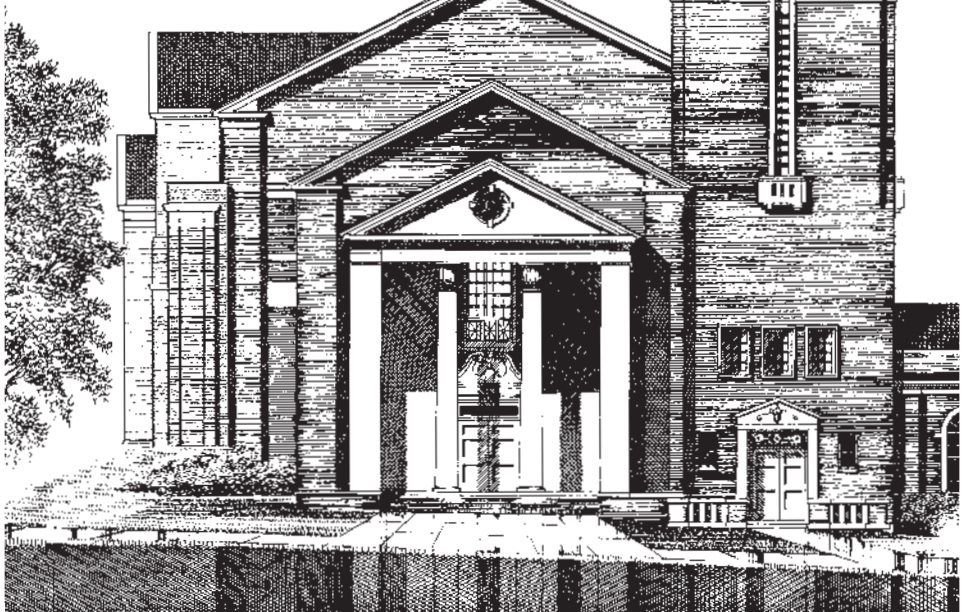


The First Presbyterian Church of Jackson



"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Twelfth Day of November, Two Thousand Seventeen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister

The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey — Minister of Congregational Care

The Greetings and Announcements (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)

The Prelude — “Amazing Grace” (Variations 1 and 2)..... Denis Bedard
Rae Shannon, Organ

The Introit — 8:30 a.m. — “Be Thou My Vision” Ancient Irish Poem
The Girls’ Choir

11:00 a.m. — “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” Henry Purcell

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn of Praise No. 699** — “Like a River Glorious”

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Assurance of Pardon**

‡* **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 — Psalm 15 (Pew Bible page 453)

The Pastoral Prayer

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” David Ashley White
Choir and Congregation:

“Praise, my soul, the King of heaven: to His feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.
Praise Him for His grace and favor to His people in distress;
Praise Him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia, Alleluia! Glorious is His faithfulness.

Choir alone:

Tenderly He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows;
in His hand He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Widely yet His mercy flows.

Choir and Congregation:

Angels, help us to adore Him; Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon bow down before Him, dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise with us the God of Grace.”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Corinthians 11:17-34
(Pew Bible pages 958-959)

The Sermon — *Rewire*: “A Worthy Supper” Dr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 420** — “At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — “Glory to the Trinity, Amen” Charles Callahan

The Postlude — “Amazing Grace” (Variations 3 and 4)..... Denis Bedard

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. John Blanchard — Guest Minister
The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister

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

The Prelude — “Sun of My Soul, Thou Savior Dear” Vienna, 1774
Graham Roberson, Piano

The Introit — The First and Second Grade Choirs

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Hymn No. 302** — “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

‡ **The Invocation**

‡* **The Evening Hymn No. 246** — “Man of Sorrows! What a Name”

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Marcus Wilson

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Like as a Father” Luigi Cherubini
The Student Choir
“Like as a father, filled with compassion, pities all his children,
So the Lord has mercy on those who fear Him.”

The Young Children's Devotional

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

The Children's Catechism

Q97: What is the sixth commandment? A: The sixth commandment is “You shall not murder.”

Q98: What does the sixth commandment teach you? A: Not to take anyone's life unjustly and not to sin when I am angry.

