

The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Third Day of July, Two Thousand Sixteen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

Presiding Minister — The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey
Minister of Congregational Care

Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain
Senior 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 — "Andante in D" Charles Wood

The Introit — "Now Thank We All Our God" Johann Cruger
Jeff Brown, Guest Director

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn No. 710** — "God of Our Fathers"

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Assurance of Pardon**

‡ **The Doxology**

"O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds
Thy hands have made. I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy
Power throughout the universe displayed. Then sings my soul, my
Saviour God to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee; how great Thou art.
How great Thou art!"

The Scripture Reading — Mark 6:30-44 (Pew Bible pages 841-842)

The Pastoral Prayer

‡ **The Psalm No. 84 (Stz. 1-2)** (See Guide)

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Harold M. Best
With Kathryn Edwards, Pianist

"What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!
Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.
Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge, take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In His arms He'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there."

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Psalm 84 (Pew Bible page 493)

The Sermon — "A Better Day" Mr. Dempsey

‡ **The Psalm of Response (Stz. 3)** — Psalm 84

"How better far a single day within your courts,
Than thousand spent in any other way.
I'd rather wait upon the steps of Yahweh's house.
Than pitch my tent where wickedness holds sway.
Like sun and shield the Lord will shine and cover us.
He gives us grace and crowns with glory, too.
And nothing good withholds from those who walk aright.
O Lord of Hosts how blest are those who trust in you."

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — "Four-Fold Amen" W. Wymond

The Postlude — "Sent Forth By God's Blessing" Dale Wood

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

Presiding Minister — The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III
Minister of Pastoral Care

Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker
Minister of Young Adults and College

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

The Prelude — “From the Depths of My Heart”J.S. Bach
FPC Brass

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn No. 389** — “This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made”

‡ **The Invocation**

‡* **The Psalm No. 5** (See Guide)

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Jim Moore

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Always Forgiven”

The Wolfe Family Singers with Addison Hall, Guitarist

The Young Children's Devotional

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

The Children's Catechism

Q99: What is the seventh commandment? A: The seventh commandment is
“You shall not commit adultery.”

Q100: What does the seventh commandment teach you? A: To be pure in
heart, language and conduct, and to be faithful in marriage.

** **The Meditation and Prayer** Kelly Jackson, College Coordinator

‡ **The Evening Hymn No. 449 (Stz. 1-3)** — “We Rest on Thee”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Matthew 9:35-38 (Pew Bible page 814)

The Sermon — “Fresh Fields and Pastures New” Mr. Lowry

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“We rest on thee’ — our shield and our defender!

Thine is the battle, thine shall be the praise
when passing through the gates of pearly splendor,
victors — we rest with thee, through endless days,
when passing through the gates of pearly splendor,
victors — we rest with thee, through endless days.”

The Postlude — “Sing to the Lord of Harvest” Steurlein, arr. By J. Hunt

FPC Brass

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**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.

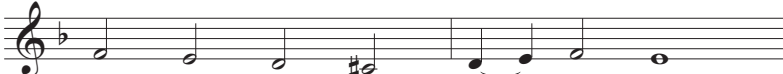
Singing through the Psalter

Psalm 5


Tune: Aberystwyth




(vs. 1) 1. Lis - ten to my words, O LORD;
 (vs. 4) 2. For I know that you, O God,
 (vs. 7) 3. *Yet in Your a - bound - ing love,*
 (vs. 9) 4. In their mouth, there is no truth;
 (vs. 11) 5. But, let all who hide in You,



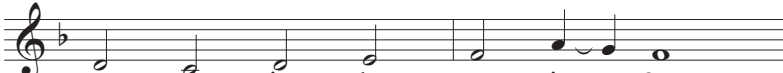
Know the whis - pered things I sigh.
 Find in e - vil no draw - light.
To Your house will I draw near;
 All their heart de - struc - tion seeks,
 Sing for joy through all their days.



(vs. 2) Heed my cry - ing out for help.
 E - vil can - not dwell with You,
Bow - ing at Your ho - ly place,
 Their throat like an o - pen grave,
 Shel - ter those who love Your name.



