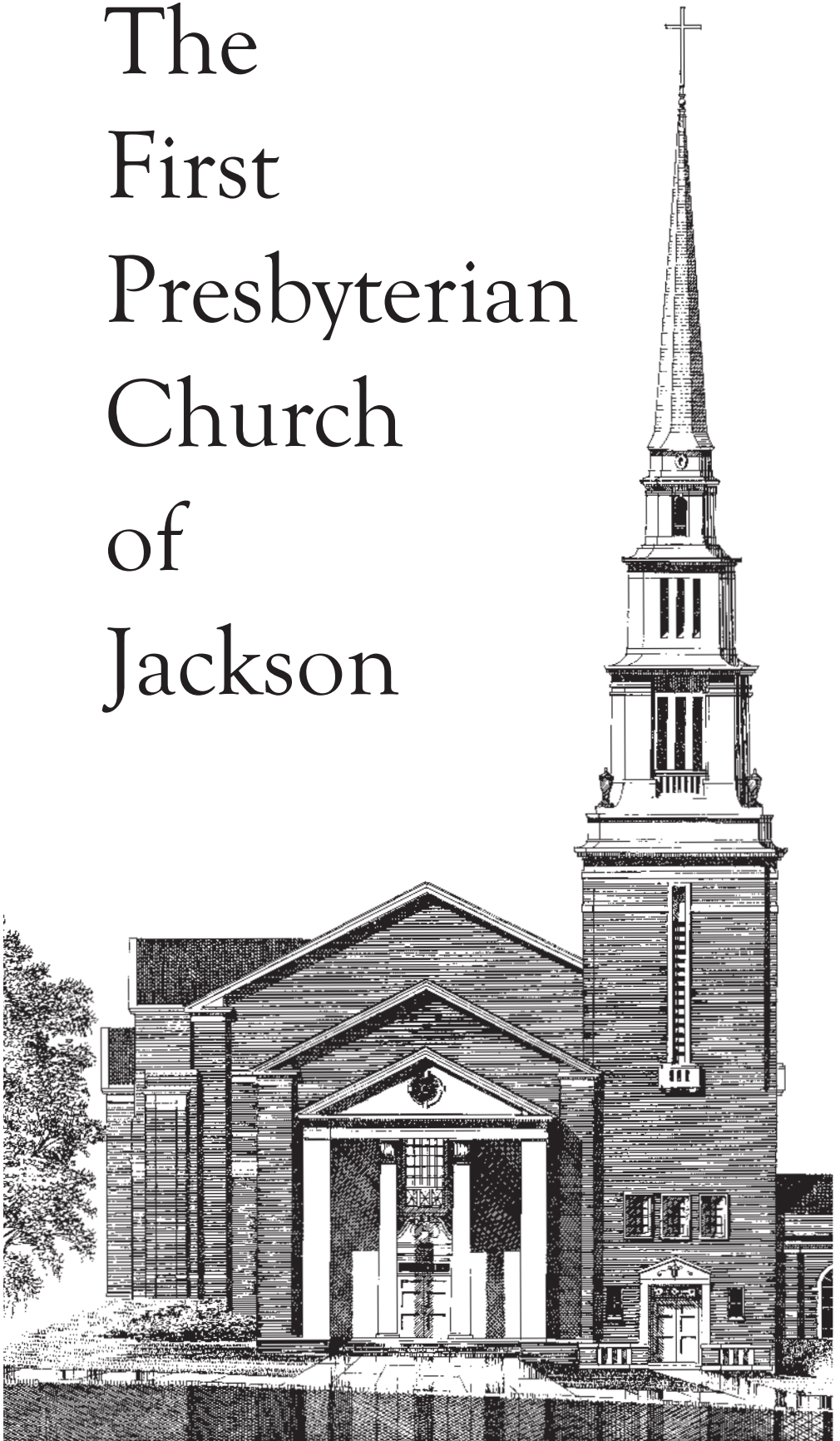


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*“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”*

# THE LORD'S DAY

The Twenty-sixth Day of July, Two Thousand Fifteen  
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

Senior Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain  
Assisting Minister — The Reverend Dr. Edward A. Hartman  
Minister of Mission and Outreach

