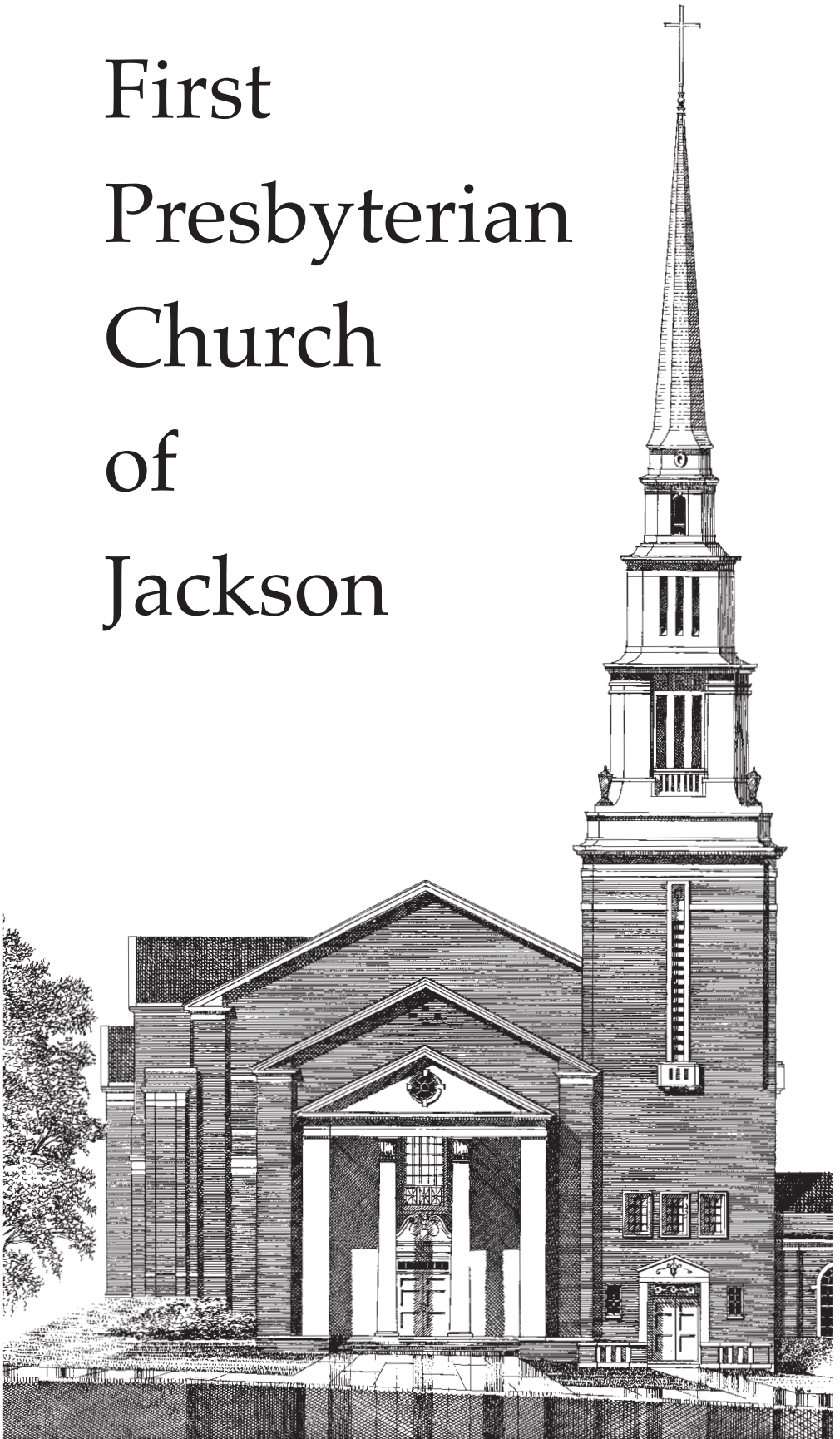


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"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Sixteenth Day of June, Two Thousand Thirteen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

Presiding Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain
Minister of Teaching and Mission

Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey
Minister of Discipleship

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 (8:20 and 10:50 a.m.)

