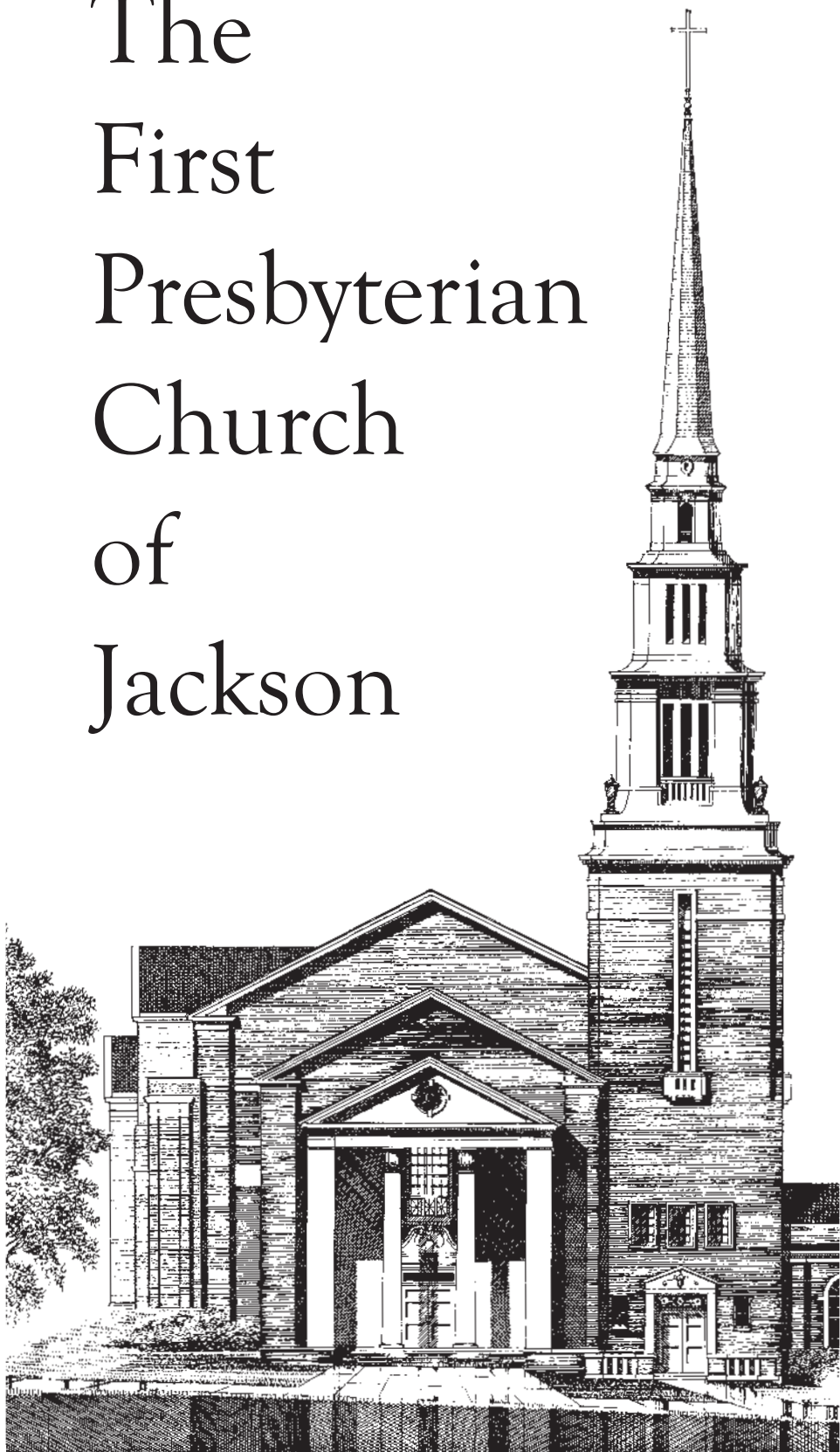


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*“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”*

# THE LORD'S DAY

The Third Day of September, Two Thousand Seventeen  
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

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

The Reverend Dr. Edward A. Hartman — Minister of Mission & Outreach

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

**The Prelude** — “God’s Time Is Best” .....J. S. Bach  
Rae Shannon, Organ

**The Introit** — “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” .....Arr. Wymond

**The Call to Worship**

‡\* **The Hymn of Praise No. 347** — “The Church’s One Foundation”

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Assurance of Pardon**

‡\* **The Doxology**

“O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise.  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.”

