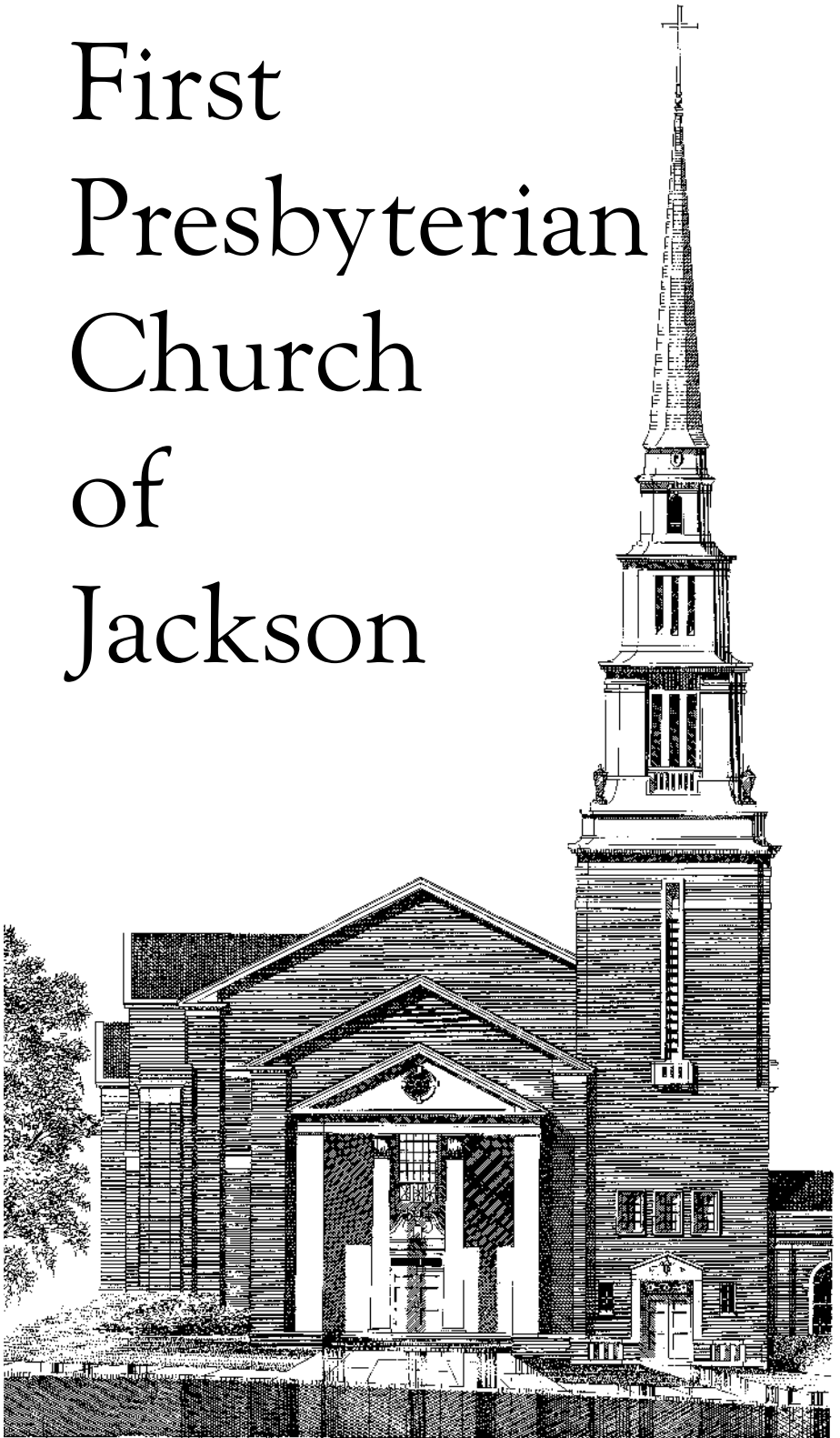


The
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Jackson



"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Seventh Day of May, Two Thousand Twenty-Three
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister
The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III — Minister of Teaching & Pastoral Care

APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

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

The Prelude — “Adoration” Florence Price
Bonnie Brown, Violin; Rae Shannon, Organ

The Introit — “Almighty God of Our Fathers” Will James
Jeff Brown, Guest Director

The Call to Worship — Revelation 15:3-4

Great and amazing are Your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!
Just and true are Your ways, O King of the nations!

