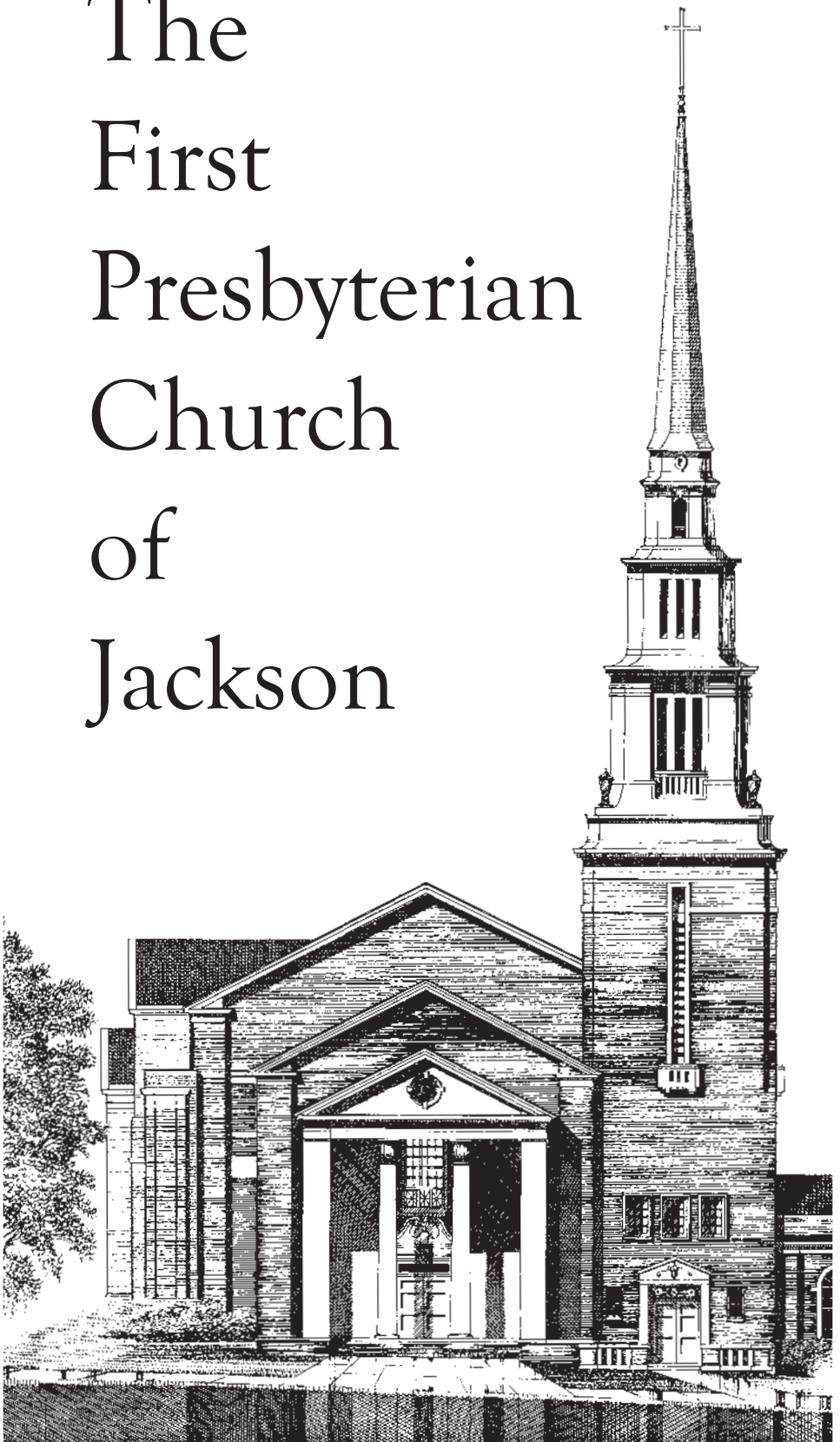


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“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Twenty-Second Day of April, Two Thousand Eighteen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. Edward A. Hartman — Minister of Mission & Outreach
The Reverend Mr. Ralph S. Kelley — Executive Minister

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

The Prelude — 8:30 a.m. – The Girls' Choir

11:00 a.m. – “Andante on ‘Hyfrydol’” Charles Callahan

The Introit — 8:30 a.m. – The Boys' Choir

11:00 a.m. – “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” Wolff

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn of Praise No. 32** — “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Assurance of Pardon**

‡* **The Doxology** — “O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.”

