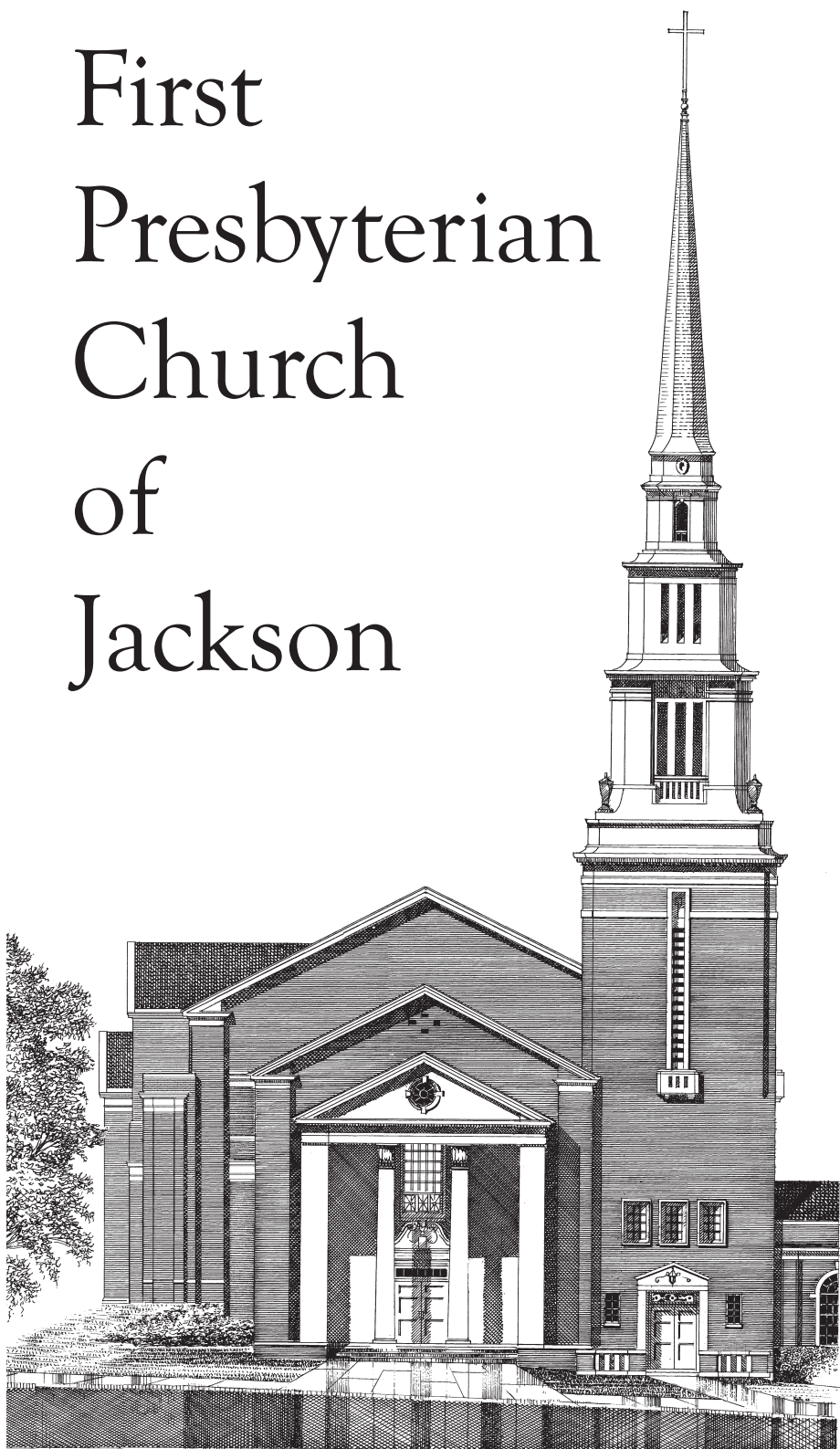


The
First
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Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Thirty-First Day of October, Two Thousand Twenty-One
MORNING WORSHIP
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister
The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker — Executive Minister

APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

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

The Prelude — “When One Day I Shall Die, Be Thou My Comfort”... J.S. Bach
The First Presbyterian Brass Ensemble, Jamie Peipon, Director

The Introit — “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”..... Ludwig van Beethoven

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 168 — “I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Invocation

The Doxology

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, His praise forthtell,
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

The Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

The Offering

The Anthem — “A Mighty Fortress” Arr. Gordon Young

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing,
Our Helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing:
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe:
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not His equal. Alleluia.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth His Name, from age to age the same:
And He must win the battle.