Who will not fear O Lord, and glorify Your name?
For You alone are holy. All nations will come and worship You!

The Hymn No. 44 — “How Great Thou Art”

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Invocation

The Doxology (Tune: *Austria*)

**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 Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

The Offering

The Offertory — “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”..... arr. Mack Wilberg

My Shepherd will supply my need: Jehovah is His Name:
In pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream,
He brings my wandering spirit back, when I forsake His ways,
And leads me for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay,
One word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows, Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest while others go and come,
No more a stranger, nor a guest; but like a child at home.

The Hymn No. 586 — “Take My Life, and Let It Be”

The Pastoral Prayer

HEARING GOD’S VOICE

The Old Testament Reading — Psalm 131 (pew Bible page 519)

The Prayer of Illumination

The New Testament Reading — Revelation 6:9-11; 7:9-17; 14:1-13
(pew Bible page 1031)

The Sermon — Heaven: The Life of HeavenDr. Strain

The Hymn No. 481 (stzs. 1 & 2) — “Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

His Word shall not fail you,
He promised; believe Him and all will be well:
Then go to a world that is dying His perfect salvation to tell!
Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face;
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
in the light of His glory and grace.

The Postlude — “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” Timothy Shaw

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 Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister
The Reverend Mr. James C. Peipon — Minister of Missions

INSTALLATION SERVICE OF DR. CHARLES MALCOLM WINGARD

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

The Missionary Report Jim and Mary Alice Patterson

The Prelude — “Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners” Paul S. Jones
Nancy Bateman, Cello; Rae Shannon, Organ

The Call to Worship

*The Hymn No. 457 — “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

The Invocation

The Greetings and Introduction of the Presbytery Commission

The Offering

The Offertory — “King Jesus Is A-Listenin” Duane Funderburk

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Isaiah 55 (pew Bible page 615)

The Sermon — The Purpose of Preaching Dr. Strain

The Order of Installation

The Proceedings of the Presbytery

The Constitutional Questions to the Minister-Elect Mr. Peipon

The Constitutional Questions to the Session Mr. Peipon

The Installation Prayer Dr. Waters

The Declaration Mr. Felker

The Charge to the Minister Dr. Duncan

The Charge to the Session and Congregation Mr. Bailey

The Hymn No. 453 — “All Authority and Power”

The Benediction

The Postlude — “O Love of God, How Strong and True” ... C. Hubert H. Parry

*Children age four through third grade will be dismissed after the hymn to a children's devotional and can be picked up after the service in room 133, just outside the sanctuary doors.

THE QUESTIONS OF INSTALLATION

Tonight, the Reverend Dr. Charles Malcolm Wingard will answer the following questions:

QUESTIONS FOR INSTALLATION

1. Are you now willing to serve this congregation as their Assistant Pastor, agreeable to your declaration in accepting its call?
2. Do you conscientiously believe and declare, as far as you know your own heart, that, in taking upon you this charge, you are influenced by a sincere desire to promote the glory of God and the good of the Church?
3. Do you solemnly promise that, by the assistance of the grace of God, you will endeavor faithfully to discharge all the duties of an assistant pastor to this congregation, and will be careful to maintain a deportment in all respects becoming a minister of the Gospel of Christ, agreeable to your ordination Engagements?

QUESTIONS TO SESSION FOR INSTALLATION

1. Do you, the members of the Session, continue to profess your readiness to receive Charles Malcolm Wingard?
2. Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love?
3. Do you promise to encourage him in his labors, and to assist his endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?
4. Do you engage to continue to him, while he is your pastor, that competent worldly maintenance which you have promised, and to furnish him with whatever you may see needful for the honor of religion and for his comfort among you?

PRESBYTERY COMMISSION

A Commission of the Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley at the service tonight will install The Reverend Dr. Charles Malcolm Wingard, as he begins his work here as Minister of Shepherding.

