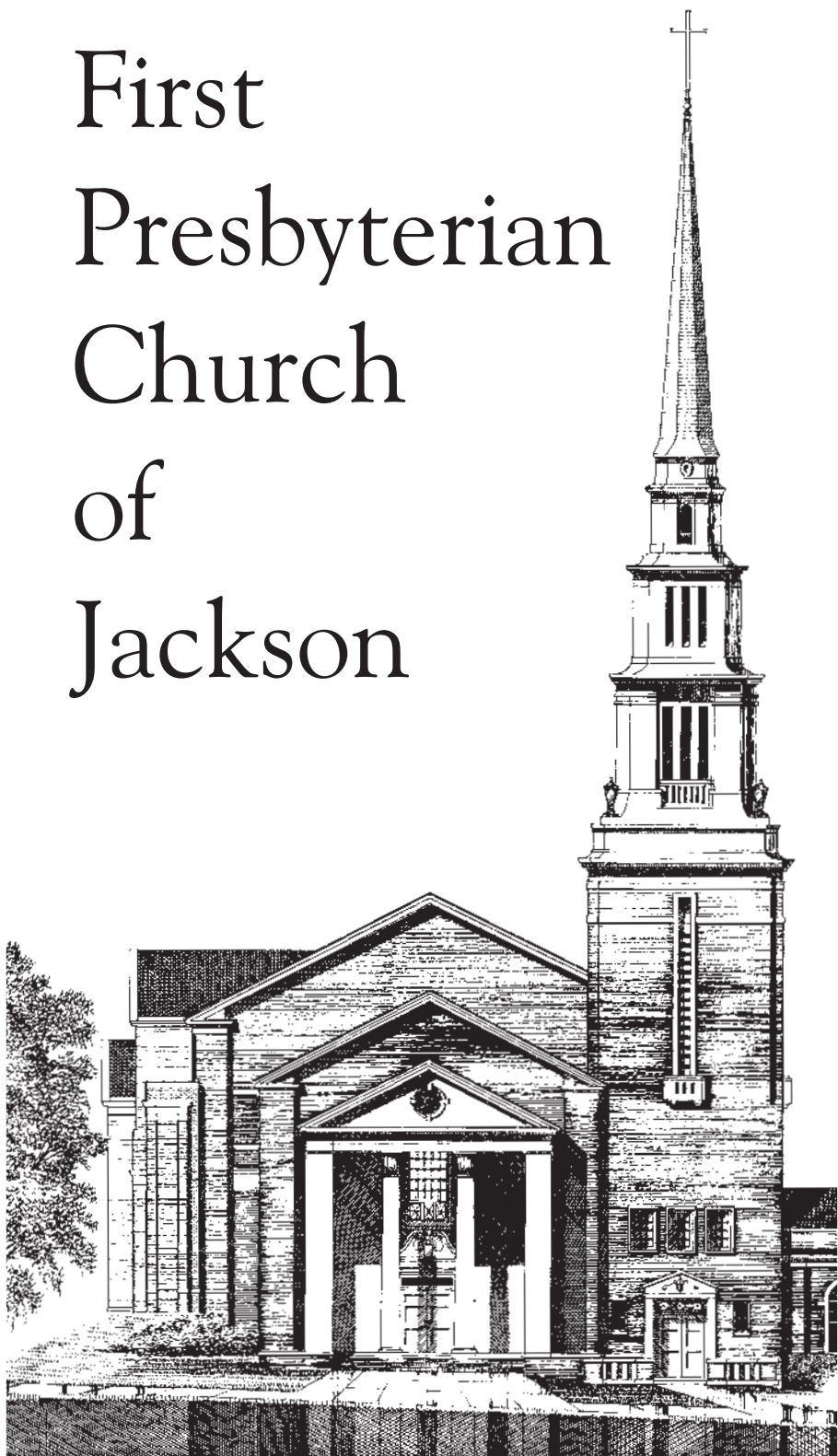


The First Presbyterian Church of Jackson



"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Ninth Day of February, Two Thousand Twenty
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

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

The Reverend Dr. Cory C. Brock — Minister of Young Adults & College

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

The Prelude — “Be Thou My Vision”Curnow
Michael Beasley, Trumpet; William Wymond, Organ

The Introit — “Behold, Now, Praise the Lord” Everitt Titcomb
Jeff Brown, Guest Director

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Psalm of Praise No. 168** — “I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

‡ **The Invocation**

‡ **The Doxology**

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail Redeemer, hail! for Thou hast died for me.
Thy praise shall never, never end throughout all eternity.

The Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

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 Hymn No. 283 — “Alleluia! Alleluia!”

The Scripture Reading — Psalm 79 (Pew Bible page 490)

The Pastoral Prayer

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Peter 4:12-19 (Pew Bible page 1016)

The Sermon — *Elect Exiles: The Fiery Trial* Dr. Strain

‡ The Hymn No. 521 (Stzs. 1-4) — “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

‡ The Benediction

‡ The Response

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

The Postlude — “Trumpet Tune in D” Henry Purcell

‡ Congregation standing

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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.
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EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker — Minister of Discipleship
The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey — Minister of Congregational Care

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

The Prelude — "Sheep May Safely Graze"J. S. Bach
Debbie Dempsey and Paul Forester, Flutes; FPC String Ensemble

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Hymn No. 529** — "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

‡ **The Invocation**

The Song — "Father, Long Before Creation" (See Hymn Sheet)

The Greetings

The Prayer — Tim Threadgill

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"Arr. Gordon Young

The Student Choir, Rachael Story, Accompanist

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;

Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and power.

He is able, He is able, He is willing, doubt no more;

He is able, He is able, He is willing, doubt no more.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;

All the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him;

This He gives you, This He gives you;

'tis the Spirit's glimmering beam;

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'tis the Spirit's glimmering beam.

Saints and angels, joined in concert, sing the praises of the Lamb;

While the blissful seats of heaven sweetly echo with His name;

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Sinners here may do the same.

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The Young Children's Devotional

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

The Children's Catechism

Q23: What covenant did God make with Adam? **A: The covenant of life.**

Q24: What is a covenant? **A: A relationship that God establishes with us
and guarantees by His Word.**

** The Meditation and Prayer.....Austin Lenox, Students & Families Intern

‡ **The Hymn (Stzs. 1, 2)** — "I Run to Christ" (See Hymn Sheet)

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Matthew 5:6 (Pew Bible page 809)

The Sermon — *The Beatitudes*: Mr. Felker
Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

I run to Christ when stalked by sin and find a sure escape.

"Deliver me," I cry to Him; Temptation yields to grace.

I run to Christ when plagued by shame and find my one defense.

"I bore God's wrath," He pleads my case my Advocate and Friend.

The Postlude

‡Congregation standing

**Children dismissed after the prayer

A GUIDE TO THE MORNING SERVICE

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

“Almighty and most merciful Father;
We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against Your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;
And we have done those things which we ought not to have done;
And there is no health in us.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.
Spare those, O God, who confess their faults.
Restore those who are penitent; According to Your promises
declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.
And grant, O merciful Father, for His sake;
That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life;
To the glory of Your holy name. Amen.”

(from Edward VI's *Book of Common Prayer* 1552).

The Prayer of Confession is a response to our singing of the doxology in this morning's worship service. It is only by reflecting upon the true nature of God and adoring His faithfulness to us that we are able to truly contemplate upon the depth, extent, and magnitude of our sin. The Prayer of Confession is made so that we confess our sin and experience true repentance by reflecting upon God's goodness even in our times of straying. Thus, it is through this time of corporate prayer, patterned after the New Testament church, that we are ready to continue in our corporate worship of God.

Why do we have corporate prayer? In preaching on the pilgrimage of the Christian in this life, the eighteenth century pastor-theologian from New England, Jonathan Edwards said, “To go to heaven fully to enjoy God, is infinitely better than the most pleasant accommodations here.” The time of corporate worship and particularly prayer is its closest semblance on earth since we gather with the saints of God to worship and delight ourselves in God.

