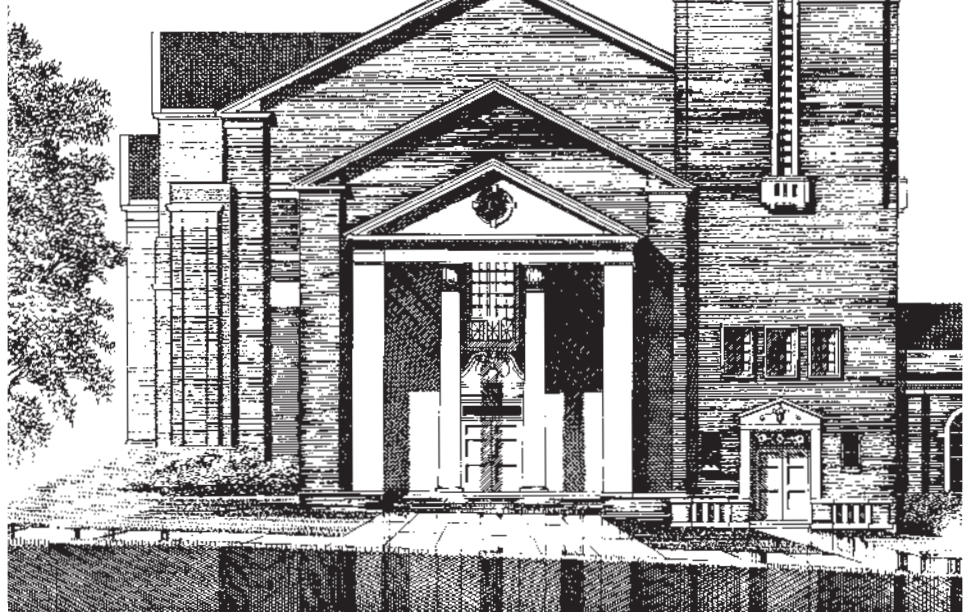


The
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Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Eleventh Day of March, Two Thousand Eighteen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister

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

The Greetings and Announcements (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)

The Prelude — “Sospirando on the Passion Chorale” John Barr

The Introit — “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” Ludwig van Beethoven

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Psalm of Praise No. 3** — “Give to Our God Immortal Praise”
(based on Psalm 196)

‡ **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 heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

The Scripture Reading — Psalm 23 (Pew Bible page 458)

The Pastoral Prayer

‡* **The Hymn No. 87** — “The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “The Spirit of the Lord”Edward Elgar

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me
to preach the Gospel to the poor;

He hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives

And recovering of sight to the blind, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord;

The planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified.

For as the earth bringeth forth her bud,

And as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth;

So the Lord God will cause righteousness

and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

As the earth bringeth forth her bud.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

Because He hath anointed me to preach the Gospel.”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (Pew Bible page 961)

The Sermon — *Rewire*: “First Importance” Dr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 648** — “My Jesus, I Love Thee”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — “God Be with You ‘Til We Meet Again”William Tomer

The Postlude — “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”Arr. Husted

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker — Minister of Young Adults & College
The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III — Minister of Pastoral Care

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

The Prelude

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn No. 100** — “Holy, Holy, Holy!”

‡ **The Invocation**

‡* **The Hymn** — “How Deep the Father’s Love” (See Guide)

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Bill Payne

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — Jessica Schmidt, Violin

The Young Children’s Devotional

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

The Children’s Catechism

Q116: What is the second petition? A: The second petition is “Thy kingdom come.”

Q117: What does it mean to pray, “Thy kingdom come”? A: We are asking God to bring more and more people to hear, believe, and obey His gospel.

** **The Meditation and Prayer**.....James Ritchey, Students & Families Assistant

‡* **The Hymn No. 253 (Stzs. 1-4)** — “There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — John 11:1-44 (Pew Bible pages 897-898)

The Sermon — *Entering the Crucible of Our Unbelief: “Jesus & Our Sadness”*... Mr. Felker

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“Dear dying Lamb, Your precious blood shall never lose its power,

Til all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.

Be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more

“Til all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.”

The Postlude

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**Children dismissed after the prayer

Our Vision

First Presbyterian Church of Jackson exists to glorify God by making disciples on the North State Street corridor, in the greater Jackson area, and around the world.

How Deep the Father's Love



1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us,
2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross,
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing,



How vast be - yond all mea - sure,
My sin up - on His shoul - ders;
No gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom;



That He should give His on - ly Son
A - shamed I hear my mock - ing voice
But I will boast in Je - sus Christ,



To make a wretch His treas - ure.
Call out a - mong the scoff - ers.
His death and res - ur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss,
It was my sin that held Him there
Why should I gain from His re - ward?



