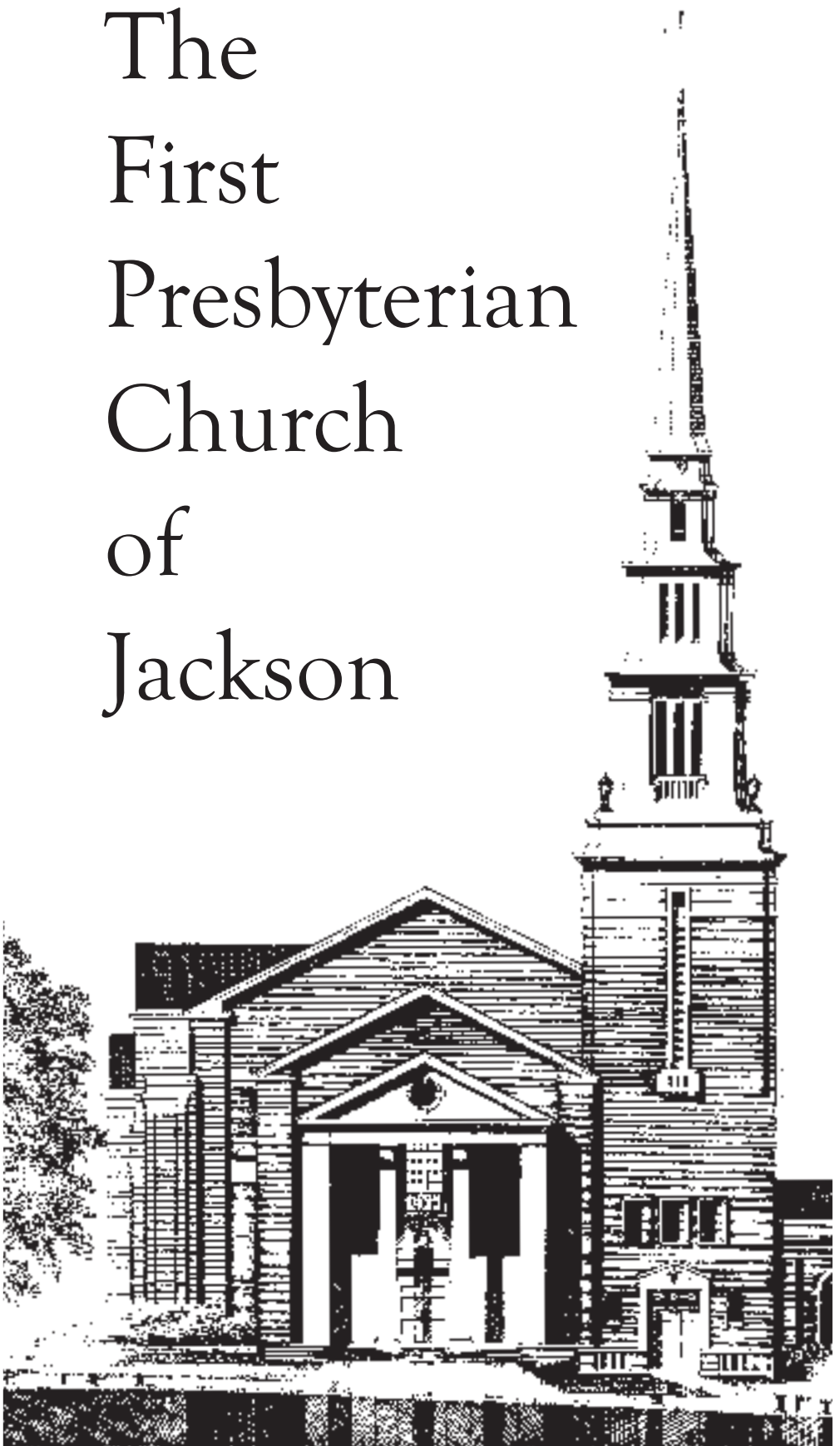


The
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“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Second Day of November, Two Thousand Fourteen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

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

Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey

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 (8:20 and 10:50 a.m.)

The Stewardship Challenge — Neil Witherow

The Prelude — "Take My Life and Let It Be"Arr. by J. Catchings
Nancy Bateman, Cello; Connie S. Wadsworth, Piano

The Introit — 8:30 a.m. - "Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy"J.Hart
The Girls Choir
11:00 a.m. - "Worship the Lord in the Splendor of Majesty"

The Call to Worship

‡* **The Psalm of Praise No. 21**— "Sing Praise to the Lord!" (Psalm 150)

‡ **Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Doxology**

"Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
All praise and thanks to God, the Father, now be given,
the Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven—
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore."

