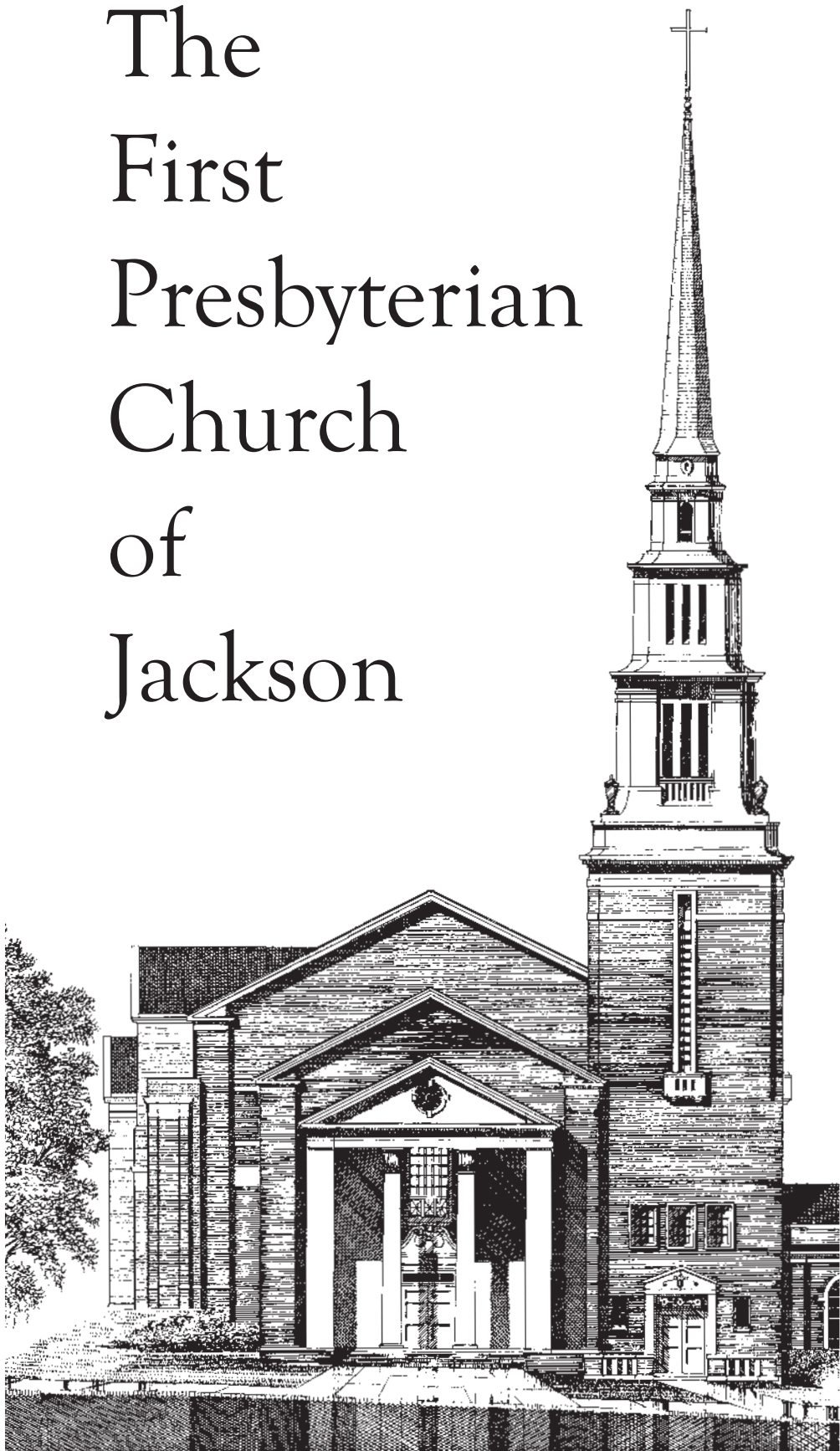


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*“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”*

# THE LORD'S DAY

The Twenty-ninth of January, Two Thousand Seventeen  
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister  
The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker — Minister of Young Adults & College

*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** (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)

