

The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Thirty-First Day of July, Two Thousand Sixteen
MORNING WORSHIP
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock
Presiding Minister — The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker
Minister of Young Adults and College
Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. Ralph S. Kelley
Executive Minister

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 a.m.)

The Prelude — “Introitus” S. Karg-Elert

The Introit — “Almighty God of Our Fathers” Will James
Jeff Brown, Guest Director

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn of Praise No. 1** — “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Assurance of Pardon**

‡ **The Doxology**

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

The Scripture Reading — Mark 7:1-23 (Pew Bible pages 842-843)

The Pastoral Prayer

‡ **The Hymn No. 486** — “God, Be Merciful to Me”

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Amazing Love” David Rasbach
With Kathryn Edwards, Pianist

“And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior’s blood?
Died he for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
He left His Father’s throne above, so free, so infinite His grace!
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam’s helpless race!
‘Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me.
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature’s night.
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray, I woke the dungeon flamed with light!
My chains fell off! My heart was free! I rose, went forth and followed Thee.
No condemnation now I dread; Jesus and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown through Christ my own.
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Psalm 51 (Pew Bible page 474)

The Sermon — “David’s Greatest Victory” Mr. Felker

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 498** — “Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Congregational Response**

“O let me feel Thee near me, the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me, around me and within,
But, Jesus draw Thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.”

The Postlude — “Fantasia in A Minor” (BWV 559) J. S. Bach

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

Presiding Minister — The Reverend Mr. Seth T. Starkey

RUF Campus Minister – Belhaven University

Assisting — Mr. J. Kelly D. Jackson

College Coordinator

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

The Peru Mission Trip Report

The Prelude — “Salvation Is Created” Tschesnokoff arr. by J. Hunt
FPC Brass

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn No. 709** — “Now I Belong to Jesus”

‡ **The Invocation**

‡* **The Psalm No. 8A** (See Guide)

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Crane Kipp

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Until He Comes” Tom Fettke
Bonnie Brannan Julie Jordan Lisa Lamb
Lynn Pearson Linda Richards Kimberly Wilkins

The Young Children’s Devotional

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

The Children’s Catechism

Q 107: 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.

Q 108: 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** Martin Antoon, Students & Families Ministry Intern

‡ **The Evening Hymn No. 647 (Stz. 1-5)** — “How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Matthew 11:25-30 (Pew Bible page 816)

The Sermon — “Permanent Relief From Chronic Fatigue” Mr. Starkey

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“Till then I would Thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath;
And may the music of Thy name
Refresh my soul in death.”

The Postlude — “Come Ye, Disconsolate” Samuel Webbe
FPC Brass

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‡Congregation standing

**Children dismissed after the prayer

**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.

Singing through the Psalter

Psalm 8A

Tune: Crimond



(vs. 1) 1. In all the earth, O LORD our Lord,
(vs. 2) 2. From in - fants and the mouth of babes
(vs. 3) 3. When I re - gard the Heav'ns you made,



How glo - r'ous is Your name!
The bul - warks you have placed,
Your fin - gers' work I trace;



Who has dis - played a - bove the heav'ns
Be - cause of all your en - e - mies,
I see the moon and shin - ing stars



Your glo - r'ous maj - es - ty.
A - veng - ers were re - strained.
Which you have set in place.

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Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Pastor's Special Fund
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Television Ministry
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FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY JULY 31, 2016

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
Pre-Service Announcements — 10:55 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Children’s Church for 3-year-olds — during 11:00 a.m. worship service in M135
The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)
Pre-Service Announcements — 5:55 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Peru Summer Mission Report — 7:00 p.m. in LH
No Senior High Insight

Monday

Deacons Executive Committee Meeting — 11:45 a.m. in MH

Tuesday

Presbytery at Northpointe Presbyterian Church in Meridian — 9:00 a.m.
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Management Committee Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in SC215

Wednesday

The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH
Children’s Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Gym/Playground
Junior High D Groups — 5:30 p.m. in YH
The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS
Children’s “Faithful to All His Promises” Program — 6:30 p.m. in M122/123
Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH
Men’s Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in WH204
FPC Brass Rehearsal — 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Thursday

MTW Strategic Planning Sub-Committee Meeting — 6:30 a.m. in MH
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday

MNA Strategic Planning Sub-Committee Meeting — 7:00 a.m. in MH

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...”

Per & Beth Almquist – Serving as church planters with Mission to North America in Lewiston, ME. Email: per.almquist@freegrace.us

John & Kathy Lesondak – Serving as administrators and church planters with Mission to the World in Slovakia. Email: lesondak@mac.com

PERU MISSION TRIP REPORT

At the end of June a team from FPC went to Cajamarca, Peru, in support of our missionaries. Now that they have returned, it is our privilege to hear a report on their labors. This evening, following the worship service, an extended presentation will be made in Lowe Hall, and all are invited to attend.