** **The Meditation and Prayer** Martin Antoon, Students & Families Intern

‡* **The Evening Hymn (Stzs. 1-2)** — “How Deep the Father's Love”
(See Evening Guide)

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 John 3:1-8

The Sermon — “The Most Amazing Statement in Scripture” Dr. Blanchard

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.”

The Postlude — “How Deep the Father's Love” Getty and Townend

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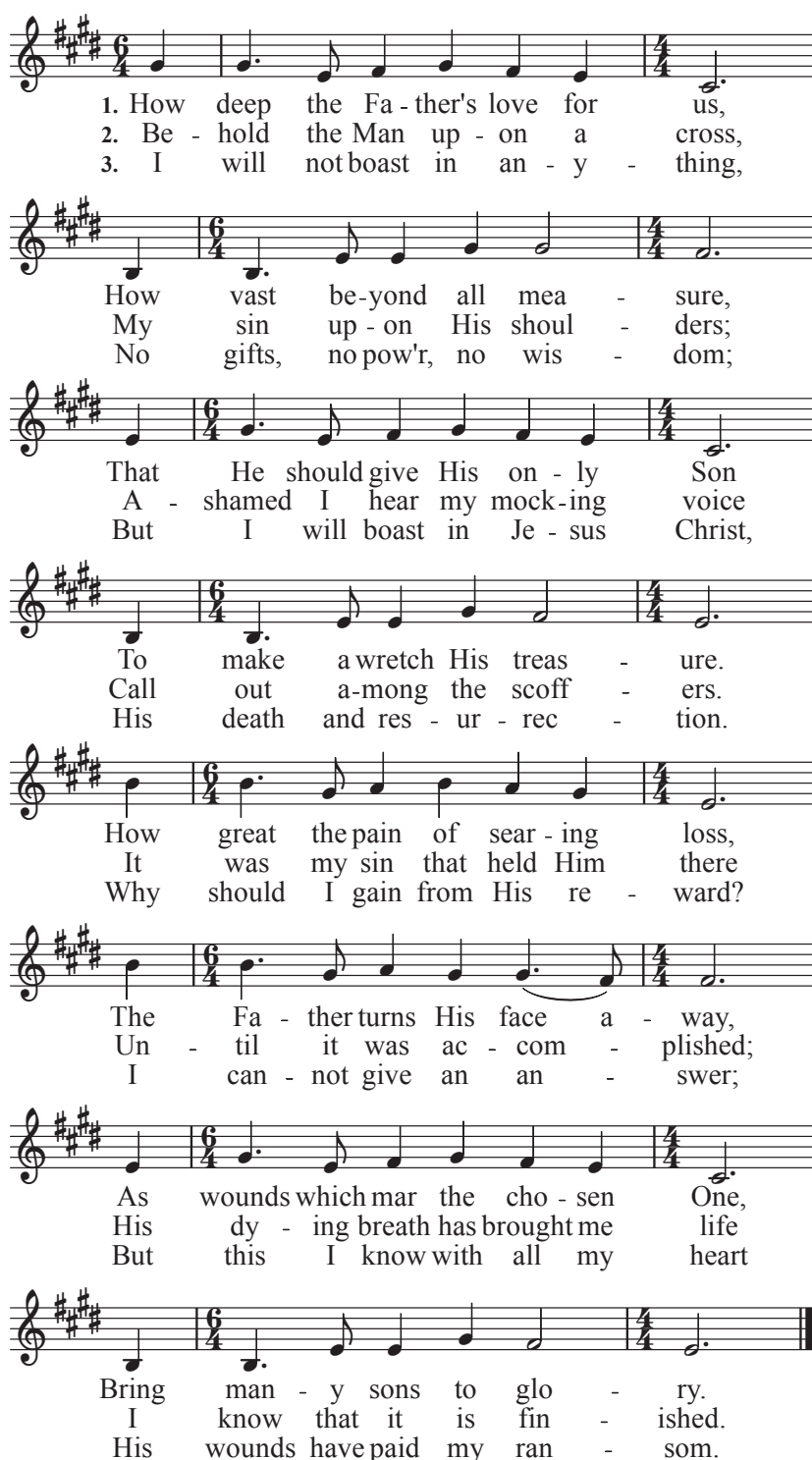
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**Children dismissed after the prayer

Our Vision

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.”