The Prelude — "Pastorale"Eric Thiman
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organist

The Introit — "He Is Lord" David Clydesdale
With Kathryn Edwards, Pianist

The Call to Worship

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

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**

The Scripture Reading — Jeremiah 32:1-44 (Pew Bible pages 660-662)

*‡ **The Psalm of Response No. 83** — "O Praise the Lord, for He Is Good"
(Stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 6) (TUNE: ST. ANNE) (Psalm 107:1-9)

The Morning Prayer

*‡ **The Hymn No. 463** — "A Debtor to Mercy Alone"

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "God Thou Art Love"Craig Courtney

"If I forget, yet God remembers. If these hands of mine cease from their clinging,
Yet the hands divine hold me so firmly I cannot fall.

And if sometimes I am too tired to call for Him to help me,
Then He reads the prayer unspoken in my heart and lifts my care.
I dare not fear since certainly I know that I am in God's keeping,
Shielded so, from all that else would harm,

And in the hour of stern temptation, strengthened by His power.

I tread no path in life to Him unknown; I lift no burden, bear no pain, alone;
My soul a calm, sure hiding place has found: The everlasting Arms my life surround.
God, Thou art love! I build my faith on that. I know Thee who has kept my path.

And made light for me in the darkness,
Tempering sorrow so that it reached me like a solemn joy.
It were too strange that I should doubt Thy love."

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The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Genesis 32:22-32 (Pew Bible page 27)

The Sermon — "Learning to Limp"Mr. Strain

‡ **The Psalm of Response No. 89** — "God Is Our Strength and Refuge" (Psalm 46)

‡ **The Benediction**

The Response — "Festive Amens" W. Wymond

The Postlude — "Finale" Louis Vierne

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

Presiding Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain
Minister of Teaching and Mission

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

The Announcements and Words of Preparation (5:50 p.m.)

The Prelude — “Cantabile” Sergi Rachmaninoff
William Wymond, Organist

The Call to Worship

*‡ **The Hymn of Praise No. 101** — “Come, Thou Almighty King”

‡ **The Invocation**

* **The Evening Hymn No. 606** — “Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord”

The Short Term Peru Mission Trip Commissioning

* **The Greetings**

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Jerry Shivers

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “In The Sweet Bye and Bye” Webster/Bennett
Allen Burrows, Sarah Little, Marian Joseph, and Kristi Jordan

The Young Children's Devotional

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

The Song No. 494 — “Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive” (Stanzas 1 and 3)
(TUNE: CHRISTMAS)

The Children's Catechism No. 119

Q. “What do we pray for in the fifth request?”

A. “That God would pardon all our sins for Christ's sake, as we also have forgiven others.”

The Scripture — Matthew 5:7, 6:14-15, 18:21-35; Luke 6:37; John 23:34;
Acts 10:43; Colossians 3:12-13

The Meditation Justin Pillsbury, Student Ministry Director

The Prayer (The children dismissed following the prayer)

‡ **The Hymn No. 562** — “All to Jesus I Surrender” (Stanzas 1-3)

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Esther 4:1-17 (Pew Bible pages 412-413)

The Sermon — *Sudden Reversals* “For Such a Time as This” Mr. Strain

‡ **The Benediction and Response No. 562** — “All to Jesus I Surrender” (Stanza 4)

“All to Jesus I surrender,

Lord, I give myself to Thee;

fill me with Thy love and power,

let Thy blessing fall on me.

I surrender all, (I surrender all) I surrender all, (I surrender all)

all to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.”

The Postlude — “Magnificat Fugue” Johann Pachelbel

*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.

A Guide to the Evening Service

The Peru Mission Trip

The Peru mission team will go to Cajamarca, Peru, on June 28 – July 6 to assist the community through Medical Mission; VBS; and by encouraging missionaries with Peru Mission.

Team Leaders:

Dr. Danny Story and Dr. Bill Payne

Team Members

Allison Boyd*	Andrew Kennedy	Caroline Swayze
Lynn Broomfield	Marian Kennedy	Haley Thomas
Beverly Brower	Stephen Kruger	Ginger Tramel
Beau Burrow	Caroline May	Mike Tramel
Courtney Burrow	Cathy May	Daniel Trussell
Hollis Burrow	Anna Bess Ridgway	David Trussell
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Emison Geiger	Elliot Royal*	Kary Whitehead*
Susan Geiger	Frances Royal*	Walker Whitehead*
Madeleine Griffin	Emily Story	Will Whitehead*
Mary Stewart Hurst	Janie Story	
Carey Johnston	Maryanna Story	* Non FPC member

