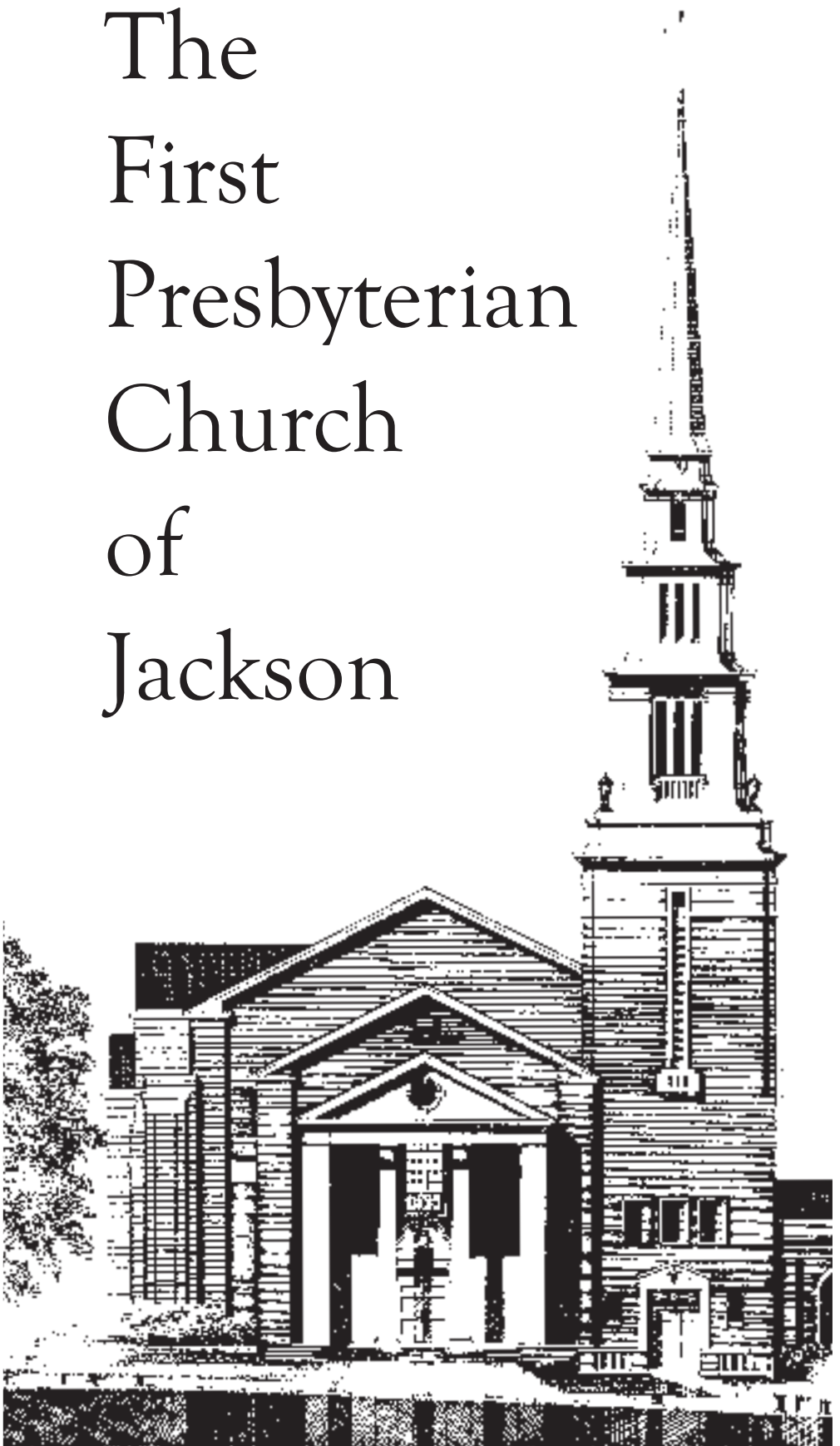


The
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Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Tenth Day of August, Two Thousand Fourteen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

Senior Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain

Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker
Minister of Young Adults

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 (8:20 and 10:50 a.m.)

The Prelude — "Prelude on 'St. Columba'" Healey Willan
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organist

The Introit — "Praise to the Trinity" Arr. Paul Sjolund

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn of Praise No. 310** — "Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Doxology**

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

The Scripture Reading — Nehemiah 3:1-12 (Pew Bible page 399)

The Morning Prayer

‡* **The Hymn No. 521** — "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" Harold Friedell

"Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in Thy name,
Two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluya! Touch we now Thy garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluya! So knit Thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of Thee,
That by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.
Alleluya! We will serve Thee faithfully."

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The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Philippians 3:1-11 (Pew Bible page 981)

The Sermon — *Side by Side:* Mr. Strain

"Would the Real Covenant Community Please Stand Up?"

‡ **The Psalm of Response No. 57** — "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul"
(Psalm 146)

‡ **The Benediction**

The Response — "God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again" William Tomer

The Congregational Meeting

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

Senior Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain
Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey
Minister of Discipleship

The Announcements and Words of Preparation (5:50 p.m.)