How Deep the Father's Love



1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us,
 2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross,
 3. I will not boast in an - y - thing,

How vast be - yond all mea - sure,
 My sin up - on His shoul - ders;
 No gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom;

That He should give His on - ly Son
 A - shamed I hear my mock - ing voice
 But I will boast in Je - sus Christ,

To make a wretch His treas - ure.
 Call out a - mong the scoff - ers.
 His death and res - ur - rec - tion.

How great the pain of sear - ing loss,
 It was my sin that held Him there
 Why should I gain from His re - ward?

The Fa - ther turns His face a - way,
 Un - til it was ac - com - plished;
 I can - not give an an - swer;

As wounds which mar the cho - sen One,
 His dy - ing breath has brought me life
 But this I know with all my heart

Bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
 I know that it is fin - ished.
 His wounds have paid my ran - som.

Words and Music: Stuart Townend.

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WELCOME

We welcome all to this service of worship. If you are a Christian visiting with us today, we greet you in the name of our common Lord. If you are not a believer, we greet you as a friend and trust that you will sense the warmth and genuineness of our reception. We invite everyone here to participate with our congregation as we sing, pray, and give attention to God's Word to us this morning.

GUEST MINISTER

In tonight's worship service, we welcome Dr. John Blanchard to the pulpit. Dr. Blanchard is an internationally known Christian preacher, teacher, apologist and author. He has written 30 books, including two of Britain's most widely used evangelistic presentations, *Right With God* and the booklet *Ultimate Questions*. Blanchard is now heavily committed to Popular Christian Apologetics, a project involving writing, speaking, teaching and broadcasting in defense of the Christian faith. John and his wife, Pam, make their home in the village of Banstead in Surrey, England.

INTERESTED IN JOINING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please note that our next joining date is Sunday, December 3, 2017. Each person joining FPC is asked to fill out a new member form and turn it in by Wednesday, November 22. Any forms received after November 22 will be held for the next joining date. The new member forms can be obtained in the Session Room (located off the Greeting Courtyard), or at the information desk in the greeting courtyard. If you have any questions, please contact Marie Phillips at mariep@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9102.

NOVEMBER CIRCLES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

CIRCLE 2: *Beth Keeler*
10:00 a.m. – home of Beth Crasto
4030 Dogwood Drive, Jackson

CIRCLE 3: *Tot Bailey & Ginger Cotten*
10:00 a.m. – home of Sue Ann Stewart
506 Shalom Way, Flowood

CIRCLE 4: *Bess Corbitt & Rebecca Redman*
10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 6: *Rhonda Baird*
6:30 p.m. – home of Beth Archer
2257 East Northside Drive, Jackson

CIRCLE 7: *Marcia Penn*
5:15 p.m. – Study Center 210

CIRCLE 8: *Janie Purvis & Jan Wade*
9:30 a.m. – The Orchard

CIRCLE 14: *Susan Turner & Georgia Miller*
12:00 noon – Patterson Hall

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

CIRCLE 9: *Karen Crawford & Grace Toler*
10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 10: *Diana Howie*
10:00 a.m. – home of Cathy May
4348 North Honeysuckle Lane

CIRCLE 11: *Frenchie Graham & Ruth Tant*
10:30 a.m. – home of Frenchie Graham
4005 Cabell Lane

CIRCLE 12: *Nina Johnston & Janet Quayle*
10:30 a.m. – St. Catherine's, Marian Hall,
1st floor Sun Room

CIRCLE 13: *Elizabeth Fulcher*
6:00 p.m. – home of Elizabeth Fulcher
559 Brookstone Circle, Madison