Dr. David Strain, Teaching Elder
Mr. Jamie Peipon, Teaching Elder
Mr. David Felker, Teaching Elder
Dr. Ligon Duncan, Teaching Elder
Dr. Guy Waters, Teaching Elder
Dr. John Fesko, Teaching Elder
Mr. Bob Bailey, Ruling Elder
Mr. Billy Bridgforth, Ruling Elder
Mr. John Michael Pillow, Ruling Elder
Mr. David Cleland, Ruling Elder
Mr. Arthur Davis, Ruling Elder
Dr. Reid Cotten, Ruling Elder

FPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 7, 2023

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School.....	See signs in Greeting Courtyard for locations
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 Service.....	Sanctuary (age 4 through 3rd grade dismissed for Children's Classes)
7:00 p.m.	Reception for Charlie and Lynne Wingard.....	Miller Hall
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight.....	the Lowry Home (4144 Oakridge Dr.)

Monday, May 8, 2023

9:30 a.m.	Circle 8	The Orchard
10:00 a.m.	Circle 3	WH 204
10:00 a.m.	Circle 4	Parlor
10:00 a.m.	Circle 5	Home of Donna Terry
11:00 a.m.	Caregivers' Support Group	MH 203
12:00 p.m.	Circle 14.....	MH
6:30 p.m.	Circle 6	Home of Beth Archer

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

9:30 a.m.	French Camp Quilters	Library
10:00 a.m.	Circle 9	WH 204
10:30 a.m.	Circle 12	St. Catherine's
11:30 a.m.	Senior Adults Retirement Social for the Pattersons	MH
6:45 p.m.	Internationals Class	PH

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

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.	Adults' Missions in May.....	MH
6:00 p.m.	Children's Missions in May	Various Locations
6:00 p.m.	Junior and Senior High D Groups	YH

Saturday, May 13, 2023

7:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Meeting	WH 202
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Sunday, May 14, 2023

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School.....	See signs in Greeting Courtyard for locations
11:00 a.m.	Children's Churchtime for age 3 and 4.....	MB 135
5:00 p.m.	Intercessory Prayer Group	WH 202A
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7:00 p.m.	Reception for Lee J. and Molly Webb	Miller Hall

LH—Lowe Hall MB—Main Building MH—Miller Hall MS—Music Suite
PH—Patterson Hall SC—Study Center WH—Westminster Hall YH—Youth House

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNIOR HIGH RYM — JUNE 26-30

This summer FPCYM will be taking a group of Junior High students (rising seventh through rising ninth) to RYM, June 26-30. The cost is \$400, and a \$50 deposit is due at registration. For more information and to register visit fpcj.ms/youth.

JONI & FRIENDS — SENIOR HIGH MISSION TRIP — JULY 3-9

We are so excited to be able to offer a new service-oriented senior high trip this summer! This year, in the place of Senior High RYM, our students have the opportunity to serve with Joni and Friends Family Retreat in Navasota, TX! The trip costs \$400 and is open to rising 10th graders through rising freshmen in college. Registration will close on May 8. Register online at fpcj.ms/youth.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — JUNE 5-9

Registration is open! Come join us this summer as we see how God Revives His People. Sign up online at fpcj.ms/vbs by May 14 to guarantee a t-shirt.

If you are willing to volunteer, we have a place for you. Volunteers serve as Table Guides (leading children to their various activities and encouraging them with their scripture memory verses), craft volunteers, song leaders, music accompanists, and general floaters. If you would like to help with various pre-VBS tasks or help the week of VBS, please contact VBS Director Joanna McNeel at joanna.b.mcneel@gmail.com.

VBS TEACHER REFRESHMENTS

As our church seeks to teach our children that God Revives His People, our VBS teachers need nourishment! Please sign up to provide refreshments and bless the entire VBS team with some tasty treats. We'd love for you to sign-up online at: perfectpotluck.com Use the coordinator name: **Forster** and the password: **fpcj**

If you prefer, you can contact our snack coordinator, Ann Lowrey Forster, at annlowrey.forster@gmail.com or our VBS director, Joanna McNeel, at joanna.b.mcneel@gmail.com. Snacks are needed Monday-Thursday only. Past favorites have included: pimento cheese/cheese balls, chicken salad, miniature pizzas, finger sandwiches, fruit, lemon squares, brownies, and cookies; but whatever you come up with will be perfect!

