

"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

# THE LORD'S DAY

## The Ninth Day of July, Two Thousand Seventeen MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey — Minister of Congregational Care The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker — Minister of Young Adults and College

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	The Greetings and Announcements (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)
	<b>The Prelude</b> — "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" Gerald Near Rae Shannon, Guest Organist
	<b>The Introit</b> — "We Come, O Christ, To You"
	The Call to Worship
‡*	The Hymn of Praise No. 286 — "Worship Christ, the Risen King!"
‡	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 Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!"
	The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings
	The Offertory — "Were You There?"
	The Prayer of Illumination
	<b>The Reading of Holy Scripture</b> — Isaiah 43:1-7 (Pew Bible page 603)
	<b>The Sermon</b> — "The Peace of Belonging"
‡	The Hymn No. 247 — "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"
	The Lord's Supper The Words of Institution The Invitation The Prayer of Consecration The Communion with Our Lord Jesus Christ and His People The Prayer of Thanksgiving
‡	The Hymn of Response No. 296 — "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"
‡	The Benediction
	<b>The Response</b> — "Seven-Fold Amen"
	<b>The Postlude</b> — "Rigaudon" Andre Campra

<sup>\*</sup>The ushers may seat latecomers ‡Congregation standing

## **EVENING WORSHIP**

### Six O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. Gabriel N. E. Fluhrer — Minister of Discipleship The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey — Minister of Congregational Care

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

The Prelude

The Call to Worship

- **‡\* The Hymn No. 175** "A Wonderful Savior Is Jesus My Lord"
- **‡** The Invocation
- ‡\* The Evening Hymn No. 469 "How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place"

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Claude Harbarger

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

**The Offertory** — "Into Your Presence I Come" ......Lane Christie Howell, Lauren Randle, and Sarah Waters

## The Young Children's Devotional

For children currently in 4-year-old through 3rd grade Sunday School *The Children's Catechism* 

Q55: What does God the Father guarantee in the covenant of grace? A: To justify and sanctify all those for whom Christ died.

Q56: How does God justify you? A: God forgives all my sins and accepts me as righteous through Christ.

\*\*The Meditation and Prayer...... Billy Dempsey, Minister of Congregational Care

‡\* The Evening Hymn No. 246 (Stzs. 1-4) — "Man of Sorrows! What a Name"

The Prayer of Illumination

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — Zephaniah 3:14-16 (Pew Bible page 790)

- **‡** The Benediction
- **‡** The Response

"When He comes, our glorious King, all His ransomed home to bring, then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! what a Savior!"

## The Postlude

- \* The ushers may seat latecomers
- ‡ Congregation standing
- \*\* Children dismissed

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.

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## A GUIDE TO THE MORNING SERVICE

This Lord's Day is a special occasion as we have the joy of partaking of the Lord's table together. The sacrament of the "Lord's Supper" was instituted by Christ for the church in every age. St. Augustine, one of the early church fathers, referred to the sacrament as "a visible word" because it proclaims to us "the Lord's death until He comes" (1 Corinthians 11:23-26). As we come to the Table today, it may help you to prepare your hearts by pondering the significance of the Lord's Table.

## The Lord's Table

The phrase itself conveys something very important about what is taking place during this component of our worship service. First, it is a table and not an altar. An altar is a place where sacrifices are offered to God. Christ has "offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, [and] he sat down at the right hand of God" (Hebrews 10:12). Again, "for by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified" (Hebrews 10:14). We have no need of an altar because the cross of Christ is the only altar of God. Second, it is the table of the Lord. He is the host of the meal and, hence, possesses the prerogative to invite us to meet and sup with him. Therefore, as the term "Communion Service" denotes, it is a fellowship meal of Christ with His people.

It is oftentimes easy to miss the significance of Church architecture, but in reality, our sanctuary is designed to speak to us about the grace, beauty, and majesty of God. And the Lord's Table beautifully communicates this. Our communion table sits in the front of the sanctuary on the floor with the congregation in order to remind us that it is in Christ's sacrificial death that we are truly united to Him and also to one another. The table remains on the floor to show us that the body and blood of Christ, which it displays, is for the entire covenant community.

## Christ's Presence

Another important question to ask when thinking on this sacrament is, "In what way is Christ present within it?" Sincere Christians throughout the ages have struggled to answer this question because within the ordinance there is certainly an aura of mystery. But we must remember that while the elements remain bread and wine, the presence of Christ is truly among us by His Spirit. The Spirit alone is able to make the sacrament of the Lord's Supper beneficial to our souls by penetrating our hearts and stirring our affections for Christ. Hence, let us be prepared to feast at the Lord's Table by asking the Spirit of God to convict us of sin, to supply grace to truly repent, and to savor Christ more and more. As we partake the emblems of Christ's suffering, let us remember that God confirms the benefits of His suffering: pardon, reconciliation, and eternal life through this covenant meal. Let us in turn reaffirm our covenant privileges and responsibilities to God as we anticipate His return.

# FPC THIS WEEK

## **SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2017**

Sunday
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**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-year-olds — has concluded for the

summer and will resume on September 3 The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.

(Library only)

**Senior High Insight** — 7:30 p.m. at the Downing Home (2201 Eastover Drive)

## Monday

**Summer Academic Enrichment Program** — 8:00 a.m. in various

Worship Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH202A

Women's Bible Study (When Ordinary People Meet the Savior) -6:30 p.m. (home of Beth Archer)

Session Meeting — 7:00 p.m. in MS

## **Tuesday**

Summer Academic Enrichment Program — 8:00 a.m. in various locations

Presbytery Mission to the Military Meeting — 4:00 p.m. in WH202A

## Wednesday

**Summer Academic Enrichment Program** — 8:00 a.m. in various

The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.