The Psalm, Hymn, and Spiritual Songs

Come, Thou Almighty King

What a glorious way to begin our evening worship: with a hymn adoring God as triune Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! Knowing the doctrine of the Trinity is the centerpiece of Christian theology. Dutch theologian, Herman Bavinck writes, “It is only when we contemplate the Trinity that we know who and what God is.” Although the attribution is “anonymous” in our Trinity Hymnal book, others credit this hymn to Charles Wesley, and it appeared in George Whitefield’s Collection of Hymns for Social Worship in 1757. The music, by the gifted violinist Felice de Giardini, was written specially for this hymn and is among the most well-known tunes in our hymnbook. The hymn is a prayer for the presence of Christ to inspire a congregation in the hour of worship. God is addressed under three forms: as Father, the timeless “Ancient of Days” whose function is to rule (stanza 1); as Incarnate Word, the spirit of holiness whose function is to bless and conquer (stanza 2); as Comforter, the indwelling source of joy and power (stanza 3); and finally as the mystic combination, the Holy Trinity, in whose presence we shall spend an eternity of love and adoration (stanza 4). Notice how even the intervals (lots of successive thirds) draw attention to the Trinity!

All to Jesus I Surrender

The author of the text of this hymn was Judson Van DeVenter (1855-1939). A man with a multiplicity of artistic and musical talents, he was very involved in the music ministry of his Methodist-Episcopal church and eventually found himself torn between his successful teaching career and his desire to be a part of an evangelistic team. This internal struggle lasted for nearly five years. In 1896, as Van DeVenter was conducting the music of a church event, he made the decision to become a full-time evangelist. Reflecting later, he wrote, “For some time, I had struggled between developing my talents in the field of art and going into full-time evangelistic work. At last the pivotal hour of my life came, and I surrendered all. A new day was ushered into my life. I became an evangelist and discovered down deep in my soul a talent hitherto unknown to me. God had hidden a song in my heart, and touching a tender chord, He caused me to sing.”

A Guide to the Morning Service

The Scripture Reading

The Book of Consolation: The Return to the Promised Land

Jeremiah 32:1-44 Buyer's market

In order to honor God's promise of land for His people, yet against every rational principle of real estate acquisition, Jeremiah negotiates with his fast-talking cousin Hanamel to purchase a piece of property and thus keep it in the family. The property lies outside Jerusalem, and thus at the time of closing (described here in careful detail) it is in enemy territory, occupied by the besieging Babylonians. Jeremiah's bold investment is a prophetic sign that after seventy years of captivity God will once again restore his people to their land. Although Jeremiah has the faith to make this investment, banking on the promises of God, he seems to have second thoughts afterward and seeks understanding through prayer. After praising God for the perfections of his character and his saving grace in history, the prophet asks God for some further explanation and perhaps also for some reassurance that he has done the right thing (vv. 16–25). God's lengthy answer looks beyond the judgment that already surrounded Jerusalem to the consoling promises of his everlasting covenant. In many ways this chapter summarizes the book of Jeremiah, showing the faith of the prophet, the coming of judgment, and the future grace of God.

The Psalm, Hymn, and Spiritual Songs

O Worship the King

As John Piper has thoughtfully reminded us: "Missions is not the ultimate goal of the Church. Worship is. Missions exists because worship doesn't. Worship is ultimate, not missions, because God is ultimate, not man. When this age is over and the countless millions of the redeemed fall on their faces before the throne of God, missions will be no more. It is a temporary necessity. But worship abides forever." Thus, we begin this morning singing the praise of God. Though most of our congregation will recognize it as one of their favorite "hymns," it is, in fact, a Robert Grant paraphrase of a portion of Psalm 104. We sing it this morning to the majestic tune "Lyons."

O Praise the Lord, for He Is Good

In response to the reading of God's Word from the prophet Jeremiah, we sing to God and exhort one another using this very apropos hymn. This morning, we sing it to the alternate, metrical tune "St. Anne" ("Our God, Our Help in Ages Past").

A Debtor to Mercy Alone

The gospel is a humbling message, and this hymn by Augustus Toplady (author of "Rock of Ages") accurately portrays the Christian's total dependence upon the mercy of God for his eternal security. In stanza one Toplady notes how our security is anchored in the covenant promises of God and the righteousness of Jesus Christ, which has been imputed to all who truly believe. Stanza two reminds us of God's love for us and borrowing the language of Romans 8, assures us that nothing above or below can separate us from that love. Stanza three points us to our safe and secure position—resting in the palm of God's hand—and proclaims that those who already enjoy the benefits of heaven may be more happy at present, but our eternal destinies are no less secure theirs.

