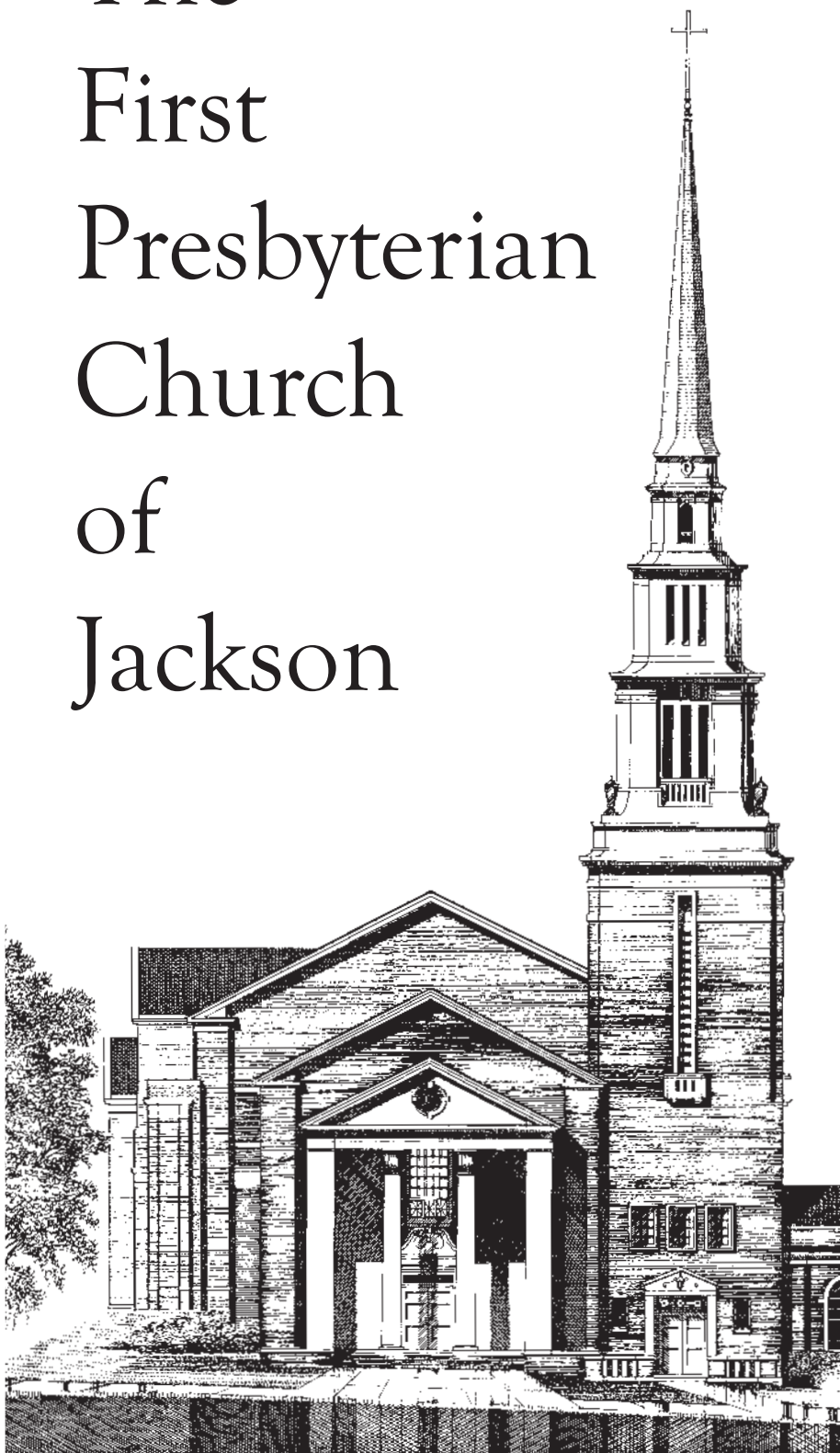


The  
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Church  
of  
Jackson



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

# THE LORD'S DAY

The First Day of July, Two Thousand Eighteen  
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister  
The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker — Minister of Discipleship

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

**The Prelude** — "The Gift of Love" ..... Hal Hopson  
Nancy Bateman, Cello; Rae Shannon, Organ

**The Introit** — "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" ..... Nettleton

**The Call to Worship**

‡\* **The Psalm of Praise No. 2** — "O Worship the King" (Based on Psalm 104)

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡\* **The Assurance of Pardon**

‡ **The Apostles' Creed** (See Guide)

‡\* **The Gloria Patri** — "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end, Amen, Amen!"