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017

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)
 Foundations Class — 9:40 a.m. in M133 (across from bookstore)
 Children's Church for 3- and 4-year olds — during 11:00 a.m. worship service in M135MB
 Internationals Thanksgiving Lunch — 12:00 noon in Gym
 College Ministry Sunday Lunch — 12:00 noon at the Vollema home (1122 Lyncrest Ave.)
 Student Choir Rehearsal — 4:39 p.m. (MS)
 Presbytery Committee Meeting — 5:00 p.m. in PH
 The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)
 Senior High Insight — 7:30 p.m. at Augusta's house (1740 Howard St. in Belhaven)

Monday

Circles Meet This Week
 Worship Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in SC210A
 Mission First Tutoring — 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. in SC 210/213
 Diaconate Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in PH
 Session Meeting — 7:00 p.m. in MS

Tuesday

Men's "Truth at Dawn" Bible Study — 6:30 a.m. in PH
 Sew & Sow — 9:00 a.m. in SC211
 French Camp Quilters/Stitchers — 9:00 a.m. in MB132
 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 "Christianity Explored" Bible Study — 6:00 p.m. in SC213A
 Internationals Class — 6:45 p.m. in PH

Wednesday

MOMS Bible Study (Joshua) — 9:00 a.m. in PH & SC
 Men's Bible Study — 10:00 a.m. in Parlor
 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
 Student Ministry Parents' Prayer Lunch — 12:00 noon at Whole Foods
 Miller Hall Construction Meeting — 1:00 p.m. in SC215
 Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in LH
 College Dinner & Discussion — 5:15 p.m. in SC211B
 Junior High D Groups — 5:30 p.m. in YH
 Children's Playtime — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in Gym/Playground
 Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS
 Chinese Bible Study — 6:00 p.m. in SC210
 Senior High Small Group Meetings — 6:30 p.m. in Y201 and Y202
 Reformation Lecture Series (David Strain) — 6:30 p.m. in PH
 Working Women's Bible Study (1 Timothy & Titus) — 6:30 p.m. in Parlor
 Adult D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations
 Children's Choirs — 6:30 p.m. in various locations
 Brass Rehearsal — 7:15 p.m. in Sanctuary

Thursday

Ladies' Bible Study (Daniel) — 9:00 a.m. in PH & SC
 Ladies' Bible Study (Hebrews) — 9:45 a.m. in MS
 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 Thursday Bible Study Leadership Lunch — 11:00 a.m. in SC213
 MTW Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in SC211A

Friday

No Scheduled Activities

Saturday

Men's Prayer Breakfast — 7:30 a.m. in SC211

BC - Basement Classroom
 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....”

Palmer and Joanna Robertson – O. Palmer Robertson serves as the Vice Chancellor of African Bible University in Kampala, Uganda. Email: opalmerrobertson@gmail.com

Leon and Rosalinda Brown – Serving as church planters with the James River Presbytery (PCA) in Richmond, VA. Email: Leon.M.Brown@gmail.com

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Peggy A. Brinkley — November 3, 2017

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary, from the wedding of Mary Clark Strange and Luis Victor Castro, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Michael Hartley and Doctor and Mrs. Dempsey Clark Strange, Senior, Grandparents of the Bride, and Mr. Luis Victor Castro, Mr. Jose Natal, and Mrs. Maria Andjuar, Grandparents of the Groom.

STEWARDSHIP 2018

As we prepare for the 2018 budget year, it is important that each member of our congregation support the work and worship of First Presbyterian Church. We can plan to do more gospel ministry with your commitment. If you have not turned in your Stewardship Commitment card for 2018, you may place it in the offering plate during today's worship services. You may also pledge electronically by visiting our church app and clicking on "Giving," then "Pledge." To date, we have received 256 Stewardship commitments for a total of \$3,167,506 and 29 Capital Projects & Improvements commitments for a total of \$48,702.

COLLEGE MINISTRY SUNDAY LUNCH TODAY

College students are invited to lunch today immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service at the Vollema home (1122 Lyncrest Ave). Meet Charles and Kevin on Belhaven Street after worship if you need a ride.

INTERNATIONALS SUNDAY

Today, many internationals from our Internationals Class will be joining us for our 11:00 a.m. service and will be sitting in a group in the sanctuary. We would love for these special guests to feel at home, so please take a moment to show them some good, Southern hospitality by welcoming them to First Presbyterian Church. After the service they will be enjoying a Thanksgiving-style dinner in the gym hosted by the Lamplighter's Sunday School class.

