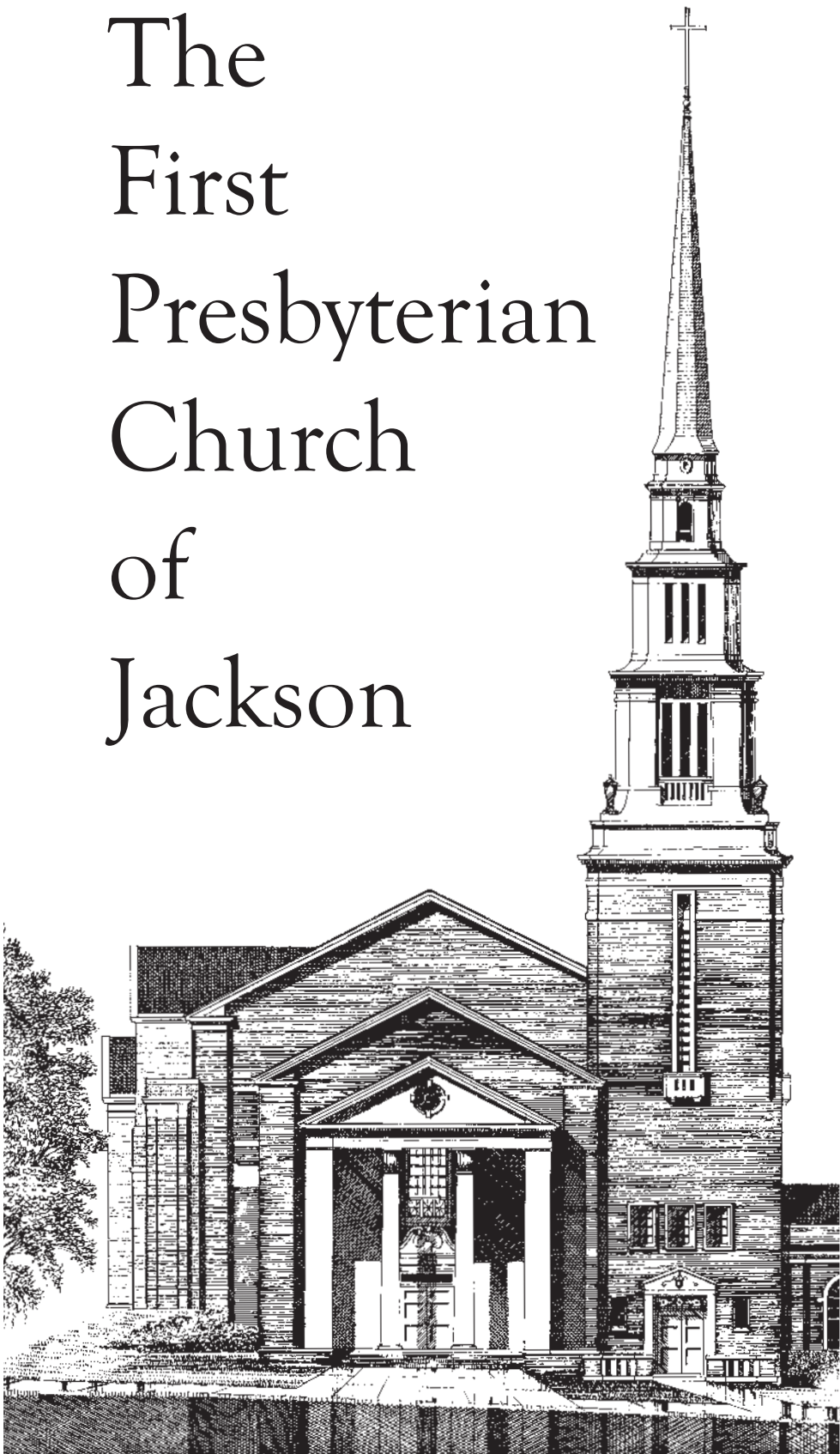


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THE LORD'S DAY

The Fifth Day of March, Two Thousand Seventeen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. John Leonard — Guest Minister
Senior Minister, Cresheim Valley Church

The Reverend Dr. Edward A. Hartman — Minister of Mission & Outreach

At the time of the Greetings and Announcements and during the Prelude, the congregation is invited to a season of silent and reverent preparation for corporate worship.