**The Scripture Reading** — Psalm 31 (Pew Bible pages 461-462)

**The Pastoral Prayer**

‡\* **The Hymn** — "Speak, O Lord" (See Guide)

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

**The Offertory** — "Know My Heart" ..... Benjamin Harlan  
With Kathryn Edwards, Pianist

"Lord, you have searched me, You know everything I do.  
When I rise, when I lie down, You are with me.

Before I speak, You hear me. Your presence follows day by day.  
O know my heart, O God.

Lord, you have searched me, You know everything I do.  
When I rise, when I lie down, You are with me.

Before I speak, You hear me. Your presence follows day by day.  
O know my heart, O God.

If I ascend into heaven, You are there on the wings of the morning.

Or in my deepest despair, His hand shall lead me, His right hand will guide me.

Though darkness should cover me, light shall surround me,

And I will praise the Lord: I will praise Him with my whole heart!

Lord, you have searched me, You know everything I do...  
O know my heart, O God."

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**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — Mark 2:13-17 (Pew Bible page 837)

**The Sermon** — "Not the Righteous" ..... Dr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 679** — "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — "Seven-Fold Amen" ..... Peter Lutkin

**The Postlude** — "Hymn to Joy" ..... Gordon Young

\*The ushers may seat latecomers

#Congregation standing

# EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III — Minister of Pastoral Care  
The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey — Minister of Congregational Care

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

**The Prelude** — “May the Mind of Christ My Savior” .....Barham-Gould  
The First Presbyterian String Ensemble

**The Call to Worship**

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

‡ **The Invocation**

\* **The Hymn** — “Lo He Comes” (See Guide)

**The Greetings**

**The Prayer** — Ruling Elder Bob Cunningham

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

**The Offertory** — Claire Porter, Soloist

**The Young Children’s Devotional**

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

*The Children’s Catechism*

Q1: Who made you? A: God

Q2: What else did God make? A: God made all things.

Q3: Why did God make you and all things? A: For His own glory.

\*\* **The Meditation and Prayer**.....David Felker, Minister of Discipleship

‡\* **The Hymn No. 128 (Stz. 1-5)** — “God Moves in a Mysterious Way”

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — Romans 8:26-30 (Pew Bible page 944)

**The Sermon** — “Our Help in Weakness” ..... Mr. Lowry

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — “Blind unbelief is sure to err, and scan His work in vain;  
God is His own interpreter, and He will make it plain.”

**The Postlude** — “God Moves in a Mysterious Way” ..... Scots Psalter Tune

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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.

# Speak, O Lord



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



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



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



Shape and fash - ion us in Your like - ness,  
In the ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty.  
That will ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty.



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



In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.



Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us  
Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built



All Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.  
Let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.  
And the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

# A GUIDE TO THE MORNING SERVICE

## Welcome

We welcome all to this service of worship. If you are a Christian visiting with us today, we greet you in the name of our common Lord. If you are not a believer, we greet you as a friend and trust that you will sense the warmth and genuineness of our reception. We invite everyone here to participate with our congregation as we sing, pray, and give attention to God's Word to us this morning.

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

This brief affirmation of basic Christian belief is called the Apostles' Creed, not because one or several of the Apostles of the New Testament were its author, but because it expresses the faith the Apostles taught. So, it is "Apostolic" in the sense that it affirms and preserves the faith which they learned from Jesus. You will notice that we use the traditional translation of the Creed which retains both a beauty of language and some unfamiliar words: "Ghost" is employed where we would use "Spirit," the word "quick" where we would use "living," and "catholic" where we would use "universal." Also, when we say that Christ "descended into hell," we are not saying that upon His death, Jesus actually went into hell; instead, we are affirming that Jesus suffered all the pains and torments of hell as He endured the unmitigated wrath of God.

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth:  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;  
the third day he arose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

# FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JULY 1, 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)  
**Children’s Church for 3- and 4-year olds** — has concluded for the summer  
**The Learning Resource Center** — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.  
 (Library only)  
**Senior High Insight** — 7:30 p.m. at the Gregg Home  
 (2465 Sandridge Dr.)