His word above all earthly powers, our thanks to him abideth.
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also.
The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still.
His kingdom is forever. Amen.

The Stewardship Message Mr. Malcolm Saxon

The Hymn No. 585 (Stzs. 1 - 4) — “Take My Life, and Let It Be”

The Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Old Testament Reading — Psalm 119:57-64..... (pew Bible page 513)

The New Testament Reading — Matthew 6:16-18..... (pew Bible page 811)

The Sermon — Before the Throne: When You Fast Dr. Strain

The Hymn No. 648 — “My Jesus, I Love Thee”

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love: here's my heart,
O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

The Postlude — “Festival Postlude on ‘Old 100th’”..... Bruce A. Stevenson

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III — Minister of Pastoral Care
The Reverend Mr. Gary S. Sinclair — FPDS Chaplain

The Greetings and Announcements (5:55 p.m.)

The Prelude — “Gabriel’s Oboe”.....Ennio Morricone
Michael Beasley, Trumpet; William Wymond, Organ

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 320 — “Rejoice, All Ye Believers”

The Invocation

The Hymn — “Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken”..... (hymn sheet)

The Commissioning of Dr. Cory Brock

The Charge Dr. David Strain

The Prayer.....Mr. Harper Keeler

The Greetings

The Offering Anthem — “Worthy of Worship”..... Blankenship
The Student Choir, Jamie Peipon, Director; Caitlin Vickery, Accompanist

The Hymn (Stzs 1-3) — “Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery”...(hymn sheet)

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Ecclesiastes 10:1-11:6....(pew Bible page 558)

The Sermon — In a Volatile PlaceMr. Lowry

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

Come behold the wondrous mystery;
slain by death the God of life.
But no grave could e'er restrain Him;
praise the Lord; He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance;
how unwavering our hope.
Christ in power resurrected
as we will be when he comes.

The Postlude — “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”..... Johann Pachelbel

ELDER ELECTION

The following men have been approved by the session to stand for the office of elder. The election will be held on December 5 at 10:30 a.m. in the FPC church Sanctuary in one congregational vote. Please pray for them and pray that God would give to all of us clear guidance as we fulfill the important responsibility as church members of choosing new elders to lead us.

NOMINEES FOR THE OFFICE OF ELDER

Hall Bailey
Ken Ball
Charles Barbour
Brooks Buchanan
Sharkey Burke
Beau Burrow
Reid Cotten
Holt Crews
Auston Edwards
Spence Flatgard
Paul Forster
Dave Fulcher
Matt Graves
Bo Gregg
Zeb Henson
Rob Jones
Dallis Ketchum
Stephen Kruger
Jeff Lamb
Robert Leard
David Marchetti
Doug McDaniel
Jimmy Moore
Ford Mosby
Mike Myers
Nathan Oakley
Lee Owen
Phillip Parker
Jim Poole
Trey Porter
Jim Prince
Bryan Rutledge
Ernie Strahan
Mike Tramel
Matthew Turnage
Chase Wynn

WELCOME

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We are so glad you are here. If you are a visitor, we would love to know more about you. Please complete the Visitor Information & Prayer Request card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or in one of the baskets provided at the sanctuary exits. You can also text fpcjwelcome to 955-77 to learn more about how to get connected to the life of our church.

FPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 31, 2021

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship.....	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School	See Signs in Greeting Courtyard
11:00 a.m.	Children's Churchtime for children age 3 and 4.....	MB 135
4:30 p.m.	Student Choir Rehearsal	MS
6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship	Sanctuary (age 4 through 3rd grade dismissed for Children's Classes)
7:00 p.m.	Farewell Reception for Cory and Heather Brock	LH
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight.....	the Biggs' Home (4025 Crane Blvd.)