The Scripture Reading — Psalm 25

(Pew Bible page 459)

The Pastoral Prayer

‡* **The Hymn No. 644** — “May the Mind of Christ My Savior”

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling-Place” Johannes Brahms

“How lovely is Thy dwelling-place, O Lord of Hosts;

For my soul, it longeth, yea, fainteth,

For the courts of the Lord; my soul and body crieth out, yea, for the living God.

How lovely is Thy dwelling-place, O Lord of Hosts;

Blest are they that dwell within Thy house; they praise Thy name evermore,

How lovely is Thy dwelling-place.”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 John 3:1-10

(Pew Bible page 1022)

The Sermon — “Deeply Loved – Radically Transformed” Dr. Hartman

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 455** — “And Can It Be That I Should Gain”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — “Because He lives I can face tomorrow,

Because He lives all fear is gone.

Because I know, I know, He holds the future.

Life is worth the living, just because He lives.”

The Postlude — “Maestoso” Hermann Schroeder

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III — Minister of Pastoral Care
Mr. Gary W. Sinclair — Discipleship Ministry Assistant

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

The Missionary Report

The Prelude — “Think What He’ll Do For You”Farrell/Sanborn
“Praise the Savior, You Who Know Him”Thomas Kelly
The First Grade Choir

The Call to Worship

*† **The Hymn No. 2** — “O Worship the King”

‡ **The Invocation**

*† **The Hymn** — “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” (See Guide)

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Jack Crawford

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” Baker/Dykes
“This Is the Day the Lord Has Made”Robert Lau
The Second Grade Choir

The Young Children’s Devotional

For children currently in 4-year-old through 3rd grade Sunday School

The Children’s Catechism

Q130: What sign is used in baptism? A: Washing with water.

Q131: What does this washing with water represent? A: That we are united to Christ and cleansed from sin by His blood.

Q132: Into whose name are we baptized? A: Into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

** **The Meditation and Prayer**.....Caleb Blake, Congregational Care Intern

*† **The Hymn No. 307 (Stzs. 1-4)** — “Nothing but the Blood”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Proverbs 21:31 (Pew Bible page 544)

The Sermon — “Best Laid Plans” Mr. Lowry

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“Now by this I’ll overcome— nothing but the blood of Jesus;
Now by this I’ll reach my home—nothing but the blood of Jesus.
O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.”

The Postlude

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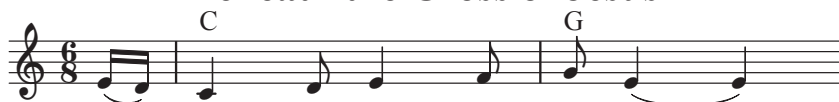
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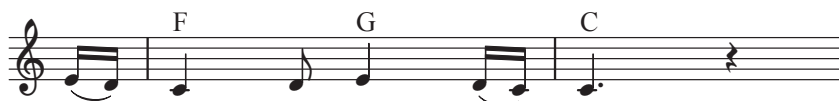
Our Vision

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.

Beneath the Cross of Jesus



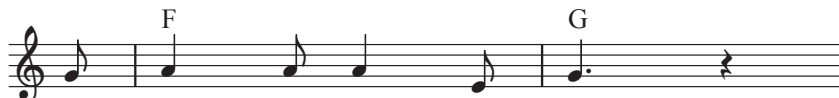
1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus
2. Up - on that cross of Je - sus,
3. I take, O cross, the shad - ow



I fain to take my stand,
My eyes at times can see
For my a - bid - ing place;



The shad - ow of a might - y rock
The ver - y dy - ing form of One
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than



With - in a wea - ry land,
Who suf - fered there for me.
The sun - shine of His face;



A home with - in the wil - der - ness,
And from my smit - ten heart, with tears,
Con - tent to let the world go by,



A rest up - on the way,
Two won - ders I con - fess:
To know no gain nor loss,



From the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat
The won - ders of re - deem - ing love
My sin - ful self my on - ly shame,



And the bur - dens of the day.
And my un - worth - i - ness.
My glo - ry all, the cross.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL—9:40 - 10:40 A.M.