(vs. 5) God, my King, to You I cry.
 Nor the proud stand in Your sight.
Wor - ship - ing in rev - 'rent fear.
 while their tongue lies smooth - ly speak.
 Let them give You joy - ful praise.




(vs. 3) Hear me in the morn - ing, LORD,
 You hate all who prac - tice sin.
 (vs. 8) *Since, O LORD, my en - e - mies*
 (vs. 10) Make them bear their guilt, O God;
 (vs. 12) Bles - sings to the right - eous one,



(vs. 6) When I lift my voice on high
 You de - stroy the one who lies,
All a - round me lie in wait.
 Snare them in the things they've planned!
 You, O LORD, will sure - ly bring;



I set forth my plea to You,
 For the LORD ab - hors all those
Lead me in Your right - eous - ness;
 Cast them out for all their sins:
 With Your fa - vor, like a shield,



Look to you with watch - ful eye.
 who mur - der and schemes de - vise.
make Your way be - fore me straight.
 Re - bels who a - gainst You stand.
 You will give him cov - er - ing.

Psalm 84

Tune: Londonderry Air



(vs. 1) 1. O LORD of Hosts, how love-ly is your dwell - ing place.
(vs. 5) 2. How hap-py those who have in You the strength they need,
(vs. 10) 3. How bet-ter far a sin-gle day with-in Your courts,



(vs. 2) My soul has longed and yearned for Yah-weh's courts.
And in whose heart are Zi - on's path-ways found.
Than thou-sands spent in an - y oth - er way.



(vs. 6) My heart and flesh, they praise with joy the liv-ing God.
The Ba-ca's vale they make a land of wa-ter springs,
I'd ra-ther wait up - on the steps of Yahweh's house,



(vs. 3) E - ven the bird has found its dwell - ing place.
And ear - ly rains will bless the val - ley's ground.
Than pitch my tent where wick - ed - ness holds sway.



(vs. 7) With - in Your walls, the swal - low finds a nest-ing place,
(vs. 11) From strength to strength they jour-ney on to Zi-on's hill,
(vs. 11) Like Sun and Shield, the LORD will shine and cov-er us.



That near Your al - tars she may have her young.
Un - til in God's own pres - ence they ap - pear.
He gives us grace and crowns with glo - ry, too.



(vs. 4) My King, my God how blest are they who dwell with you,
(vs. 9) O LORD of Hosts, do good to your A - noint-ed One.
And noth-ing good with-holds from those who walk a - right.



(vs. 8) By whom Your ho - ly prais-es are for - ev - er sung.
(vs. 8) Re - ceive my ear - nest prayer O God of Ja - cob hear.
(vs. 12) O LORD of Hosts how blest are those who trust in You.

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY JULY 3, 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
No Senior High Insight

Monday

Church Offices Closed

Tuesday

Neighborhood Christian Center “Summer Super Stars” —
 8:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. in various locations
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Diaconate Executive Committee Meeting — 11:45 a.m.
 in WH205A
Management Committee Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in SC215
Summer RUF — 7:00 p.m. at the home of the Moores (4233 N.
 Honeysuckle Lane)

Wednesday

Neighborhood Christian Center “Summer Super Stars” —
 8:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. in various locations
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
Interns Meeting — 4:00 p.m. in BC
Junior High Mini-Golf Night — 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. (Meet
 in YH)
The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS
No Family Night Supper
No Children’s Activities
Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH
FPC Brass Rehearsal — 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Thursday

Neighborhood Christian Center “Summer Super Stars” —
 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in various locations
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Thursday Night Fellowship — 7:00 p.m. in HC

Friday

Neighborhood Christian Center “Summer Super Stars” —
 8:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. in various locations

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...”

Sebastian & Isabel Heck – Serving as church planter in Heidelberg, Germany. Email: sebheck@mac.com
Britton & Elizabeth Wood – Serving as Campus Minister with Reformed University Fellowship at Stanford University in Stanford, CA. Email: bwood@ruf.org

SUMMER RUF

College students: Join us for Summer RUF this Tuesday, July 5, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of the Moores (4233 N. Honeysuckle Lane). We'll hear from Ben Shaw, RUF Campus Minister at USM, as he continues our series on the parables of Jesus.

