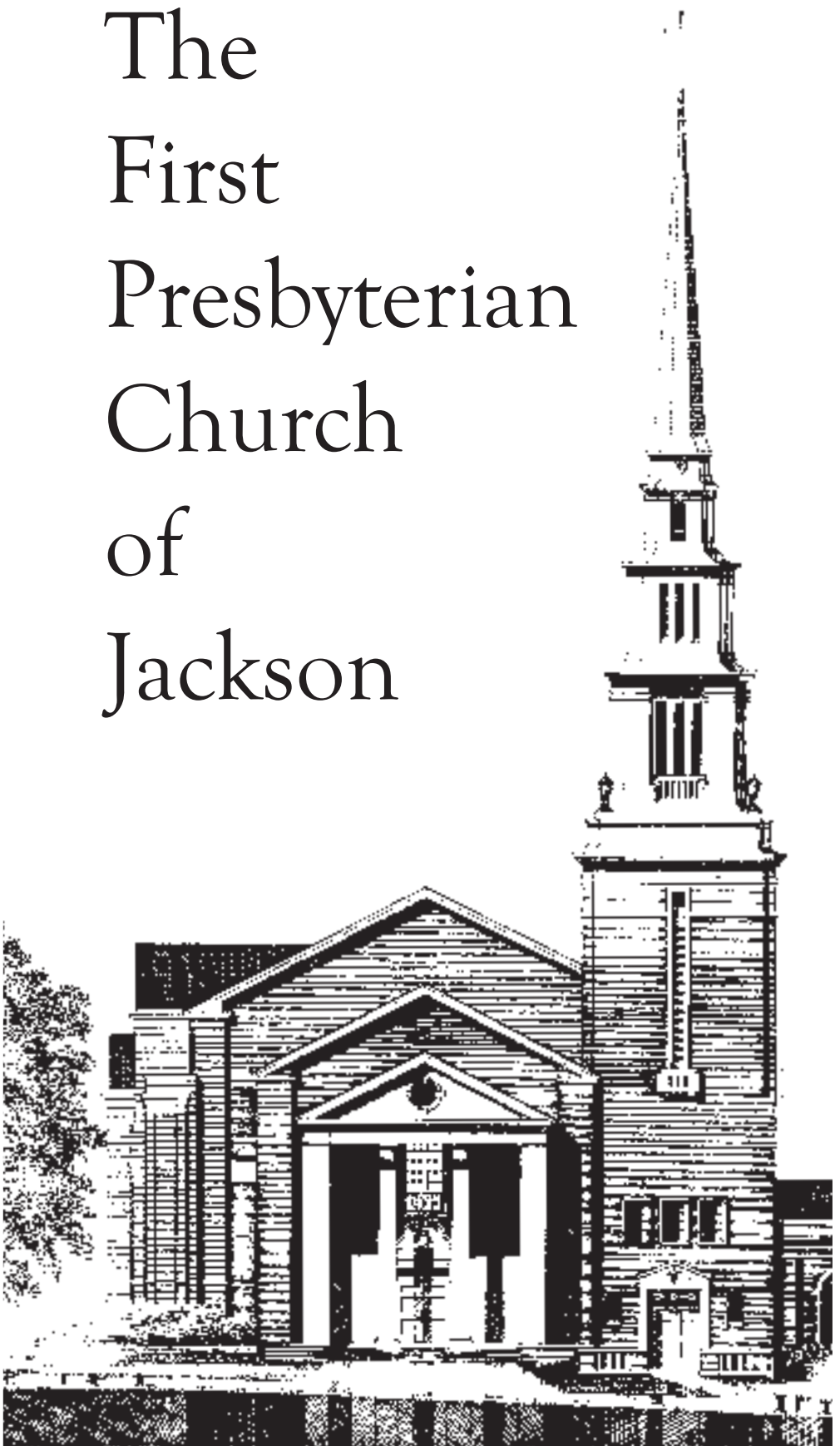


The
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Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

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The Fourth Day of January, Two Thousand Fifteen

MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

Senior Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T.A. Strain
Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III
Minister of Pastoral Care

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 — "I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ"J.S. Bach
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organist

The Introit - "Behold, Now, Praise the Lord" Everitt Titcomb

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Psalm of Praise No. 1** — "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" (Psalm 100)

‡* **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡* **The Doxology No. 301 (Stz. 3, 5)** — "Join All the Glorious Names"

Jesus, my great High Priest, offered His blood, and died;

My guilty conscience seeks no sacrifice beside:

His pow'rful blood did once atone, and now it pleads before the throne.

