

"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

## THE LORD'S DAY

The Twentieth Day of August, Two Thousand Seventeen MORNING WORSHIP Eight–Thirty and Eleven O'Clock The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister The Reverend Mr. Ralph S. Kelley — Executive Minister

The Greetings and Announcements (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)
<b>The Prelude</b> — "Aria in D"J. S. Bach Kenneth Graves, Clarinet; Rae Shannon, Organ
The Introit — "Almighty God of Our Fathers" Will James
The Call to Worship
<b>*</b> The Hymn of Praise No. 342 — "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"
<b>‡</b> The Prayer of Adoration and Confession
‡ The Assurance of Pardon
<b>The Solo</b> — "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"Parry/Larter Genneysa Case, Contralto
The Pastoral Prayer (8:30 a.m. only)
<b>The Public Profession of Faith</b> (11:00 a.m. only) The Biblical Basis The Introduction of New Members The Questions of Membership The Prayer The Declaration The Blessing

**\*** The Hymn No. 725 — "The Lord's Prayer"

#### The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "Be Still, My Soul" ...... Arr. Mack Wilberg "Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side. With patience bear thy cross of grief or pain. Leave to thy God to order and provide; in ev'ry change He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul; thy best, thy heav'nly Friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end. Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake to guide the future as He has the past. Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below. Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on when we shall be forever with the Lord. When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past, all safe and blessed we shall meet at last."
The Prayer of Illumination
The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Corinthians 7:25-40 (Pew Bible page 956)

**The Sermon** — *Rewire:* "Marriage at the End of the World"......Dr. Strain

- **‡** The Hymn of Response No. 719 "A Christian Home"
- **‡** The Benediction
- The Response "God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again"......William Tomer
   The Postlude "Fanfare" (Opus 65)...... C. S. Lang

\*The ushers may seat latecomers ‡Congregation standing

# **EVENING WORSHIP**

Six O'Clock The Reverend Dr. Gabriel N. E. Fluhrer — Minister of Discipleship The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III — Minister of Pastoral Care

The Prelude — "Cantatabile in E Flat"Charles Calleh William Wymond, Organ The Call to Worship ** The Hymn No. 92 — "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" ‡ The Hymn No. 92 — "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" ‡ The Invocation ** The Evening Hymn — "Speak, O Lord" (See Hymn She The Greetings The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Richard Ridgway The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings The Offertory — "Jesus Paid It All"
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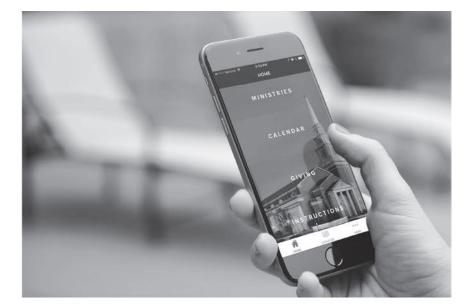
The Postlude — "Sent Forth by His Blessing" ......Dale Wood

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+ Congregation standing

\*\* 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.





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#### 2016-2017 Children's Sunday School Volunteers

The Children's Ministry is grateful to God for the willingness of these volunteers to invest their time in the lives of our children in Sunday School over the past year. Please thank them for their service to the Lord, the church, and the children of FPC.

Beth Allgood John Allgood Beth Archer\* Jimmy Armstrong Colin Baird\* Ken Ball Mary Ball Nicki Barbour\* Buddy Bartling *‡* Linda Bartling ‡ Jennifer Biggs **Emily Bonner** Melissa Boyd\* Debbie Brock Lynn Broomfield\* John Bursi David Case Gennvesa Case\* Betsv Chestnut # Drew Cleland Kimberly Cleland Kathryn Cotten\* Reid Cotten\* Ann Davis Arthur Davis David Day Kathryn Day Kim Downing Kathryn Edwards Steve Edwards **Jennifer Ellis** Daniel Fairly Stefanie Fairly Spence Flatgard\* Helen Fletcher Tracy Ford # Beverly Fulcher Dave Fulcher Cherry Dean Fyke Kirk Graves\* Kerri Hawkins Rusty Hawkins Courtney Hewitt Thomas Hewitt

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# FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017		
Sunday	<ul> <li>Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133</li> <li>The Learning Resource Center — 9:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m (Library only)</li> <li>Presbytery Committee Meeting — 5:00 p.m. in PH</li> <li>Senior High Insight — 7:00 p.m. on the FPC playground</li> </ul>	
Monday	No Scheduled Activities	
Tuesday	The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m. WIC Leadership Meeting — 10:00 a.m. in WH202A WIC Lunch — 11:30 a.m. in PH MNA Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH202B WIC Officer Training — 12:30 p.m. in SC211 WIC Circle Training — 12:30 p.m. in SC210A Internationals Class American Partners Orientation Session — 7:00 p.m. in PH	
Wednesday	MOMS Leadership Training — 9:00 a.m. in PH The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m. Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH Junior High D Groups — 5:30 p.m. in YH Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS Chinese Bible Study — 6:00 p.m. in SC210 Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH Adult D-Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations Senior High Small Group Meeting — 6:30 p.m. meet in Lowe Hall Children's Choirs — 6:30 p.m. in various locations Young Adults Basketball — 8:00 p.m. in Gym	
Thursday	<b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. <b>MTW Committee Meeting</b> — 12:00 noon in WH204A	
Friday	No Scheduled Activities	
Saturday	<b>Men's Prayer Breakfast</b> — 7:30 a.m. in MH	
BC - Basement Classroom CH - College Hou LH - Lowe Hall	MCR - Ministers Conference RoomPH - Patterson Hall YH - Youth House SC - Study CenterHC - Hutton Chapel LRC - Learning Resource CenterMH - Miller Hall MS - Music SuiteWH - Westminster HallSR - Session Room	



