

The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Sixth Day of September, Two Thousand Fifteen
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 (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)

The Prelude — "Meditation in G" Gordon Young
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organ

The Introit — "Almighty God of our Fathers" Will James

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 Confession of Faith**

"I believe in God the Father, Maker of all heav'n and earth;
and in Jesus Christ, our Savior, God's own Son, of matchless worth;
by the Spirit was conceived, of the virgin Mary born,
He in whom I have believed; God Almighty, Three in One."

The Scripture Reading — Ecclesiastes 8:1-13 (Pew Bible page 557)

The Morning Prayer

‡ **The Hymn No. 599** — "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "God So Loved the World" (Crucifixion)..... John Stainer

"God so loved the world, God so loved the world,
that He gave His only begotten Son,
that whoso believeth, believeth in Him, should not perish,
should not perish, but have everlasting life.
For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world,
God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world;
but that the world through Him might be saved.
God so loved the world, God so loved the world,
that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoso believeth, believeth in Him
should not perish, should not perish,
but have everlasting life, everlasting, everlasting life.
God so loved the world, God so loved the world,
God so loved the world."

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Ephesians 5:22-33 (Pew Bible pages 978-979)

The Sermon — *New Community*: "The Gospel Drama" Mr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 252** — "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Congregational Response**

"Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me."

The Postlude — "O Worship the King" Lani Smith

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

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

Assisting — Mr. Kevin C. Phipps

Director of Media

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

The Prelude — “Adagio in A Minor” Antonio Tartinelli

Miranda Kunk, Elisabeth Sinclair, and Jennifer Biggs, Violin

Stephen Sebastian, Viola; Zach Horne and John Sinclair, Cello

The Call to Worship

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

‡ **The Invocation**

‡ **The Evening Hymn** — “When Trials Come” (See Evening Guide)

The Recognition of Recitation of the Children’s Catechism

* **The Greetings**

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Wayne Husband

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”Maker/Wymond

FPC Strings

The Young Children’s Devotional

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

The Children’s Catechism

Q1: “Who made you?” A: “God”

Q2: “What else did God make?” A: “God made all things.”

Q3: “Why did God make you and all things?” A: “For His own glory.”

The Meditation and Prayer** John Prabhakar, Senior Minister’s Intern

‡ **The Hymn No. 600 (Stz. 1-3)** — “He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Ruth 1:6-22 (Pew Bible page 222)

The Sermon — “The Journey Home”Mr. Strain

‡ **The Response**

“And when my task on earth is done, when, by Thy grace, the vict’ry’s won,
e’en death’s cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me; by His own hand He leadeth me:

His faithful foll’wer I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.”

‡ **The Benediction**

The Postlude — “Should I Not Sing unto My God?” S. Karg-Elert

William Wymond, Organ

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‡Congregation standing

**Children dismissed after the prayer

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.

When Trials Come

Words and Music:
Keith and Kristyn Getty



1. When tri - als come no long - er fear
2. With - in the night I know Your peace
3. I turn to Wis - dom not my own
4. When I am wea - ry with the cost
5. One day all things will be made new



For in the pain our God draws near
The breath of God brings strength to me
* For eve - ry bat - tle You have known
I see the tri - umph of the cross
I'll see the hope You called me to



To fire a faith worth more than gold
And new each morn - ing mer - cy flows
* My con - fi - dence will rest in You
So in its shad - ow I shall run
And in your king - dom paved with gold



And there His faith - ful - ness is told
As treas - ures of the dark - ness grow
* Your love en - dures Your ways are good
Till He com - pletes the work be - gun
I'll praise your faith - ful - ness of old



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TODAY IS PROMOTION SUNDAY FOR CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children's Church

The rising 3-year-olds and 4-year-olds may attend Children's Church from 10:45 a.m. until 12:00 noon 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), singing, a Bible Story, and closing prayer. The children also have a snack and playtime.

Sunday Evening

Children are dismissed during the service after the Children's Devotional to one of two classes: All 4 - and 5-year olds are invited to the Scripture Memory Class, which is run by volunteer parents and meets in room 135(MB). All 1st-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). If you would like to volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact Anna Henson at annah@fpcjackson.org.

Sunday School

Below is a list of each SS department with their room location. During Sunday School, children from 3 years old to 6th grade will learn Bible and Catechism memory work, sing and hear a Bible lesson. Sunday School begins at 9:40 a.m. and ends at 10:40 a.m. Parents, please pick up your children from Sunday School by 10:45 a.m. so the volunteers may attend worship service.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSROOM LOCATIONS

<u>Department</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Bldg</u>
New 2-year-olds	G102	MB
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
Special Needs	M120	SC

MB – Main Building
SC – Study Center
WH – Westminster Hall

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • SEPTEMBER 6, 2015

Sunday

Pre-Service Announcements — 8:25 a.m. in the Sanctuary
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)
Inquirers' Class — 9:40 a.m. in Hutton Chapel
Sunday School — 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. in various locations
Children's Church for 3- and 4-year olds — 10:45 a.m. - 12:00 noon
 in M135
Pre-Service Announcements — 10:55 a.m. in the Sanctuary
The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
 (Library only)
Pre-Service Announcements — 5:55 p.m. in the Sanctuary
No Senior High Insight

