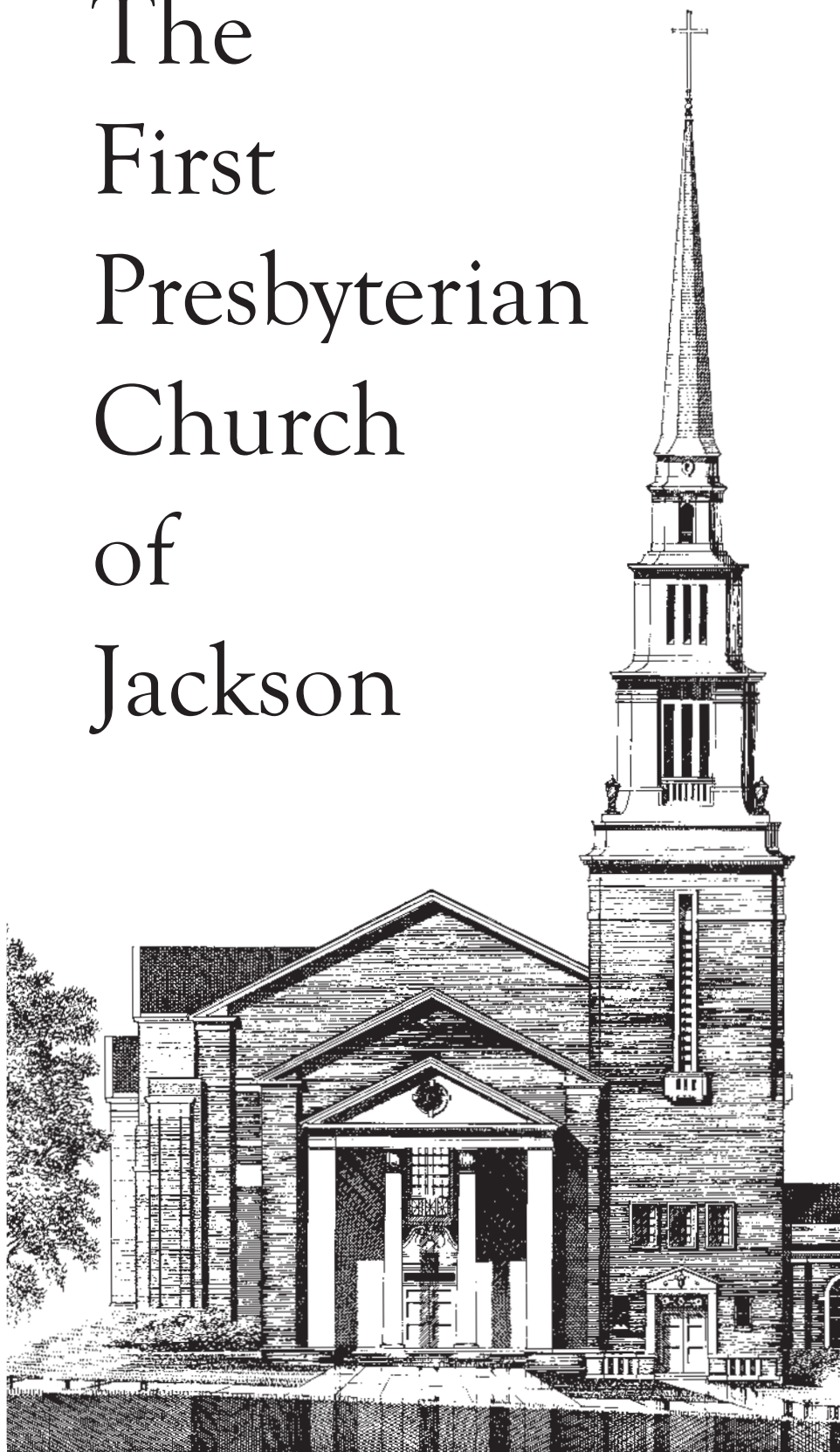


The First Presbyterian Church of Jackson



"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Twenty-first Day of January, Two Thousand Eighteen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

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

The Reverend Dr. Edward A. Hartman — Minister of Mission & Outreach

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

The Prelude — “Adagio” Joseph-Hector Fiocco
Rae Shannon, Organist

The Introit — “Rise Up! Arise!” Felix Mendelssohn

The Call to Worship

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

✦ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

✦ **The Assurance of Pardon**

✦* **The Doxology**

“All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with fear, His praise forthtell, come ye before Him and rejoice.”

The Pastoral Prayer (8:30 a.m. only)

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:00 a.m. only)

The Words of Institution

The Introduction of the Covenant Children and their Families

The Biblical Promise

The Questions to the Parents and Congregation

The Prayer of Consecration

The Baptism

The Baptismal Benediction

The Congregational Response No. 131 — “Children of the Heavenly Father”
(11:00 a.m. Stzs. 1, 5 only)

“Children of the heav’nly Father safely in His bosom gather:
nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e’er was given.
Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne’er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy.”

