

"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Fourteenth Day of April, Two Thousand Nineteen MORNING WORSHIP Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. Nate D. Shurden — Guest Minister The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister

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

The Prelude — "Solemn Entry"Richard Strauss

The FPC Brass Ensemble; Jamie Peipon, Director

The Introit — "We Come, O Christ, to You" Darwall

The Call to Worship

- ‡ The Hymn of Praise No. 235 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
- **‡** The Invocation
- ‡ **The Doxology** O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed. Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

The Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, You do not change. You have revealed Yourself to us in Your Word. You call us to worship You in spirit and in truth, but we confess that we often worship not Your true self but who we wish You to be. We too often ask You to bless what we do, rather than seeking to do what You bless. Forgive us for seeking concessions when we should be seeking guidance. Forgive us when our worship shapes You into what we want, instead of shaping us into what You want. Help us to meet You here, that we might bow before Your unspeakable majesty and so live for You now and ever in Christ. Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates" William Mathias Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lifted up ye everlasting doors, and the king of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord strong in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lifted up ye everlasting doors, and the king of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of glory.

Psalm 24:7-10

The Hymn of Preparation — "More About Jesus Would I Know" (See Guide) The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Psalm 139 (Pew Bible page 521)

The Sermon — "Search Me, O God" Mr. Shurden

‡ The Hymn No. 252 (Stzs. 1,2) — "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

The Lord's Supper
The Words of Institution

The Invitation

The Prayer of Consecration

The Communion with Our Lord Jesus Christ and His People

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

- ‡ The Hymn of Response No. 252 (Stz. 4) "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"
- **‡** The Benediction

The Postlude — "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" Alexandre Guilmant Rae Shannon, Organ

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker — Minister of Discipleship

The Announcements and Words of Preparation (5:55 p.m.)

The Prelude — "My Jesus, I Love Thee"Arr. Dan Forrest Dr. David Snyder, Pianist

The Introit — "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" "Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!"

The First and Second Grade Choir; Cathy Horne, Director; Ann Irby, Pianist

The Call to Worship

- **† The Hymn No. 478** "I Love to Tell the Story"
- **‡** The Invocation

The Songs of Praise — "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

The Girls Choir; Sarah Little, Director; Hannah Van Der Bijl, Pianist

"Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim" The Boys Choir; Bill Wymond, Director; Linda Richards, Pianist

The Greetings

The Prayer — Ruling Elder Don Cannada

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Handbell Offertory — "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" The Boys Choir

The Young Children's Devotional

For children currently in 4-year-old through 3rd grade Sunday School *The Children's Catechism*

Q90: What is the fourth commandment? A: The fourth commandment is "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your stranger who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it."

Q91: What does the fourth commandment teach you? A: To work six days and keep the Sabbath day holy.

Q92: What day of the week is the Christian Sabbath? A: The first day of the week, called the Lord's Day.

Q93: Why is it called the Lord's Day? Because on that day the Lord Jesus Christ rose from the dead.

Q94: How should you keep the Lord's Day? A: I should rest from my daily work and faithfully worship God.

‡ The Hymn No. 707 (Stzs. 1,2) — "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken"

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Mark 6:1-6 (Pew Bible page 841)

- **‡** The Benediction
- **The Response** May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour, So that all may see I triumph only through His power.

The Postlude

‡Congregation standing

**Children dismissed after the prayer

Our Vision

First Presbyterian Church of Jackson exists to glorify God by making disciples on the North State Street corridor, in the greater Jackson area, and around the world.

More About Jesus Would I Know



A GUIDE TO THE MORNING SERVICE

WELCOME

This Lord's Day is a special occasion as we have the joy of partaking of the Lord's Table together. The sacrament of the "Lord's Supper" was instituted by Christ for the church in every age. St. Augustine, one of the early church fathers, referred to the sacrament as "a visible word" because it proclaims to us "the Lord's death until He comes" (1 Corinthians 11:23-26). As we come to the Table today, it may help you to prepare your hearts by pondering the significance of the Lord's Table.

The Lord's Table

The phrase itself conveys something very important about what is taking place during this component of our worship service. First, it is a table and not an altar. An altar is a place where sacrifices are offered to God. Christ has "offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, [and] he sat down at the right hand of God" (Hebrews 10:12). Again, "for by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified" (Hebrews 10:14). We have no need of an altar because the cross of Christ is the only altar of God. Second, it is the table of the Lord. He is the host of the meal and, hence, possesses the prerogative to invite us to meet and sup with him. Therefore, as the term "Communion Service" denotes, it is a fellowship meal of Christ with His people.

It is oftentimes easy to miss the significance of Church architecture, but in reality, our sanctuary is designed to speak to us about the grace, beauty, and majesty of God. And the Lord's Table beautifully communicates this. Our communion table sits in the front of the sanctuary on the floor with the congregation in order to remind us that it is in Christ's sacrificial death that we are truly united to Him and also to one another. The table remains on the floor to show us that the body and blood of Christ, which it displays, is for the entire covenant community.

Christ's Presence

Another important question to ask when thinking on this sacrament is, "In what way is Christ present within it?" Sincere Christians throughout the ages have struggled to answer this question because within the ordinance there is certainly an aura of mystery. But we must remember that while the elements remain bread and wine, the presence of Christ is truly among us by His Spirit. The Spirit alone is able to make the sacrament of the Lord's Supper beneficial to our souls by penetrating our hearts and stirring our affections for Christ. Hence, let us be prepared to feast at the Lord's Table by asking the Spirit of God to convict us of sin, to supply grace to truly repent, and to savor Christ more and more. As we partake the emblems of Christ's suffering, let us remember that God confirms the benefits of His suffering: pardon, reconciliation, and eternal life through this covenant meal. Let us in turn reaffirm our covenant privileges and responsibilities to God as we anticipate His return.