Monday, November 1, 2021

9:30 a.m.	WIC Council Meeting.....	PH
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Tuesday, November 2, 2021

9:00 a.m.	French Camp Quilters	Library
9:00 a.m.	Sew and Sow	SC 211
6:45 p.m.	Internationals (ESL)	PH

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

9:00 a.m.	MOMS Bible Study.....	MH
10:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study.....	PH
5:00 p.m.	Midweek Dinner	MH
5:30 p.m.	Children's Playtime	Playground
5:50 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
6:00 p.m.	Midweek Adult Programs	
	D Groups.....	Contact Discipleship Ministry
	Prayer Meeting and Bible Study.....	PH
	Evangelism Training	WH 202
	Grandparenting.....	MH
	Women's Bible Study: <i>Philippians: Joy Inexpressible</i>	WH 204
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choirs	See Children's Ministry Guide
6:00 p.m.	Sixth Grade Fellowship.....	Playground
6:00 p.m.	Junior High & Senior High D Groups	YH

Thursday, November 4, 2021

9:15 a.m.	Minor Prophets Women's Bible Study	MH 205
9:45 a.m.	Revelation Women's Bible Study	MH
7:00 p.m.	Men's Ministry Porch Night	Contact Discipleship Ministry

Saturday, November 6, 2021

7:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Meeting.....	WH 202
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Sunday, November 7, 2021

9:00 a.m.	Morning Worship.....	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School.....	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Children and Youth Sunday School.....	Regular Locations
11:00 a.m.	Lunch at Laurel Park.....	Laurel St. Park in Belhaven
4:30 p.m.	Student Choir Rehearsal	MS
6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship	Sanctuary (age 4 through 3rd grade dismissed for Children's Classes)

1 SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 7

- 1 Morning Service - 9 a.m.
- 1 Adult Sunday School - 10 a.m.
- 1 Lunch at Laurel Park - 11 a.m.

Join us for 1 Sunday on November 7 as part of our Stewardship Sunday. As we've done on 1 Sunday in years past, we will have one Morning Worship service at 9 a.m. and one Adult Sunday School at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Children's Churchtime (ages 3 and 4) will be offered during the 9 a.m. worship, and all Children's Sunday School classes will meet in their regular classrooms from 10:00 - 10:50 a.m. Following Sunday School, we will have a church family lunch at Laurel Park from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Belhaven neighborhood. We hope you will make plans to join us!

STEWARDSHIP 2022

BECOMING A PRAYING CHURCH

BEHOLD,
how good & pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!
PSALM 133:1

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

II THESSALONIANS 3:1 — *“Finally, brethren, pray for us...”*

Josh and Gina Rieger – Serving with Mission to the World as a church planters in Hexham, England. Email: joshuamrieger@gmail.com.

Center for Pregnancy Choices – CPC is supported through FPC Mission to Jackson. This ministry seeks to minister to women who are at risk for abortion as well as to the needs of their unborn children.

Turkmenistan – We have been praying for the countries listed on the World Watch List. Turkmenistan is ranked 23 on the list of the top 50 countries where Christians are persecuted for their faith. Download the Pray for the Persecuted app at opendoorsusa.org/prayerapp to learn more about the World Watch List and the specific requests for Turkmenistan.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Mike Pharo — October 23, 2021

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Margaret and Bill Cook by their daughters, Catherine and Elizabeth Cook.

RECEPTION FOR CORY AND HEATHER BROCK — TONIGHT

Tonight, Cory Brock will be commissioned for ministry in Scotland. Join us following the evening worship service as we express our appreciation for Cory's service to our congregation. Come wish Cory and Heather well before they leave FPC for Scotland in November.

HOLIDAY POTPOURRI

FPDS will celebrate the 47th year of Holiday Potpourri at 2429 Eastover Drive in Jackson, on Friday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The day will include Bountiful Bakery, Holiday Gift Gallery, a silent auction, home tour, student choir and strings performances, and Tasting Tea from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A cooking demonstration will be led by Chef Alex Eaton at noon, and a live holiday floral tablescape demonstration at 11:30. New this year are premier auction and premium raffle items. Tickets are \$10 and are available at the door or by calling 601-355-1731. For more information, visit www.holidaypotpourri.org or on instagram @holidaypotpourri.

MEN'S MINISTRY PORCH NIGHT — NOVEMBER 4

Men, join us on November 4 around the Jackson metro area for a time of fellowship and a rich time of community. We will meet in various locations in groups building friendships and enjoying each other's company. Please sign up by emailing discipleship@fpcjackson.org.

FATHER SON RETREAT

We are having a Father Son Weekend, November 12-13, at Twin Lakes. Join us for what we hope is a deeply formative weekend for Dads and sons. The cost is \$90 per father and son; additional sons are \$40. To register, please email discipleship@fpcjackson.org.