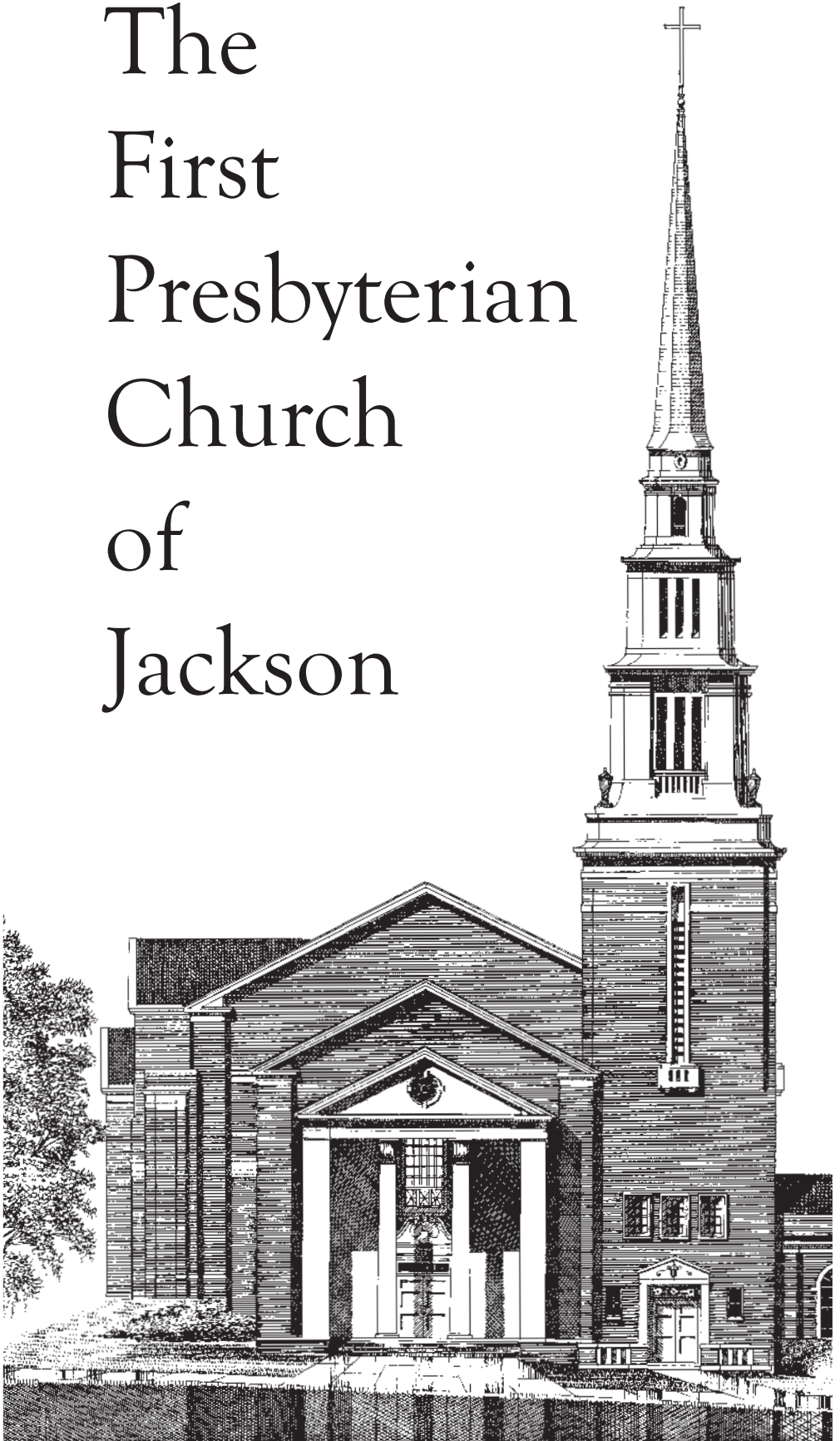


The
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Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Thirty-first Day of May, Two Thousand Fifteen
MORNING WORSHIP
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock
Senior Minister — The Reverend Mr. David T. A. Strain
Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. Ralph S. Kelley
Executive Minister

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 — "Meditation on 'He Cares for Me'" Ron Boud
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organ

The Introit — "Who Is On the Lord's Side?" Caradog Roberts

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn of Praise No. 111** — "This Is My Father's World"

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡* **The Doxology**"

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,
one in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run."

The Scripture Reading — Ecclesiastes 2:12-26 (Pew Bible page 554)

The Morning Prayer (8:30 a.m.)

The Twin Lakes Commissioning (11:00 a.m.)

