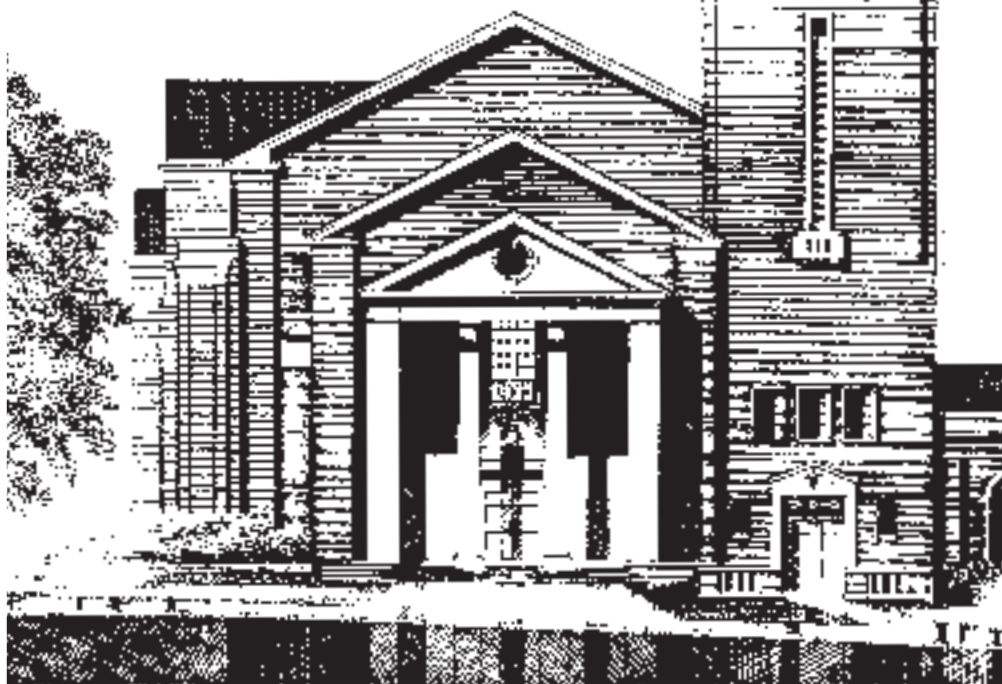


# The First Presbyterian Church of Jackson



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

# THE LORD'S DAY

The Fifth Day of October, 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. Wiley P. Lowry III

Minister of Pastoral 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** — “Jesu, Word of God Incarnate” ..... W. A. Mozart  
The FPC Cello Ensemble; Nancy Bateman, Director

**The Introit** — “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” ..... Mark Andrews

**The Call to Worship**

‡\* **The Psalm of Praise No. 57** — “Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul”

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡\* **The Doxology** (Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen)

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

praise Him, all creatures here below;

alleluia, alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host,

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;

alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

**The Scripture Reading** — Nehemiah 7:5-56 (Pew Bible pages 402-403)

**The Morning Prayer**

‡ **The Psalm No. 360** — “When in His Might the Lord” (Psalm 126)

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

**The Offertory** — “Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed?” ..... Dan Forrest

“Alas and did my Savior bleed? And did my Sov’reign die?

Would He devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?

Was it for crimes that I have done He groaned upon the tree?

Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!

Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut His glories in,

When Christ, the mighty Maker died for man, the creature’s sin.

But drops of grief can ne’er repay the debt of love I owe:

Here, Lord, I give myself away, ‘tis all that I can do.

Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree.”