The Fa - ther turns His face a - way,
Un - til it was ac - com - plished;
I can - not give an an - swer;



As wounds which mar the cho - sen One,
His dy - ing breath has brought me life
But this I know with all my heart



Bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
I know that it is fin - ished.
His wounds have paid my ran - som.

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**FPC will host the first of four regional
“ONE” PCA Women’s Conferences that will be offered in 2018!
April 13 - 14, 2018**

**Registration ends March 30 - \$100
Special Rates for High School and College Students**

**Friday Afternoon: 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. – Optional Pre-Conference Workshops
(\$25 additional fee)**

You will be able to choose one of these topics for a 3-hour workshop session:

- Pathways* – Denise Richardson, Katie Richardson Moore, Joy Richardson
- Hand in Hand: Using Your Spiritual Gifts to Promote Unity in the Body* – Laurie Nordan and Tammie Haynes
- Carpool Theology: Doing Theology in Everyday Life* – Debbie Dempsey
- Unhitching from the Crazy Train: Finding Rest in a World You Can't Control* – Julie Sparkman
- Loving and Discipling Our Covenant Children at Home and in the Church* – B.A. Snider and John Kwasny
- Family and Friends Engaging Disability with the Gospel* – Ashley Belknap
- Hit the REFRESH Button: An Interactive Look at Women's Ministry* – Sherry Lanier and Lisa HELLIER
- A Gospel Lens for Unity and Community* – Emily Hartman

The main conference will begin Friday evening from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and will include a plenary session with Courtney Doctor.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. – Main Conference

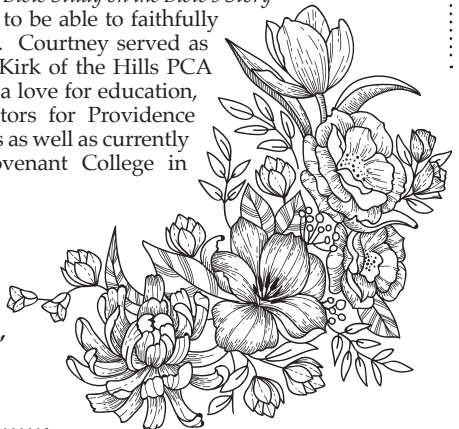
You will be able to choose 2 of these workshops to attend:

- From One to Another: A Biblical, Practical Guide to Mentoring* – Jane Wiggins and Shirley Windham
- Pathways* – Denise Richardson, Katie Richardson Moore, Joy Richardson
- Pain Is Inevitable but Crazy Is Optional* – Julie Sparkman
- What Was I Thinking? What Were You Thinking?* – Elizabeth Hensley
- Gospel Living Amongst Us Girls* – Sherry Lanier
- Remaining One: Sticking with the Man of Your Dreams while Living in Your Present Reality* – Ronjanett Taylor and Laurie Nordan
- Maintaining Unity Among Women* – Barb Martin
- One Is a Lonely Number* – Lisa Turner
- Becoming One* – Susan Tyner
- Engaging Disability* – Ashley Belknap

ONE Conference Keynote Speaker — Courtney Doctor

Courtney Doctor is an author, Bible teacher, frequent conference and retreat speaker, and periodic blogger. She received an MDiv from Covenant Theological Seminary in 2013 and is the author of *From Garden to Glory: A Bible Study on the Bible's Story* (2016). Her greatest desire in all of this is to be able to faithfully study, apply, and teach the Word of God. Courtney served as the Director of Women's Ministry at the Kirk of the Hills PCA in Saint Louis, MO from 2014-17. She has a love for education, formerly serving on the board of directors for Providence Classical Christian Academy in Saint Louis as well as currently serving on the advisory board for Covenant College in Lookout Mountain, GA.

**For full descriptions of all workshops, more information, and to register, please visit the ONE Conference website:
www.pccdm.org/one-conferences-jackson, also available through the FPC app and website.**



FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2018

Sunday **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- and 4-year olds — during 11:00 a.m.
 worship service in M135MB
The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
 (Library only)
No Senior High Insight

Monday **Circles Meet This Week**

Tuesday **French Camp Quilters** — 9:00 a.m. in MB132/Library
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Christianity Explored — 5:30 p.m. in SC 213A
Internationals Class — 6:45 p.m. in PH

Wednesday **Men’s Bible Study** — 10:00 a.m. in Parlor
No Regular Wednesday Night Activities or Family Supper
Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS
Working Women’s Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in WH202B

Thursday **Ladies’ Bible Study (Hebrews)** — 9:45 a.m. in MH
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
MTW Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH202A

Friday **No Scheduled Activities**

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

BC - Basement Classroom
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...”