The Recognition
The Scripture
The Task
The Charge
The Prayer

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory For Choir & Congregation Nicholson/Hobby
"Lift High the Cross"

**Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.**

Stz. 1 - Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Refrain

Stz. 2 - Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.

Refrain

Stz. 3 - All newborn soldiers of the Crucified bear on their brows
the seal of Him who died.

Refrain

Stz. 4 - O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, Raise us,
and let your cross the magnet be.

Refrain

Stz. 5 - So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory!

Refrain

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Ephesians 2:1-10 (Pew Bible page 976)

The Sermon — *New Community*: "Alive in Him" Mr. Strain

‡ **The Psalm of Response No. 92** — "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (Psalm 46)

‡ **The Benediction**

The Response — "Three-Fold Amen" Dresden

The Postlude — "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Johann Pachelbel

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

Guest Minister — The Reverend Dr. Charles M. Wingard

Assistant Professor of Practical Theology, Dean of Students — Reformed Theological Seminary

Assisting — Mr. Gary W. Sinclair

Christian Education Intern

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

The Prelude — “Prelude for Two Violins” Franz Joseph Haydn
Elisabeth Sinclair and Jennifer Biggs

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn of Praise No. 111** — “This Is My Father’s World”

‡ **The Invocation**

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

* **The Greetings**

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder David Cleland

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Nobody Knows the Trouble I’ve Seen” Spiritual
Trey Porter, Soloist

The Young Children’s Devotional

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

The Song No. 332 (Stz. 1 and 4) — “Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove”

The Children’s Catechism No. 59

Q. “How can you get the Holy Spirit’s help?”

A. “God has told us to pray to Him for the Holy Spirit.”

The Scripture — Isaiah 65:24; Luke 11:13; John 3:27; James 1:17

The Meditation Ed Hartman, Minister of Mission and Outreach

The Prayer (The children dismissed following the prayer)

‡ **The Hymn No. 128 (Stz. 1-4)** — “God Moves in a Mysterious Way”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Romans 8:26-39 (Pew Bible pages 944-945)

The Sermon — “Encouragement for Suffering Christians” Dr. Wingard

‡ **The Benediction**

The Response

“His purposes will ripen fast, unfolding ev’ry hour;
the bud may have a bitter taste, but sweet will be the flow’r.
Blind unbelief is sure to err, and scan His work in vain;
God is His own interpreter, and He will make it plain.”

The Postlude — “Allegretto” Cesar Franck
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organ

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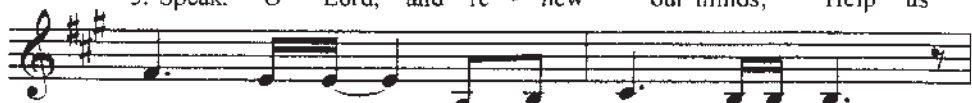
To All Our
Visitors

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.

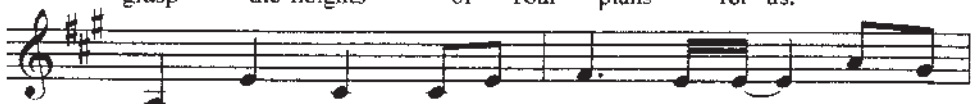
Speak, O Lord



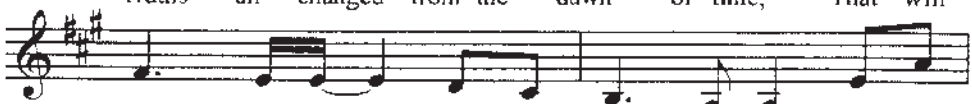
1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to re -
2. Teach us Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly
3. Speak. O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us



ceive the food of Your Ho - ly Word.
rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty.
grasp the heights of Your plans for us.



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



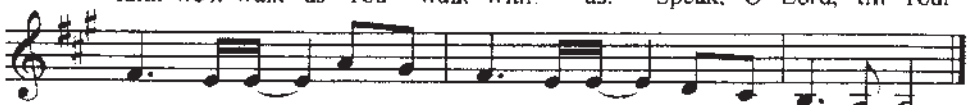
fash - ion us in Your like - ness; That the
ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our
ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by



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



acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord and ful -
jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can
faith we'll walk as You walk with. us. Speak, O Lord, 'till Your



fill in us all Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.
nev - er fail; Let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
church is built, And the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

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A GUIDE TO THE MORNING SERVICE

The Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

This Is My Father's World

In response to our call to worship this morning, we sing the well-known and beautifully melodic hymn, "This Is My Father's World." This is also our main hymn for Vacation Bible School this week. Its author has a fascinating backstory. While minister of the Lockport Presbyterian Church in Lockport, New York, Maltie D. Babcock, liked to hike in an area called "the escarpment," an ancient upthrust ledge near Lockport. It has a marvelous view of farms, orchards, and Lake Ontario, about 15 miles distant. It is said those walks in the woods inspired these lyrics. The title recalls an expression Babcock used when starting a walk: "I'm going out to see my Father's world." Babcock never heard his famous hymn sung. He published nothing during his life, but his wife Catherine collected and published many of his writings after his untimely death – a volume of his poems contained "This Is My Father's World." A gifted musician and singer, Babcock played several musical instruments, directed the school orchestra, and played the organ and composed for it. He might have become a professional musician had he not chosen the ministry. Over the course of his ministry, he was asked to preach at colleges all over America. Babcock was not a great theologian or deep thinker, but had a talent for presenting spiritual and ethical truths with freshness and effect. Let us then sing this hymn with fresh awe and wonder at our God's rule and reign in the midst of life's turmoils—for "though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet!"

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

We respond to God's Word today with Martin Luther's rousing rendition of the great 46th Psalm. How does one adequately characterize this battle cry and theme song of the Reformation? Luther wrote both the text and tune (a rarity in the history of hymnody). By the way, the popular assertion that the melody was borrowed from a common tavern song of the day is a myth. The words of this psalm-paraphrase exalt God as our Ruler, Protector, Savior, and help in the time of trouble. The confidence of this hymn is inspiring—it manifests the security of conscience that flows from a realization of God's gracious justification of us through Christ. If we could sing and really mean the final sentence of the last stanza (beginning with "Let goods and kindred...") it would change our lives.

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • MAY 31, 2015

Sunday

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. – 10:45 a.m.
(Library only)
Sunday School — 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. in YH
Inquirers' Class — 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. in Session Room
Pre-Service Announcements — 10:55 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Twin Lakes Commissioners Lunch — 12:00 noon in the gym
The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
(Library only)
Pre-Service Announcements — 5:55 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Monday

Vacation Bible School all week — 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Deacons Executive Committee Meeting — 11:45 a.m. in MH

Tuesday

Management Committee Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in SC215

Wednesday

The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
Interns Meeting — 4:00 p.m. in Basement Classroom
Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH
Junior High Large Group — 5:00 p.m. in YH
Children's Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the Gym/Playground
The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS
Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH

Thursday

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

Friday

Young Adults Summer Seminar — 6:00 p.m. in MH

Saturday

Men's Prayer Breakfast — 7:30 a.m. in MH

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. Mailing address: Avenida Fatima 113, Dpto. 200, Trujillo, Peru, South America. 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. Mailing address: 119 Camp Pioneer Rd, Pearl, MS 39208 Email: pioneerinfo@pioneerministries.org.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Donn E. (Marilynn) Young — May 24, 2015

JUNIOR HIGH RYM

RYM is a youth conference that brings together students from across the country. At RYM the gospel is taught, friendships are deepened, and Mega Rec abounds. We have a few spots open for Junior High RYM which will be held at the Laguna Beach Christian Retreat Center in Panama City, FL, June 22-26, 2015. The cost is \$535.

To sign up, please visit www.fpcjackson.org/discipleship/upcoming-trips.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH TIME

This Sunday, May 31st is the last Church Time for children in the four year old Sunday School class. Beginning Sunday, June 7th the four year olds may sit with their parent(s) during worship.

SUMMER RUF

Attention all current and rising college students! Summer RUF is less than a month away! We will be going through a series titled "The Fruit of the Spirit." Mark your calendars for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 2, when our own Kelly Jackson will kick off our study at the Byrd house (4793 Crestwood Drive).

YOUNG ADULTS SUMMER SEMINAR

Join us Friday, June 5, as Dr. John Cox teaches the first of three Summer Seminars on Relationships, Marriage, and Dating. We will meet from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. (please arrive at 5:45 p.m.) in Miller Hall, and the cost is \$6 to cover a Newk's meal for the evening. Nursery is provided, but please RSVP for your children. The principal target is Young Adults (college, 20s and 30s). However, anyone is more than welcome to attend. To sign up, you can email Jenny Sanders at youngadults@fpcjackson.org. Contact David Felker (601-850-8650) with questions.

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 ear piece. You may obtain your own hearing device to bring to church each week by contacting Earl Davis in the church office: 601-353-8316.

"MINISTRY SAFE" TRAINING LUNCH - PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN Sunday, June 7 • 12:30 p.m. • Miller Hall

This training is for:

ALL children and youth volunteers

*(this includes VBS, Children's Choirs, Sunday School,
Sunday night scripture memory class)*

ALL chaperones • Any parents who are interested

Nursery and Children's Programs will be available.

Register at: www.eventbrite.com/e/ministry-safe-training-registration

Deadline to sign up is today

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