The Greetings and Announcements (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)

The Prelude — “How Great Thou Art!” Stuart Hine
Sheila Hess, Guest Organist; Nancy Bateman, Cellist

The Introit — “We Come, O Christ, To You” John Darwell
The FPC Student Choir

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn of Praise No. 263** — “Lift High the Cross”

‡ **The Prayer of Invocation**

The Missionary Report

8:30 a.m. — Virginia Y.

11:00 a.m. — Hermes & Alleen de Tomas, CMS, Peru

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 448 (Stzs. 1,4)** — “We Have Heard the Joyful Sound”

The Missionary Report

8:30 a.m. — Sarah G.

11:00 a.m. — Mel & Martha Pike, MTW, Ukraine

The Mission Challenge — Ruling Elder Craig Flowers

The Prayer

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Bwana Asifiwe” (Praise the Lord) Traditional Swahili

Maleesa Brenchley, Accompanist; John Sinclair and Samantha Case, Percussion

“Bwana, Bwana asifiwe, praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord in the heavens. Praise the Lord for the Lord is good.

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord. Praise God's name. Bwana asifiwe.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty the King of creation.

Oh, my soul praise Him for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; Join me in adoration.

Let the amen sound from His people again.

Gladly forever adore Him. Bwana asifiwe.”

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The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Luke 24:36-47 (Pew Bible page 885)

The Sermon — “Reading the Bible Differently” Dr. Leonard

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 449 (Stzs. 1-3)** — “We Rest on Thee”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“We rest on Thee’— our shield and our defender!

Thine is the battle, Thine shall be the praise

When passing through the gates of pearly splendor, victors—

we rest with Thee, through endless days,

When passing through the gates of pearly splendor, victors—

we rest with Thee, through endless days.”

The Postlude — “God Himself Is Present” Michael Burkhardt

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six-thirty O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. John Leonard — Guest Minister
Senior Minister, Cresheim Valley Church

The Reverend Dr. Edward A. Hartman — Minister of Mission & Outreach

The Announcements and Words of Preparation (6:25 p.m.)

The Prelude — “Facing a Task Unfinished” Wesley/Getty
The FPC Brass

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn No. 263** — “Lift High the Cross”

‡ **The Invocation**

The Missionary Report — John Rakshith & Kelley Beth Prabhakar – MTW, India

‡* **The Evening Hymn** — “O Great God” (See Guide)

The Missionary Report — Gary & Petula Sinclair – MTW, South Africa

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder JoJo Payne

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul”
Martin Antoon and Laura Rutledge

‡ **The Hymn No. 461 (Stzs. 1-4)** — “Not What My Hands Have Done”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Matthew 15:21-28 (Pew Bible page 821)

The Sermon —Dr. Leonard
“A New Look at Jesus’ Words to the Canaanite Woman”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“I praise the God of grace; I trust His truth and might;
He calls me His, I call Him mine, my God, my joy, my light.
’Tis He who saveth me, and freely pardon gives;
I love because He loveth me, I live because He lives.”

The Postlude — “Macedonia” Cutler, arr. by J. Hunt
The FPC Brass

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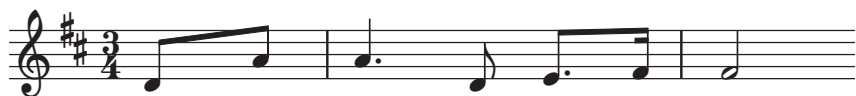
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** Children dismissed

To All Our
Visitors

We are delighted that you are here with us today. Our hope is that your understanding and love of Jesus Christ will grow because of your visit. To answer any questions you might have, please come by our Greeting Courtyard through the doors on the south side (right side as you face the pulpit) of the sanctuary after the 8:30 a.m. or the 11:00 a.m. worship service. We would love to meet you.

O Great God



1. O great God of high - est heav'n
2. I was blind - ed by my sin
3. Help me now to live a life



Oc - cu - py my low - ly heart.
Had no ears to hear Your voice.
That's de - pend - ent on Your grace.



Own it all and reign su - preme
Did not know Your love with - in
Keep my heart and guard my soul



Con - quer ev - 'ry re - bel pow'r.
Had no taste for heav - en's joys.
From the e - vils that I face.



Let no vice or sin re - main
Then Your Spir - it gave me life
You are wor - thy to be praised



That re - sists Your ho - ly war.
O - pened up Your Word to me.
With my ev - 'ry thought and deed.



You have loved and pur - chased me
Through the gos - pel of Your Son
O great God of high - est heav'n



Make me Yours for - ev - er - more.
Gave me end - less hope and peace.
Glo - ri - fy Your Name through me.