What is a prayer of confession? The minister leads us in a Prayer of Confession to remove any human barrier that might come in the way of our blessing from God. We remind ourselves of who we are both in ourselves and in God. We remind ourselves that though we are His sheep, we are like lost sheep. During this time, the minister leads us in confessing the times we have desired the things of this world that are in opposition to the things of God. May we, in joining the minister with heartfelt agreement, confess and repent of the times we have left undone those things we ought to have done, and have done those things which we ought not to have done.

Let us join our hearts in prayer in order that the Spirit of Christ may bring conviction for impenitent hearts, encouragement to weary souls, knit us together in a bond of fellowship and praise, and bring us into an intimate communion with our Savior. Let us pray with the goal to enjoy ourselves in bringing honor and glory due His name.

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020

Sunday	<p>Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 9:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. (Library only)</p> <p>Foundations Class — 9:30 a.m. in MB133</p> <p>Children's Church for 3- and 4-year olds — during 11:00 a.m. worship service in MB135</p> <p>Student Choir Rehearsal — 4:30 p.m. in MS</p> <p>New Members Received — 5:00 p.m. in PH</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)</p> <p>Senior High Insight — The Crawford Home (1962 Douglass Drive)</p>
Monday	<p>Circles Meet This Week</p> <p>Executive Diaconate Committee — 6:00 p.m. at the home of Holt Crews</p>
Tuesday	<p>"Truth at Dawn" Men's Bible Study — 6:30 a.m. in PH</p> <p>Crafts for Missions — 9:00 a.m. in SC 213A/B</p> <p>French Camp Quilters — 9:00 a.m. in Library</p> <p>Staff Meeting — 9:00 a.m. in MH 205B</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>Management Committee Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in SC 215</p> <p>Internationals Bible Study — 5:30 p.m. in SC 211A, SC 213A</p> <p>Internationals Class — 6:30 p.m. in PH</p>
Wednesday	<p>MOMS Bible Study — 9:00 a.m. in PH</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.</p> <p>Men's Bible Study — 10:30 a.m. in Parlor</p> <p>Congregational Care Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH 204A</p> <p>Midweek Dinner — 5:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. in MH</p> <p>College Dinner & Discussion — 5:15 p.m. in WH 202B</p> <p>VBS Bible Teachers Training Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in MB 122A</p> <p>Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS</p> <p>Children's Choirs and 6th Grade Fellowship — 6:30 p.m. in various locations</p> <p>Junior High Small Groups — 6:30 p.m. in YH</p> <p>Senior High Small Group — 6:30 p.m. in WH 204A</p> <p>Adult D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations</p> <p>First Pres Forum: <i>Gospel Conversations</i> with Ed and Emily Hartman — 6:30 p.m. in MH</p> <p>Chinese Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in SC 210A</p> <p>Engaged & Newlywed Study — 6:30 p.m. in WH 202A</p> <p>Evangelism Group — 6:30 p.m. at Methodist Rehab</p> <p>Changes & Challenges Elective — 6:30 p.m. in PH</p> <p>Women's Bible Study: <i>1 Samuel</i> — 6:30 p.m. in WH 204B</p>
Thursday	<p>Garden to Glory Bible Study — 9:15 a.m. in PH</p> <p>Ephesians Bible Study — 9:45 a.m. in MH</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>Outreach Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH 202A</p>
Friday	<p>Young Adults Spring Retreat — 6:30 p.m. at Twin Lakes</p>
Saturday	<p>Young Adults Spring Retreat — all day at Twin Lakes</p> <p>Men's Prayer Breakfast — 7:30 a.m. in PH</p> <p>Father Daughter Date Night — 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. in MH</p>

BC - Basement Classroom
HC - Hutton Chapel
LCR - Learning Resource Center

LH - Lowe Hall
M - Main Floor
MCR - Ministers Conference Room

MH - Miller Hall
MS - Music Suite
PH - Patterson Hall
SC - Study Center

SR - Session Room
WH - Westminster Hall
YH - Youth House

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

John & Kelley Beth – Serving as church planters with Mission to the World in South Asia. For more information, please contact the Mission Department.

Ben & Marianna Shaw – Serving as a church planter with Christ Community Church in St. Francisville, LA.
Email: benshaw12@gmail.com

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. James M. Baird, Jr. — January 31, 2020

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert K. McDonald by his family.