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019

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)

Foundations Class — 9:40 a.m. in MB 133

Children's Church for 3- and 4-year olds — during 11:00 a.m.

worship service in MB 135

Young Adults Second Sunday Lunch — 12:00 p.m. at the Brock home

(4430 Brook Dr.)

Student Choir Rehearsal — 4:35 p.m. in MS

The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)

Senior High Insight — 7:30 p.m at the Burrow Home

(2236 N Cheryl Drive)

Monday

Mission First Tutoring — 3:00 p.m. in SC 210

Tuesday

"Truth at Dawn" Men's Bible Study — 6:30 a.m. in PH

Sew & Sow — 9:00 a.m. in SC 211

French Camp Quilters — 9:00 a.m. in Library **Staff Meeting** — 9:00 a.m. in MH 205B

The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. MNA Committee Meeting — 12:00 Noon in WH 202A Internationals Bible Study — 6:00 p.m. in SC 213A

GriefShare — 6:30 p.m. in WH 202B **Internationals Class** — 6:45 p.m. in PH

Wednesday

The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.

Men's Bible Study — 10:00 a.m. in Parlor

Shepherding Training — 12:00 noon in WH 202A

Students & Families Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH 202B

Midweek Dinner — 5:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. in MH Shepherding Training — 5:30 p.m. in SC 213A

Compass: Money & Marriage — 5:30 p.m. in WH 202A

Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS

Children's Choirs — 6:30 p.m. in various locations Junior High Small Groups — 6:30 p.m. in YH Senior High Small Group — 6:30 p.m. in Y 201 Adult D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations

First Pres Forum: The Cross of Christ — 6:30 p.m. in MH

Chinese Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in SC 210A **Evangelism Group** — 6:30 p.m. at Methodist Rehab

Thursday

The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. MTW Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH 202A

Young Adults Resurrection Hymn Sing — 6:30 p.m. at the Brock

home (4430 Brook Dr.)

Friday

Church Offices Closed

Good Friday Service — 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Saturday

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

BC - Basement Classroom CH - College House

M - Main Floor

CH - College House LH - Lowe Hall 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

NNOUNCEMENT

II THESSALONIANS 3:1 - "Finally, brethren, pray for us...."

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IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Bryant Turner, Jr. — April 4, 2019 Mrs. Elaine Clodfelter — April 5, 2019

COMMUNION TODAY

Today is Communion Sunday. For those interested, professionally prepared gluten-free crackers will be available. They will be placed on the table on the south wall of the Greeting Courtyard. Please pick up a piece on the way into the morning worship service.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS SINGING TONIGHT

Tonight the First and Second Grade Choir as well as the Third through Fifth Grade Girls and Boys Choirs will be singing in the evening worship service. Our thanks to the directors, accompanists, and helpers who have worked throughout the year to help our children learn to sing praise to Jesus. Parents are urged to help by having their children here at the time requested so they can sing this evening.

COMPASS — MONEY & MARRIAGE

This Midweek Elective will have an informational meeting for interested couples Wednesday, April 17, at 5:30 p.m., in WH 202A. Compass teaches people of all ages how to handle money based on the principles in the Bible. For more information, contact Stuart Clarke at stuart.h.clarke@gmail.com.

MEN'S MINISTRY GOLF SCRAMBLE

Men, join us for the Men's Ministry Golf Scramble at the Live Oaks Golf Club on Thursday afternoon, April 25. Come and fellowship with men of all ages, as we play golf and eat dinner together afterward. The cost is \$50 per person. To register as a team of four or to be placed on a team, please visit fpcjackson.org/church-life/men. Contact Jenny Sanders at discipleship@fpcjackson.org with questions or for more information.

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, May 19. To make your reservation, please contact Lilly Foerter at 601-973-9117 or ccare@fpcjackson.org by May 1.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — JUNE 3-7

Adults and Teen Helpers may purchase a \$10 VBS t-shirt to wear the week of VBS. Contact Kathryn Cotten at kathryncotten@gmail.com or 601-832-9799 to place your order by May 12. Rising 7th-12th graders play an important role at VBS by being Teen Helpers. To volunteer, please register at fpcj.ms/vbs.

JAKARTA MISSION TRIP

FPC is sending a team to Jakarta, Indonesia, this summer to do college campus evangelism through cultural exchange and conversational English training, June 13 – 27. If you are college-aged or recently out of college, please consider joining with us. Trip cost is \$2800. FPC will cover 1/2 for members' first mission trip and 1/4 for all subsequent trips. If interested, please contact Kevin Vollema at 601-503-4574 or kevinv@fpcjackson.org or the Mission Department at 601-973-9125 or e-mail missiondepartment@fpcjackson.org.

 $\label{eq:perusum} PERU \, SUMMER \, MISSIONS \, WEEK - JUNE \, 21–29$ The theme for VBS in Peru this year will be "Dare to Be Daniel." The children will be making colorful lion's masks while focusing on Daniel 6 from the Bible. We will be collecting SMALL (1.25 oz.) bottles of liquid glue (any brand welcomed), and new or gently worn baseball caps (any size welcomed). You may put your donations in the white bin near the elevator near the choir suite.

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, weekly 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, twice each month a group of those who have loved ones who struggle with addiction/alcoholism 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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