**The Scripture Reading** — Psalm 9 (Pew Bible page 451)

**The Pastoral Prayer**

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

**The Offertory** — “Crown Him with Many Crowns” ..... Elvery/Courtney

CHOIR: “Crown Him with many crowns!

Crown Him the Lord of love! Behold His hands and side,  
rich wounds, yet visible above,

In beauty glorified: No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,  
but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

ALL MEN: Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!  
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee.

And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

ALL WOMEN: Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o’er the grave  
and rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save;  
His glories now we sing Who died and rose on high.  
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

ALL: Crown Him the Lord of years: the potentate of time,  
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime,  
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me;  
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

CHOIR: Crown Him with many crowns!”

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — 1 Corinthians 9:1-14 (Pew Bible pages 956-957)

**The Sermon** — *Rewire: “Money and Ministry”* ..... Dr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 598** — “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — “Thy Praise and Glory Shall not Fail” ..... John Hess

**The Postlude** — “Now, Praise the Lord My Soul” .....Johann Gottfried Vierling

\*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

# EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. Gabriel N. E. Fluhner — Minister of Discipleship

The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker — Minister of Young Adults & College

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

The Prelude

The Call to Worship

‡\* The Hymn — "O Day of Rest and Gladness" (See Hymn Sheet)

‡ The Invocation

‡\* The Evening Hymn No. 541— "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder"

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Hu Meena

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "Beams of Heaven" ..... Indelible Grace  
Laura Rutledge and Martin Antoon

The Young Children's Devotional

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

*The Children's Catechism*

Q68: How many offices does Christ fulfill as the promised Messiah? A: Christ fulfills three offices.

Q69: What are they? A: The offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king.

Q71: How is Christ your priest? A: Christ died for my sins, and continues to pray for me.

Q74: Why do you need Christ as your priest? A: Because I am guilty of breaking God's law.

\*\*The Meditation and Prayer .....Kevin Vollema, College Intern

‡\* The Evening Hymn No. 460 (Stzs. 1-5) — "Amazing Grace!"

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Ephesians 1:3-6 (Pew Bible page 976)

The Sermon — *Union with Christ: "Back to the Future"* ..... Dr. Fluhner

‡ The Benediction

‡ The Response

"When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun."

The Postlude

\* The ushers may seat latecomers

‡ Congregation standing

\*\* Children dismissed

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.

## TODAY IS CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION SUNDAY

Today is a big day for the children at FPC! 'Promotion Sunday' is when children move to the next department (age or grade) for Sunday morning and Sunday evening programs. The following is an overview of Sunday programs, as well as a list of classroom locations for each age group:

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

During Sunday School, children from 2 years old through 6th grade will sing, hear a Bible lesson and learn Bible and Catechism memory work. Sunday School begins at 9:40 a.m. and ends at 10:40 a.m. **Parents, please pick up your child from Sunday School by 10:45 a.m.** If you would like to volunteer, or if you have questions, please contact Kimberly Wilkins at [kimberlyw@fpcjackson.org](mailto:kimberlyw@fpcjackson.org).

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

The 3-year olds and 4-year olds may attend Children's Church during the 11:00 a.m. worship service in room 135(MB). This class is designed to prepare the children for attending worship with their parents. FPC volunteers lead the program which includes a Call to Worship, singing the Doxology, reciting The Lord's Prayer (led by an Elder), hearing a Bible story and closing prayer. The children also have snack time and playtime. If you have questions, please contact Kimberly Wilkins at [kimberlyw@fpcjackson.org](mailto:kimberlyw@fpcjackson.org)

### SUNDAY EVENING

The Sunday evening children's classes are for 4-year olds through 3rd graders. Children are dismissed during the worship service after the Children's Devotional. All 4- and 5-year olds are invited to the Scripture Memory Class, which is led by Mary Elizabeth Blake and volunteer parents and meets in room 135(MB). Each week, the children learn a scripture verse that corresponds to a letter of the alphabet. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Rachel Edwards at 601-953-1284.

All 1st through 3rd grade children are invited to be part of the Catechism Crew. This class is taught by Anna Henson and meets in room 133(MB). Each week, the children work on memorizing and understanding the children's catechism. If you have questions, please contact Anna Henson at [annah@fpcjackson.org](mailto:annah@fpcjackson.org).

### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSROOM LOCATIONS

Department Room Bldg

2-year olds: G105 MB

3-year olds: M135 MB

4-year olds: M101 WH

5-year olds: M103 WH

1st Grade: 237 MB

2nd Grade: 235 MB

3rd Grade: 232 MB

4th Grade: 304B WH

5th Grade: 305B WH

6th Grade: 302A WH

MB – Main Building

WH – Westminster Hall

## Adopt-a-College-Student Interest Form (First Presbyterian Members & College Students)

The Lord has blessed First Presbyterian Church by surrounding it with many colleges and universities in the Jackson area. As these undergraduate students move to town throughout the next few weeks, many of them are looking for opportunities to get plugged in and to experience community with other believers outside the college context. The Adopt-a-College-Student program is our attempt to meet that desire. *Members*, would you consider inviting an undergraduate into the life of your family and making them feel at home during their time away from home?

Your participation could include any of the following:

- inviting your student to have a meal with your family
- sending him or her a small “care package” (ex. during finals week)
- writing him or her a personal note of encouragement
- welcoming your student into our church in a way that fits your life

Our hope is that these ideas would be a mental springboard for you and your student to get to know each other!

*FPC Members and College Students*, you may sign up by tearing off this panel, filling it out, and placing it in the offering plate or handing it to a church staff member. Or you can access this form in the College section of the new FPC Jackson app. There is no obligation in expressing interest. We will contact you soon to discuss the details of the program more fully. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us at [collegehouse@fpcjackson.org](mailto:collegehouse@fpcjackson.org).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership (circle one)

Church Member      Local College Student

If you are a student, please provide the following:

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a church member, do you have a preference concerning the gender of your adoptee? (circle one)

Male                  Female                  No Preference

# FPC THIS WEEK

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017**

<b>Sunday</b>	<p><b>Prayer for Worship Service</b> — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133</p> <p><b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 9:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. (Library only)</p> <p><b>Children’s Church for 3- and 4-year olds</b> — during 11:00 a.m. worship service in M135MB</p> <p><b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)</p> <p><b>No Senior High Insight</b></p>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Church Offices Closed</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p><b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.</p> <p><b>Executive Diaconate Meeting</b> — 11:45 a.m. in WH202A</p> <p><b>Management Committee Meeting</b> — 5:30 p.m. in SC215</p>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p><b>MOMS Bible Study (Joshua)</b> — 9:00 a.m. in PH &amp; SC</p> <p><b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.</p> <p><b>Family Night Supper</b> — 5:00 p.m. in MH</p> <p><b>College Dinner &amp; Discussion</b> — 5:15 p.m. in WH204B</p> <p><b>Junior High D Groups</b> — 5:30 p.m. in YH</p> <p><b>Children’s Playtime</b> — 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. in Gym/Playground</p> <p><b>Adult Choir Rehearsal</b> — 5:50 p.m. in MS</p> <p><b>Chinese Bible Study</b> — 6:00 p.m. in SC210</p> <p><b>Senior High Small Group Meeting</b> — 6:20 p.m in LH</p> <p><b>Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting</b> — 6:30 p.m. in PH</p> <p><b>Adult D-Groups</b> — 6:30 p.m. in various locations</p> <p><b>Children’s Choirs</b> — 6:30 p.m. in various locations</p> <p><b>Young Adults Basketball</b> — 8:00 p.m. in Gym</p>
<b>Thursday</b>	<p><b>Strategic Planning Committee</b> — 7:30 a.m. in WH204A</p> <p><b>Ladies’ Bible Study (Daniel)</b> — 9:00 a.m in PH &amp; SC</p> <p><b>Ladies’ Bible Study (Hebrews)</b> — 9:45 a.m. in MH</p> <p><b>The Learning Resource Center</b> — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Men of the Covenant Lunch</b> — 11:45 a.m. in MH</p>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>No Scheduled Activities</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Men’s Prayer Breakfast</b> — 7:30 a.m. in MH

**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...”*

**Sebastian & Isabel Heck** – Serving as church planters in Heidelberg, Germany.  
Email: [sebheck@mac.com](mailto:sebheck@mac.com)

**Adam & Heather Viramontes** – Serving as church planters with Mission to North America in Albuquerque, NM. Email: [adam@mosaicabq.com](mailto:adam@mosaicabq.com)

## **MEN OF THE COVENANT LUNCH — SEPTEMBER 7**

Men, join us Thursday, September 7, at 11:45 a.m. in Miller Hall for our next Men of the Covenant lunch. We'll hear from Mr. Lee Webb, Vice President of Broadcasting at Ligonier Ministries and host of *Renewing Your Mind* with R.C. Sproul. Reservations are not required, and the cost of the lunch is \$6.00. Feel free to bring a friend, co-worker, or neighbor!