JUNIOR HIGH MINI-GOLF NIGHT

Junior High students, join us for mini golf Wednesday, July 6, at 5:30 p.m. Meet at the Youth House, and we'll ride together to Mac and Bones in Pearl. The cost is \$15 and includes golf and dinner. Please sign up online for this event at www.fpcjackson.org/youth. For more information or if you have questions, contact Jenny Sanders at youthhouse@fpcjackson.org.

YOUNG ADULTS THURSDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

New to Jackson? Recent college graduate? The Young Adult ministry of FPC Jackson is a place primarily for 22-28 year olds, both single and married, from recent college graduate to married with kids. We would love to have you join us July 7, at 7:00 p.m., in Hutton Chapel for Thursday Night Fellowship which consists of teaching, singing, and fellowship, and has an RUF-feel to it. This summer we are going through a series on Jonah, a man called to a particular city but struggles to find peace with what God is doing. It will be a great opportunity to cultivate friendships and get stitched into community. Contact David Felker, our Minister of Young Adults (davidf@fpcjackson.org) for more details, bring some friends, and come join us.

COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY

Communion Sunday will be next Sunday, July 10, in the morning services. 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 Sunday. 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.

LADIES SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

All ladies are invited to join us for a Summer Bible Study entitled, *When Ordinary People Meet the Savior* led by Beth Archer, that will meet monthly on Monday evenings (July 11 and August 8) from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at her home (2257 E. Northside Drive). Please contact Rhonda Baird (601-594-8016 or Bairdnews@aol.com) or Beth Archer (601-668-2581 or missbetharcher@yahoo.com) for more information.

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, July 17. Space is available for both services. To make your reservation, please contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

SAVE THE DATE FOR FAMILY FUN NIGHT AT MISSISSIPPI BRAVES GAME

Please make plans to join us on Friday, August 5, at Trustmark Park for a Family Fun Night at the Braves Game. The ticket cost is \$5.00. Please call the church office at (601) 353-8316 to sign up by Monday, July 25. 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.

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 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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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 <http://fpcj.ms/fam-devo>. Or contact the church office at 601-353-8316 or receptionist@fpcjackson.org.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

QUESTION 5: Is there more than one God?

ANSWER: There is only one, the living and true God.

MONDAY:

READ: Deuteronomy 4:32-40

Key Thought: The living and true God alone must be obeyed.

Questions:

- What great things did God do for the people of Israel?
- As our Creator, does God have the right to rule us?
- What does He promise if we obey? What if we disobey?

Prayer

TUESDAY:

READ: Deuteronomy 6:4-9; John 14:15

Key Thought: The living and true God alone must be loved.

Questions:

- What does it mean to love the Lord with all of your heart?
- What does it mean to love the Lord with all of your soul?
- What does it mean to love the Lord with all of your strength?
- What kinds of things do we tend to love more than God?

Prayer

WEDNESDAY:

READ: Jeremiah 10:1-16; Matthew 10:28

Key Thought: The living and true God alone must be feared.

Questions:

- Why did some of the nations worship the sun, moon and stars?
- According to verse 7, what is God's rightful due from all men?
- What does it mean to "fear the LORD"?
- How should our fear of the Lord affect our daily lives?

Prayer

THURSDAY:

READ: Exodus 20:1-6

Key Thought: The living and true God alone must be worshiped.

Questions:

- What duties are required in the first two commandments?
- What sins are forbidden in the first two commandments?
- What are some of the most popular idols today?
- What idols are you tempted to worship instead of God?

Prayer

FRIDAY:

READ: John 17:1-3; Psalm 100:1-5

Key Thought: The living and true God alone must be known.

Questions:

- Is it possible to know God without knowing Jesus?
- Do men naturally know God?
- What does "knowing God" mean?
- How do we come to know the only true God?

Prayer