**The Prelude** — "Prelude on 'Land of Rest'" .....by Wilbur Held  
Rae Shannon, Guest Organist

**The Introit** — "Worthy Is the Lamb" (*Messiah*) .....G. F. Handel

**The Call to Worship**

‡\* **The Hymn of Praise No. 38** — "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

‡ **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** — Mark 13:14-27 (Pew Bible pages 849-850)

**The Pastoral Prayer**

‡ **The Hymn No. 705** — "I Know Whom I Have Believed"

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

**The Offertory** — "He That Shall Endure to the End" (*Elijah*) .....Felix Mendelssohn  
"He that shall endure to the end shall be saved."  
Matthew 10:22

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — 1 Corinthians 1:18-25  
(Pew Bible page 952)

**The Sermon** — *Rewire*: "Christ, the Power and the Wisdom of God" .....Mr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 251** — "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — "Thy Praise and Glory Shall Not End" .....John Hess

**The Postlude** — "Fanfare" .....Jacques Lemmens

\*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

# EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. Gabriel N. E. Fluhler — Minister of Discipleship  
The Reverend Mr. Andrew W. Triolo — Minister of Students & Families

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

The Prelude — “Andante” .....Joseph Haydn  
FPC Strings

The Call to Worship

‡\* The Hymn No. 605 — “All the Way My Savior Leads Me”

‡ The Invocation

‡\* The Evening Hymn — “In Christ Alone” (See Guide)

The Greetings

The Recognition of Recitation of the Children’s Catechism

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Donnie Cannada

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Abide with Me” .....Monk/Olstead  
Debbie Dempsey, Flute; Dave Snyder, Piano

The Young Children’s Devotional

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

*The Children’s Catechism*

Q4: How can you glorify God? A: By loving Him and doing what He commands.

Q5: Why are you to glorify God? A: Because He made me and takes care of me.

\*\* The Meditation and Prayer..... Jonathan Hunt, Music Intern

‡ The Hymn No. 521 (Stzs. 1-3) — “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — James 4:1-5 (Pew Bible pages 1012-1013)

The Sermon — “How The Gospel Helps Our Relationships” ..... Dr. Fluhler

‡ 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 — “Praise to the Lord” ..... German melody

\*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

\*\*Children dismissed after the prayer



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.

# In Christ Alone

Words and Music:  
Getty & Townend



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found,  
2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh,  
3. There in the ground His bo - dy lay,  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,



He is my Light, my Strength, my Song;  
ful - ness of God in help - less babel!  
Light of the world by dark - ness slain.  
this is the pow'r of Christ in me;



this cor - ner - stone, this so - lid ground  
This gift of love and right - eous ness,  
Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day,  
from life's first cry to fi - nal breath,



firm thru the fier - cest drought and storm.  
scorned by the ones He came to save,  
up from the grave He rose a - gain!  
Je - sus com - mands my de - sti - ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
'till on that cross as Je - sus died,  
And as He stands in vic - to - ry  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,



when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease!  
the wrath of God was sa - tis - fied,  
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
can e - ver pluck me from His hand;



My com - for - ter, my all in all,  
for e - v'ry sin on Him was laid;  
for I am His and He is mine,  
'till He re - turns or calls me home,



Here in the love of Christ I stand.  
Here in the death of Christ I live.  
Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

# The Gospel & Sexuality

with Dr. Rosaria Butterfield  
Guest Speaker

Friday, February 10  
6:30 pm

Among the many challenges facing the church in our generation, possibly the most urgent is widespread confusion regarding questions of sexual orientation. One of the clearest voices articulating a Biblical perspective on these issues belongs to Dr. Rosaria Butterfield.

All are invited to attend a special event on Friday, February 10, at 6:30 p.m., entitled, **The Gospel & Sexuality** with Dr. Butterfield. She will share her remarkable story of conversion to faith in Christ and offer valuable insights for those wrestling with these issues. The event is free and open to the public. Please join us for what we pray will be an encouraging and helpful evening.