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — Exodus 3:1-22 (Pew Bible pages 46-47)

**The Sermon** — *God Remembers*: “I AM Who I AM” ..... Mr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 4** — “All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

‡ **The Benediction**

**The Response** — “Five-Fold Amen” ..... W. Wymond

**The Postlude** — “Postlude in G Major” ..... Gordon Young

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. William E. Dempsey  
Minister of Discipleship

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

**The Prelude** — “Day by Day” ..... Oskar Ahnfelt arr. by Dick Bolks  
Sarah Morris, Piano; Jonathan Hunt, Trumpet

**The Introit** - “Lord, I Want To Be A Christian”

The Four-Year Old Choir

“When I Survey The Wondrous Cross”

The Five-Year Old Choir

**The Call to Worship**

‡ **The Hymn of Praise No. 401** — “All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night”

‡ **The Invocation**

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

\* **The Greetings**

**The Evening Prayer** — Ruling Elder John McVey

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

**The Offertory** — “Great God, Everlasting” ..... David Lantz III  
The Student Choir

**The Young Children’s Devotional**

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

**The Song No. 644 (Stz. 1-2)** — “May the Mind of Christ My Savior”

**The Children’s Catechism No. 33**

Q. “What happened to Adam and Eve when they sinned?”

A. “They became sinful and were separated from God.”

**The Scripture** — Genesis 1:31, 3:14-24; Deuteronomy 10:12-13

**The Meditation.** ..... Billy Dempsey, Minister of Discipleship

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

‡ **The Hymn No. 500** — “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — Matthew 19 :16-26 (Pew Bible pages 824-825)

**The Sermon** — *Found:* “Jesus and the Materialist” ..... Mr. Strain

‡ **The Benediction and Response** (Tune: Tallis Canon)

“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 Postlude** — “For All the Saints” ..... Ralph Vaughan Williams  
FPC Brass

\*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.

# "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

How deep the Fa - thers love for us, how  
 He - built the Man up - on a cross, how  
 low will not boast in an y - thing, He  
 was be - yond all meas - ure, that  
 sin up - on His shoul - ders, a  
 gift, in power, He was down, but  
 He should give His on - ly Son to  
 shame, I hear my mock - ing voice, I  
 will boast in Je - sus Christ, His  
 name, make a wretch His treas - ure, How  
 not a - mong the scoff - ers, He  
 died, death and res - ur - rec - tion, Why  
 great the pain of seal - ing loss, the  
 was my sin that held Him there, un -  
 should I gain from His re - ward?  
 Fa - ther turns His face a - way, as  
 til I was an out - cast, His  
 can not give an an - swer, Un -  
 wounds which man the Cho - sen  
 dy - ing breath has brought me, One  
 this I know with all my heart, His  
 man - y souls to glo - ry  
 knew that it is fin - ished  
 wounds have paid my ran - som.

# A Guide to the Morning Service

## The Scripture Reading

### **Nehemiah 7:5-56 Life returns to normal**

Chapter 7 draws a boundary around the narrative of the building of the wall of Jerusalem. As we read about the stipulations that Nehemiah sets up in connection with guarding the gates of the completed wall, it dawns on us that never has there been a more famous wall in the history of the world than this storied wall of the rebuilt Jerusalem. The bulk of the chapter is devoted to lists of names and tabulation of numbers of those who returned to Jerusalem from exile in Babylon. As the lists keep expanding, we begin to get caught up in the excitement and magnitude of the event. At the end of the chapter we catch hints of a story with the description of what the leaders and populace gave to the building project, along with a summary of the influential professional groups that enabled the nation once again to live in their towns. A strong sense of community cooperation emerges, giving us a picture of what it takes to build the city of God. (Literary Study Bible, Crossway)

## The Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

### **Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul (Psalm 146)**

We begin our worship together this Lord's Day Morning by singing this familiar and beautiful psalm-paraphrase. The text of this song comes from the Psalter of 1912 and is a metrical version of Psalm 146. The tune, "Ripley," is familiar to us (we sing "Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee" to it) and was a Gregorian Chant melody arranged by the great Lowell Mason. Mason was interested in music from childhood. He lived in Savannah, Georgia, for 15 years, worked as a bank clerk, and wrote his music on the side. His first musical collection was finally accepted in 1822 by the Handel and Haydn Society of Boston, Massachusetts (his native state), and went through 17 editions, selling 50,000 copies. It was adopted by singing schools in New England, and eventually church choirs. Mason eventually served as the director of music at the Hanover, Green, Park, and Bowdoin Street churches (all the while holding on to his job as teller at the American Bank!). In Boston, Mason became the first music teacher in an American public school. In 1833, he co-founded the Boston Academy of Music; in 1838, he became music superintendent for the Boston school system. Lowell Mason wrote over 1,600 religious works, and is often called the "father of American church music."

