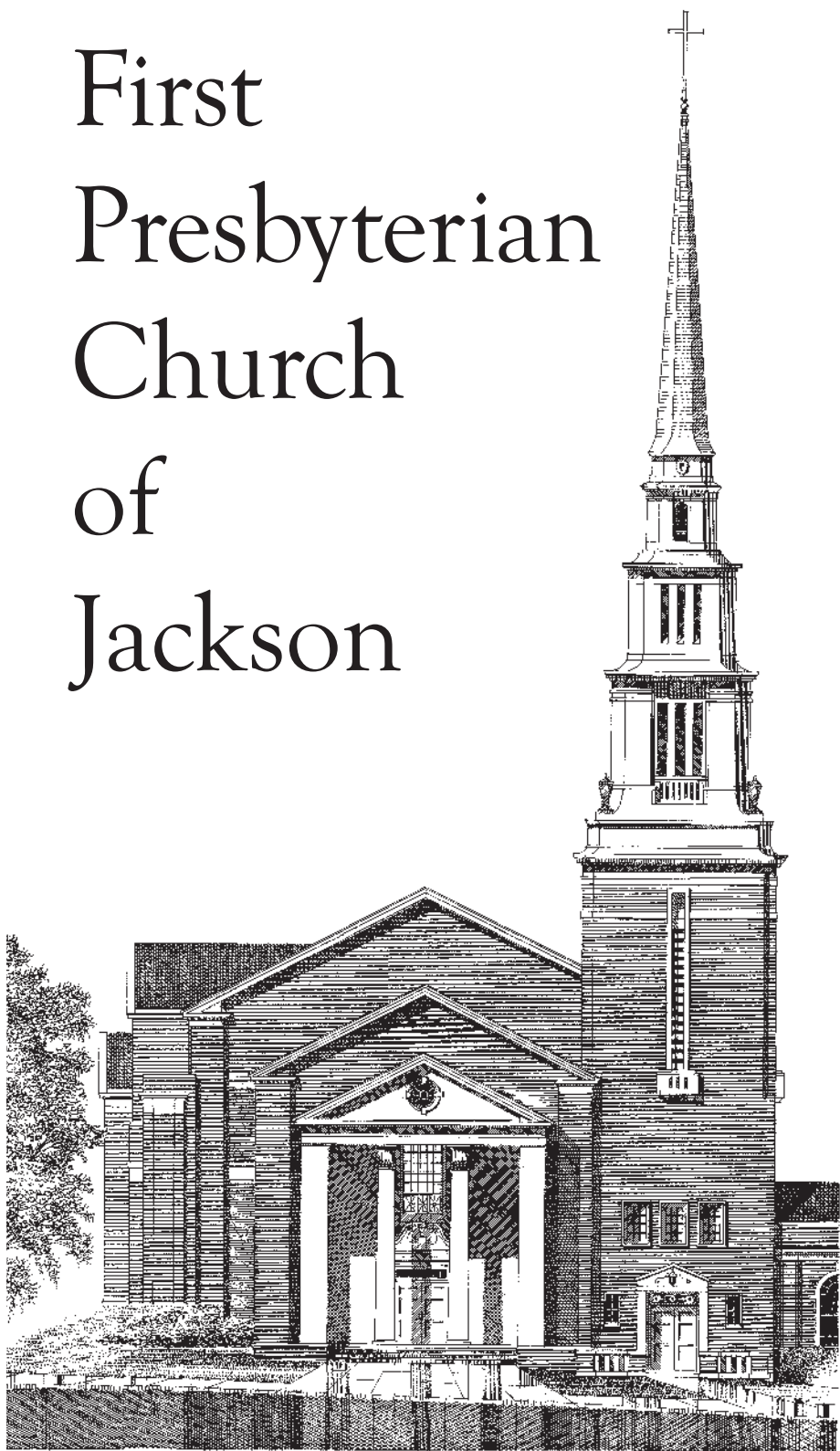


The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Ninth Day of October, Two Thousand Twenty-Two
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister
The Reverend Mr. Scott H. Miller — Minister of Young Adults & College

APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

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

The Prelude — "Jesus Shall Reign"..... John Hatton
Dr. Grace Schumaker, Piano; Rae Shannon, Organ

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

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 286 — "Worship Christ, the Risen King!"