Mr. William O. Stone, Jr., General Superintendent
Mrs. Betsy Chestnut, Special Needs Coordinator
Mr. & Mrs. Crane Kipp, Churchtime Coordinators
Mrs. Hall Bailey, Information Desk Coordinator

THE CHURCH PROGRAM

THE SUNDAY SERVICES:

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| Sunday School | 9:40 A.M. |
| Morning Worship | 8:30 & 11:00 A.M. |
| Evening Worship | 6:00 P.M. |
| Senior High Insight | 7:30 P.M. |
| Communion | 2nd Sunday in January, April, July and October |
| Baptism | 3rd Sunday in January, March, May, July, September, and November |
| New Members Received | 1st Sunday in February, April, June, August, October, and December at 5:00 p.m. in PH |

THE MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER MEETING:

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| Family Night Dinner | Wednesday, 5:00 - 6:15 P.M. |
| Children's Activities | Wednesday, 5:30 P.M. |
| The Choir Rehearsal | Wednesday, 5:50 P.M. |
| Junior High Discipleship Groups | Wednesday, 6:00 P.M. |
| Discipleship Groups | Wednesday 6:30 P.M. |
| Bible Study and Prayer Meeting | Wednesday 6:30 P.M. |

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2018

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 M133
Children’s Church for 3- and 4-year olds — during 11:00 a.m.
 worship service in M135MB
Student Choir Rehearsal — 4:30 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 Threadgill home (103
 Nancy Pl. in Ridgeland)

Monday

Mission First Tutoring — 3:00 p.m. in SC210/213

Tuesday

“Truth at Dawn” Men’s Bible Study — 6:30 a.m. in PH
Sew & Sow — 9:00 a.m. in SC211
French Camp Quilters — 9:00 a.m. in MB 132/Library
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Benevolence Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH204A
Women & Children’s Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon WH202B
Christianity Explored — 5:30 p.m. in SC 213A
Internationals Class — 6:45 p.m. in PH

Wednesday

Men’s Bible Study — 10:00 a.m. in Parlor
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH
College Dinner & Discussion — 5:15 p.m. in WH202B
Children’s Playtime — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in Gym/Playground
Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS
FPCYM Service Night — 5:30 p.m. meet in YH
No Junior High D Groups
Chinese Bible Study — 6:00 p.m. in SC210
Mid-Week Bible Study & Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH
Adult D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various rooms
Working Women’s Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in WH202B
No Senior High Small Group
Children’s Choirs — 6:30 p.m. in various locations
Brass Rehearsal — 7:15 p.m. in Sanctuary

Thursday

The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday

No Scheduled Events

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....”

Aaron & Rachel Halbert – Serving as church planters with Mission to the World in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Email: honduranhalberts@gmail.com

Britton & Elizabeth Wood – Serving as Campus Minister with Reformed University Fellowship at Stanford. Email: bwood@ruf.org

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary, from the wedding of Lauren Smith and Stephen Ingram are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Stephen Lee Ingram, Sr., father of the groom; Martha Nell Maize and Ruth Franklin Smith, grandmothers of the bride; and William Hunt Smith, Sr., grandfather of the bride.

SPRING FOUNDATIONS CLASS

The spring Foundations Class meets today at 9:40 a.m. in room M133 (across from the bookstore) and runs through Sunday, May 6. 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.

FPCYM SERVICE NIGHT

Junior and senior high students will be going to serve at Mission First on Wednesday, April 25. Meet at the Youth House at 5:30 p.m. for pizza (\$3), and the group will leave at 5:45 p.m. and return to the church by 7:30 p.m. There will be no Senior High Small Group that night so come join us at Mission First!

