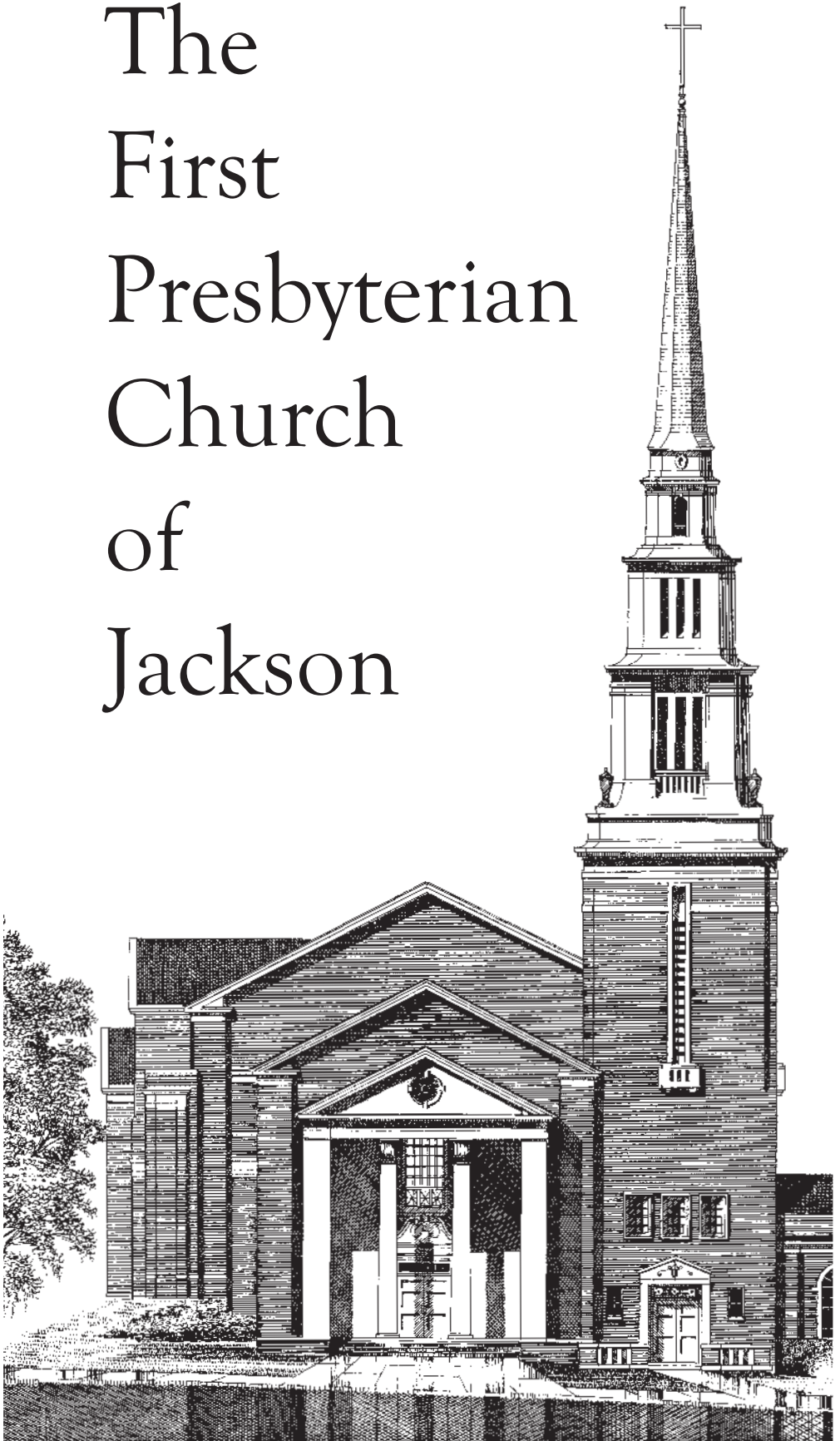


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“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Thirteenth Day of March, Two Thousand Sixteen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

Senior Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain
Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III
Minister of Pastoral Care

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 and 10:55 a.m.)