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “If Ye Love Me” Philip Wilby

“If ye love Me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,
and He shall give you another Comforter,
that He may abide with you forever, even the Spirit of Truth.
And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.
I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.”

John 14:15-16

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Corinthians 14:1-25 (Pew Bible page 960)

The Sermon — *Rewire*: “Building Up and Reaching Out” Dr. Strain

✦ **The Hymn of Response No. 644 [Stzs. 3,4,5]** — “May the Mind of Christ My Savior”

✦ **The Benediction**

✦ **The Response** — “God Be with You Till We Meet Again” William Tomer

The Postlude — “Variations on the ‘Old Hundredth’” Denis Bedard

*The ushers may seat latecomers

✦Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

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

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

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

The Prelude

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn** — “Arise, My Soul, Arise!” [See Hymn Sheet]

‡ **The Invocation**

‡* **The Evening Hymn** — “Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand” [See Hymn Sheet]

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Mark Sorgenfrei

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Were You There?” Ralph Manuel
The Student Choir, Rachael Story, Accompanist

The Young Children's Devotional

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

The Children's Catechism

Q107: Can you keep the Ten Commandments perfectly? A: No. Since the fall of Adam, the only One who has been able to do this is Jesus.

Q108: Of what use are the Ten Commandments to you? A: They teach me what is pleasing to God, and how much I need a Savior.

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

‡* **The Evening Hymn No. 699 [Stzs. 1,2]** — “Like a River Glorious”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Job 3-7 (Pew Bible pages 418-421)

The Sermon — *Affliction in Verse*: “Whoever Perished Being Innocent?”Dr. Strain

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“Every joy or trial falleth from above,
traced upon our dial by the Sun of love.
We may trust Him fully all for us to do;
they who trust Him wholly find Him wholly true.
Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest, finding,
as He promised, perfect peace and rest.”

The Postlude

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‡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.

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THE SESSION

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Robert A. Cunningham	W. Wayne Husband	Richard L. Ridgway	A. Terrel Williams
Edward J. Currie, Jr.	W. Harper Keeler	Benjamin W. Roberson	Marcus M. Wilson
Arthur P. Davis	Crane D. Kipp	Stephen W. Rosenblatt	Mark J. Windham

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THE DIACONATE

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	J. Dallis Ketchum	Kenneth C. Seawright	

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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:

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

The Vows for the Sacrament of Baptism

In order for the congregation to more fully enter into the service of the sacrament of baptism and to refresh ourselves on our church membership vow, the following is provided for your convenience and information:

To the parents:

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in (his) behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for (his) salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before (him) a godly example, that you will pray with and for (him), that you will teach (him) the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring (him) up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

And

To the congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

First Presbyterian Church purposes to stand as a Reformed witness to Jackson, to the surrounding community, and ultimately to the world through the proclamation of the whole counsel of God as written in the verbally inspired, infallible Scriptures.

WORSHIP • DISCIPLESHIP • OUTREACH

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 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)
Communicants Class — 9:40 a.m. in MH
Children's Church for 3- and 4-year olds — during 11:00 a.m.
worship service in M135MB
Student Choir Rehearsal — 4:39 p.m. in MS
The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
(Library only)
No Senior High Insight

Monday **Diaconate Finance Committee** — 11:45 a.m. in WH202A
Worship Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH204A
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 MB132
Insurance Committee Meeting — 11:45 a.m. in WH202A
Christianity Explored — 5:00 p.m. in SC 213A
Internationals Class — 6:45 p.m. in PH

Wednesday **MOMS Bible Study** — 9:00 a.m. in PH/SC
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
Junior High D Groups — 6:00 p.m. in YH
Chinese Bible Study — 6:00 p.m. in SC210
Post-Holiday Survival Guide: Grief — 6:30 p.m. in MH
Working Women's Bible Study (2 Timothy) — 6:30 p.m. in Parlor
Senior High Small Group — 6:30 p.m. in Y201
Adult D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations
Children's Choirs — 6:30 p.m. in various locations
Brass Rehearsal — 7:15 p.m. in Sanctuary

Thursday **Ladies' Bible Study ("Growing in Godliness")** — 9:30 a.m.
in PH/SC
Ladies' Bible Study (Hebrews) — 9:45 a.m. in MH
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
MNA Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH204A

Friday **Mid-South Men's Rally** — 5:15 p.m. dinner in MH; 6:30 p.m.
in Sanctuary

Saturday **Men's Prayer Breakfast** — 7:30 a.m. in SC211

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....”

Hermes & Alleen Tomás – Serving in administration and church planting with Christian Missionary Society in Trujillo, Peru. Email: alleenmclain@me.com

Sarah – Serving alongside First Presbyterian Church’s Tuesday night ESL class. She seeks to show hospitality to internationals from around the world who are studying in Jackson. Please contact the Mission & Outreach Department for more information.