## **FALL FOUNDATIONS CLASS — SEPTEMBER 10**

The fall Foundations Class begins Sunday, September 10, at 9:40 a.m. in room M133 (across from the bookstore) and runs through October 29. This class is for members and visitors who want to know more about our church and its ministries, our denomination, Presbyterian doctrine and beliefs, church history, and church government. To sign up, please email Lisa Walters at [lisaw@fpcjackson.org](mailto:lisaw@fpcjackson.org).

## **“TRUTH AT DAWN” MEN’S BIBLE STUDY — SEPTEMBER 12**

Men, Gabe Fluhrer will continue a weekly morning Bible study through the book of Numbers entitled, “Experiencing the Presence of God in Daily Life.” We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity for learning and fellowship. The study will be in Patterson Hall on Tuesday mornings from 6:30 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. beginning September 12. A breakfast will be served each week for \$3.00. To sign up for this study, please contact Lisa Kim at [discipleship@fpcjackson.org](mailto:discipleship@fpcjackson.org) or call 601-326-9243.

## **BAPTISM — SEPTEMBER 17**

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, September 17, 2017. Space is available at the 8:30 a.m. service only. To make your reservation, please contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or [lisaw@fpcjackson.org](mailto:lisaw@fpcjackson.org).

## **500TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION — OCTOBER 29**

Please make plans to join us for a Presbytery-wide celebration of the Protestant Reformation here at FPCJ on Sunday, October 29, at 6:00 p.m.

## **SUPPORT GROUP**

If you are struggling with alcohol or other chemical dependence and would like to get together with people who share in the same struggles, we have a small and very safe group that meets regularly for just that purpose. This discreet, weekly meeting is one of friendship, encouragement, and biblical reflection. Personal anonymity is very important at this meeting. For more information, please call or text 601-260-1636. Also, twice each month a group of those who have loved ones who struggle with addiction/alcoholism meets for a time of mutual encouragement and Christ-centered counsel. Anonymity is required. For more information concerning the place and time of these meetings, call or text 601-260-0388.

## **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 earpiece. You may obtain your own hearing device to bring to church each week by contacting Cliff Ford in the church office: 601-353-8316.

## **CONNECT WITH FPC ONLINE**

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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 [fpcj.ms/fam-devo](mailto:fpcj.ms/fam-devo). Or contact the church office at 601-353-8316 or [receptionist@fpcjackson.org](mailto:receptionist@fpcjackson.org).

## **THIS WEEK'S FOCUS:**

**Question 71: What does the seventh commandment require?**

**Answer:** The seventh commandment requires us and everyone else to keep sexually pure in heart, speech, and action.

### **MONDAY**

**Scripture:** 1 Thessalonians 4:1-5; Romans 6:12-14; 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment requires chastity in body.

#### **Questions:**

- What is God's will for you, according to 1 Thessalonians 4:3?
- Are unbelievers slaves to the lust of the body? Are believers?
- How is chastity in body to be maintained?

**Prayer**

### **TUESDAY**

**Scripture:** Matthew 5:27-29; Romans 12:1-2

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment requires chastity in mind.

#### **Questions:**

- How does Jesus define adultery?
- Is Matthew 5:29 to be put into practice literally? Explain.
- How should we guard our eyes in order to maintain chastity?

**Prayer**

### **WEDNESDAY**

**Scripture:** Romans 1:18-26; Galatians 5:19-24; 1 Chronicles 29:1-3

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment requires chastity in affections.

#### **Questions:**

- How is affection different from thought?
- What sorts of people should the believer set his affections upon?
- What sorts of activities should occupy your affections?

**Prayer**

### **THURSDAY**

**Scripture:** Ephesians 4:29; 5:1-5

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment requires chastity in words.

#### **Questions:**

- What command does Paul give concerning the talk of a Christian?
- How can words stir up sinful feelings in the heart?
- Should a believer tell or be entertained by innuendo or suggestive humor? What should the speech of the Christian reflect instead?

**Prayer**

### **FRIDAY**

**Scripture:** Genesis 39:1-12; Colossians 1:21-22

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment requires chastity in behavior.

#### **Questions:**

- What temptation did Joseph face from his master's wife?
- What reasons did Joseph give for not giving in to her?
- What did he do when she persisted?

**Prayer**