*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** — “Andante Cantabile” (Suite No. 30) .... Ludwig van Beethoven  
Connie S. Wadsworth, Piano

**The Introit** — “Christ Is Risen from the Dead!” ..... Russian Liturgy

**The Call to Worship**

‡\* **The Psalm of Praise No.16** — “Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord” (Psalm 98)

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Assurance of Pardon**

‡\* **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** — Ecclesiastes 5:1-7 (Pew Bible page 555)

**The Morning Prayer and Lord’s Prayer** (See Morning Guide)

**The Hymn No. 345** — “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

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

**The Offertory** — “The Lord, He Is Good” (Elijah) ..... Felix Mendelssohn

“The Lord, He is good. He will dry your tears and heal all your sorrows.

I praise Thee, O Lord, I praise Thee. For His word shall not decay.

The Lord, He is good. He will dry your tears and heal all your sorrows.

For His word shall not decay.”

Revelation 21:4; Matthew 24:35

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — Ephesians 4: 1-16 (Pew Bible pages 977-978)

**The Sermon** — *New Community*: “How the Body Grows” ..... Mr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 359** — “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Congregational Response**

“May the mind of Christ my Savior, live in me from day to day,  
by His love and power controlling all I do and say.”

**The Postlude** — “Gavotte” (Suite No. 5 in G Major)..... J. S. Bach

\*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

# EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

**Presiding Minister** — **The Reverend Mr. Jeffrey R. Jordan**  
Reformed University Fellowship Campus Minister - Mississippi College  
**Assisting Minister** — **The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III**  
Minister of Pastoral Care

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

**The Prelude** — "Prelude in D Flat" (Well-Tempered Clavier) .....J. S. Bach  
William Wymond, Piano

**The Call to Worship**

‡ **The Hymn No. 173** — "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

‡ **The Invocation**

‡ **The Evening Hymn** — "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken" (See Evening Guide)

\* **The Greetings**

**The Evening Prayer** — Ruling Elder Richard Russ

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

**The Offertory** — "Be Thou My Vision" .....8th C. Irish  
Martin Antoon, Laura Rutledge, and Rebekah Fields

**The Young Children's Devotional**

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

**The Song No. 305 (Stz. 1 and 2)** — "Arise, My Soul, Arise"

**The Children's Catechism No. 67**

Q. "How is Christ a priest?"

A. "By dying for the sins of His people and pleading with God for them."

**The Scripture** — Romans 8:26; Hebrews 7:25; 9:12; 9:22; 10:10-12

**The Meditation** .....Ed Hartman, Minister of Mission and Outreach

**The Prayer** .....(The children dismissed following the prayer)

‡ **The Hymn No. 115 (Stz. 1-4)** — "All Creatures of Our God and King"

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — Psalm 126 (Pew Bible pages 517-518)

**The Sermon** — "The Lord Has Done Great Things for Us" .....Mr. Jordan

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response No. 115 (Stz. 5)** — "All Creatures of Our God and King"

"Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,

O praise Him, alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One:

O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

**The Postlude** — "For All the Saints" ..... R. V. Williams

\*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡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.

# Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Words and Music by Bill Moore



1 Je - sus, I my cross have tak - en,  
2 Let the world de - spise and leave me,  
3 Man may trou - ble and dis - tress me,  
4 Go, then, earth - ly fame and treas - ure,  
5 Haste thee on from grace to glo - ry,



All to leave and fol - low Thee.  
They have left my Sav - ior, too.  
\* 'Twill but drive me to Thy breast.  
Come dis - as - ter, scorn and pain  
Armed by faith, and winged by prayer.



Des - ti - tute, de - spised, for - sak - en,  
Hu - man hearts and looks de - ceive me;  
\* Life with tri - als hard may press me;  
In Thy ser - vice, pain is pleas - ure,  
Heav'n's e - ter - nal days be - fore thee,



Thou from hence my all shall be.  
Thou art not, like them, un - true.  
\* Heav'n will bring me sweet - er rest.  
With Thy fa - vor, loss is gain  
God's own hand shall guide us there.