## Monday

**Mission First/NCC Super Stars for Christ** — 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
 in various locations  
**Junior High Summer Snow Cone Challenge** — 3:00 p.m. at  
 Nandy’s Candy

## Tuesday

**Strategic Planning Committee Meeting** — 7:30 a.m. in WH204A  
**Mission First/NCC Super Stars for Christ** — 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
 in various locations  
**French Camp Quilters** — 9:00 a.m. in MB 132/Library  
**The Learning Resource Center Closed**  
**Management Committee Meeting** — 5:30 p.m. in SC215  
**Adult Choir Rehearsal** — 5:45 p.m. in Sanctuary  
**Senior High Girls’ Supper Club** — 6:00 p.m. at Augusta’s house  
 (1740 Howard St. in Belhaven)

## Wednesday

**Church Offices Closed**  
**The Learning Resource Center Closed**  
**No Wednesday Night Activities**

## Thursday

**Mission First/NCC Super Stars for Christ** — 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
 in various locations  
**French Camp Quilters** — 9:00 a.m. in MB 132/Library  
**The Learning Resource Center Closed**

## Friday

**Mission First/NCC Super Stars for Christ** — 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
 in various locations

## Saturday

**Men’s Prayer Breakfast**

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...”*

**Palmer & Joanna Robertson** – Serving as the Vice Chancellor of African Bible University in Kampala, Uganda.

**Youth for Christ** – YFC seeks to reach young people everywhere, working together with the local church and other like-minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus.

## IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Thomas H. Bowen, Jr. — June 25, 2018

## FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by the children and grandchildren of Charles and Helen Fletcher in honor of their 70th wedding anniversary. To God be the glory!

## COMMUNION SUNDAY

Communion Sunday will be next Sunday, July 8. Please begin prayerfully preparing your hearts and minds to receive the Lord's Supper. For those interested, professionally prepared gluten-free crackers will be available for Communion. They will be placed on the table on the south wall of the Greeting Courtyard. Please pick up a piece on the way into the morning worship service.

## CHURCHWIDE WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Are you looking for a good book to read this summer? Join us in reading *The Company We Keep: In Search of Biblical Friendship* by author Jonathan Holmes. We will meet to share a meal and discuss on July 24 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in Patterson Hall. Shirley Windham will moderate. The books are available in the FPC Bookstore for \$7.00. You may register through the FPC app or by contacting Lisa Oswalt at [lisao@fpcjackson.org](mailto:lisao@fpcjackson.org) or 601-973-9115.

## MOMS BIBLE STUDY

*Consider Jesus...He Is Greater - A Study of the Book of Hebrews*

Ladies, we hope you'll join us on Wednesdays in Patterson Hall from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. beginning September 5. The format is small groups followed by a large-group lecture led by Jane Wiggins. MOMS is a weekly Bible study for expectant moms, those who hope to become moms, and those whose youngest child is in the sixth grade or below. A nursery is available, but space is limited. Registration begins August 1. Please contact Joanna McNeel at 601-807-1596.

## 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, weekly 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, twice each month a group of those who have loved ones who struggle with addiction/alcoholism 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 earpiece. 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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# Lo, He Comes



1. Lo! He comes, with clouds de - scend - ing,
2. Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold Him,
3. *Ev - 'ry is - land, sea, and moun - tain,*
4. Now re - demp - tion, long ex - pect - ed,
5. Yea, a - men! Let all a - dore thee,



once for fa - vored sin - ners slain;  
robed in dread - ful maj - es - ty;  
*heav'n and earth shall flee a - way;*  
see in sol - emn pomp ap - pear!  
high on thine e - ter - nal throne;



thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing  
those who set at naught and sold Him,  
*all who hate Him must, con - found - ed,*  
All His saints, by man re - ject - ed,  
Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,



swell the tri - umph of His train:  
pierced, and nailed Him to the tree,  
*hear the trump pro - claim the day:*  
now shall meet Him in the air.  
claim the king - dom for thine own:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,  
*Come to judg - ment! Come to judg - ment!*  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
O come quick - ly! O come quick - ly!



God ap - pears on earth to reign.  
shall the true Mes - si - ah see.  
*Come to judg - ment, come a - way!*  
See the day of God ap - pear!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Come, Lord, come.