

"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Nineteenth Day of May, Two Thousand Nineteen MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister The Reverend Dr. Cory C. Brock — Minister of Young Adults & College

The Greetings and Announcements (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.) **The Prelude** — "Man of Sorrows"......Arr. Jamie Peipon The FPC Brass, Jamie Peipon, Director The Call to Worship — Psalm 103:1-2, 20-22
Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise His holy name.
Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.
Praise the LORD, you His angels, you mighty ones who do His bidding, who obey His word. Praise the LORD, all His heavenly hosts, you His servants who do His will. Praise the LORD, all His works everywhere in His dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul. ‡ **The Hymn of Praise No. 700** — "Come, We That Love the Lord" **‡** The Invocation **† 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 (8:30 a.m. only) The Sacrament of Baptism (11:00 a.m. only) The Words of Institution The Introduction of the Covenant Children and their Families The Biblical Promise
The Questions to the Parents and Congregation
The Prayer of Consecration <u>The Baptism</u> The Baptismal Benediction The Congregational Response — "Children of the Heavenly Father" (11:00 a.m. only) Children of the heav'nly Father safely in His bosom gather: nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given. Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh; His the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy. The Pastoral Prayer The Stewardship Update — Zeb Henson He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock, where rivers of pleasure rises.

He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry, thirsty land.

He hideth my life in the depths of His love; and covers me there with His hand.

A wonderful Savior is Jesus, my Lord, He taketh my burden away;

He holdeth me up, and I shall not be moved, He giveth me strength as my day.

He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock. . . .

When clothed in His brightness, transported I rise to meet Him in the clouds of the sky,

His perfect salvation, His wonderful love I'll shout with the millions on high. He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock. . . . The Prayer of Illumination **The Reading of Holy Scripture** — Micah 1 (Pew Bible page 776) The Sermon — "Do Justice, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly"......Dr. Strain ‡ The Hymn of Response No. 481 — "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus" **‡** The Benediction **The Response** — Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me! Mold me! Fill me! Use me! Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister The Reverend Mr. Gary W. Sinclair — FPDS Chaplain

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

The Prelude — "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood".... Mason/Wymond **The Call to Worship**

† The Hymn — "Thy Mercy, My God"

(See Guide)

‡ The Prayer of Adoration and Confession

The Hymn — "Who Are These like Stars Appearing" (See Hymn Sheet)

The Greetings

** The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "Oh, Shout for Joy"Getty/Fettke

The Student Choir

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — John 19: 28-30 (Pew Bible page 906)

‡ The Hymn No. 253 (Stzs. 1-3) — "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"

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. 253 (Stzs. 4-5) "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"
- **‡** The Benediction

The Postlude

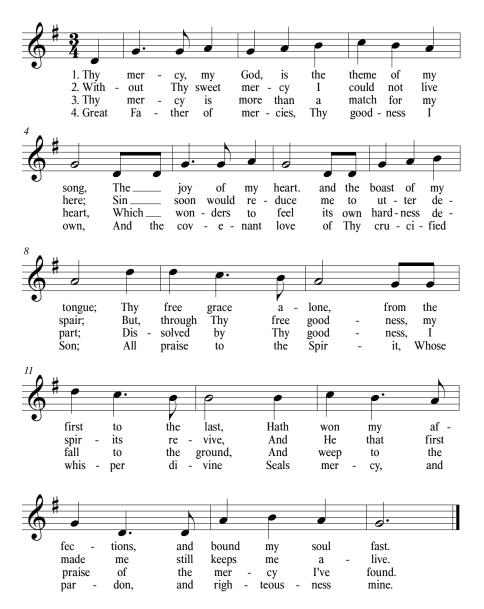
^{**}Children dismissed after the prayer



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.

[‡]Congregation standing

Thy Mercy, My God



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EVENING COMMUNION

WELCOME

This Lord's Day is a special occasion as we have the joy of partaking of the Lord's Table together during our evening worship service. 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, MAY 19, 2019

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 MB 135

Student Choir Rehearsal — 4:35 p.m. in MS

The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.