The Mission Trip Report — Zeb Henson - Cajamarca, Peru

The Prelude — “Christ Lay in Death’s Strong Bands” Arr. Morris
Sarah M. Morris, Pianist

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Hymn of Praise No. 4** — “All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

‡ **The Invocation**

The Evening Hymn — “What Wondrous Love Is This” (See Evening Guide)

* **The Greetings**

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Al Chestnut

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Sarabande” (Suite No. 4 in D)G. F. Handel
Debbie Dempsey, Violin I Jennifer Biggs, Violin III Zach Horne, Cello
Elisabeth Sinclair, Violin II John Sinclair, Cello

The Young Children’s Devotional

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

The Song No. 172 (Stz.1 and 4) — “Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”

The Children’s Catechism No. 26

Q. “What if Adam disobeyed God?”

A. “He would die.”

The Scripture — Genesis 2:16-17; Romans 6:23, 8:38-39; Hebrews 2:9

The Meditation Joe Johnson, Young Adults Intern

The Prayer (The children dismissed following the prayer)

‡ **The Hymn No. 283 (Stz. 1 and 2)** — “Alleluia! Alleluia!”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Jonah 1:16-2:10 (Pew Bible pages 774-775)

The Sermon — *Salvation Belongs to the Lord: “De Profundis”* Mr. Strain

‡ **The Benediction and Response No. 283 (Stz. 3)** — “Alleluia! Alleluia!”

“Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
alleluia to the Savior, who has won the victory;
alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity.
Alleluia! Alleluia to the Triune Majesty.”

The Congregational Meeting

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

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.

A Guide to the Morning Service

The Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Rejoice, the Lord is King

This hymn is one of our congregation's favorites. We sing this rousing anthem as our opening hymn of praise this Lord's Day Morning. This hymn-text comes from Wesley's *Hymn for Our Lord's Resurrection*, 1746, omitting the sixth verse. The idea for the lyric is inspired by Philippians 4:4 "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!" It is a celebration of the glories of our resurrected Savior, Jesus Christ. It reminds us that the cross was not the final destination for Jesus, but that after "He had purged our stains, He took his seat above." Stanza three calls us to praise Him for the surety of His kingdom. In stanza four, we sing of Jesus' final defeat of all His enemies. In stanza five, we profess our hope that He will yet return and will "take His servants up to their eternal home." No wonder we respond to each verse with a hearty, "Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!"

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Following our Morning Scripture Reading and Prayer, we sing this beloved, familiar hymn which focuses our minds on the source of all the Christian's hope and confidence: Christ the Lord. How important it is that we frequently sing the Gospel together in our corporate worship! That's just what we do in this great song. When this hymn was first published, it was entitled "The Immutable Basis of a Sinner's Hope," and its first line was: "Nor earth nor hell my soul can move." Edward Mote wrote the words of this great hymn. He spent his early career in the cabinetry business. One strong influence in his life was John Hyatt, who preached at Tottenham Court Road Chapel, one of the chapels run by Lady Huntingdon. Mote became a Baptist pastor in 1874, serving at Horsham, Sussex, for 26 years. He was so well loved that his congregation offered him title to the church building, but he said: "I do not want the chapel, I only want the pulpit; and when I cease to preach Christ, then turn me out of that." Let us sing this hymn with the joy and gladness that it surely warrants!

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

A beautiful response to our hearing the Word of God proclaimed and an apt conclusion to our Morning Worship, we sing this familiar rendition of the 146th Psalm. The text comes to us from the Psalter of 1912. The tune, "Ripley," is familiar to us (we sing "Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee" to it) and was a Gregorian Chant melody arranged by the great Lowell Mason. Mason was interested in music from childhood. He lived in Savannah, Georgia, for 15 years, worked as a bank clerk, and wrote his music on the side. His first musical collection was finally accepted in 1822 by the Handel and Haydn Society of Boston, Massachusetts, his native state), and went through 17 editions, selling 50,000 copies. It was adopted by singing schools in New England and eventually church choirs. Mason eventually served as the director of music at the Hanover, Green, Park, and Bowdoin Street churches (all the while holding on to his job as teller at the American Bank!). In Boston, Mason became the first music teacher in an American public school. In 1833, he co-founded the Boston Academy of Music; in 1838, he became music superintendent for the Boston school system. Mason wrote over 1,600 religious works, and is often called the "Father of American Church Music."