## Dr. Rosaria Butterfield

She was once a tenured professor of English who identified as a lesbian and worked to advance the cause of LGBT equality. After her conversion to Christ in 1999, she came to see the sinfulness of having any identity apart from Him. Rosaria is married to Kent Butterfield, pastor of the First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Durham, and is a home-school mother, pastor's wife, author, and speaker. She is helping Christians to better

understand their LGBT neighbors and loved ones so that we can lovingly look past labels of sexual identity and share the gospel effectively. In 2012, she published her conversion memoir, *The Secret Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert: An English Professor's Journey to Christian Faith*. Her second book, *Openness Unhindered: Further Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert on Sexual Identity and Union with Christ* was published in 2015. She writes about sexuality, identity, Christian community, and seeks to encourage all in faithful Christian living and service.

# FPC THIS WEEK

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2017

### Sunday

**Pre-Service Announcements** — 8:25 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. – 10:40 a.m.  
 (Library only)  
**Sunday School** — 9:40 a.m. in various locations  
**Communicant Class** — 9:40 a.m. in MH  
**Pre-Service Announcements** — 10:55 a.m. in the Sanctuary  
**Children’s Church for 3- and 4-year-olds** — during 11:00 a.m.  
 worship service in M135  
**Student Choir Rehearsal** — 4:40 p.m. in MS  
**The Learning Resource Center** — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.  
 (Library only)  
**Mission Conference Prayer Time** — 5:30 p.m. in the Church  
 Parlor  
**Pre-Service Announcements** — 5:55 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
**Senior High Insight** — 7:30 p.m. at the home of the Robersons  
 (4252 Brussels Drive)

### Monday

**Circle Bible Teacher Training** — 9:00 a.m. in WH204  
**Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring** — 3:00 p.m. in SC210

### Tuesday

**“Truth at Dawn” Men’s Bible Study** — 6:30 a.m. in MH  
**Sew & Sow** — 9:00 a.m. in SC211  
**The Learning Resource Center** — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring** — 3:00 p.m. in SC210  
**Internationals Class** — 6:45 p.m. in PH

### Wednesday

**Strategic Planning Committee Meeting** — 7:00 a.m. in WH204  
**MOMS Bible Study** — 9:00 a.m. in PH/SC  
**The Learning Resource Center** — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.  
**Men’s Bible Study** — 10:00 a.m. in WH202  
**Interns Meeting** — 4:00 p.m. in BC  
**Family Night Supper** — 5:00 p.m. in MH  
**Twin Lakes Fellowship Committee Meeting** — 5:30 p.m.  
 in SC211B  
**College Dinner & Discussion** — 5:15 p.m. in WH204A  
**Children’s Activities** — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the  
 Gym/Playground  
**Junior High Dinner** — 5:30 p.m. in YH/6:00 p.m. at Lost Pizza  
**Adult Choir Rehearsal** — 5:50 p.m. in MS  
**Children’s Choirs** — 6:30 p.m. in various locations  
**Adult D Groups** — 6:30 p.m. in various locations  
**Working Women’s “Soul Songs” Bible Study** — 6:30 p.m.  
 in WH202  
**Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting** — 6:30 p.m. in PH  
**FPC Brass Rehearsal** — 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
**Men’s Basketball** — 8:00 p.m. in Gym

### Thursday

**Ladies 1, 2, 3 John Bible Study** — 9:30 a.m. in PH  
**Ladies “Prophets” Bible Study** — 9:45 a.m. in MH  
**The Learning Resource Center** — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

### Friday

No Scheduled Activities

### 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....”*

**Paul and Laura Chinchen** – Serving in administration, leadership and as Head of Mission with African Bible Colleges.

Email: paulchinchen@africanbiblecolleges.net

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

## FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Rachel Elizabeth Kipp by her family.

## JUNIOR HIGH DINNER – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Junior High Dinner is this Wednesday, February 1, during our normal D Group time. Meet at the Youth House at 5:30 p.m. or at Lost Pizza in Maywood Mart at 6:00 p.m. Students may be picked up at 7:00 p.m. at the restaurant or 7:30 p.m. at the Youth House. Please email Jenny Sanders at youthhouse@fpcjackson.org to sign up.

## 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 12. Each person joining FPC is asked to fill out a new member form and turn it in by Wednesday, February 1. Any forms received after February 1, will be held for the next joining date. The new member forms can be obtained from the Session Room (located off the Greeting Courtyard) after the morning worship services. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Walters at lisaw@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9102.