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

Dale & Susan Ellison - Serving in administration and church planting with Peru Mission in

Trujillo, Peru. Email: daleellison@perumission.org

Seth & Laura Lee Starkey – Serving as Campus Minister with Reformed University Fellowship at Belhaven University. Email: seth.starkey@ruf.org

#### IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Janie Jones – August 11, 2017

#### FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary, from the wedding of Dr. and Mrs. Parker Lee Ellison, junior, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. Ernest Gray Flora, junior, grandfather of the bride, Mr. Mark Edwin Cox, uncle of the bride, and Mrs. Catherine Bankston Varner, grandmother of the groom.

#### INTERNATIONALS CLASS – AMERICAN PARTNERS NEEDED

This ministry meets on Tuesday nights during the school year and is designed to reach the Internationals who have moved to the Jackson area. This outreach offers Conversational English classes, a broad range of social and travel adventures, the opportunity to experience American friendships, and a clear presentation of the Gospel. Learn first hand about this ministry at an Orientation Session on Tuesday, August 22, from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in Patterson Hall.

#### CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

Choirs will begin on August 23 at 6:30 p.m. Sixth graders are invited to join the youth ensemble which rehearses each Sunday afternoon at 4:40 p.m. and sings in the evening worship service approximately twice a month. Please contact Janie Clarke, choir coordinator, at janielclarke6@gmail.com or call 601-953-4991 if you are willing to help keep order and manage a group of children on Wednesday nights from 6:25 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. during the school year. We are also in need of musical people who can either direct or play piano.

#### EVENING COMMUNION — AUGUST 27

Please note that we will observe Communion in the worship service next Sunday evening, August 27.

#### EVANGELISM D GROUP INTRODUCTORY MEETING

Do you have trouble sharing your faith? We have a D Group devoted to training people in sharing the good news of Jesus with others! If you have ever wanted to learn from others how to do evangelism, there will be an introductory meeting at Al Chestnut's back porch on Wednesday, August 30, at 6:30 p.m. Please email Lisa Kim (lisak@fpcjackson.org) if you are interested.

#### MEN OF THE COVENANT LUNCH — SEPTEMBER 7

Men, join us Thursday, September 7, at 11:45 a.m. for our next Men of the Covenant lunch. We'll hear from Mr. Lee Webb, Vice President of Broadcasting at Ligonier Ministries and host of *Renewing Your Mind* with R.C. Sproul. Reservations are not required, and the cost of the lunch is \$6.00. Feel free to bring a friend, co-worker, or neighbor!

#### FALL FOUNDATIONS CLASS

The fall Foundations Class begins Sunday, September 10, at 9:40 a.m. in room M133 (across from the bookstore) and runs through October 29. 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.

#### BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, September 17, 2017. Space is available at the 8:30 a.m. service only. To make your reservation, please contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

#### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Children's Ministry is in need of volunteers the in 1st, 3rd, and 6th grade classes as well as permanent substitute volunteers for most classes. To volunteer or for questions, please contact kimberlyw@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9105.

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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 69: What does the sixth commandment forbid?

**Answer:** The sixth commandment forbids taking one's own life or the lives of others unjustly or doing anything that leads to suicide or murder.

#### MONDAY

**Scripture:** Proverbs 8:35-36; 2 Samuel 17:23; Matthew 27:3-5 *Key Thought:* The sixth commandment forbids suicide. **Questions:** 

- How does suicide deny the sovereignty of God?
- How many ways do men seek to murder themselves?
- What motivations drive men to this extreme action, and what remedies are found in God's Word?

Prayer

#### TUESDAY

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 7:15-18; Romans 1:28-32 *Key Thought:* The sixth commandment forbids spiritual suicide. **Questions:** 

- How is hardness before the Word of God an act of self-murder?
- How is abandonment to worldly pleasures an act of suicide?

How is avoiding the means of grace an act of suicide?

Prayer

#### WEDNESDAY

**Scripture:** Numbers 35:29-34; 2 Peter 2:12-15 *Key Thought:* The sixth commandment forbids taking the life of a neighbor. **Questions:** 

- Can you take the life of another by slander? How?
- What sins lead to murder and ought to be forsaken?

• In what ways do men murder the souls of other men?

Prayer

#### THURSDAY

Scripture: Numbers 35:22-33; Jeremiah 48:10; Exodus 22:2-3 *Key Thought:* The sixth commandment forbids unjust killing. Questions:

- Is it ever just or necessary to take the life of another?
- May a life be taken in defense of self, family, or property?

• Does the law distinguish between deliberate and accidental killing? **Prayer** 

#### **FRIDAY**

Scripture: Matthew 25:31-46

*Key Thought:* The sixth commandment forbids withholding the means of life. **Questions:** 

• What basic life needs did the "goats" withhold from those in need?

• What did Jesus tell them they had actually done?

• Does this principle apply to spiritual as well as physical needs? **Prayer**