Mission First – Mission First is an inner-city mission organization which seeks to meet the tangible needs of individuals as an avenue to engage their paramount spiritual needs. Email: lthigpen@missionfirst.org

Eide, Jonathan & Tracy – Serving as country director and church planter with MTW in Ukraine. Email: jeide3@gmail.com

INTERESTED IN JOINING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please note that our next joining date is Sunday, March 25, 2018. Each person joining FPC is asked to fill out a new member form and turn it in by Wednesday, March 14. Any forms received after March 14 will be held for the next joining date. The new member forms can be obtained at the information desk in the greeting courtyard after the worship services or in the Session Room (located off the Greeting Courtyard). If you have any questions, please contact Marie Phillips at mariep@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9101.

SPRING FOUNDATIONS CLASS

The spring Foundations Class begins next Sunday, March 18, at 9:40 a.m. in room M133 (across from the bookstore) and runs through Sunday, May 6. This class is for members and visitors who want to know more about our church and its ministries, our denomination, Presbyterian doctrine and beliefs, church history, and church government. To sign up, please email Caleb Blake at calebb@fpcjackson.org.

RETIREMENT PARTY FOR GARY HERRING

All are invited to a retirement celebration for Gary Herring in gratitude for his 30+ years of humble and godly leadership: Thursday, March 22, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., 3922 Stuart Place, Jackson.

MARCH CIRCLE MEETINGS

MONDAY, MARCH 12

CIRCLE 2: *Beth Keeler*

10:00 a.m. – home of Marie Rickels
4050 Crane Blvd., Jackson

CIRCLE 3: *Tot Bailey & Ginger Cotten*

10:00 a.m. – home of Christine Gilbert
804 Euclid Ave., Jackson

CIRCLE 4: *Bess Corbitt & Rebecca Redman*

10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 6: *Rhonda Baird*

6:30 p.m. – home of Beth Archer
2257 East Northside Drive, Jackson

CIRCLE 8: *Janie Purvis & Jan Wade*

9:30 a.m. – *The Orchard*

TUESDAY, MARCH 13

CIRCLE 9: *Karen Crawford & Grace Toler*

10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 10: *Diana Howie*

10:00 a.m. – home of Jean Moses
2063 Brecon Dr., Jackson

CIRCLE 11: *Frenchie Graham & Ruth Tant*

10:30 a.m. – home of Frenchie Graham
4005 Cabell Lane, Jackson

CIRCLE 12: *Nina Johnston & Janet Quayle*

10:30 a.m. – St. Catherine's, Marian Hall,
1st floor

CIRCLE 13: *Elizabeth Fulcher*

6:00 p.m. – home of Elizabeth Fulcher
559 Brookstone Circle, Madison

MONDAY, MARCH 19

CIRCLE 14: *Susan Turner & Georgia Miller*

12:00 noon – WH202

CIRCLE 7: *Marcia Penn*

5:15 p.m. – WH204

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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. It is also available on the app under "Resources."

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS:

Question 98: What is prayer?

Answer: Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

MONDAY

Scripture: Psalm 62:8

Key Thought: Prayer is an offering up of our desires to God.

Questions:

- How many parts of prayer are found in the Catechism's answer?
- What does it mean to "offer up our desires unto God"?
- Can an unsaved person pray? Explain your answer.

Prayer

TUESDAY

Scripture: 1 John 5:14-15; James 4:1-3

Key Thought: Prayer must be agreeable to the will of God.

Questions:

- Is it possible for a man to know the will of God?
- How do we know if our prayers are agreeable to the will of God?
- Is God bound to answer our prayers according to our will?

Prayer

WEDNESDAY

Scripture: John 16:23-24

Key Thought: Prayer is offered in the name of Christ.

Questions:

- What does it mean to pray "in the name of Christ"?
- Must every prayer end with the words "in Jesus' name"?

Prayer

THURSDAY

Scripture: Psalm 32:1-6; Daniel 9:3-4; Psalm 66:18

Key Thought: Prayer includes the confession of our sins.

Questions:

- What happens to our prayers if we refuse to confess our sins?
- What happens when we confess our sins to God in prayer?
- What sins should we confess before God? How should we confess?

Prayer

FRIDAY

Scripture: Philippians 4:6

Key Thought: Prayer includes a thankful acknowledgment of His mercies.

Questions:

- What does it mean to be anxious?
- What is the cure for anxiousness, according to Paul?
- For what are we to express thanks to God?

Prayer