My Savior and my Lord, My Conqu'ror and my King,

Thy scepter and Thy sword, Thy reigning grace, I sing:

Thine is the pow'r; behold I sit in willing bonds beneath Thy feet."

The Scripture Reading — Nehemiah 9:26-38 (Pew Bible pages 405-406)

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

‡ **The Hymn No. 585** — "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "Joy in the Morning"Natalie Sleeth

"Joy, there'll be joy, there'll be joy, joy, joy, joy, joy.

There'll be joy in the morning on that day, for the daylight will dawn when the darkness is gone.

There'll be joy in the morning on that day.

There'll be peace and contentment evermore, every heart and voice will then rejoice,

And the glory of the Lord will shine, and the glory of the Lord will bring the truth divine.

There'll be love and forgiveness everywhere, and the way of the Lord will that day be restored,

There'll be love, sweet love everywhere.

There'll be joy, joy, joy, joy, joy.

There'll be joy in the morning on that day.

For the daylight will dawn when the darkness is gone. There'll be joy!

There'll be peace and contentment evermore.

Every heart, every voice will together rejoice, there'll be peace.

And the glory of the Lord will shine....

There'll be joy, joy, joy, joy, joy."

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The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Exodus 6:9-7:13 (Pew Bible page 49)

The Sermon — "God Remembers: Reasons not to Listen"Mr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 587** — "Who Is on the Lord's Side?"

‡ **The Benediction**

The Choral Response — William Tomer

"God Be with You 'Till We Meet Again"

The Postlude — "Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now"J.S. Bach

*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 Dr. Edward A. Hartman
Minister-Elect of Mission and Outreach

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

The Prelude — “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”arr. by J. Hunt
FPC Brass Ensemble

The Call to Worship

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

‡ **The Invocation**

The Evening Hymn — “My Heart Is Filled” (See Evening Guide)

* **The Greetings**

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Steve Edwards

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory - “Worthy of Worship”Mark Blankenship
The Student Choir

Worthy of worship, worthy of praise, worthy of honor and glory,
worthy of all the glad songs we can sing, worthy of all of the offerings we bring.
You are worthy, Father, Creator, You are worthy, Savior, Sustainer.
You are worthy and wonderful; worthy of worship and praise.
Worthy reverence, worthy of fear, worthy of love and devotion:
Worthy of bowing and bending the knees, worthy of all this and added to these,
Almighty Father, Master and Lord, King of kings and redeemer,
Wonderful Counselor, Comforter, friend, Savior and Source of our life without end.
You are worthy, Father, Creator, You are worthy, Savior, Sustainer,
You are worthy, worthy and wonderful; Worthy of worship and praise.
You are worthy. . . Alleluia!”

The Young Children's Devotional

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

The Song No. 308 (Stz. 1,3) — “Jesus Paid It All”

The Children's Catechism No. 42

Q. “Why can no one be saved through the covenant of works?”

A. “Because we have all broken it and are condemned by it.”

The Scripture — Psalm 14:2-3; Daniel 5:1-31; Matthew 5:48; Romans 3:23;
6:23

The MeditationKevin Phipps, Director of Media

The Prayer (The children dismissed following the prayer)

‡ **The Hymn** — “Speak, O Lord” (See Guide)

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Philemon (Pew Bible page 1000)

The Sermon — “Prisoners of Christ Jesus”Mr. Strain

‡ **The Benediction and Response**

“Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.”