REFORMATION ANNIVERSARY — WEDNESDAY NIGHT LECTURE SERIES

Join us this Wednesday evening for the final lecture of our series at 6:30 p.m., as we further consider the history and lasting significance of our Reformed legacy in continuation of our observance of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

Wednesday, November 15, Dr. David Strain: "John Knox: Reformation of Courage"

PARENTS' PRAYER LUNCH

Parents of students grades seven through 12, please join us for our final Parents' Prayer Lunch of the semester. We will meet this week, **Wednesday, November 15, at 12:00 noon at Whole Foods.**

THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP & LUNCH

We hope you will join us for worship Thanksgiving morning at 8:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Billy Dempsey will lead us in the reading of Scripture and the singing of hymns, followed by a brief Thanksgiving meditation from God's word. Then at 11:30 a.m. the Deacons invite you to a potluck lunch in Patterson Hall. This is a great opportunity to gather with your church family to give thanks and to enjoy a time of fellowship over a great meal. If you plan to join us or would like to contribute a dish, please contact Lisa Kim at lisak@fpcjackson.org or (601) 973-9102 so that we can plan accordingly.

MEN OF THE COVENANT — NOVEMBER 30

Men, mark your calendars and join us for the next Men of the Covenant lunch on Thursday, November 30, at 11:45 a.m. We'll hear from Dr. Ligon Duncan III, Chancellor and CEO of Reformed Theological Seminary and former Senior Minister here at FPC. Reservations are not required, and the cost of the lunch is \$6.00. Feel free to bring a friend, co-worker, or neighbor.

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FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

At FPC, we believe that family worship is important. Recognizing the time challenges of a busy week with work and school, we want to make it as easy as possible for you. So we hope you find this Family Worship Guide helpful and use it in your homes this week. Each week addresses a question from the *Westminster Shorter Catechism*, with a daily scripture reference, key thought, and questions for family discussion. You can use this abbreviated version by simply taking this bulletin home with you today, or get the complete version emailed to you weekly by subscribing at <http://fpcj.ms/fam-devo>. Or contact the church office at 601-353-8316 or receptionist@fpcjackson.org. It is also available on the app under "Resources."

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS:

Question 81: What is forbidden in the tenth commandment?

Answer: The tenth commandment forbiddeth all discontentment with our own estate, envying or grieving at the good of our neighbor, and all inordinate motions and affections to any thing that is his.

MONDAY

Scripture: Esther 5:1-14; 1 Kings 21:1-4

Key Thought: The 10th commandment forbids all discontentment with your own estate.

Questions:

- Why was Haman unable to enjoy the favor of the king?
- Why did Ahab pout on his bed?
- What made their actions so wicked?

Prayer

TUESDAY

Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16

Key Thought: The 10th commandment forbids all envying or grieving at the good of your neighbor.

Questions:

- Why did those hired earlier in the day become angry?
- Was the "payment plan" of the vineyard owner fair? Explain.
- Who defines what is just or fair?

Prayer

WEDNESDAY

Scripture: Micah 2:1-5; Habakkuk 2:9-11

Key Thought: The 10th commandment forbids seeking to deprive your neighbor of security.

Questions:

- What are the benefits of having a house?
- Why was the coveting of fields and houses condemned by Micah?
- Where is such covetousness most often seen today?

Prayer

THURSDAY

Scripture: 2 Samuel 11:1-17

Key Thought: The 10th commandment forbids seeking to deprive your neighbor of his happiness.

Questions:

- For what purpose did God give man a wife?
- What does coveting your neighbor's wife seek to take away from him?
- How is coveting your neighbor's wife a direct offense against God?

Prayer

FRIDAY

Scripture: Exodus 23:4-5; Judges 6:1-6

Key Thought: The 10th commandment forbids seeking to deprive your neighbor of his productivity.

Questions:

- Do you own any man-servants, maid-servants, oxen, or donkeys?
- How do these things "translate" into modern society?
- What is at the root of envying another man's productivity?

Prayer