### **The Doxology**

Immediately following our Prayer of Adoration and Confession, we continue our Morning Worship by singing this familiar stanza of praise, "the Doxology." It is a call for everyone in heaven and earth to praise the Triune God who is the giver of all blessings. Incidentally, this familiar text is merely the last stanza of each of three hymns composed by the fine evangelical Bishop Thomas Ken in 1674 ("All Praise to Thee My God This Night"; "Awake, My Soul and With the Sun"; and "Lord, Now My Sleep Doth Me Forsake"). "Doxology" simply means "word of praise," in reference to a brief ascription of adoration to God. Today, we sing to the tune *Lasst Uns Erfreuen* (to which we sing "All Creatures of Our God and King).

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



We are so glad you came to First Presbyterian Church this evening. Having heard about Jesus tonight, it may be that you have questions that remain unanswered or objections that you'd like to express. Perhaps you'd like to explore the claims of Christ in more detail with someone individually or as part of a group discussion. It may even be that you have found Jesus so compelling that you'd like to meet Him for yourself.

In the form below, you will find a way to let us know how we can help you think through who Jesus is, why He came, and what it means to follow Him. Completing the form does not indicate any commitment on your part, and we assure you that your information will be kept in the strictest confidence.

If you'd like to let us know how we can serve you, simply fill out the form, tear down the perforated edge, and leave it in the boxes marked for that purpose in the greeting courtyard and front foyer of the church.

☐ I'd like to explore Christianity further.

☐ I'd like to become a Christian.

☐ I'd like to talk to a pastor.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## II THESSALONIANS 3:1

"Finally, brethren, pray for us..." — **Aaron & Rachel Halbert** — Preparing to serve as church planters with Mission to the World in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Mailing address: 930 Belle Air Circle, Yazoo City, MS 39194 Email: abhalbert@gmail.com.

**Joel & Holly Wallace** — Serving as the Associate Director for Mission to North America's Special Needs Ministry. Mailing Address: 3409 Loch Ridge Trail, Birmingham, AL 35216; Email: jwallace@pcanet.org.

## FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are from the inauguration of Dr. J. Ligon Duncan III, Chancellor and CEO of Reformed Theological Seminary. They are given to the glory of God and in loving honor of Ligon, his wife, Anne, and their children, Sarah Kennedy and Jennings.

## YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Come join us this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. for Thursday Night Fellowship. This fall we are going through a series on Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Johnny and Jan Wade are hosting this week (2417 Eastover Drive in Jackson). Contact David Felker (601-850-8650) for more details, bring friends, and come on out.

## NEIGHBORHOOD CHRISTIAN CENTER

TUTORS and BOOKS needed! Neighborhood Christian Center tutoring is in need of additional tutors for our after school program. We tutor children in grades K-5th from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at FPC every Monday and Tuesday during the school year. We are particularly in need of tutors on Tuesday. For more information please contact Nina Johnston at 601-879-9670. Also, we would like to ask circle members to donate books for our children to practice their reading skills. Any type of book that is suitable for grade level K-5 will be greatly appreciated! Books can be dropped off in the container in SC210.

## 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

## OCTOBER CIRCLES

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

#### Circle 2: *Fair Hurst*

10:00 a.m. at home of Mary Ellison  
4204 North Honeysuckle Lane

#### Circle 3: *Tot Bailey and Ginger Cotten*

10:00 a.m. at home of Willard Harrell  
503 Willow Court Dr., Brandon

#### Circle 4: *Rebecca Redman*

10:00 a.m. in the Church Parlor

#### Circle 6: *Fran Askew*

6:00 p.m. Fellowship;  
6:30 p.m.- meeting at the home of Beth Archer  
2257 East Northside Drive