(Library only)

Monday No Scheduled Activities

Tuesday French Camp Quilters — 9:00 a.m. in Library

Staff Meeting — 9:00 a.m. in MH 205B

The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

MNA Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH 202A

Benevolence Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH 202B

GriefShare — 6:30 p.m. in WH 202B

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

Women's Congregational Care Training — 12:00 noon in WH 202B

Midweek Dinner — 5:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. in MH

Compass: Money & Marriage — 5:30 p.m. in WH 202A

Children's Playtime — 5:30 p.m. on playground/gym

Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS

Outreach Evangelism Prayer — 6:00 p.m. in WH 202B

Children's Mission in May — 6:30 p.m. in MB 122 & MB 123

Senior High Small Groups — 6:30 p.m. in MH

Junior High Small Groups — 6:30 p.m. in YH 101

First Pres Forum: Brian Sorgenfrei, RUF Ole Miss — 6:30 p.m.

in MH

Chinese Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in SC 210A

Thursday | The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Men's Ministry Golf Scramble — 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

at Live Oaks Golf Club

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 YH - Youth House SC - Study Center WH - Westminster Hall

PH - Patterson Hall

HC - Hutton Chapel LRC - Learning Resource Center

SR - Session Room

NNOUNCEMENTS

II THESSALONIANS 3:1 — "Finally, brethren, pray for us...." **Michael & Roxanne Winebrenner** – Serving as a church planter with Mission to North America in Horn Lake, MS. Email: mike@hornlakepca.org

John & Kathy Lesondak - Serving as team leader and church planter with Mission to the World in Slovakia. Email: lesondak@mac.com

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of the 2019 graduating class of Reformed Theological Seminary.

BAPTISM

This morning the sacrament of covenant baptism will be administered to Rosemary Neill Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Patrick (Lacy Inbarger) Johnson and Thomas Read Meadows, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Read (Elizabeth May) Meadows. The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, July 21. To make your reservation, please contact Marie Phillips at 601-973-9101 or mariep@fpcjackson.org.

EVENING COMMUNION

Please note that we will observe Communion in the worship service this evening. For those interested, professionally prepared gluten-free crackers will be available. 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 evening worship service if needed.

MEN'S MINISTRY GOLF SCRAMBLE

The rescheduled scramble will be held this Thursday, May 23, at the Live Oaks Golf Club. There are a limited number of spots remaining for interested players. The cost is \$50 per person. To register as a team of four or to be placed on a team, please visit fpcjackson.org/church-life/men. Contact discipleship@fpcjackson.org with questions or for more information.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

For the Children's Ministry Missions in May service project, we will again be packing shoeboxes! These shoeboxes will be sent to children all over the world who do not yet know the love of Jesus and often reach areas where traditional missionaries cannot go. Join us as we collect items for our shoeboxes. School supplies, non-liquid hygiene or toiletry items, small toys, or a "wow" item are great choices. Items can be dropped off in the labeled bin by the welcome desk.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY YEARBOOK

Ladies, if there have been any changes to your address, phone number, or email in the past year, please contact the Women's Ministry to update your information for the new yearbook by June 1. Contact Lisa Oswalt at 601-973-9115 or lisao@fpcjackson.org.

INTERESTED IN JOINING FPC?
New members will be received on June 2, 2019. All new member forms need to be turned in by this Wednesday, or they will be held until the next date. Contact Lilly Foerter at ccare@fpcjackson.org with questions.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

If you would like to provide refreshments for the adult volunteers, please sign up at www.perfectpotluck.com; enter coordinator name: Forster, password: fpcvbs2019 or contact Ann Lowrey Forster at annlowrey.forster@gmail.com.

GEYSER FALLS

Students, grab your towels! It's time to head back to Geyser Falls! At the end of VBS on June 7, rising 6-12th graders are invited to go to Geyser Falls with FPCYM. We will leave from the YH at 12:30, and plan to be back at 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$35 and includes dinner. Sign up at fpcjackson.org/youth or the app.

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The Vows for the Sacrament of Baptism

In order for the congregation to more fully enter into the service of the sacrament of baptism and to refresh ourselves on our church membership vow, the following is provided for your convenience and information:

To the parents:

- 1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
- 2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in (his) behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for (his) salvation, as you do for your own?
- 3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before (him) a godly example, that you will pray with and for (him), that you will teach (him) the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring (him) up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

And

To the congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?