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • AUGUST 10, 2014

Sunday

Pre-Service Announcements — 8:20 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133
The Learning Resource Center — 9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
 (Library only)
Sunday School — 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. in various locations
College Sunday School — 9:50 a.m. in the CH
Pre-Service Announcements — 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Young Adults Leadership Group — 4:30 p.m. in WH204
The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
 (Library only)
Pre-Service Announcements — 5:50 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Peru Mission Trip Report — 7:00 p.m. in LH
Senior High Insight — 7:30 p.m. at the Crews home
 (198 Kirkwood Place)

Monday

Christian Education Bible Study Ministry Team Meeting —
 10:00 a.m. in SC210
Benevolence Allocation Sub-Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon
 in MH
Diaconate Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in PH
Session Meeting — 7:00 p.m. in the MS/PH

Tuesday

Staff Meeting — 9:00 a.m. in the MS
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Twin Lakes Executive Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in MH

Wednesday

The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
Dads of Student Ministry Prayer Lunch — 12:00 noon in the YH
Children's Choirs Leadership Meeting — 5:00 p.m. in WH202
Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH
Junior High Discipleship Groups — 5:00 p.m. in YH
Children's Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the Gym/Playground
Children's Choirs Registration — 5:45 in the Gym
The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS
Christian Education 'Getting the Message' Study Group — 6:00 p.m.
 in WH202
Sixth Grade Fellowship — 6:30 p.m. in SC321/Gym
Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH

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

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..." — **Thomas & Erna Dreyer** – serving as church planters with the Reformed Church of South Africa in Johannesburg. Mailing address: Po Box 618, Pinegowrie, Randburg, South Africa, 2123. Email address: thomas@gkrandburg.org.za
Joseph & Katie Pensak – serving as church planters with Reformed University Fellowship at Redeemer Burlington in Burlington, VT. Mailing address: 37 Hadley Rd, S. Burlington, VT 05403. Email address: joseph@redeemburlington.org

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are from the wedding of Katherine McLaurin Cox and Joseph Steele Dehmer, and are in loving memory of Mrs. Ashleigh Arnold Dehmer, mother of the groom. Mr. Ernest Gray Flora, Junior, grandfather of the bride, and Mr. Mark Edwin Cox, uncle of the bride.

OFFICER OF ELDER VOTING CONTINUES TODAY

Voting for Ruling Elders will continue today, after both morning services and the evening worship service. This past Sunday, we did not elect any Elder nominees. All communing members may vote for up to eight (8) elder nominees whose names will appear on the ballot. Please only one ballot per person.

PERU MISSION TRIP REPORT

Several weeks ago, we commissioned a team to go to Cajamarca, Peru, in support of our missionaries. Now that they have returned, it is our privilege to hear a report on their labors. Following the evening service tonight an extended presentation will be made in Lowe Hall, and all are invited to attend.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Adults are needed as volunteers for children's choirs beginning August 13 and running through April. We are in need of directors, pianists, and adults who can supervise, maintain order, and help out with games, fun songs, and quiet activities. Supplies for these are provided.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS REGISTRATION

Registration will take place this Wednesday, August 13, in the gym. Parents, please register your four year olds through fifth graders, from 5:45-6:30 p.m. Children will have supervised play time from 5:30-7:30 p.m., with a snack at 7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsals will then begin on Wednesday, August 20, with playtime in the gym or on the playground from 5:30-6:30 p.m., followed by choir until 7:30 p.m. The first Sixth Grade Fellowship will be August 13.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT Mississippi Braves Game

Please join us on Friday, August 15, at Trustmark Park for a Family Fun Night at the Braves Game. The ticket cost is \$5.00. Please call the church office at 601-353-8316 to sign up by Monday, August 11. Sign up and payment for this event is required due to the advance purchase of tickets. You may pick up your tickets on game night at the ballpark's main gate. Just look for the FPC table.

DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Not in a D Group? It is a great opportunity for spiritual growth and good fellowship. Call Billy Dempsey at 601-973-9112 or email bdempsey@fpcjackson.org if you would like more information or to enroll in a D Group. Our Discipleship Groups are scheduled to begin on Wednesday, August 20, at 6:30 p.m. in various locations.

MOMS BIBLE STUDY Don't forget to register!

MOMS is a weekly Bible study for mothers of children 6th grade and under. It meets on Wednesdays in Patterson Hall from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Starting Wednesday, September 3, MOMS will be studying the *Gospel of John: When God Became Man*. Registration for new MOMS began August 1. To register, contact Laura Barbour at 601-366-3073.

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DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS FALL 2014

Beginning: Wednesday, August 20

For the past ten years, First Presbyterian Church has invested in the lives of its members by offering and encouraging participation in discipleship groups. These small groups meet on Wednesday evenings following the family night supper and emphasize **personal growth, relationship building, and accountability.**

We have been very encouraged by the response to this ministry and want to invite those not participating in any of our Wednesday night programs to consider joining one of these small groups. Our goal is discipleship and growth in grace. With the busyness of our world, we need to take time to **stop, listen, pray, and wrestle with issues of spiritual growth together.**

The prophet Jeremiah reminds us of the importance of this growth process: "Thus says the Lord: 'Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, but let him who boasts boast in this, that **he understands and knows me**, that I am the Lord who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. **For in these things I delight,**' declares the Lord." (Jeremiah 9:23-24)

If you are not involved in our Wednesday evening discipleship groups, now is the time to join. A number of book studies will be available, and childcare is provided.

To sign up, call or email Billy Dempsey.
601-973-9112 or bdempsey@fpcjackson.org