DEEP & WIDE

what goes DEEPEST to the HEART goes WIDEST to the WORLD

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light." 1 Peter 2:9

2017 MISSION CONFERENCE

GUEST MINISTER

Dr. John Leonard currently serves as Senior Minister of Cresheim Valley Church in Philadelphia, PA. He and his wife, Christy, served in Montpellier, France, working with North African Muslim immigrants (1988-1998). A graduate of Belhaven University, RTS - Jackson, and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, John is the author of *Get Real: Sharing Your Everyday Faith Every Day*.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY

Parents, please note that the following children's Sunday School classes will combine at 10:00 a.m. today to hear from a missionary about their ministry:

<u>Sunday School Class</u>	<u>Room Location</u>
4's and 5's	5-year-olds class (M103 WH) Kindergarten Suite
1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades	2nd grade room (235-A MB) 3rd floor Main Building
4th, 5th, and 6th grades	5th grade room (305B WH) 3rd floor Westminster Hall

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Patterson Hall	Lowe Hall	Miller Hall	Youth House
Cornerstone	Life Learners	Young Seekers	7th - 12th Grades
College	Stewards	Singles & Doubles	
20 Somethings	Shepherds	Fellowship	
20's & 30's	Pilgrims	Covenant	
Providence	Lamplighters	First Ladies	
Salt & Light		Brotherhood	

DINNER ON THE GROUNDS & GATEWAY CANNED FOOD DRIVE

Tonight, 4:45 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

On Sunday evening we will gather in the gym at 4:45 p.m. for Dinner on the Grounds. Meat and bread will be provided, and we ask that you bring a dish to feed 6-8 people according to the assignment of your last name.

A – J: Salad K – P: Dessert Q – Z: Vegetables

**Nursery will be provided. The Worship Service will begin at 6:30 p.m.
Please be sure to bring your canned goods for the Gateway Food Drive!**

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2017

Sunday

Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133
The Learning Resource Center — 9:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.
 (Library only)
Mission Conference Sunday School Break-out Sessions — 9:30 a.m.
 LH, PH, MH, YH
Children’s Church for 3- and 4-year-olds — during 11:00 a.m.
 worship service in M135
Student Choir Rehearsal — 4:40 p.m. in MS
Mission Conference Dinner on the Grounds — 4:45 p.m. in
 the Gym
The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
 (Library only)
Senior High Insight — 8:00 p.m. at the home of the Loftins
 (1921 Bellewood Road)

Monday

WIC Council Meeting — 9:30 a.m. in PH
WIC Program Committee Meeting — 11:15 a.m. in WH202
Executive Diaconate Committee Meeting — 11:45 a.m. in WH204
Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring — 3:00 p.m. in SC210

Tuesday

“Truth at Dawn” Men’s Bible Study — 6:30 a.m. in MH
Crafts for Missions — 9:00 a.m. in SC211
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring — 3:00 p.m. in SC210
Management Committee Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in SC215
Open Gym for Youth — 6:30 p.m. in the Gym
Internationals Class — 6:45 p.m. in PH

Wednesday

MOMS Bible Study — 9:00 a.m. in PH/SC
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
Men’s Bible Study — 10:00 a.m. in WH202
Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH
College Dinner & Discussion — 5:15 p.m. in WH204A
Children’s Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Gym/Playground
Junior High Dinner — 5:30 p.m. in YH or 6:00 p.m. at Newk’s
Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS
Engaged/Newly Married Class — 6:30 p.m. in HC
Children’s Choirs — 6:30 p.m. in various locations
Adult D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations
Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH
FPC Brass Rehearsal — 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Men’s Basketball — 8:00 p.m. in the Gym

Thursday

Ladies 1, 2, 3 John Bible Study — 9:30 a.m. in SC
Ladies “Prophets” Bible Study — 9:45 a.m. in PH
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday

No Scheduled Activities

Saturday

Men’s Prayer Breakfast — 7:30 a.m. in MH

BC - Basement Classroom
 CH - College House
 LH - Lowe Hall
 M - Main Floor

MCR - Ministers Conference Room
 MH - Miller Hall
 MS - Music Suite

PH - Patterson Hall
 YH - Youth House
 SC - Study Center
 WH - Westminster Hall

HC - Hutton Chapel
 LRC - Learning Resource Center
 SR - Session Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

II THESSALONIANS 3:1 – “Finally, brethren, pray for us....”