Per - ish eve - ry fond am - bi - tion,  
O while Thou dost smile up - on me,  
\* Oh, 'tis not in grief to harm me  
I have called Thee Ab - ba Fa - ther,  
Soon shall close thy earth - ly mis - sion,



All I've sought or hoped or known.  
God of wis - dom, love, and might,  
\* While Thy love is left to me;  
I have stayed my heart on Thee  
Soon shall pass thy pil - grim days,



Yet how rich is my con - di - tion!  
Foes may hate and friends dis - own me,  
\* Oh, 'twere not in joy to charm me,  
Storms may howl, and clouds may gath - er;  
Hope shall change to glad fru - i - tion,



God and heav'n are still my own.  
Show Thy face and all is bright.  
\* Were that joy un - mixed with Thee.  
All must work for good to me.  
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

# A GUIDE TO THE MORNING SERVICE

By thinking through the various elements within our worship services at First Presbyterian Church, we hope to come away with a collective awareness of what it means to worship God biblically. In previous weeks we reflected on some of the kinds of prayers we pray when we meet together; prayers such as those of adoration and confession. Today we continue our contemplation of this subject by considering the Lord's Prayer.

## God's Glory and Our Needs

In Matthew chapter 6, within Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, He gives us a model for what prayer should look like for a Christian. It is prayer that is both "vertical" (centering on "Our Father, who art in Heaven") and "horizontal" (addressing tangible, earthly needs and concerns). The very structure of the prayer teaches us a lesson of vital importance: that our most pressing need is for our Father in heaven. Since "from Him and through Him and to Him are all things," He necessarily deserves "all glory forever" (Rom. 11:36). Therefore, all prayer should be rooted in the Fatherhood of God with an aim toward His glory. But Jesus also taught us to pray for the physical, felt needs of this life. Something so basic as bread, Jesus commends as a worthwhile and necessary component of God-honoring prayer. This reminds us that we are incapable of providing for the most basic needs of our lives, but are instead, dependent on the provision of our heavenly Father. May this be an encouragement to our hearts this morning, that our Father is not one who is aloof and unconcerned with the tangible needs of earthly life, but is the one who kindly cares for us by bestowing them.

## Reciting the Lord's Prayer

It is all too easy to unwittingly import worldly impulses into our corporate and private devotional lives; inclinations that assume what is best is that which is attained quickly and with the least amount of effort. Prayer is a counter-cultural practice because it is an exercise that is ultimately not about producing something quickly and immediately quantifiable. It is ultimately about our hearts and wills lining up with God's cosmic agenda of all creation worshipping Him. And by reciting this prayer together, we are participating in something formative. We are collectively reminding ourselves that God is our Father, His glory is our goal, and He takes care of our needs. The fact that the pronouns Jesus uses are all plural (our, us, we) indicate that this is a prayer for a community of people. And as we pray God's Word back to Him, we are strengthened as the Body of Christ. This is what led the Early Church Father, Cyprian of Carthage, to say of the Lord's Prayer, "how much more effectually do we obtain what we ask in Christ's name, if we ask for it in His own prayer?... Our prayer is public and common; and when we pray, we pray not for one, but for the whole people, because we the whole people are one."

### **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."

# FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • JULY 26, 2015

## 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. – 10:40 a.m. in various locations  
**Children’s Church for 3-year olds** — 10:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon  
 in G105MB  
**Pre-Service Announcements** — 10:55 a.m. in the Sanctuary  
**The Learning Resource Center** — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)  
**Pre-Service Announcements** — 5:55 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
**Senior High Insight** — 7:30 p.m. at the home of the Trussels  
 (3536 Hawthorn Drive)

## Monday

No Scheduled Activities

## Tuesday

**The Learning Resource Center** — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Young Adults/College Committee Meeting** — 12:00 noon in MH

## Wednesday

**Men’s Bible Study** — 10:00 a.m. in WH202  
**The Learning Resource Center** — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.  
**Family Night Supper** — 5:00 p.m. in MH  
**Junior High D Groups** — 5:30 p.m. in YH  
**Children’s Activities** — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Gym/  
 Playground  
**The Choir** — 5:50 p.m. in MS  
**Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting** — 6:30 p.m. in PH  
**Children’s “Fruit of the Spirit” Program** — 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
 in M122/123  
**Young Adults Men’s Basketball**— 8:00 p.m. in the Gym

## Thursday

**The Learning Resource Center** — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Thursday Night Fellowship** — 7:00 p.m. at the home of the Clarkes  
 (622 Broadway Ave.)