#### Circle 7: *Marian Ware*

5:30 p.m. (dinner) in Miller Hall

#### Circle 8: *Janet Davis*

9:30 a.m. at the Orchard

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

#### Circle 9: *Gayle Poole and Grace Toler*

10:00 a.m. in the Church Parlor

#### Circle 10: *Diana Howie*

10:00 a.m. at home of Jean Moses  
2063 Brecon Drive

#### Circle 11: *Frenchie Graham and Ruth Tant*

10:30 a.m. at home of  
Frenchie Graham  
4005 Cabell Lane

#### Circle 13: *Karen Crawford and Maryla Delaney*

11:30 a.m. in Miller Hall (lunch may be reserved)

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

#### Circle 5: *Laura Blaylock and Bess Corbitt*

9:45 a.m. in the Church Library

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

#### Circle 12: *Nina Johnston and Rachel Bonner*

10:00 a.m. at St. Catherine's

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

#### Circle 14: *Susan Turner and Marty May*

12:00 p.m. Miller Hall (brown bag)

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# FPC THIS WEEK

**SUNDAY • OCTOBER 5, 2014**

<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>Sunday School</b> — 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. in various locations  <b>Inquirers' Class</b> — 9:40 a.m. in Session Room (off Greeting Courtyard)  <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>The Student Choir</b> — 4:40 p.m. in MS  <b>New Members Received</b> — 5:00 p.m. in PH  <b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.  (Library only)  <b>Pre-Service Announcements</b> — 5:50 p.m. in the Sanctuary  <b>Senior High Insight</b> — 7:30 p.m. at the home of the Clarkes  (622 Broadway Ave)</p>
<b>Monday</b>	<p><b>Executive Diaconate Committee Meeting</b> — 11:45 a.m. in MH  <b>Christian Education Committee Meeting</b> — 12:00 Noon in MH  <b>Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring</b> — 3:00 p.m. in SC210  <b>Cubs Pack Meeting</b> — 6:00 p.m. in SC210  <b>Scouts Court of Honor</b> — 7:00 p.m. in MH</p>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p><b>"Truth At Dawn" Men's Bible Study</b> — 6:30 a.m. in WH202  <b>Staff Meeting</b> — 9:00 a.m. in the MS  <b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  <b>MOMS Teachers Meeting</b> — 11:00 a.m. in WH205A  <b>Twin Lakes Executive Committee Meeting</b> — 12:00 noon in MH  <b>Neighborhood Christian Center Tutoring</b> — 3:00 p.m. in SC210  <b>Management Committee Meeting</b> — 5:30 p.m. in SC215  <b>Internationals Class</b> — 6:45 p.m. in PH</p>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p><b>MOMS Bible Study</b> — 9:00 a.m. in PH/SC  <b>Men's Bible Study</b> — 10:00 a.m. in the SR  <b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.  <b>Family Night Supper</b> — 5:00 p.m. in MH  <b>Junior High Discipleship Groups</b> — 5:00 p.m. in the YH  <b>Children's Sunday School Teacher Training</b> — 5:45 p.m. in WH 204  <b>Children's Activities</b> — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. on the Playground  <b>The Choir</b> — 5:50 p.m. in MS  <b>Children's Choirs</b> — 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in various locations  <b>Sixth Grade Fellowship</b> — 6:30 p.m. in SC321/Gym  <b>Discipleship Groups</b> — 6:30 p.m. in various locations  <b>Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting</b> — 6:30 p.m. in LH</p>
<b>Thursday</b>	<p><b>Son of David Ladies Bible Study</b> — 9:00 a.m. on 2nd floor SC  <b>Genesis Ladies Bible Study</b> — 9:45 a.m. in MH  <b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  <b>Presbytery Mission to Military</b> — 4:00 p.m. in SC215  <b>Thursday Night Fellowship</b> — 7:00 p.m. at the home of the Wades  (2417 Eastover Drive)</p>
<b>Friday</b>	<p><b>Sew and Sow</b> — 9:00 a.m. in SC211 A/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