The Scripture Reading — Nehemiah 7:57-73 (Pew Bible page 403)

The Morning Prayer

‡* **The Psalm No. 53** — "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (Psalm 103)

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — 8:30 a.m. - "Take My Life" F. Havergal
The Boys Choir
11:00 a.m. - "Offertory" J. Ness Beck

"With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings?
Shall I come before Him with yearling calves?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil?
Shall I give Him my firstborn for my transgressions,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
He has shown you, O man; He has shown you what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice,
and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God."
Micah 6:6-8

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Matthew 10:1-15 (Pew Bible pages 814 -815)

The Sermon — "Sacrificial Generosity"Mr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 434** — "Lord, Thou Lov'st the Cheerful Giver"

‡ **The Benediction**

The Response — "O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end.
Be Thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend.
I shall not fear the battle if Thou art by me side,
nor wander from the pathway if Thou will be my guide."

The Postlude — "All Depends on God's Blessing" S. K. Elert
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organist

*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. Ralph S. Kelley

Executive Minister

The Announcements and Words of Preparation (5:50 p.m.)

The Prelude — “Largo” A. Dvorak
The FPC String Ensemble

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Psalm of Praise No. 438** — “All Lands, to God in Joyful Sounds”
(Psalm 66:1-7)

‡ **The Invocation**

The Evening Hymn — “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us” (See Evening Guide)

* **The Greetings**

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Bill Moore

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Father, We Thank You” R.Weston/H. Noordewier
The First Grade Choir
“All Things Bright and Beautiful” C. Alexander
The Second Grade Choir

The Young Children’s Devotional

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

The Song No. 554 (Stz. 2, 5) — “From Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee”
(RUF tune)

The Children’s Catechism No. 36

Q. “What do we call the sinful nature we get from Adam?”

A. “Original Sin.”

The Scripture — Genesis 3; Jeremiah 17:9-10; Romans 3:10-12, 5:18-19

The Meditation.....David Felker, Minister of Young Adults

The Prayer.....(The children dismissed following the prayer)

‡ **The Hymn No. 481** — “Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Isaiah 52:13-53:12 (Pew Bible pages 613-614)

The Sermon — “The Servant Succeeds”Mr. Strain

‡ **The Benediction and Response**

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
world without end. Amen, amen.”

The Postlude — “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”J. Neander
The FPC Strings

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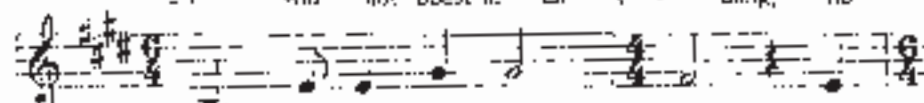
To All Our
Visitors

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.

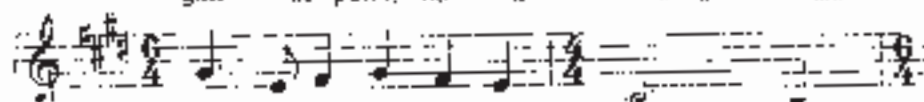
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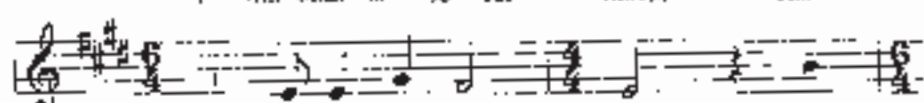
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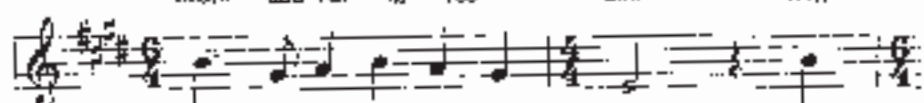
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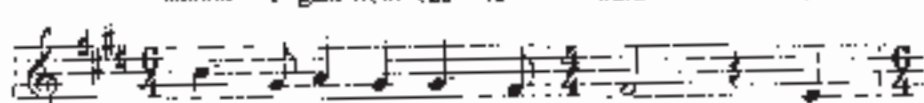
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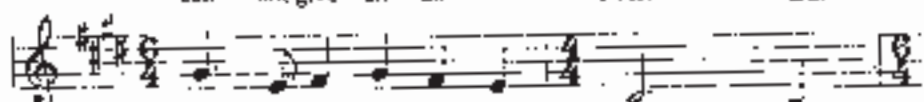
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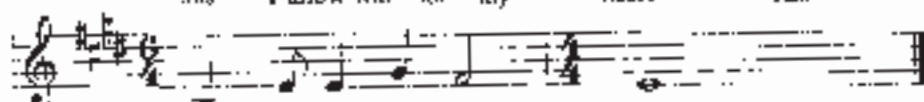
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A Guide to the Morning Service

Sing Praise to the Lord!