BAPTISM

This morning, the sacrament of covenant baptism will be administered to Elizabeth Blades Bailey (Libby), daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Richard (Elisha) Bailey; Henry Stone Blossom, son of Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Ashley (Mary Catherine) Blossom; Joanna Claiborne Bock, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Charles Otto (Evana) Bock; Steele Whittington Dehmer (Whit), son of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Steele (Katherine) Dehmer; Margaret Virginia McPhillips, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James Manning (Margaret) McPhillips, Jr.

EVENING SERMON SERIES

AFFLICTION IN VERSE: A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF JOB

Why do we trust God? How do we respond when the Giver of our good gifts chooses to take them away from us? The book of Job addresses these questions in poetic form by allowing us to witness a true story of dramatic loss in the life of a faithful servant of God. Through Job’s affliction, we’re given a window into the glory and majesty of a God who is forever sufficient for His people. Join us Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m., as Senior Minister David Strain unpacks the book of Job for us.

POST-HOLIDAY SURVIVAL GUIDE

The holidays are a difficult time for many. Please join us for the Post-Holiday Survival Guide Series Wednesday, January 24, and 31 as we take a closer look at the things people struggle with most around the holidays: Grief and Debt. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the newly renovated Miller Hall.

MID-SOUTH MEN’S RALLY — JANUARY 26

Men, please mark your calendars and plan to join us for our annual Mid-South Men’s Rally. Our speaker this year will be Dr. Ligon Duncan III, Chancellor and CEO of Reformed Theological Seminary and professor of Systematic and Historical Theology. No advance registration is necessary. Dinner will be served beginning at 5:15 p.m., with the first session beginning at 6:30 p.m. If you have questions, please contact Lisa Kim at discipleship@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9102.

INTERESTED IN JOINING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please note that our next joining date is Sunday, February 11, 2018. Each person joining FPC is asked to fill out a new member form and turn it in by Wednesday, January 31. Any forms received after January 31 will be held for the next joining date. The new member forms can be obtained at the information desk in the greeting courtyard after the worship services or in the Session Room (located off the Greeting Courtyard). If you have any questions, please contact Marie Phillips at mariep@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9101.

YOUNG ADULTS GIRLS’ RETREAT

Young Adult women are invited to the annual FPC Young Adults Girls’ Retreat, February 2-3. Our own Shirley Windham will be the speaker this year. The cost is \$40, and you can register through the FPC Jackson app. If you know young adult girls (22- to 29-year olds) in the Jackson area looking for community, help us spread the word; and contact Mackenzie Hemphill 662-295-0874 with any questions.

EVANGELISM D GROUP BEGINNING FEBRUARY 14

Do you have trouble sharing your faith? Wish you could learn from people who have been doing evangelism a long time? 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 Wednesday, February 14, at 6:30 p.m. in WH202A. Please email Lisa Kim if you are interested or have questions at discipleship@fpcjackson.org.

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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 <http://fpcj.ms/fam-devo>. Or contact the church office at 601-353-8316 or receptionist@fpcjackson.org. It is also available on the app under "Resources."

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS:

Question 91: How do the sacraments become effectual means of salvation?

Answer: The sacraments become effectual means of salvation, not from any virtue in them, or in him that doth administer them; but only by the blessing of Christ, and the working of his spirit in them that by faith receive them.

MONDAY

Scripture: Acts 8:5-23

Key Thought: The sacraments are not made effective by any power in themselves.

Questions:

- Does the act of sprinkling or pouring water in baptism save?
- Is there any magical power in the bread and wine of communion?
- What is the danger in thinking that these things have power in themselves?

Prayer

TUESDAY

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 3:1-6

Key Thought: The sacraments are not made effective by any power in the minister.

Questions:

- Can a minister change a person's heart?
- Can a minister give grace to men by his own power?
- Can a minister make the sacraments ineffective by his own sin?

Prayer

WEDNESDAY

Scripture: Matthew 26:26-28; Matthew 28:18-20

Key Thought: The sacraments are made effective by the blessing of Christ.

Questions:

- Why is the blessing of Christ necessary for the communication of grace?
- Is Christ present in the administration of the sacraments? How?

Prayer

THURSDAY

Scripture: John 14:1-18; 1 Corinthians 12:13

Key Thought: The sacraments are made effective by the working of the Holy Spirit.

Questions:

- How is Jesus present in the midst of His Church?
- Can anyone receive grace apart from the work of the Holy Spirit?
- How does the Holy Spirit give grace through the sacraments?

Prayer

FRIDAY

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:27-31; Colossians 2:11-12

Key Thought: The sacraments are made effective to those who receive them by faith.

Questions:

- Do all who receive the sacraments receive grace?
- What is required on man's part for grace to be received?
- What does it mean to receive the sacraments by faith?

Prayer