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Invocation

The Doxology

Glory be to God the Father, and to Christ His only Son;
Praise we too the Holy Spirit, binding all the church as one;
As it was in the beginning now and evermore shall be;
Glory, honor, praise and blessing all creation sings to Thee!

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, You do not change.
You have revealed Yourself to us in Your Word.
You call us to worship You in spirit and in truth,
but we confess that we often worship not Your true self
but who we wish You to be.
We too often ask You to bless what we do,
rather than seeking to do what You bless.
Forgive us for seeking concessions
when we should be seeking guidance.
Forgive us when our worship shapes You into what we want,
instead of shaping us into what You want.
Help us to meet You here,
that we might bow before Your unspeakable majesty
and so live for You now and ever in Christ. Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon

The Offering

The Anthem — "Come Home"Craig Courtney
with Rene Young, Soloist

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
Calling for you and for me.
See, on the portals He's waiting and watching,
Watching for you and for me.
Come home, come home, you who are weary come home.

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,
Pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not His mercies,
Mercies for you and for me?
Come home, come home, you who are weary come home.

O for the wonderful love He has promised,
Promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, He has mercy and pardon,
Pardon for you and for me.
Come home, come home, you who are weary come home.

The Hymn No. 645 — “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

The Pastoral Prayer

HEARING GOD’S VOICE

The Old Testament Reading — Psalm 120..... (pew Bible page 516)

The New Testament Reading — Galatians 2:11-16..... (pew Bible page 973)

The Sermon — Grace and Glory: Justified by Faith Alone.....Dr. Strain

The Hymn No. 562 (stzs. 1-3) — “All to Jesus I Surrender”

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to thee;
Fill me with thy love and power, let thy blessing fall on me.
I surrender all, I surrender all.
All to thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

The Postlude — “Tis the Gift to Be Simple” Douglas Wagner

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 leave your contact information in the “Welcome Pad” located at the end of your pew. We will follow up with you to introduce ourselves and tell you about ways to get plugged in to the church.

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III — Minister of Teaching & Pastoral Care
Mr. James R. Post — College Ministry Intern

The Greetings and Announcements (4:55 p.m.)

The Prelude — “Traumerei” Robert Schumann
Zachary Horne, Cello

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 455 — “And Can It Be That I Should Gain”

The Invocation

The Hymn — “Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me” (hymn sheet)

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer Mr. David Bowling, Ruling Elder

The Offering

The Offertory — “So Send I You” John Peterson

The Young Children’s Devotional — *The Children’s Catechism*

Q143. Will the Lord Jesus come again? Yes! He will return to judge the world on the last day.

Q144. What happens to believers when they die? Our bodies will return to the dust and our souls will go to be with the Lord forever.

Q145. What happens to unbelievers when they die? Their bodies will return to dust also, but their souls will go to hell.

*The Meditation and Prayer... Mr. Jamie Peipon, Assistant Minister of Music & Worship

The Hymn (stzs. 1-3) — “Jesus, I Come” (hymn sheet)

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Luke 12:13-59 (pew Bible page 871)

The Sermon — On the Way to Jerusalem: The Good Life..... Mr. Lowry

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of Thy home,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

The Postlude — “I Know That My Redeemer Liveth” G. F. Handel

*Children age 4 through 3rd grade will be dismissed to a children’s devotional and may be picked up after the service in room 133, just outside the sanctuary doors.

Transforming GRACE

NAVIGATING RELATIONSHIPS
THROUGH UNCHARTED WATERS

OCT 25-27 | ELLEN DYKAS, SPEAKER

You don't have to look far these days to find headlines about relationships, gender, sexuality, and identity topics in the news. With so much said on these topics, it can be hard to know what to think, what to do, and where to turn. Join us October 25-27 as Ellen Dykas helps us think biblically about these headline-grabbing topics and points us to the only one we can turn to for answers—Jesus.

This event is sponsored by our Women's Ministry, but men are also invited to the events on Oct 26 & 27. Please register for one, two, three, or all four sessions online at fpcj.ms/women. The only cost is \$12 if attending the Tuesday women's lunch session.

Ms. Dykas will have a period of questions and answers in each session. If you would like to submit questions, please email them in advance to womenandchildren@fpcjackson.org.