MOTHER DAUGHTER SISTER FRIEND DINNER

Save the Date!

Our Mother Daughter Sister Friend Dinner will be Tuesday, June 27, 6-8 p.m. God's people have always celebrated experiencing His grace in their lives through music — be it psalms, hymns, or spiritual songs. Join us as Sarah Little leads us through learning more about these musical treasures of our faith and as we sing them together. Be on the lookout for more information.

THE FIRST WORD

The First Word is our weekly emailed newsletter featuring sermon notes and audio, missionary reports and prayer requests, event information, and announcements. Manage your subscription at fpcj.ms/subscribe. Or with questions or for more information, you may email communications@fpcjackson.org.

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

For detailed prayer requests and contact information for our supported missionaries and ministry partners, please contact Jo Lynn at jolynnm@fpcjackson.org.

Jim & Mary Alice Patterson – The Pattersons served with MTW and Wycliffe in the Philippines, Southeast Asia, Colombia, and most recently, the Wycliffe training and support facility known as JAARS. The Pattersons have faithfully served on the mission field since 1975.

Harris & Laura Beth Bond – Harris serves as a church planter in Monroe/West Monroe, LA.

GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023

Congratulations to the graduating class of 2023! Join us as we pray that they would cling to Jesus as their true Vine as they begin this next new, exciting phase of life.

Stephens Ball	Emma Greaves	Jonathan Pittman
Nathan Biggs	Paul Gregg	Rachel Rutledge
Matt Blaylock	Alexis Renee Heath	Kimmons Sheppard
Vann del Chinchin	Emma Hogue	Will Skipper
Wilson Cotten	Olivia Hosey	Flannery Smith
Thomas Dale	Harrison Jones	Henry Smith
Ava Dear	Callie Knotts	Joel Strain
Peter Downing	William McKelvey	Mary Will Sykes
Jordan Eduardo	Romney McLeod	
Mary Elisabeth Greaves	Margaret Oliver	

INSTALLATION SERVICE TONIGHT

In tonight's evening worship service, Dr. Charles Wingard will be installed as our Minister of Shepherding. There will be a reception following the service in Miller Hall. Please make plans to attend the service then celebrate Dr. Wingard afterwards.

CIRCLES MEET THIS WEEK

Circles are groups of women who meet the second week of each month (September through May) for Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. Locations and times are listed in the FPC This Week section of the bulletin. For more information, please contact lisa@fpcjackson.org.

RETIREMENT SOCIAL FOR THE PATTERSONS — MAY 9

All Senior Adults are invited to join us on May 9, at 11:30 a.m. in Miller Hall, for a light lunch and fellowship as we celebrate the many years of ministry and the retirement of Jim & Mary Alice Patterson, who served with MTW and Wycliffe in the Philippines, Southeast Asia, Colombia, and most recently, the Wycliffe training and support facility known as JAARS. The cost of the meal is \$5 per person. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by contacting Emily Eastman at 601-326-9243 or emilye@fpcjackson.org.

RECEPTION FOR LEE J. AND MOLLY WEBB — MAY 14

Make plans to join us next Sunday, May 14, following the evening worship service, in Miller Hall as we thank Lee J. for his work as FPC's Executive Director and wish him well in his new endeavor. Lee J.'s last day on staff will be May 31.

EVENING WORSHIP AT TWIN LAKES — MAY 21

On May 21, our evening worship service will be held at Twin Lakes. The casual service will begin at 5 p.m., but we encourage you to come early for a time of play and fellowship before the service. Beginning at 3:30 p.m., we will have games in the games field and ice cream and treats to enjoy! Dress comfortably and come to enjoy a service surrounded by the beauty of God's creation. If you prefer not to drive to Twin Lakes, we would love to provide a ride for you. Please contact Emily Eastman at ccare@fpcjackson.org to let us know if you need a ride.