The Prelude — "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" Halback/Bach
Dr. David Snyder, Piano

The Introit — "Glorious Is Thy Name" W. A. Mozart

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Psalm of Praise No. 169** — "My Heart Does Overflow" (from Psalm 45)

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Assurance of Pardon**

‡* **The Apostles' Creed** (See Guide)

‡ **The Doxology**

"All you that fear Jehovah's name, His glory tell, His praise proclaim;
you children of His chosen race,
stand in awe before His face, stand in awe before His face.
The Lord's unfailing righteousness all generations shall confess;
from age to age shall men be taught
what wondrous works the Lord has wrought,
what wondrous works the Lord has wrought."

The Scripture Reading — Mark 3:1-12 (Pew Bible page 838)

The Morning Prayer

‡ **The Hymn No. 378** — "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "Alas, and Did?" Dan Forrest
With Kathryn Edwards, Piano

"Alas and did my Savior bleed? And did my Sov'reign die?
Would He devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?
Was it for crimes that I have done He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!
Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut His glories in,
When Christ, the mighty Maker died for man, the creature's sin.
But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe:
Here, Lord, I give myself away, 'tis all that I can do.
Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree."

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Exodus 20:1-17 (Pew Bible page 61)

The Sermon — *God Reigns: "That's Life"* Mr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 642** — "Be Thou My Vision"

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — "God Be with You" William Tomer

The Postlude — "Hosannas, Loud Hosannas" Michael Burkhardt

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

Presiding Minister — **The Reverend Dr. Gabriel N. E. Fluhler**
Minister of Discipleship

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 — “Prelude on ‘Come, Holy Spirit’” Alec Rowley
William Wymond, Organ

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Hymn of Praise No. 345** — “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

‡ **The Invocation**

‡ **The Evening Hymn** — “O Love That Will Not Let Me Go” (See Guide)

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Buz Lowry

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — Laura Rutledge and Martin Antoon

The Young Children's Devotional

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

The Children's Catechism

Q 58. What must you do to be saved? A: I must repent of my sin and believe in Christ as my Savior.

Q 59. How do you repent of your sin? A: I must be sorry for my sin, and hate and forsake it.

Q 60. Why must you hate and forsake your sin? A: Because sin displeases God.

** **The Meditation and Prayer** Andrew Triolo, Director of Students and Families

‡ **The Hymn No. 469 (Stz. 1-5)** — “How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28
(Pew Bible page 988)

The Sermon — “Heaven on Earth” Dr. Fluhler

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race
may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.”

The Postlude — “Chorale” (*Suite Gothique*) Leon Boellmann

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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.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Words and Music:
Matheson/Minor



1. O Love that will not let me go,
2. O Light that fol - lows all my way,
3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain
4. O Cross that lift - est up my head,



I rest my wea - ry soul in thee;
I yield my flick - 'ring torch to thee;
I can - not close my heart to thee;
I dare not ask to fly from thee;



I give thee back the life I owe,
my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray,
I trace the rain - bow through the rain,
I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead,



that in thine o - cean depths its flow
that in thy sun - shine's blaze its day
and feel the prom - ise is not vain
and from the ground there blos - soms red



may rich - er, full - er be.
may bright - er, fair - er be.
that morn shall tear - less be.
life that shall end - less be.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth:

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell; the third day he arose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

This brief affirmation of basic Christian belief is called the Apostles' Creed, not because one or several of the Apostles of the New Testament were its author, but because it expresses the faith the Apostles taught. So, it is "Apostolic" in the sense that it affirms and preserves the faith which they learned from Jesus. You will notice that we use the traditional translation of the Creed which retains both a beauty of language and some unfamiliar words: "Ghost" is employed where we would use "Spirit," the word "quick" where we would use "living," and "catholic" where we would use "universal." Also, when we say that Christ "descended into hell," we are not saying that upon His death, Jesus actually went into hell; instead, we are affirming that Jesus suffered all the pains and torments of hell as He endured the unmitigated wrath of God.