OCT
25

11:30 AM-1 PM

TOXIC RELATIONSHIPS:

*IDENTIFYING IDOLATRY IN KEY RELATIONSHIPS
& TAKING REFUGE IN CHRIST*

LADIES LUNCHEON – \$12

OCT
26

9-11 AM

THE UNENDING BENDING OF GENDER:

BIBLICAL CLARITY, COURAGE, & COMPASSION

PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.
MEN & WOMEN INVITED.

OCT
26

6-7 PM

UNDERSTANDING & ENGAGING WITH FELLOW BELIEVERS EXPERIENCING SAME-SEX ATTRACTION

MEN & WOMEN INVITED.

OCT
27

9:30-11 AM

REMAINING FAITHFUL WHEN OTHERS EMBRACE LGBTQ+ THEOLOGY:

*PURSUING HUMILITY WHILE STANDING FIRM
IN GOD'S WORD*

MEN & WOMEN INVITED.



REGISTER BY SCANNING THE QR CODE
(LEFT) OR BY VISITING OUR WEBSITE,
FPCJ.MS/WOMEN.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Kurt & Jill – Working with Mission to the World among South Asians in Europe; for more information, please contact the Mission Department.

Ben & Melanie Kappers – serving as a church planter in St. George Utah; email: ben@allsaintsreformed.com

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Sarastelle Sigrest — September 28, 2022

Mr. Lanny M. Craft — September 30, 2022

COLLEGE LUNCH — TODAY

College students, you are invited to the home of Frank and Pam Laws (3508 Galloway Ave.) for a free BBQ lunch following the 11 a.m. service. Please contact James Post at 256-698-6343 for more information. We hope to see you there!

JOHN REED MILLER LECTURE SERIES — THIS WEDNESDAY

All our adult Midweek programs will pause on Wednesday, October 12, as we gather in the Sanctuary for the John Reed Miller Lecture given by Brian Habig.

Brian is the pastor of Downtown Presbyterian Church in Greenville, SC, where he has served for 17 years. He grew up in Jackson and was converted through the ministry of First Presbyterian Church. For 10 years, he was a campus minister with RUF at Mississippi State University—his alma mater—and Vanderbilt University. Brian will lecture on the topic of “The Self-Aware Preacher” on October 12 at 6 p.m.

NEW MIDWEEK ELECTIVES — BEGINNING OCTOBER 19

Growth Class: A Practical Guide to Spiritual Disciplines will be offered as an elective in the second quarter of our Midweek programming. We frequently talk about and meditate on the truths about Scripture and prayer, and we often do this without discussing the *practice* of Scripture reading and prayer. This elective will look at practical ways to engage in Bible reading and prayer. If you feel overwhelmed about beginning to study the Bible or engage in private prayer, please consider joining this elective during Midweek activities. For more information, contact Wesley Rule at wesleyr@fpcjackson.org.

Our **Engaged and Newlywed Class** is intended for engaged couples trying to navigate their future together and for those in the first few years of marriage who have already experienced the joys and trials of marriage. Topics will be those that are commonly included in premarital counseling and will be taught by different pastors, counselors, and professionals. Please register by emailing youngadults@fpcjackson.org.

FPDS ENROLLMENT

Open enrollment for FPDS has begun and applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Schedule your tour soon, as spots are limited! For more information, contact Swayze Pentecost at spentecost@fpds.org or submit an inquiry at fpds.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

KNOW THE TRUTH

Saturday Seminars for Maturing Your Faith

There is a hunger at FPCJ to “go deep” and to grapple with unanswered questions, to fill in the gaps in our understanding, and to build a wider, deeper, clearer vision of the teaching of God’s Word. With this in mind, we have planned a series called *Know the Truth: Saturday Seminars for Maturing Your Faith*. “What is the Bible?” and “Who is God?” were addressed in the first two seminars of the series. The seminars are stand-alone-studies, so if you missed the first two, do not let that keep you from this one.

The next seminar in the series, entitled “The Trinity,” is scheduled for Saturday, October 15. We will meet from 9 a.m. until noon, and a brunch will be included. Register via the app or by calling the church at 601-353-8316.