## Friday

No Scheduled Activities

## Saturday

**Men’s Prayer Breakfast** — 7:30 a.m. in MH

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..." **Jeff & Mary Baldwin** – Serving as a church planter with Greater Europe Mission and as professor and director at Greek Bible College in Athens, Greece. Mailing address: Chr. Adamopoulou 8, Pikermi, Attiki, GR 190 00 Email: jeffrey.baldwin@gemission.org **truthXchange** – Truth Exchange (truthXchange) is supported through FPC's MNA Committee. This ministry exists to equip the Christian community in general and its leaders in particular to recognize and effectively respond to the rising tide of neo-paganism. Mailing address: P.O. Box 416 Escondido, CA 92033 Email: office@truthXchange.com

## FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Madeline Clark by her family.

## SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP

All are invited to join us each Sunday morning for coffee in Lowe Hall following the 8:30 a.m. worship service. We hope you'll stop by and fellowship with our whole church before Sunday School.

## SUMMER RUF

College students, join us for the final Summer RUF for this summer! David Felker will speak on Tuesday, July 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of the Jordans (9 Pond Side Drive). If you are interested in helping with food for Summer RUF, contact collegehouse@fpcjackson.org.

## STUDENT MINISTRY JOINT SUNDAY SCHOOL AUGUST 2

All Junior High and Senior High students, as well as their parents, are invited to join us for a joint Sunday School in Lowe Hall on August 2 with the new Director of Students and Families, Andrew Triolo, and his wife, Jeri Lyn. We'll meet at 9:40 a.m. for breakfast and a time of fellowship, and the class will begin at 10:00 a.m.

## FPCYM PICNIC

The Student Ministry at FPC will hold its last event of the summer Tuesday, August 4, at Laurel Park in Belhaven. We'll have a picnic and cornhole tournament beginning at 5:30 p.m. Andrew Triolo will be there, as well as the rest of the Student Ministry staff, and we'd love to see you before school schedules start up again!

## THURSDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults, join us this week for the third and final Thursday Night Fellowship in our series on Community. TNF is the Young Adults Ministry's mid-week, large-group bible study, with teaching, singing, and fellowship and is perhaps the most visible dimension of the Young Adults ministry at FPC. Join us Thursday, July 30, at 7:00 p.m. at the Clarke home (622 Broadway Ave.). For more information, contact youngadults@fpcjackson.org.

## DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Not in a D Group? It is a great opportunity for spiritual growth and good fellowship. Call Billy Dempsey at 601-973-9112 or email bdempsey@fpcjackson.org if you would like more information or to enroll in a D Group. Our Discipleship Groups are scheduled to begin on Wednesday, August 19, at 6:30 p.m. in various locations.

## 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 Earl Davis in the church office: 601-353-8316.

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**MOMS Bible Study**  
**GOD SPEAKS: A Study of the Prophets**  
**Wednesdays: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.,**  
**beginning September 16**

For: Mothers of children from birth to 6th grade

Teacher: Jane Wiggins

Format: Small Groups and Large Group Lecture

Registration: Beginning August 1

Contact Joanna McNeel at 601-807-1596  
or joanna.b.mcneel@gmail.com

**Gospel-Shaped Living: 1 and 2 Timothy**  
**Thursdays: 9:00 - 11:00, beginning September 10**

For: Ladies of all ages

Teacher: Tricia Walters

Format: Small Groups and Large Group Lecture

Attn: Mothers of Adolescents - We have small groups  
for mothers of 6th through 12th graders.

Registration: Contact the Women and  
Children's Ministry Department  
at 601-973-9115 or omegas@fpcjackson.org.

**Son of God: The Gospel of Matthew**  
**Thursdays: 9:45 - 11:00, beginning September 3**

For: Ladies of all ages

Teacher: Laura Husband

Format: Lecture

Registration: Contact Alice Patterson  
at 601-906-6755 or alipatte@gmail.com.