "Sheep Gate" Rev. Candice L. Klein

### Believing in God, We Respond

Praise Reports and Prayer Requests~~Announcements  
Call for the Offering

Offertory "Blessed Be Your Name"

Offertory Prayer

Celebration of the Lord's Supper (*A Time for Silent Reflection*)

### Sent by God, We Go Out

\*Sending Song "He is Exalted"

Blessing and Sending \*Please stand if you are able

## 11 AM - TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*The Breath of life stills our worries and fears, as we are led to the peaceful place of God's heart*

Prelude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Arr. Joel Raney

### Welcome and Announcements

### Called by God, We Gather

\*Call to Worship

God welcomes us here and walks beside us on our journey.

*The Almighty is faithful. The Almighty is the sheep gate.*

God is our guide and our companion, supplying us with all our needs.

*Worship the Sovereign with glad and generous hearts.*

Call on the name of God and praise God in this sacred space.

*Each one of us is precious in God's sight.*

\*Hymn of Praise "When Morning Gilds the Skies" 111

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Response Gloria Patri 734

Greeting –Welcoming Christ Among Us

### Spoken to by God, We Listen

Anthem "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Prayer of Illumination 1 Peter 2:19-25 858

\*Hymn of Reflection "Let Us Break Bread Together" 699

Gospel John 10:1-10 759

Sermon "Sheep Gate" Rev. Candice L. Klein

### Believing in God, We Respond

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

*"The church responds to the message of reconciliation in praise and prayer. In that response it commits itself afresh to its mission, experiences a deepening of faith and obedience, and bears open testimony to the Gospel. Adoration of God is acknowledgment of the Creator by the creation. Confession of sin is admission of every person's guilt before God and of their need for God's forgiveness. Thanksgiving is rejoicing in God's goodness to all people and in giving for the needs of others. Petitions and intercessions are addressed to God for the continuation of divine goodness, the healing of human ills, and deliverance from every form of oppression. The arts, especially music and architecture, contribute to the praise and prayer of a Christian congregation when they help people to look beyond themselves to God and to the world which is the object of God's love." This, we believe. Amen. –The Confession of 1967 9.50*

### Communion of the People

(see insert)

Call for the Offering

Offertory "Trust and Obey" Arr. Joel Raney

\*Doxology 34

Offertory Prayer

### Sent by God, We Go Out

\*Song of Sending "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" 440  
(stanzas 1-3)

### Blessing and Sending

Benediction Response "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" 440  
(stanza 4)

Postlude

\*Please stand if you are able