SENIOR ADULTS DAY TRIP TO NATCHEZ

Senior adults, join us on Wednesday, May 9, for a fun and informative day trip to beautiful, historic Natchez. We'll tour four homes, with lunch included at the Elms. Cost will be \$75/person. We'll leave from the Pinehurst parking lot at 7:15 a.m. and will return by 4:30 p.m. Sign up by calling Lynn Smith at (601) 353-8316 or by email at receptionist@fpcjackson.org.

PREPARING FOR ADOLESCENTS: A PARENTS' FORUM

Parents of adolescents or rising adolescents, join us on the evenings of May 9, 16, and 23 at a forum designed to help prepare you for the unique opportunities involved in rearing children through the teenage years. We'll plan to meet in Lowe Hall from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Check the upcoming *First Epistle* for a breakdown of each week's topics. Please register with Caleb Blake at calebb@fpcjackson.org.

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, May 20, 2018. To make your reservation, please contact Marie Phillips at mariep@fpcjackson.org.

MISSION PLEDGE UPDATE

Please consider making a mission pledge toward reaching our goal of \$1,000,000 in order to expand our mission and church planting investment across the world. Thus far, we've received 211 pledge cards totaling \$722,548 toward our 2018-2019 mission giving. Our desire is to not only maintain the current number of supported missionaries, but to add new missionaries and church plants in strategic areas among unreached, unengaged people groups. Please prayerfully consider a pledge that will challenge your faith, all to the great glory of our Lord Jesus Christ!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – JUNE 4-8, 2018

This year's theme is Grow in Grace! FPC members may volunteer to help by contacting VBS Director Mary Ball at maryb@fpcjackson.org. Children and Teen Helpers may register at www.fpcj.ms/vbs-2018. Please register **before May 13** to ensure a t-shirt for your child. Adults and Teen Helpers may purchase a \$10 VBS t-shirt by contacting Kathryn Cotten at kathryncotten@gmail.com. To sign-up online to bring a Teacher Snack, please visit www.perfectpotluck.com. Password: **fpcvbs2018**. Select: **find**.

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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 103: What do we pray for in the fourth petition?

Answer: In the fourth petition (which is, Give us this day our daily bread) we pray, that of God's free gift we may receive a competent portion of the good things of this life, and enjoy His blessing with them.

MONDAY

Scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:12-13; James 1:17

Key Thought: In the fourth petition, we acknowledge our dependence upon God for material things.

Questions:

- Can any man gain anything for himself apart from God?
- How does this petition humble us?
- How do we tend to take God's gifts for granted?

Prayer

TUESDAY

Scripture: Philippians 2:1-4; Ephesians 6:18

Key Thought: In the fourth petition, we seek not only our own needs, but also the needs of others.

Questions:

- What do we learn from the word "us" in the fourth petition?
- For whom are we especially to pray in this petition?

Prayer

WEDNESDAY

Scripture: Luke 12:15-31; Matthew 6:34; James 4:13-15

Key Thought: In the fourth petition, we acknowledge our constant dependence upon God by faith.

Questions:

- What do we learn from the words "this day" in the fourth petition?
- Are we to be anxious about the future? Why?
- Does this mean that it is wrong to plan for the future? Explain.

Prayer

THURSDAY

Scripture: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Proverbs 4:14-17; 31:27

Key Thought: In the fourth petition, we recognize our privilege and duty as stewards of God's good gifts.

Questions:

- What do we learn from the words "our bread" in the fourth petition?
- What kinds of bread are not rightfully "ours"?
- What is the responsibility of a steward?

Prayer

FRIDAY

Scripture: Proverbs 30:8-9; 1 Timothy 6:6-11

Key Thought: In the fourth petition, we pray for contentment with God's provisions and deliverance from greed and covetousness.

Questions:

- Why does Jesus instruct us to pray for our "daily bread"?
- What are the dangers of covetousness?
- What are the benefits of contentment?

Prayer