Monday

Church Offices Closed

Tuesday

Sew & Sow — 9:00 a.m. in SC211
Circle 12 (Nina Johnston and Rachel Bonner) — 10:00 a.m.
 at St. Catherine's Village
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Executive Diaconate Committee Meeting — 11:45 a.m. in MH
Twin Lakes Executive Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in MH
MNA Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in MH
Credentials Committee Meeting — 4:00 p.m. in WH202
Internationals Class — 6:45 p.m. in PH/SC

Wednesday

MOMS New Member Coffee — 9:00 a.m. in PH
MOMS Leadership Meeting — 9:45 a.m. in SC210
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH
Junior High D Groups — 5:30 p.m. in YH
Children's Activities — 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Gym/Playground
The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS
Children's Choirs — 6:30 p.m. in various locations
Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH
D Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations
Young Adults Men's Basketball — 8:00 p.m. in the Gym

Thursday

"Gospel-Shaped Living" Bible Study — 9:00 a.m. in PH
"Son of God: The Gospel of Matthew" Bible Study — 9:45 a.m. –
 11:00 a.m. in MH
The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday

Junior High Fall Retreat — 3:30 p.m. departure from Youth House

Saturday

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

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..." **Derek & Shannon Ebberts** – serving in church planting and discipleship ministries with Mission to the World in Romania. Mailing address: Str. Iosif Comanescu, 7 Codlea, 505100 Brasov, Romania Email: dandsfamily@bellsouth.net. **Youth for Christ** – YFC seeks to reach young people everywhere, working together with the local church and other like-minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus. Mailing address: P.O. Box 12693, Jackson, MS 39236 Email: kass@jacksonyfc.org

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Rebecca G. Turner — August 19, 2015

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary, from the wedding of Leigh Dexter Morson and Samuel Monistere, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy Brown Morson, grandmother of the bride; James Allen Holliday, grandfather of the bride; and Michael Monistere, brother of the groom.

COLLEGE CROCKPOT LUNCH

Immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service, all college students are invited to a free lunch at the home of the Nettletons (1411 Peachtree St. which is located just off of Belhaven's campus. It is a blue house with red door). We hope to see you there!

FALL INQUIRERS' CLASS

The Fall Inquirers' Class begins today at 9:40 a.m. in Hutton Chapel and runs through the fall Sunday School quarter. The 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 contact Omega Stephens at 601-973-9115 or omegas@fpcjackson.org.

JUNIOR HIGH FALL RETREAT

Don't miss out on the Junior High Fall Retreat 2015, September 11-13, at Twin Lakes. The cost is \$119. Scholarships are available for any students who need them. Contact Jenny Sanders at youthhouse@fpcjackson.org with any questions. To sign up, please visit www.fpcjackson.org/discipleship/youth/upcoming-trips.

NEIGHBORHOOD CHRISTIAN CENTER TUTORS NEEDED

If you would like to tutor children in kindergarten through fifth grade in the Neighborhood Christian Center program, please contact Nina Johnston at 601-879-9670 or nnj115@aol.com. NCC meets in the Study Center Room 210 on Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. **We are in urgent need of volunteers on Tuesdays.** The program begins on September 14 and 15 and continues throughout the school year. No teaching experience is necessary. All that is required is a loving heart for children and the desire to share Christ's love with them.

MEN'S "TRUTH AT DAWN" BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday morning Men's Bible Study will begin Tuesday, September 15 at 6:30 a.m. in WH202. We will be studying the gospel of Mark. The teacher will be Gabe Fluhrer. Call or email the church office to sign up: 601-353-8316 or receptionist@fpcjackson.org.

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

What goes deepest to our hearts goes widest to the world. *Christianity Explored*: The gospel for you—The gospel for your neighbor. Because we never outgrow the gospel, would you consider joining us one evening a week for 10 weeks this Fall to explore the depths of the gospel for the first time or all over again? You may choose to attend Tuesday evenings, beginning September 15 (time and place TBD); or Wednesday evenings 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the church, beginning September 16. To sign up, or for more information, please contact Christina Meenan in the Mission and Outreach Department at 601-973-9125 or missiondepartment@fpcjackson.org.

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, September 20, 2015. Space is available for both the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services. To make your reservation, please contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

MC LAW SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

Every Monday, FPC hosts a weekly Bible study from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Mississippi College Law School. It is open to all students and lunch is provided. We meet on the third floor in room 300. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Johnson at joej@fpcjackson.org or 601-573-5602.

DEPRESSION SEMINAR SERIES

All are invited to join us for a 4-week luncheon seminar series entitled, "Depression: What It Is and How We Deal with It," led by Dr. John Cox and Dr. David Elkin on September 23, 30, October 7, and 14 from 12:00 p.m. - 12:45 p.m. in Miller Hall. Lunch is \$6. For more information, email lisaw@fpcjackson.org. To sign up, contact the church office at 601-353- 8316 or receptionist@fpcjackson.org.

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