

The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Twenty-seventh 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 Dr. Gabriel N. E. Fluhrer
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 (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)

The Prelude — “Easter Morning”Richard Wagner
William Wymond, Organ

The Introit — “Christ Is Risen from the Dead, Alleluia!”
Jonathan Hunt, Music Intern, Directing

The Call to Worship

✱ **The Psalm of Praise No. 277** — “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

✚ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

✚ **The Assurance of Pardon**

✚ **The Doxology**

“Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him, alleluia!”

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one.
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

The Scripture Reading — Mark 3:13-35 (Pew Bible page 838)

The Pastoral Prayer

✚ **The Hymn** — “See, What a Morning” (See Morning Guide)

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Hallelujah” (Mt. of Olives) Ludwig van Beethoven
“Hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son.

Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy.

Man, proclaim His grace and glory. Hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son.
Praise the Lord in holy songs.”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Peter 1:3-9 (Pew Bible page 1014)

The Sermon — *Jesus' Resurrection: “The Instrument of Mercy”*Mr. Strain

✚ **The Hymn of Response No. 441** — “Jesus Shall Reign”

✚ **The Benediction**

✚ **The Response** — “Four-Fold Amen” W. Wymond

The Postlude — “Improvisation on ‘Easter Hymn’”

*The ushers may seat latecomers

✚Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

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

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

The Prelude — “Aria in D Minor”J. S. Bach
William Wymond, Organ

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Hymn of Praise No. 267** — “The Day of Resurrection!”

‡ **The Invocation**

‡ **The Evening Hymn** — “Speak, O Lord” (See Evening Guide)

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Kyle Ball

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Then Came the Morning”The Gaithers
Clint Pride, Soloist

The Young Children’s Devotional

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

The Children’s Catechism

Q64. How long ago did Christ die? A: About two thousand years ago.

Q65. How were sinners saved before Christ came? A: By believing in the promised Messiah.

Q66. Before Christ came, how did believers show their faith? A: By offering the sacrifices God required.

Q67. What did these sacrifices represent? A: Christ, the Lamb of God, who would come to die for sinners.

** **The Meditation and Prayer**Jonathan Hunt, Music Intern

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

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Revelation 1:9-20 (Pew Bible page 1028)

The Sermon — *Behold, A Throne:*Mr. Strain
“Christ in the Midst of His Church”

‡ **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 — “Fanfares” (*Parcifal*)Richard Wagner

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‡Congregation standing

**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.

See What A Morning

Words and Music:
Keith Getty and Stuart Townend



1. See, what a morn-ing, glo - rious-ly bright,
2. See Mar - y weep-ing, "Where is He laid?"
3. One with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days,



With the dawn-ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem;
As in sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb;
Through the Spir - it who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty.



Fold - ed the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,
Hears a voice speak - ing, call - ing her name;
Hon - or and bless - ing, glo - ry and praise



As the an - gels an - nounce, "Christ is ris - en!"
It's the Mas - ter, the Lord raised to life a - gain!
To the King crown'd with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty!



See God's sal - va - tion plan, Wrought in love,
The voice that spans the years, Speak - ing life,
And we are raised with Him, Death is dead,



borne in pain, paid in sac - ri - fice,
stir - ring hope, bring - ing peace to us,
love has won, Christ has con - quered;



Ful - filled in Christ, the Man,
Will sound till He ap - pears,
And we shall reign with Him,



For He lives: Christ is ris-en from the dead!
For He lives: Christ is ris-en from the dead!
For He lives: Christ is ris-en from the dead!

Speak, O Lord

Words: Keith and Kristyn Getty
Music: Stuart Townend



1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
2. Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence,
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds;



to re - ceive the food of Your Ho - ly Word.
ho - ly re - ver - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty.
help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.



Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us;
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time



shape and fash - ion us in Your like - - ness,
in the ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty.
that will e - cho down thru e - ter - ni - ty.



that the light of Christ might be seen to-day
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
And by grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es,



in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.
and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.



Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us
Words of pow'r that can ne - ver fail,
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built



all Your pur - po - ses for Your glo - ry.
let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
and the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY MARCH 27, 2016

Sunday	<p>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 and 4-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</p>
Monday	<p>Students & Families Ministry Girls and Moms Event — 6:00 p.m. at the Hurst home (2210 Culleywood Road)</p>
Tuesday	<p>“Truth at Dawn” Men’s Bible Study — 6:30 a.m. in MH Sew & Sow — 9:00 a.m. in SC211 Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring — 3:00 p.m. in SC210 Internationals Class — 6:45 p.m. in PH</p>
Wednesday	<p>Mom’s Bible Study — 9:00 a.m. in PH/SC Men’s Bible Study — 10:00 a.m. in WH202 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m. Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH College Dinner & Discussion — 5:30 p.m. in WH204A Christianity Explored — 5:30 p.m. in WH202 VBS Music/Skit Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in 211B Children’s Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Gym/Playground The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS Children’s Choirs — 6:30 p.m. in various locations Junior High D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in YH D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH Brass Rehearsal — 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary Young Adults Men’s Basketball — 8:00 p.m. in the Gym</p>
Thursday	<p>“Envy of Eve” Bible Study — 9:30 a.m. in PH “Son of God: the Gospel of Matthew” Bible Study — 9:45 a.m. in MH 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...” **Hermes & Alleen Tomás** – Serving in administration and church planting with Christian Missionary Society in Trujillo, Peru. Email: alleenmclain@me.com **Pioneer Ministries** – This ministry seeks to prepare young people spiritually, emotionally, and educationally to serve Christ in their communities and to become self-supporting, upstanding, and contributing citizens. Email: pioneerinfo@pioneerministries.org

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Tom H. Little — March 2016

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Barb Currie by her husband, Ned. The flowers were arranged by members of the Covenant Sunday School Class.

EASTER LUNCH FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS TODAY

College students, please join us for Easter lunch today at the home of the Jacksons (1122 Lyncrest Avenue) following the 11:00 a.m. service. Feel free to invite a friend!

STUDENTS AND FAMILIES MINISTRY EVENT FOR GIRLS AND MOMS

All girls grades seven through twelve and their moms are invited for a special event on Monday, March 28, at 6:00 p.m., at the Hurst home (2210 Culleywood) with guest speaker Barb Martin, Clinic Coordinator for The Center for Marriage & Family Therapy and Counseling and Placement Coordinator at RTS-Jackson. She is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT), and an Approved Supervisor for both AAMFT and LPC. She will speak on the topic **Shame & The Hope of the Psalms**. Dinner will be provided so please RSVP to Jenny Sanders at youthhouse@fpcjackson.org. Contact Augusta Fair at 601-540-6893 with questions.

RYM

The early bird deadline to sign up for both RYM trips this summer is April 1. The Junior High RYM trip will be held June 27-July 1. The cost is \$475 regular and \$305 early. The Senior High RYM trip will be held July 11-16. The cost is \$580 regular and \$420 early. To sign up or for more information, please visit www.fpcjackson.org/discipleship/youth/upcoming-trips.

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 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.

Q & A — APRIL 6

David Strain, Senior Minister; Ed Hartman, Minister of Mission and Outreach; and Wiley Lowry, Minister of Pastoral Care, will answer your questions regarding Evangelism and Outreach on Wednesday, April 6, in Miller Hall at 6:30 p.m. Submit your questions to questions@fpcjackson.org or call the receptionist at 601-353-8316 no later than noon on Tuesday, April 5. Please note that neither the D Groups nor the Prayer Meeting will meet that evening.

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.

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Talent Bank /Ministry Interest Survey

What's a *Talent Bank*? Think of it as a resource tool for a church like ours to use when there's a need. When we find out about a need, we gather the resources to meet it by knowing who we can call on to help. The Talent Bank is where our deacons and staff can go to find "*who's willing to do what*" in our congregation. It's a very useful tool in helping our congregation care for itself.

The week of April 4, we'll be sending out a survey form via email. In 2 – 3 minutes time, you can fill out the form on your computer, click on the "submit" button and you're done. We'll enter the information in our database. If you don't receive email, you can call our Congregational Care administrative assistant, Lisa Walters, at 601-973-9102, and she'll arrange for you to fill out a paper copy of the survey form.

I hope you'll take the time to fill out this brief form. God has given all of us gifts and abilities to use for His glory and for the good of His church, and our *Talent Bank/Ministry Interest Survey* helps us find a place where your gifts can be used effectively.

Thanks!

Billy Dempsey, Minister of Congregational Care

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.