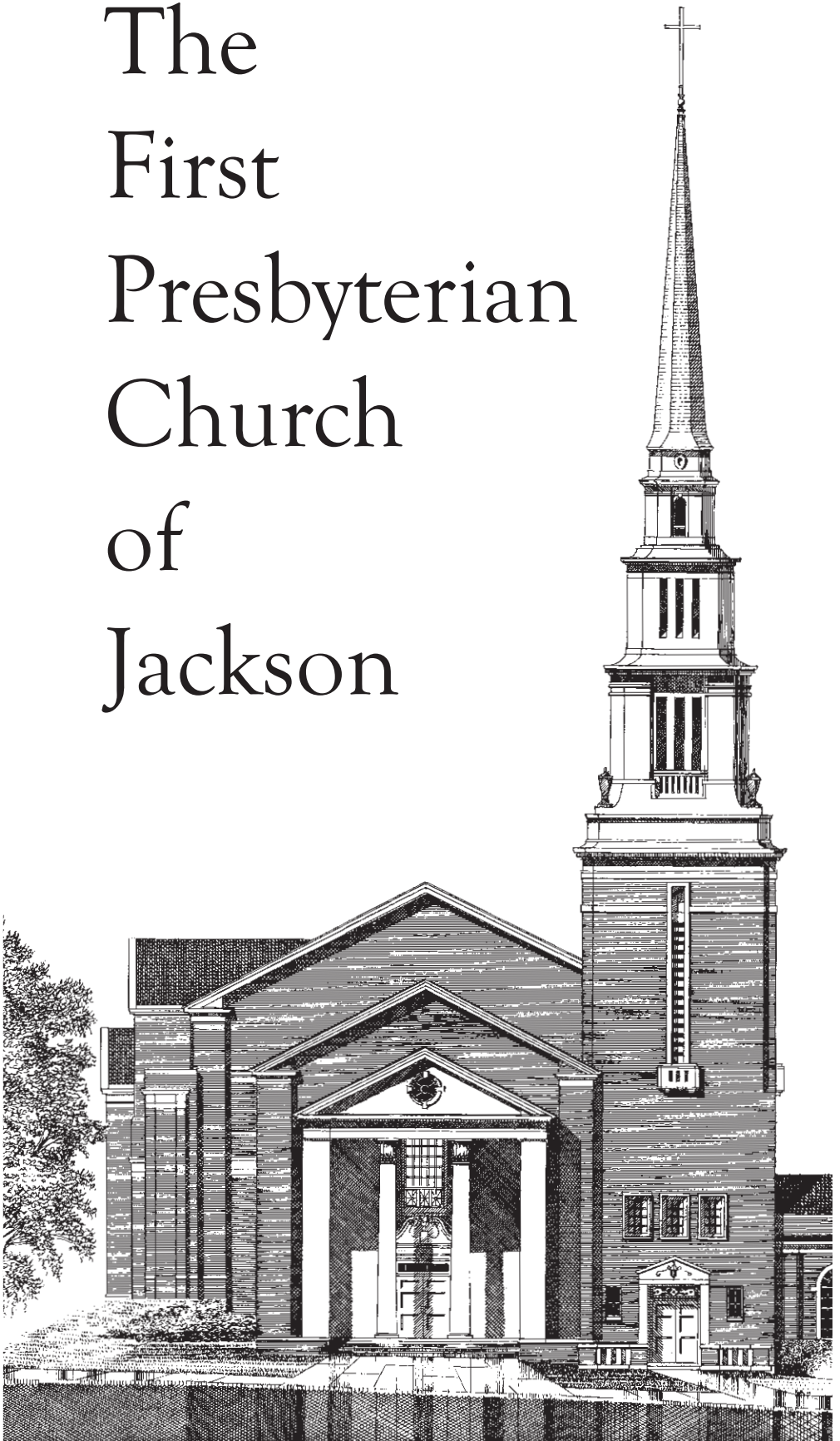


The  
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Jackson



*“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”*

# THE LORD'S DAY

The Twenty-Fourth Day of November, Two Thousand Thirteen  
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

Senior Minister — The Reverend Dr. J. Ligon Duncan III

Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. William F. Joseph III  
Minister of Congregational 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** (8:20 and 10:50 a.m.)

**The Prelude** — "Meditation" .....Eric Thiman  
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organist

**The Introit** — "Come, Join Our Joyful Song!" .....Dale Wood

**The Call to Worship**

\*‡ **The Hymn of Praise No. 100** — "Holy, Holy, Holy!"