## 2017 MISSION CONFERENCE — SAVE THE DATE

**February 26 – March 5, 2017**

The Session has adopted a new strategic plan for foreign missions and is eager to share it with you at the 2017 Mission Conference. Scott Moore, Senior Minister at Trinity Family in Mobile, AL, will preach Sunday February 26. John Leonard, author of *Get Real: Sharing Your Everyday Faith Every Day*, will preach Sunday, March 5. Please join us for a time of prayer for the upcoming Mission Conference beginning Sunday, January 29, in the Parlor at 5:30 p.m. and continuing each Sunday evening until February 26. **If you are interested in hosting any of our missionaries for a meal, or providing housing, please contact Beth Archer at 601-668-2581 or missbetharcher@yahoo.com.**

## SPRING BREAK AT SEAGROVE

The Students & Families Ministry is taking a group of 9th - 12th graders to Seagrove, FL, March 15-19. Time will be spent worshipping together and learning more about Jesus, as well as enjoying the beach. The cost is \$150. Sign up online at [www.fpcjackson.org/youth](http://www.fpcjackson.org/youth). Contact Jenny Sanders at youthhouse@fpcjackson.org with questions.

## SUPPORT GROUP

If you are struggling with alcohol or other chemical dependence and would like to get together with people who share in the same struggles, we have a small and very safe group that meets regularly for just that purpose. This discreet, monthly meeting is one of friendship, encouragement, and biblical reflection. Personal anonymity is very important at this meeting. For more information, please call or text 601-260-1636. Also, every month a group of those who have family members (spouses, children, siblings, parents) who struggle with addiction meets for a time of mutual encouragement and Christ-centered counsel. Anonymity is required. For more information concerning the place and time of these meetings, call or text 601-260-0388.

## HEARING ASSISTANCE

Several members of our congregation have benefitted from the hearing devices that are available during our worship services. These devices transmit the sound from the pulpit directly into a small and unobtrusive ear piece. You may obtain your own hearing device to bring to church each week by contacting Cliff Ford in the church office: 601-353-8316.

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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](mailto:fpcj.ms/fam-devo). Or contact the church office at 601-353-8316 or [receptionist@fpcjackson.org](mailto:receptionist@fpcjackson.org).

## **THIS WEEK'S FOCUS:**

**Question 35:** *What is sanctification?*

**Answer:** Sanctification is the work of God's free grace by which our whole person is made new in the image of God, and we are made more and more able to become dead to sin and alive to righteousness.

## **MONDAY**

**Scripture:** Read John 17:13-19

**Key Thought:** Sanctification is a work of God's free grace.

**Questions:**

- What does it mean that sanctification is a "work" rather than an "act"?
- How did Jesus pray that God would sanctify His disciples?
- How does God use His Word to sanctify us?

**Prayer**

## **TUESDAY**

**Scripture:** Read 1 Thessalonians 5:14-24

**Key Thought:** In sanctification we are renewed in the whole man.

**Questions:**

- Is there any part of the life of a believer that should not be set apart to God? What parts of your life do you tend to regard as "unspiritual?" How should these be sanctified to God?
- Is moral virtue the same as sanctification? Why or why not?
- Is sanctification primarily a change of behavior or a change of heart?

**Prayer**

## **WEDNESDAY**

**Scripture:** Read Colossians 3:1-17

**Key Thought:** In sanctification we are renewed after the image of God.

**Questions:**

- How was the image of God in man affected by his fall into sin?
- What are the "old man" and the "new man" in verses 9-10?
- How is the image of God in man affected by sanctification?
- According to verses 12-17, what attributes of God are to be reflected in the lives of His children? Are they reflected in your life?

**Prayer**

## **THURSDAY**

**Scripture:** Read Romans 6:1-11; Luke 9:23-26

**Key Thought:** Through sanctification we die more and more unto sin.

**Questions:**

- In what way does Christ make us alive? In what way does He make us dead?
- What does it mean to die more and more unto sin?
- How are dying to sin and dying to self related?

**Prayer**

## **FRIDAY**

**Scripture:** Read Ephesians 4:17-32

**Key Thought:** Through sanctification we live more and more unto righteousness.

**Questions:**

- If we "put off" the old man, what must be "put on" in his place?
- In verses 25-32, how does Paul show the way that sanctification replaces sin with righteousness?
- What does it mean to "grieve the Holy Spirit"?

**Prayer**