We begin our congregational singing today with this fine hymn, which is actually a paraphrase of Psalm 150. The 150th Psalm is the conclusion to the whole Psalter, and its first verse exhorts God's people to "Praise the LORD. Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens!" This triumphant psalm is a fitting conclusion to the *Hymnbook of the Old Testament*, and a fitting beginning to our Lord's Day Morning Worship! Indeed, as the hymn exclaims, "for love in creation, for heaven restored, for grace of salvation," let us sing praise to our Lord!

Doxology

Immediately following our Prayer of Adoration and Confession, we continue our Morning Worship by singing several stanzas of praise. "Doxology" is a Greek-rooted word which simply means "word of praise," in reference to a brief ascription of adoration to God. Our text for the Doxology this morning is taken from two stanzas of the familiar hymn, "Now Thank We All Our God" written by Martin Rinkart (1586-1649), a Lutheran minister.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Following our Scripture Reading and Morning Prayer, we sing this majestic anthem. This great psalm paraphrase is a long-time favorite of our congregation. The song's author was Joachim Neander, who wrote this hymn when he was age 20. "Praise to the Lord" is the opening phrase of each stanza of this song that draws on Psalms 103 and 150. It was translated by the remarkable Catherine Winkworth—of whom it has been said that she, more than any other single person, helped bring the German chorale tradition to the English-speaking world. It is a hymn full of devotion and adoration to God and encouragement and comfort to one another. We sing praise to Him for His sovereign control over all things—"who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth"—and draw comfort that because He is in control, He "shelters [us] under His wings." We sing God's praises for His kind providences—"Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been granted in what He ordaineth"—and even for the dark providences of life. For surely we know it to be true when we sing, "How oft in grief hath not He brought thee relief."

The Sermon

For this Commitment Sunday of our Stewardship Season, we will be hearing Matthew 10:1-15 proclaimed from God's Word this morning. Here, we will study the Lord Jesus' calling of the Twelve Apostles and his initial instructions for their ministry and livelihood. The lessons, implications, and applications from this passage are exceedingly apt for us as we consider the Christian discipline of Sacrificial Generosity. Let us prayerfully and carefully give attention to God's Word as He speaks to us from it.

Lord, Thou Lov'st the Cheerful Giver

We respond to the sermon today by singing this hymn of Robert Murray. Drawing from the same Scriptural themes which we have studied this morning, it reminds us that we must be faithful not only in what we give, but in the motivation that spurs us on to give. Sung to the familiar tune "Beecher" (to which we sing "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"), this hymn is a fitting sung-prayer for us to use as we consider God's call on our lives in terms of stewardship, sacrifice, and generosity. May we be a people, "who with open heart and hand, bless freely, as a river that refreshes all the land."