SERVE DAY — OCTOBER 29

Our entire church—young and old and in between; families of all shapes, sizes, and stages of life; and people of all skill levels—will come together on October 29, 2022, to serve our community. We will gather together on Saturday morning, and then groups from our church will be sent out to local ministries as well as to Twin Lakes and to our own church grounds. We will take on projects to bolster these ministries and to love our community, including painting, organizing, lawn care, light construction, maintenance, creating care packages, and more! To sign up, visit fpcj.ms/serve.

REFORMATION SUNDAY — OCTOBER 30

On Sunday evening, October 30, at 6 p.m., our church and Pear Orchard Presbyterian Church will come together, along with other churches in our Presbytery, for a Reformation Day Service. Dr. Mike Campbell will be here to deliver the sermon, and pastors from around the presbytery will also participate. There will also be a joint choir from all congregations who wish to join. Join us for this special time to celebrate the anniversary of the Reformation.

SENIOR ADULTS LUNCHEON — NOVEMBER 11

Join us for an afternoon of food, fellowship, and encouragement on November 11, at 11:30 a.m. in Patterson Hall. We will start off with a short program followed by lunch and a leisurely time of catching up with one another. The cost of the event is \$6 per person. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by contacting Emily Eastman at 601-326-9243 or emilye@fpcjackson.org.

DIRECTOR OF GIVING AND STEWARDSHIP

We are pleased to announce the creation of a new staff position at FPC, the Director of Giving and Stewardship. This person will work with the staff at FPC, First Presbyterian Day School (FPDS), and Twin Lakes Camp and Conference Center to cultivate a spirit of giving among our community and identify and maximize development opportunities. The primary goal of this position is to create a long-range development plan and foster a giving culture that ensures the financial health of FPC, FPDS, and Twin Lakes. The Director of Giving and Stewardship will report to FPC’s Executive Director. If you are interested in applying or know of anyone who would be a good fit for this position, please contact Lee J. Webb at leejw@fpcjackson.org or 601-973-9100.

FPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 9, 2022

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 age 3 and 4	MB 135
5:00 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer Group	WH 202A
6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship	Sanctuary (age 4 through 3rd grade dismissed for Children's Classes)
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight	the Jordan Home (9 Pond Side Dr.)

Monday, October 10, 2022

9:30 a.m.	Circle 8	The Orchard
10:00 a.m.	Circle 2	Home of Becky Ivison
10:00 a.m.	Circle 3	WH 204
10:00 a.m.	Circle 4	Parlor
10:00 a.m.	Circle 5	Home of Autumn Blaylock
12:00 p.m.	Circle 14	MH
6:30 p.m.	Circle 6	Home of Beth Archer
5:30 p.m.	Diaconate Meeting	PH
6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting	Music Suite

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

6:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast Series	MH 205
9:00 a.m.	Sew & Sow	SC 211
9:30 a.m.	French Camp Quilters	Library
10:00 a.m.	Circle 9	WH 204
10:00 a.m.	Circle 11	Home of Frenchie Graham
10:30 a.m.	Circle 12	St. Catherine's
6:45 p.m.	Internationals Class	PH & Company Room

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

9:00 a.m.	MOMS Bible Study	MH
5:00 p.m.	Midweek Dinner	MH
5:30 p.m.	Children's Playtime	Playground
5:50 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	MS
6:00 p.m.	John Reed Miller Lecture Series	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choirs	Various Locations
6:00 p.m.	Sixth Grade Fellowship	Playground
6:00 p.m.	Junior High D Groups	YH
7:15 p.m.	Senior High Girls Small Group	the Henson Home (4 Pond Side Dr.)
7:15 p.m.	12th Grade Guys Small Group	El Charro

Thursday, October 13, 2022

9:15 a.m.	Women's Bible Study: Mark	PH
9:30 a.m.	French Camp Quilters	Library
12:00 p.m.	Outreach Committee Meeting	WH 202
5:00 p.m.	10th Grade Guys Small Group	Cane's in Flowood

Saturday, October 15, 2022

7:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast	WH 202
9:00 a.m.	Know the Truth Seminar: The Trinity	MH

Sunday, October 16, 2022

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 age 3 and 4	MB 135
4:40 p.m.	Student Choir Rehearsal	MS
5:00 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer Group	WH 202A
6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship	Sanctuary (age 4 through 3rd grade dismissed for Children's Classes)
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight	the Chappellear Home (209 Locust Ln.)