FATHER DAUGHTER DATE NIGHT

We hope you'll join us for this special night designed to provide structured time for fathers and daughters to learn more about each other and to have fun together, **Saturday, February 15, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.** The recommended age for attendance is three-years old through sixth grade, and the cost is \$30 per father and daughter and \$6 for each additional daughter. Register online at fpcj.ms/parenting. **The deadline to register is tomorrow, Monday, February 10.**

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, March 15. To make your reservation, please contact Marie Phillips at mariep@fpcjackson.org.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Children's Sunday School Mission offering continues through the end of March. The funds will be designated toward building a playground at a refugee camp in Iraq. The refugee children have been displaced from their home as a result of genocide. FPC supported missionaries John and Yvonne have asked for our support for this project as it is part of their ministry to the refugee families.

FEBRUARY CIRCLES

MONDAY, February 10

CIRCLE 2 *Marian Kennedy*
10:00 a.m. – home of Finney Moore
4233 North Honeysuckle Lane, Jackson

CIRCLE 3 *Sam Simkins*
10:00 a.m. – home of Ann Saucier
169 Dogwood Place, Flowood

CIRCLE 4 *Bess Corbitt and Rebecca Redman*
10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 6 *Rhonda Baird*
6:30 p.m. – home of Beth Archer
2257 East Northside Drive, Jackson

CIRCLE 8 *Janie Purvis and Jan Wade*
9:30 a.m. – The Orchard Lounge

CIRCLE 14 *Susan Turner and Georgia Miller*
12:00 Noon – WH 202

TUESDAY, February 11

CIRCLE 9 *Karen Crawford and Grace Toler*
10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 10 *Diana Howie*
10:00 a.m. – home of Mary Bratley
430 Heritage Place, Flowood

CIRCLE 11 *Frenchie Graham and Ruth Tant*
10:30 a.m. – home of Frenchie Graham
4005 Cabell Lane, Jackson

CIRCLE 12 *Nina Johnston and Janet Quayle*
10:30 a.m. – St. Catherine's-
Marian Hall, Sun Room

“ON MISSION TOGETHER”
2020 GLOBAL MISSION CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 26-MARCH 1, 2020

WELCOME DINNER WITH INTERNATIONAL FOODS:
OPENING SESSION

Wednesday, February 26, 5:00 p.m.

During this time, we will welcome our missionaries and provide them with information regarding the Conference. At 5:00 pm, please join us for the Welcome Dinner with International Foods. We will also have chicken tenders and salad for children and adults (who might not want the International menu). Our program at 6:30 p.m. following the dinner is *“On Mission Together.”* The children will also have a program hosted by one of our missionaries.

LADIES’ LUNCHEON

Thursday, February 27, 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Ladies, please join us for the Mission Conference Ladies’ luncheon on Thursday, February 27. There will be a panel discussion with several of our missionary female faculty. Cost of the gluten-free lunch is \$6 taken at the door. Please register on the events page of the FPC website or call the Mission Department at 601-973-9125.

**** Nursery available upon request at the time of registration.**

MEN’S STEAK SUPPER

Thursday, February 27, 6:30 p.m.

Men, please join us for a Steak Supper where Kyle Parker, church planter from Spokane, Washington will be speaking. There is no cost for dinner, but a free-will offering will be taken. Please register on the events page of the FPC website or call the Mission Department at 601-973-9125.

EVANGELISM TRAINING SEMINAR

Friday, February 28, 6:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

As part of this year’s Mission Conference, we will be offering an interactive and practical evangelism workshop designed to help normal followers of Christ to pursue a life of friendship evangelism that actually bears fruit in the real world. Mack Stiles will lead the seminar. Cost is \$10, which will cover the cost of dinner. Please register on the events page of the FPC website or call the Mission Department at 601-973-9125.

DINNER ON THE GROUNDS & GATEWAY CANNED FOOD DRIVE

Sunday, March 1, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

On Sunday evening, we will gather following the evening worship service in the gym for Dinner on the Grounds. Pulled pork, potato salad, and coleslaw 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 – E: Dessert F – Z: Cold Side Dish or Salad

Please note: The Worship Service will begin at 5:00 p.m.

Please be sure to bring your canned goods for the Gateway Food Drive!