The Postlude — “God Moves in a Mysterious Way” George Dyson
FPC Brass Ensemble

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‡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.

My Heart Is Filled



1. My heart is filled with thank - ful - ness To
2. My heart is filled with thank - ful - ness To
3. My heart is filled with thank - ful - ness To



Him who bore my pain; Who plumbed the depths of
Him who walks be - side; Who floods my weak - ness -
Him who reigns a - bove; Whose wis - dom is my



my dis - grace And gave me life a - gain; Who
es with strength And caus - es fears to fly; Whose
perfect peace, Whose ev - 'ry thought is love. For



crushed my curse of sin - ful - ness, And clothed me with His
ev - 'ry prom - ise is e - nough For ev - 'ry step I
ev - 'ry day I have on earth Is giv - en by the



light, And — wrote His law of right - eous - ness With
take. Sus - tain - ing me with arms of love And
King. So — I will give my life, my all, To



pow'r up - on my heart.
crown - ing me with grace.
love and fol - low Him.

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The Lord's Prayer

"Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever."

A GUIDE TO THE MORNING SERVICE

The Scripture Reading

The Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

One of the two best-known and well-loved psalms in our congregation is this setting of Psalm 100, sung to the glorious tune “Old One Hundredth” (the other is Psalm 23, sung to “Crimond”). There has probably not been a year in the 177-year-plus life of this church when this psalm and tune haven’t been sung. The tune comes right out of Calvin’s *Genevan Psalter* and is still in use in every nation where there is a Reformed church. The book of Psalms is God’s divinely inspired hymnbook, and, thus, we always sing psalms along with scripturally sound hymns in all our services. We open our service this morning with the longing that one day “all people who on earth do dwell” will indeed “sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.”

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Following the Scripture Reading and Morning Prayer, we sing this lovely hymn as a suitable prayer for our own ongoing sanctification and growth in godliness. “Take My Life” was Frances Ridley Havergal’s “consecration hymn,” as she herself called it. The story behind this hymn’s composition is moving: “Only a person as totally dedicated to God as she was had the right to pen such lines or invite others to sing them. We know from one of her letters just when and how the hymn was written. The date was February 4, 1874; the occasion was the end of a five days’ visit to the house of some friends. She had prayed that God would so use her visit that all ten members of the household might become genuine, rejoicing Christians; and He answered her prayer. ‘Before I left the house everyone had got a blessing. The last night of my visit, after I had retired, the governess asked me to go to the two daughters. They were crying, etc.; then and there both of them trusted and rejoiced; it was nearly midnight. I was too happy to sleep, and spent most of the night in praise and renewal of my own consecration; and these little couplets formed themselves, and chimed in my heart one after another, till they finished with *Ever, ONLY, ALL for Thee!*’”

Who Is on the Lord’s Side?

This martial hymn calls for the singer to “choose you this day whom you will serve.” We will sing it this evening in preparation for and response to the hearing of God’s word. The hymn was written by Frances R. Havergal on October 13, 1877, and published in her *Loyal Responses*, 1878. It is based on 1 Chronicles 12:18, and was originally entitled “Home Missions.” The thunderous tune “Armageddon” is an adaptation of a German hymn tune. As we consider what it means to be either for or against, it is of the utmost importance that we understand where we stand. Having studied God’s Word and heard it proclaimed from the Book of Exodus, we contemplate its implications and applications for our lives as disciples of the Lord Jesus. This is a wholly suitable “sung prayer” for us to use as we conclude our public worship this Lord’s Day Morning.