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**

**The Scripture Reading** — Jeremiah 52:12-23 (Pew Bible page 683)

\*‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 196** — "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

**The Morning Prayer**

\*‡ **The Hymn** — "In Christ Alone" (See Guide)

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

**The Offertory** —

"How Lovely Are the Messengers" (St. Paul) .....Felix Mendelssohn  
"How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace.  
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,  
Throughout all the lands their glad tidings.  
How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace."  
Romans 5:15, 16

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — Hebrews 13:17 (Pew Bible page 1010)

**The Sermon** — *Better* "Obey Your Leaders" .....Dr. Duncan

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 353** — "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

‡ **The Benediction**

**The Congregational Response**

"Jesus keep Me near the cross; there a precious fountain.  
free to all – a healing stream – flows from Calvary's mountain.  
In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever;  
'till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river."

**The Postlude** — "Now Thank We All Our God" .....Sigfrid Karg-Elert

\*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

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.

*G. F. Handel*

# MESSIAH



The Choir with Orchestra

This evening

6:00 p.m.

Soloists:

Gena Everitt, Soprano    Jos Milton, Tenor  
Viola Dacus, Contralto    Bradley Robinson, Bass

There will be a nursery for children through five years

**WIC CHRISTMAS DINNER**  
**"Joy to the World, the Lord is Come!"**  
**Tuesday, December 10**  
**6:00-8:30 p.m. in Miller Hall**  
**\$6 per person**

Ladies, plan to attend the annual, much loved Christmas Dinner. This is a time of fellowship and encouragement complete with a festive holiday dinner, encouraging devotional by Rhonda McRae, and the recognition of ladies who receive our Life Membership awards because of their long and faithful service to our Lord and His Church. RSVP to Caroline at 601-353-8316.

**YEAR-END GIVING**

If you are planning to donate stock to First Presbyterian Church before the end of the 2013 year, please notify Earl Davis in the Business Office at 601-973-9107.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE	
Sunday, November 24	* Handel's <i>Messiah</i> - 6:00 p.m.
November 25 - 29	Day School Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
Tuesday, November 26	* Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m. <b>No Supper, Discipleship Groups, or Children's Choirs</b> Children's Activities - 6:00 p.m. in the gym (Pick up your children at 7:30 p.m. in M133)
Thursday, November 28	* Thanksgiving Worship Service - 8:30 a.m.
November 28 - 29	Church Offices Closed for Thanksgiving
Sunday, December 1	* Morning Services - 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. * Evening Service - 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 5	Men of the Covenant Luncheon - 11:45 a.m. Speaker: Ligon Duncan
Sunday, December 8	* Morning Services - 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. * Evening Service - 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 10	* WIC Christmas Dinner - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 11	* Children's Christmas Pageant - 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 15	* Morning Services - 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. * Evening Service - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 18	* Regular Mid-week Activities
Friday, December 20	Day School Dismissed for Christmas Break - 11:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 22	* Morning Service - 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 22	* Music of Christmas - 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 24	* Family Christmas Eve Carol Service 4:00 p.m.
December 24-25	Church Offices are Closed for Christmas
Wednesday, December 25	No Mid-week Activities
Sunday, December 29	* Morning Services - 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. * Evening Service - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 1	No Mid-week Activities
Wednesday, January 1	Church Offices are Closed for New Year's Day
Monday, January 6	Day School Returns from Christmas Break
* <i>Nursery Provided</i>	

# "In Christ Alone"

Getty and Townend



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my  
2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh, full - ness of  
3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the



light, my strength; my song; This cor - ner stone, this sol - id  
God in help - less Babe! This gift of love and right - eous -  
world by dark - ness slain; then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious  
pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to fi - nal



ground, firm through the fier - cest drought and storm. What heights of  
ness, scorned by the ones He came to save. Til on the  
day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He  
breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of



love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings  
cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -  
stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on  
hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His



cease! My com - for - ter, my all in all, here in the  
fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the  
me, for I am His and he is mine, bought with the  
hand; 'til He re - turns or calls me home, here in the



love of Christ I stand  
death of Christ I live  
pre - cious blood of Christ.  
pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

# FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • NOVEMBER 24, 2013

<b>Sunday</b>	<p><b>Pre-Service Announcements</b> — 8:20 a.m. in the Sanctuary <b>Prayer for Worship Service</b> — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133 <b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. (Library only) <b>Inquirers Class</b> — 9:40 a.m. in M133 <b>Sunday School</b> — 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. in various locations <b>College Sunday School</b> — 9:50 a.m. in the CH <b>Pre-Service Announcements</b> — 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary <b>College Luncheon</b> — 12:15 p.m. in PH <b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only) <b>Handel's Messiah</b> — 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary <b>Senior High Insight</b> — 7:30 p.m. at the home of the Swayzes (1721 Howard Street)</p>
<b>Monday</b>	<p><b>WIC Bible Teachers Meeting</b> — 9:00 a.m. in WH204</p>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p><b>Staff Meeting</b> — 9:00 a.m. in the MS <b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m. <b>No Family Night Supper</b> <b>Junior High Discipleship Groups</b> — 5:00 p.m. <b>The Choir</b> — 5:50 p.m. in the MS <b>Children's Activities</b> — 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the Gym (Pick up children in M133) <b>Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting</b> — 6:30 p.m. in LH</p>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p><b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p>
<b>Thursday</b>	<p><b>Thanksgiving Morning Worship Service</b> — 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary <b>Church Offices Closed</b></p>
<b>Friday</b>	<p><b>Church Offices Closed</b></p>
<b>Saturday</b>	<p><b>Men's Prayer Breakfast</b> — 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...." **Kurt & Jill P.** – Serving with Mission to the World in Europe. For contact information, please contact the Mission Department.

**Jeff and Dominique Jordan**- serving as RUF campus minister at Mississippi College in Clinton, MS. Mailing address: 9 Pond Side Dr. Jackson, MS 39211. Email address: jjordan@ruf.org

## FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given with thanksgiving to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth Price Johnson by Dr. and Mrs. J. Lee Owen.

## BAPTISMS

Last Sunday, the sacrament of covenant baptism was administered to Aden Warner Cannada, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Warner Cannada; Charles Graham Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Motte Davis; McNeel Ellison Florreich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Ellison Florreich; Posey O'Neal Howard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Michael Howard; Garnett Carruthers Studivant; daughter on Mr. and Mrs. Micajah Purnell Sturdivant; and Neil Joel Witherow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Thomas Witherow.

## STEWARDSHIP 2014

# Firstfruits

**Honor the Lord with your wealth  
and with the firstfruits of all your produce.**

**Proverbs 3:9 (ESV)**

As we prepare for the 2014 budget year, it is important that each member of the congregation support the work and worship of First Presbyterian Church. If you have not turned in your stewardship commitment card for 2014, you may place it in the offering plate during this Sunday's worship services. Cards are available in the sanctuary pews and in the tract racks throughout the church. To date, we have received: 439 commitment cards for a total of \$4,146,946 and 80 debt retirement cards for a total of \$131,722.

## COLLEGE LUNCHEON

All college students are welcome to join us today for a free lunch in Patterson Hall, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service. Look for Kelly Jackson and Stefan Sanchez in the greeting courtyard after the service if you need help locating Patterson Hall.

## MIDWEEK MEETINGS

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, we will have our prayer meeting on Tuesday, November 26. Please note there will be no supper, Discipleship Groups, or Children's Choirs on that Tuesday night, but we will have children's activities in the gym from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. You may pick your children up in M133 immediately following the service.

## THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

We invite you to join together as a congregation on Thursday, November 28, at 8:30 a.m. in the sanctuary for a service of thanksgiving to God for His mercies to us as His people and as a nation. We will sing songs of thanksgiving followed by a message from The Reverend Mr. Wiley Lowry. We will dismiss promptly at 9:30 a.m.

## **MEN OF THE COVENANT FOR THE GLORY OF GOD ALONE**

**Thursday, December 5**

**Dr. Ligon Duncan, Speaker**

**Miller Hall — 11:45 a.m.–1:00 p.m.**

Men, join us Thursday, December 5, for our Men of the Covenant Luncheon where our Senior Minister, Dr. Ligon Duncan, will speak to us. Reservations are not required and the cost of the lunch is \$6.00. If you have questions, contact Shannon Craft at 601-326-9243 or shannonc@fpcjackson.org.

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## CHURCH STAFF

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The Reverend Mr. Ralph Kelley - Executive Minister

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David Day, Director of Communications  
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David Felker, Minister of Young Adults  
Shannon Craft, Administrative Assistant  
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Mary Gray  
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Gainnell Hayes  
Henrietta Hudson  
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