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Email: office@truthXchange.com

Jim & Mary Alice Patterson – Serving with Mission to the World and Jungle Aviation & Radio Service (JAARS). Email: jim_patterson@sil.org

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Florence and Fred Wallace.

JUNIOR HIGH DINNER — WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

Junior High Dinner is this Wednesday, March 8, during our normal D Group time. Meet at the Youth House at 5:30 p.m. or at Newk's near Highland Village at 6:00 p.m. Students may be picked up at 7:00 p.m. at the restaurant or 7:30 p.m. at the Youth House. Please email Jenny Sanders at youthhouse@fpcjackson.org to sign up.

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, March 19. Space is available for the 8:30 a.m. service only. To make your reservation, please contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

SPRING FOUNDATIONS CLASS

The spring *Foundations* class begins Sunday, March 19, at 9:40 a.m. in room M133 (across from the bookstore) and runs through April 30. This class is for members and visitors who want to know more about our church and its ministries, our denomination, Presbyterian doctrine and beliefs, church history, and church government. To sign up, please email Lisa Walters at lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — MARCH 26

Immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service, we will have a congregational meeting to vote on the recommendation to renovate Miller Hall.

JUNIOR HIGH SPRING RETREAT

7th-9th graders are invited to join FPCYM for a very special Junior High Spring Retreat in Birmingham on April 21-23, 2017. The cost is \$195, but sign up by the early bird deadline, March 23, and pay \$150. The cost includes all meals and snacks, lodging, special events for the weekend, and a t-shirt. The deadline to register is April 6. To sign up, visit the Upcoming Trips page at www.fpcjackson.org/youth. Contact Jenny Sanders at youthhouse@fpcjackson.org with questions or for more information.

SUPPORT GROUP

If you are struggling with alcohol or other chemical dependence and would like to get together with people who share in the same struggles, we have a small and very safe group that meets regularly for just that purpose. This discreet, monthly meeting is one of friendship, encouragement, and biblical reflection. Personal anonymity is very important at this meeting. For more information, please call or text 601-260-1636. Also, every month a group of those who have family members (spouses, children, siblings, parents) who struggle with addiction meets for a time of mutual encouragement and Christ-centered counsel. Anonymity is required. For more information concerning the place and time of these meetings, call or text 601-260-0388.

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FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

At FPC, we believe that family worship is important. Recognizing the time challenges of a busy week with work and school, we want to make it as easy as possible for you. So we hope you find this Family Worship Guide helpful and use it in your homes this week. Each week addresses a question from the *Westminster Shorter Catechism*, with a daily scripture reference, key thought, and questions for family discussion. You can use this abbreviated version by simply taking this bulletin home with you today, or get the complete version emailed to you weekly by subscribing at fpcj.ms/fam-devo. Or contact the church office at 601-353-8316 or receptionist@fpcjackson.org.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS:

Question 40: *What rules did God at first reveal for man to obey?*

Answer: The rules He first revealed were the moral law.

MONDAY

Scripture: Read Romans 2:14-16

Key Thought: The moral law of God is written in the hearts of men.

Questions:

- Do all men have a general sense of what is right and wrong?
- What does Paul call this moral sense? How does it work?
- Is the moral law in the hearts of all men sufficient to guide them?

Prayer

TUESDAY

Scripture: Read Romans 5:12-13

Key Thought: Without a moral law there could be no consciousness of sin.

Questions:

- How many of Adam's children were sinners?
- How did they know they were sinners?
- What conclusion can we draw from the fact that specific sins were imputed to men before the time of Moses?

Prayer

WEDNESDAY

Scripture: Read Genesis 4:1-11; 20:1-9; 26:4-5; 30:32-33

Key Thought: The moral law can be clearly seen before Moses.

Questions:

- What commandment(s) of the moral law did Cain break?
- What commandment(s) of the moral law did Abraham break?
- What commandment of the moral law did Jacob refer to?

Prayer

THURSDAY

Scripture: Read Romans 3:9-28; 7:7

Key Thought: The function of the moral law is to reveal sin.

Questions:

- What specific characteristics of men are revealed in Romans 3:10-18?
- To whom do these things apply? How do they apply to you?
- How do we come to know that we are lost sinners?

Prayer

FRIDAY

Scripture: Read Numbers 15:38-41; John 14:15

Key Thought: The moral law is a rule for life to believers.

Questions:

- What was the purpose of the blue tassel God commanded?
- Is there a connection between obeying God's commandments and holiness?
- When a person comes to know God, is he no longer expected to follow God's commands?

Prayer