GREETERS NEEDED

Our Congregational Care ministry is seeking individuals and couples who can help us fill out our Greeter staff. We want to give our visitors the warmest, most cordial welcome possible, so we are searching for volunteers who can help us accomplish that. To register as a Greeter volunteer, or for more information, please contact Lisa Walters at lisaw@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9102.

SENIOR HIGH POOL DAY

Senior High students, join us for supper and sun on Tuesday, August 2, at 6:00 p.m. at the home of the Byrds (2689 Lake Circle). Bring \$5 for dinner.

MOMS BIBLE STUDY

Registration begins tomorrow, August 1, for MOMS, a weekly Bible study for mothers of children 6th grade and under. Join us on Wednesdays in Patterson Hall beginning September 14, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., for a study of 1, 2, and 3 John entitled, *What We Know and Believe About Christ Really Matters*. Format is small groups and large-group lecture. Nursery available, but space is limited. Please contact Joanna McNeel at 601-807-1596 for more information.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT AT M-BRAVES GAME

Please make plans to join us on Friday, August 5, at Trustmark Park for a Family Fun Night at the M-Braves Game. The ticket cost is \$5.00. Please call the church office at 601-353-8316 to sign up by tomorrow. Sign up for this event is required due to the advance purchase of tickets. You may pick up your tickets on game night at the ballpark's main gate. Just look for the FPC table.

BRIGHT LIGHTS, BELHAVEN NIGHTS - HELP NEEDED

The church is sponsoring a booth at the upcoming Bright Lights, Belhaven Nights neighborhood event on August 13. This is an outreach opportunity where we will provide seating for participants to enjoy their food and beverages, a bouncy house for children and seek to develop good relationships within our own community. If you would like to participate as a host or hostess, please contact Christina Meenan at 601-973-9125 or missiondepartment@fpcjackson.org.

FIRST PRES FORUM

First Pres Forum is a large-group teaching series taught by seminary professors and authors. Typically, FPF includes two hour-long teaching sessions with dinner provided between sessions. FPF will be in Miller Hall on four dates throughout the year (August 18, 2016; November 10, 2016; January 10, 2017; and April 6, 2017) covering four major topics of the Bible: God, Christ, Salvation, and the End. We invite you to join us on August 18, 2016, at 5:45 p.m. for **Part 1: God—Infinite and Personal** with special guest, Dr. Ligon Duncan. Our target is college through late thirties, but all are welcome to attend. Dinner will be provided by Babalu. The cost is \$10, and you may register online at <http://fpcj.ms/firstpf>. Nursery for children four and younger is available by request at registration. For more information, contact Jenny Sanders at 601-973-9117.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Children's Ministry Department is currently recruiting volunteers for the upcoming children's Sunday School term beginning September 4. If you enjoy working with 2-year olds through 6th grade, playing the piano, leading singing, teaching Bible stories or being a table teacher, please contact Kimberly Wilkins at kimberlyw@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9105.

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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. Or contact the church office at 601-353-8316 or receptionist@fpcjackson.org.

This Week's Focus:

Question 9: What is creation?

Answer: Creation is God's making everything out of nothing by His powerful word in six days—and all very good.

Monday

Scripture: Read Genesis 1:1-31

Key Thought: God made all things.

Questions:

- If you found a beautiful statue in the middle of a forest, would you assume that someone had made it? Why?
- Should this same assumption apply to the world and all that is in it? Why?
- Why do many people deny that God created all things?
- Why did God create the world and all that is in it?

Prayer

Tuesday

Scripture: Read Genesis 1:1-2; Hebrews 11:3

Key Thought: God made all things out of nothing.

Questions:

- Before He made the world, did God have any material to work with?
- What does the fact that God created all things from nothing teach us about Him?
- What does the fact that God created all things from nothing teach us about ourselves?

Prayer

Wednesday

Scripture: Read Psalm 33:1-9

Key Thought: God made all things by the word of His power.

Questions:

- How did God create the world and all the creatures?
- What does this teach us about God and His Word?
- How is this a comfort to those who trust in God?

Prayer

Thursday

Scripture: Read Genesis 1:5;8;13;19;23;31; Exodus 20:8-11

Key Thought: God made all things in the space of six days.

Questions:

- According to Genesis 1, how many creation days were there?
- What marked the beginning and end of each day?
- Does the Bible indicate that the days of creation were any different than the ordinary days we have now?
- What reason is given for God's commandment to keep the Sabbath Day holy?

Prayer

Friday

Scripture: Read Genesis 1:1-31

Key Thought: God made all things very good.

Questions:

- Was there any defect or mistake in the work of God's hands?
- Are all things in God's creation good now? What happened?
- What would be different in a world without sin?
- Has God provided a way for His creation to be made "good" again?

Prayer