God Is Our Strength and Refuge

Psalm 46 is the renowned psalm of the Reformation and the text that lies behind Luther's "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God." For ancient Israel Psalm 46 was a song that assured them that the kingdom of God was invincible and that the city of God was ultimately impenetrable—not because of anything within itself but because of the mighty power of God! This morning, as we consider Genesis 32, let us with Jacob "see the works of our Maker" and "learn of his deeds all powerful," rejoicing that the Lord of Hosts is with his covenant people evermore!

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • JUNE 16, 2013

Sunday	<p>Pre-Service Announcements — 8:20 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. – 10:45 a.m. (Library only) Sunday School — 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. in various locations College Sunday School — 9:50 a.m. in the College House Pre-Service Announcements — 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only) Pre-Service Announcements — 5:50 p.m. in the Sanctuary Senior High Insight — 7:30 p.m. at the home of the Leeches (3917 Northeast Drive)</p>
Monday	<p>NCC Summer Superstars — 9:00 a.m. in the Scout Room Student Ministry Man Night (Open Gym) — 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. in the Gym College Basketball Night — 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. in the Gym</p>
Tuesday	<p>NCC Summer Superstars — 9:00 a.m. in the Scout Room The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Mother/Daughter WIC Luncheon — 11:30 a.m. in MH</p>
Wednesday	<p>NCC Summer Superstars — 9:00 a.m. in the Scout Room The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m. Dads of Student Ministry Prayer Lunch — 12:00 noon in the YH Scout Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in MH Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH Junior High Discipleship Groups — 5:00 p.m. on the playground Peru Summer Mission Team Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in WH202 Children's Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. on the playground/gym The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS Children's Classes — 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. first floor SC Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in LH</p>
Thursday	<p>Moms of Student Ministry Prayer Breakfast — 8:30 a.m. in the YH NCC Summer Superstars — 9:00 a.m. in the Scout Room The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p>
Friday	<p>NCC Summer Superstars — 9:00 a.m. in the Scout Room</p>
Saturday	<p>Men's Prayer Breakfast — 7:30 a.m. in MH</p>

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...” **Daniel and Katy Brink** – Church Planting with Mission to the World in Spain. Email: brinksinspain@gmail.com.

Johnathan and Morgan Keenan- serving as RUF campus ministries at Memphis University in Memphis, TN. Mailing address: 465 South Holmes Memphis, TN 38111; email: johnathan.keenan@ruf.org

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are placed in honor of Tom and Mary Elkin in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary by their children and grandchildren.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. J.B. (Mary Lee) Bowen — June 7, 2013

PERU COMMISSIONING

The 35 short-term mission team participants will be commissioned tonight, during the evening worship service. One of our most privileged responsibilities as a “sending body” is to pray for our summer short-term mission teams as they go out from our midst to be of gospel service to others.

BASEBALL CAPS FOR PERU

Our short-term mission team will be leaving for Peru on June 28. Thank you to everyone who donated magic markers! We have enough markers, but we are still in need of baseball caps. We have collected about 225 caps, but we need around 350 more. If you would like to help with this project, please place your donated items in the “Baseball Caps for Peru” drop box located near the information desk.

SUMMER RUF

Attention all college students (including rising freshmen)! We will continue our Summer RUF Bible Study on Tuesday, June 18, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of the Byrds (4793 Crestwood Drive). Kelly Jackson, FPC College Coordinator, will be speaking. The theme for the summer is *Respectable Sins: Confronting the Sins We Tolerate*. Bring friends!

MOTHER/DAUGHTER LUNCHEON

JUNE 18, 2013

Remember, this coming Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. we will have our Mother/Daughter Luncheon. This event is not just for mothers and daughters, but for everyone! Lou Anne Harper will speak on “We Love Because He First Loved Us.”

THURSDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Recent college graduate? New to Jackson? Young Adults, please join us Thursday, June 27 at 7:00 pm for Thursday Night Fellowship. This is our mid-week large group Bible study targeting singles and married couples, with an RUF large group feel to it. This summer we will be going through a series entitled, *Gospel Community: the One-Anothering Nature of the Church*. We will be at the home of Alan and Tricia Walters (1514 Riverwood Drive). Contact David Felker at 601-850-8650 for more details, bring some friends, and come on out.

WIC YEARBOOKS

We’re working on the W.I.C. Yearbook, due out this August, and we need to make sure your most current addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses are listed. Please check this year’s W.I.C. Yearbook. If you have changed any of those this year and not notified the church, please do so that we can have all your correct information. You may email omegas@fpcjackson.org or call 601-973-9115.

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