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • NOVEMBER 2, 2014

Sunday	<p>Pre-Service Announcements — 8:20 a.m. in the Sanctuary</p> <p>Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. (Library only)</p> <p>Sunday School — 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. in various locations</p> <p>Inquirers' Class — 9:40 a.m. in Session Room (off Greeting Courtyard)</p> <p>College Sunday School — 9:50 a.m. in the CH</p> <p>Pre-Service Announcements — 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary</p> <p>The Student Choir — 4:40 p.m. in MS</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)</p> <p>Pre-Service Announcements — 5:50 p.m. in the Sanctuary</p> <p>Senior High Insight — 7:30 p.m. at the home of the Griffins (5119 Heatherton Dr.)</p>
Monday	<p>Women's Leadership Council — 9:30 a.m. in SC210</p> <p>Executive Diaconate Committee Meeting — 11:45 a.m. in MH</p> <p>Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring—3:00 p.m. in SC210</p> <p>Cubs Pack Meeting — 6:00 p.m. in MH</p> <p>Scouts — 7:00 p.m. in PH/SC210</p>
Tuesday	<p>"Truth At Dawn" Men's Bible Study — 6:30 a.m. in WH202</p> <p>Presbytery Meeting — 9:00 a.m. in Louisville, MS</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring — 3:00 p.m. in SC210</p> <p>Management Committee Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in SC215</p> <p>Internationals Class — 6:45 p.m. in PH</p>
Wednesday	<p>MOMS Bible Study — 9:00 a.m. in PH/SC</p> <p>Men's Bible Study— 10:00 a.m. in the SR</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.</p> <p>Interns Meeting — 4:00 p.m. in the basement classroom</p> <p>Family Night Supper— 5:00 p.m. in MH</p> <p>Junior High Discipleship Groups — 5:00 p.m. in the YH</p> <p>Children's Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Gym</p> <p>The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS</p> <p>Children's Choirs — 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in various locations</p> <p>Sixth Grade Fellowship — 6:30 p.m. in SC321/Gym</p> <p>Discipleship Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations</p> <p>Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH</p>
Thursday	<p>Son of David Ladies Bible Study — 9:00 a.m. on 2nd floor SC</p> <p>Genesis Ladies Bible Study— 9:45 a.m. in MH</p> <p>The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>Men of the Covenant — 11:45 a.m. in MH</p>
Friday	<p>Sew and Sow — 9:00 a.m. in SC 211 A/B</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...” — **Carrie J.** - Serving with Mission to the World in Asia. For contact information, please contact the Mission & Outreach Department. **Per & Beth Almquist** - Serving as church planters with Mission to North America in Lewiston, ME. Mailing address: 160 Canal St., Lewiston, ME 04240 Email: per.almquist@freegrace.us.

IN MEMORIAM

Ellen C. Smith — October 22, 2014
Gwenette Phillips Robertson — October 26, 2014

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Helen Katherine Tomb by her nieces, Catherine and Elizabeth Cook.

MEN OF THE COVENANT - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Men, join us Thursday, November 6, at 11:45 a.m. in Miller Hall for our Men of the Covenant Luncheon where Dr. Earl Fyke will speak to us. Reservations are not required, and the cost of the lunch is \$6.00. Invite your friends, co-workers, or neighbors.

NEW SUNDAY EVENING SERMON SERIES THE SERVANT: ISAIAH 53

Perhaps no other chapter in all the Old Testament more explicitly and marvelously portrays the suffering and sin-bearing of the Lord Jesus Christ than Isaiah 53, as He secures atonement and purchases pardon for His people. Isaiah 53 is a beautiful picture of the Gospel nestled right at the heart of the Old Testament. Over the next several weeks of November into December, David Strain will be preaching a short series of sermons from this extraordinary Fourth Servant Song of the Prophet Isaiah. Come and join us as we study this stunning chapter of the Bible and hear the Gospel of God proclaimed from Isaiah 53.

SAVE THE DATE - WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12 TIM KELLER

Dr. Timothy Keller, Senior Pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in Manhattan, will be preaching in our midweek service, November 12, at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Children's choirs (4's-6th grade) will continue as usual. The nursery will also be available for visitors with children ages 4 and under. Don't miss this opportunity to invite a friend to come and hear the gospel.

PROS - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Join us on Thursday, November 13, at 11:30 a.m. in Miller Hall as we celebrate our November/December gathering. We will have a special treat as Carolyn Laird presents a Christmas drawing accompanied by Weezie Polk reading some of her best Christmas memories. We will also have a musical surprise. Our menu will be turkey, dressing, asparagus, cranberry salad, and coconut cake for dessert. Make your reservations before 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 10, by calling the church office at 601-353-8316.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

Beginning today through December 14, the children's offering in Sunday School will be given to Palmer Home. Palmer Home serves nearly 100 children from birth through college age. Please encourage your children to earn money at home and bring an offering each week. Also, beginning this week, there will be a new children's bulletin. This is meant as a practical tool to teach children to worship God. Please take a few minutes and go over it with your child. After the service, we encourage you to take it home and discuss the observations and questions your child had about the service. You may pick these up at the entrances to the Sanctuary.

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, November 16, 2014. Space is available for the 8:30 a.m. worship service only. To make your reservation, please contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or email her at lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

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Stewardship 2015



Today is Commitment Sunday

"Freely you have received, freely give." Matthew 10: 8b NIV

The church of Jesus Christ stands at the center of God's purposes for the spread of the kingdom around the world. As you prayerfully consider this year's budget and how you can give, please remember that every dollar given has eternal value. Giving to the church is not about maintaining an institution, but about honoring Christ and furthering his mission in the world. Your giving this year will advance the vision of First Presbyterian Church as we serve Jackson, Mississippi and the world with the Gospel; but still more significantly, your giving brings glory to the name of Jesus Christ. Please give generously and sacrificially.

Your pastor,

David Strain

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