SENIOR ADULTS DAY TRIP THURSDAY, APRIL 28

Seniors, come join us for a daylong outing as we tour The National WWII Museum in New Orleans and eat a late lunch at Middendorf's Restaurant. The bus will leave FPC Pinehurst parking lot at 7 a.m. and will be back by 7 p.m. The cost of the trip is \$55 per person, which will cover the cost of the bus, Museum admission, and the 4-D movie *Beyond All Boundaries*, shown at the Museum theater. Meals are not included.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

7:00 a.m. – Depart FPC

8:30 a.m. – Rest stop

11:00 a.m. – Arrive WWII Museum

3:00 p.m. – Depart for Middendorf's Restaurant

4:00 p.m. – Arrive at Middendorf's Restaurant

5:30 p.m. – Depart for FPC

7:00 p.m. – Arrive FPC

Deadline to sign up is April 10. To sign up or for more information, contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY MARCH 13, 2016

Sunday	<p>Pre-Service Announcements — 8:25 a.m. in the Sanctuary</p> <p>Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 9:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. (Library only)</p> <p>Sunday School — 9:40 a.m. in various locations</p> <p>Pre-Service Announcements — 10:55 a.m. in the Sanctuary</p> <p>Children’s Church for 3 and 4-year-olds — during 11:00 a.m. worship service in M135</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)</p> <p>Pre-Service Announcements — 5:55 p.m. in the Sanctuary</p> <p>No Senior High Insight</p>
Monday	<p>Worship Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in MH</p> <p>Session Meeting — 7:00 p.m. in MS</p> <p>Organ Concert — 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary</p>
Tuesday	<p>“Truth at Dawn” Men’s Bible Study — 6:30 a.m. in MH</p> <p>Circle 14 — 12:00 noon in MH</p> <p>Shepherding Committee — 5:30 p.m. in SC215</p>
Wednesday	<p>Men’s Bible Study — 10:00 a.m. in WH202</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.</p> <p>Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH</p> <p>College Dinner & Discussion — 5:30 p.m. in WH204A</p> <p>Christianity Explored — 5:30 p.m. in WH202</p> <p>Children’s Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the Gym/Playground</p> <p>No Children’s Choirs</p> <p>The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS</p> <p>Junior High D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in YH</p> <p>D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations</p> <p>Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH</p> <p>Young Adults Men’s Basketball — 8:00 p.m. in the Gym</p>
Thursday	<p>“Son of God: the Gospel of Matthew” Bible Study — 9:45 a.m. in MH</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p>
Friday	<p>No scheduled activities</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...." **Third Millennium Ministries** – This ministry seeks to provide distance theological education to thousands of pastors around the world who lack sufficient training for ministry. Email: dpillow@thirdmill.org **Neighborhood Christian Center** – Through its programs and activities, NCC seeks to develop relationships with their neighbors in need, allowing for an effective presentation of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Email: mail@nccjackson.com

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Otho (Dot) Johnson, Jr.

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, March 20. Space is available for the 8:30 a.m. service only. To make your reservation, please contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

MEN'S WEEKLY EMAIL DEVOTIONALS

Men, start each week off with God's word in your inbox with our new "Monday Morning Quarterback" devotionals. Each Monday, you'll receive an emailed devotional from Dr. Gabe Fluhrer. To sign up, go to <http://fpcj.ms/mendevo>.

RYM

Each summer the Students & Families Ministry takes two groups to RYM, a reformed youth conference that brings together students from across the country. At RYM the gospel is taught, friendships are deepened, and Mega Rec abounds. The early bird deadline for each of the RYM trips is April 1. The Junior High trip will be held June 27-July 1, with speaker Joey Stewart. The cost is \$305 early and \$475 regular. The Senior High trip will be held July 11-16, with speaker Brian Habig. The cost is \$420 early and \$580 regular. More information including registration and scholarship information, visit www.fpcjackson.org/discipleship/youth/upcoming-trips. Contact Jenny Sanders at youthhouse@fpcjackson.org with questions.

SPRING "FOUNDATIONS" CLASS

The Spring "Foundations" Class begins Sunday, April 3 at 9:40 a.m. in room M133 (across from the bookstore) and runs through May 8, 2016. This class, formerly known as "Inquirers' 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 contact Lisa Repair at 601-326-9243 or lisar@fpcjackson.org.

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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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