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • JANUARY 4, 2015

Sunday	<p>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 The Student Choir — 4:40 p.m. in MS The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only) Pre-Service Announcements — 5:50 p.m. in the Sanctuary No Senior High Insight</p>
Monday	<p>Circle Bible Teachers Meeting — 9:00 a.m. in MH WIC Leadership Council Meeting — 9:30 a.m. in SC210 Deacons Executive Committee Meeting — 11:45 a.m. in MH Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring — 3:00 p.m. in SC210 Scout Meeting — 7:00 p.m. in PH/SR</p>
Tuesday	<p>Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring — 3:00 p.m. in SC210 Management Committee Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in SC215 Internationals Class — 6:45 p.m. in PH/SC</p>
Wednesday	<p>MOMS Leadership Training — 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in PH The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m. Interns Meeting—4:00 p.m. in classroom basement 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. – 6:30 p.m. in the Gym The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS Children's Choirs — 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. on the 1st Floor SC Discipleship Groups — 6:30 p.m. in SC & WH Sixth Grade Fellowship — 6:30 p.m. in Scout Room/Gym Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH</p>
Thursday	<p>Son of David Bible Study — 9:00 a.m. in SC Bible Leader Team Meeting — 9:30 a.m. in PH Genesis Bible Study — 9:45 a.m. in MH The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Administrative Committee of the Presbytery — 3:00 p.m. in WH202 Presbytery Mission to Military Committee — 4:00 p.m. SC215</p>
Friday	<p>Sew and Sow — 9:00 a.m. in SC211A/B</p>
Saturday	<p>Men's Prayer Breakfast — 7:30 a.m. in MH</p>

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...” **Kurt & Jill P.**- Serving with Mission to the World in Europe. For more information, please contact the Mission Department. **Christian Witness to Israel** – CWI is an international evangelistic society committed to sharing the good news of Jesus the Messiah with Jewish people around the world. Mailing Address: 6401 S. 50th St., Rogers, AR 72758; Email: sgt.atkinson@gmail.com.

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, January 14, MOMS will be studying “Sweethearts for a Lifetime.” Registration for new MOMS begins January 1, 2015. To register, contact Joanna McNeel at 601-807-1596.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

We will observe the Lord's Supper next Sunday morning, January 11. For those interested, professionally-prepared **gluten-free “crackers”** will be available. They will be placed on the table on the south wall of the greeting courtyard. Please pick up on the way in to the morning worship service.

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, January 18, 2015. Space is available for only the 8:30 a.m. worship service. To make your reservation, please contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or email her at lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

MID-SOUTH MEN'S RALLY - JANUARY 30, 2015

Men, mark your calendars, and plan to join us for our annual Mid-South Men's Rally. Our speaker this year will be The Reverend Dr. Ralph Davis, Minister-in-Residence at First Presbyterian Church, Columbia, SC. 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 Christina Meenan at missiondepartment@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9125.

2015 MISSION CONFERENCE

February 22 – March 1, 2015

Mark your calendar, and plan to attend the 2015 Mission Conference! If you would like to provide housing or a meal for one or more of our missionaries, please contact the Mission and Outreach Department at 601-973-9125 or missiondepartment@fpcjackson.org.

SPOTLIGHT MINISTRY FOR JANUARY: CRAFTS FOR MISSIONS

ALERT! ALERT! Another service ministry needs YOU! Crafts for Missions will be meeting the Tuesdays of February and March, and we need your helping hands. This year we are making a paper beaded star ornament to send to our missionaries for Christmas 2015. We meet from 9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. in SC 211. A nursery can be provided upon request. Our first meeting is February 3, 2015. Please contact Tina Oates for more information or to request a nursery spot: toates22@gmail.com or 601-506-0111.

BURWELL FUND

The Burwell Fund is a source of financial help for members of First Presbyterian Church in need of assistance. This fund is under the management of our Deacons. If you have this need, please contact Wiley Lowry, Billy Dempsey, or Earl Davis, and they will be happy to assist you.

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Speak, O Lord



1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to re -
2. Teach us Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us



ceive the food of Your Ho - ly Word.
rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty.
grasp the heights of Your plans for us.



Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us; shape and
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes; in the
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time, That will



fash - ion us in Your like - ness; That the
ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our
ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



light of Christ might be seen to - day in our
faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your ma -
grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es; And by



acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord and ful -
jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can
faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, 'till Your



fill in us all Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.
nev - er fail; Let their truth pre - vail. o - ver un - be - lief.
church is built, And the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.