Sutherland D-Group — 5:30 p.m. in 213B

Junior High D Groups — 5:30 p.m. in YH

India Mission Trip Planning Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in WH202A

Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS Chinese Bible Study — 6:00 p.m. in SC210

Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH Senior High Small Group Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in SC211A&B "Names of God" Children's Program — 6:30 p.m. in M122A Working Women's Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in WH204A&B

Young Adults Basketball — 8:00 p.m. in Gym

## **Thursday**

Summer Academic Enrichment Program — 8:00 a.m. in various

The Learning Resource Center —10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m Young Adults Thursday Night Fellowship — 6:30 p.m. in HC

## Friday

**Summer Academic Enrichment Program** — 8:00 a.m. in various locations

## Saturday

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

Senior High Guys Open Gym — 6:00 p.m. in the Gym

BC - Basement Classroom CH - College House

Conference Room MH - Miller Hall **LH** - Lowe Hall MS - Music Suite M - Main Floor

MCR - Ministers

**PH** - Patterson Hall **YH** - Youth House SC - Study Center WH - Westminster

**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 educators with Greater Europe Mission near Athens, Greece; Email: jbaldwin@GEMission.com.

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#### **COMMUNION TODAY**

For those interested, professionally prepared gluten-free crackers will be available for Communion today. 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.

### IN MEMORIAM

Ms. Evie Eula Cole — June 29, 2017

#### **BAPTISM**

Last Sunday, the sacrament of covenant baptism was administered to Audrey Nicole White, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Parker Alan White.

#### SENIOR HIGH INSIGHT

We live in a culture that prizes emotions over almost everything else. Over the summer, our Insight series will give us an overview of emotions in the Christian life as well as taking a biblical look at seven specific emotions that we all face. Join us, rising 10th-12th graders! Insight continues tonight at the Cotten home (2202 Culleywood Rd.) at 7:30 p.m.

## LADIES' SUMMER MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY

When Ordinary People Meet the Savior All ladies are invited to join us for this study, co-led by Beth Archer and Christine Gilbert. It will meet monthly on 2 more Monday evenings this summer (July 10 and August 14) from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the home of Beth Archer (2257 E. Northside Drive). There is no need to register. For more information, contact Rhonda Baird (601-594-8016 or Bairdnews@aol.com) or Beth Archer (601-668-2581 or missbetharcher@yahoo.com).

### SUMMER RUF

Summer RUF is a large-group Bible study for all college students (including rising freshmen) who find themselves in Jackson for the summer. Join us this Tuesday, July 11, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cotten home (2202 Culleywood Rd.) as Cyril Chavis, RUF Campus Minister at JSU, continues our series on *Songs of Beauty, Songs of Brokenness*. FPC Members: If you are interested in helping by providing a snack one week, please email Jenny Sanders at collegehouse@fpcjackson.org.

## MOMS BIBLE STUDY THIS FALL

MOMS is a weekly Bible study for mothers of children 6th grade and under. Ladies, we hope you'll join us on Wednesdays in Patterson Hall from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. beginning September 6 for a study entitled, *Joshua: A Faithful God.* The format is small groups followed by a large group lecture led by Jane Wiggins. A nursery is available, but space is limited. Registration begins August 1. Please contact Joanna McNeel at 601-807-1596.

## SUMMER BIBLE STUDY FOR WORKING WOMEN

Daniel: Staying Strong in a Hostile World. Please join us for this 6-week study on Wednesday nights from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. this summer through July 26.

### INTERESTED IN JOINING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please note that our next joining date is Sunday, August 6. Each person joining FPC is asked to fill out a new member form and turn it in by Wednesday, July 26. Any forms received after July 26, will be held for the next joining date. The new member forms can be obtained from Lisa Walters or in the Session Room (located off the Greeting Courtyard) after the morning worship services. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Walters at lisaw@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9102.

## 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.

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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:

Ouestion 63: What is the fifth commandment?

**Answer:** The fifth commandment is: *Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.* 

## **MONDAY**

Scripture: Exodus 20:12-17

*Key Thought:* The fifth commandment is the beginning of the second table. **Ouestions:** 

- What are the two tables of the law? How are they summarized?
- What are the other laws in the second table?
- Why is it fitting that the second table begins with this commandment?

Prayer

### **TUESDAY**

Scripture: Exodus 20:12-17

*Key Thought:* The fifth commandment is uniquely stated.

Questions:

- Do you notice anything different about the wording of the fifth commandment compared with the other nine?
- Why do you think this commandment is stated positively?
- Is there a "You shall not" implied in the fifth commandment?

Prayer

## WEDNESDAY

Scripture: Ephesians 6:1-4

*Key Thought:* The fifth commandment concerns our superiors.

**Questions:** 

- Who does the fifth commandment require you to honor?
- Why are you commanded to honor your father and mother?
- Are there other relationships in life where God has placed us under the authority of those who are over us? What are they?

Prayer

### **THURSDAY**

Scripture: Ephesians 6:1-4

*Key Thought:* The fifth commandment contains a promise. **Ouestions:** 

- How does Paul describe the fifth commandment in Ephesians 6:2?
- What promise does the fifth commandment contain?
- What happens when this commandment is not obeyed?

Prayer

## **FRIDAY**

Scripture: Read Mark 7:1-16

Key Thought: The fifth commandment addresses the heart.

**Questions:** 

- What verses from Isaiah did Jesus quote to the Pharisees? Why?
- How did the Pharisees break the fifth commandment?
- What point did Jesus make in verse 15?

Prayer