

The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Sixteenth Day of July, Two Thousand Twenty-Three
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. Brian Sorgenfrei

Associate Minister, Christ Presbyterian Church, Oxford, MS

The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III

Minister of Teaching and Pastoral Care

APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

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

The Prelude — "Prelude on a Portuguese Tune".....Georg P. Telemann

Bonnie Brown, Violin I

Alex Encinis, Viola

Emily Williams, Violin II

Nancy Bateman, Cello

The Introit — "We Come, O Christ, to You".....John Darwall

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 441 — "Jesus Shall Reign"

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Prayer of Adoration and Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

The Doxology

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 shall never, never end throughout all eternity.

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Words of Institution

The Introduction of the Covenant Children and their Families

The Biblical Promise

The Questions to the Parents and Congregation

The Prayer of Consecration

The Baptism

The Baptismal Benediction

The Hymn No. 189 (stzs. 1 & 2) — "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know"

The Offering

The Offertory — "Gloria" (*Theresienmesse*)..... Joseph Haydn

Gloria in excelsis, in excelsis Deo.

(Glory to God in the highest).

And on earth give peace to men of good will.

We praise Thee, Lord; we adore Thee, O Lord.

We glorify Thee, Lord. We praise Thee. We adore Thee, Lord.

We glorify Thee, Lord.

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Matthew 1:1–6,16 (pew Bible page 807)

The Sermon — O Come All Ye Unfaithful Mr. Sorgenfrei

The Hymn No. 648 (stzs. 1–3) — “My Jesus, I Love Thee”

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

The Postlude — “English Gigue” Georg Philip Telemann

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.

VOWS OF BAPTISM

In order for the congregation to participate in the sacrament of baptism and to refresh our own commitment to these vows, they are included below:

TO THE PARENTS

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on (his) behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for (his) salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before (him) a godly example, that you will pray with and for (him), that you will teach (him) the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring (him) up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

TO THE CONGREGATION

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM WILL BE ADMINISTERED TO

Gracelyn D. Blanton
daughter of Shane and Molly Blanton

Anthony Shane Blanton III
son of Shane and Molly Blanton

Callum Clark Dryden
son of Mathias and Kelsey Dryden

Margaret Houston Nicholas
daughter of Jamey and Mary Hampton Nicholas

The next baptism date is September 17, 2023.
Spaces are available for both the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services.
Please email emilye@fpcjackson.org to reserve a place.

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O’Clock

The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker
Executive Minister

Mr. Stephen A. Biggs
Director of Students & Families

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

The Prelude — “Prelude on an English Folk Tune”
Dr. Grace Shumaker

The Call to Worship

The Hymn — “For All the Saints”..... (hymn sheet)
Youth Music Team

The Invocation

The Greetings

The Mission Report Mr. Jack Crawford, Ruling Elder

The Evening Prayer

The Offering

The Offertory

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

Q58. What must you do to be saved? A. **I must repent of my sin and believe in Christ as my Savior.**

Q59. How do you repent of your sin? A. **I must be sorry for my sin, and hate and forsake it.**

Q60. Why must you hate and forsake your sin? A. **Because sin displeases God.**

The Meditation & Prayer.....Mr. Jamie Peipon, Minister of Missions

The Hymn — “Before the Throne of God Above”..... (hymn sheet)

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 2 Samuel 9:1-13 (pew Bible page 260)

The Sermon — **Life Together: Kindness** Mr. Felker

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

**Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb, My perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, The King of Glory and of Grace,
One with Himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood!
My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God.**

The Postlude — “A Trumpet Minuet”..... Alfred Hollins

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

FPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 16, 2023

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School.....	Various Locations
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.	Peru Mission Trip Report.....	Lowe Hall
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight.....	the Zegel Home (1633 Sheffield Dr.)

Tuesday, July 18, 2023

9:30 a.m.	French Camp Quilters.....	Bookstore
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Wednesday, July 19, 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.	Midweek Adult Programs	
	Bible Discussion Class.....	PH
	Birds & Bees.....	SC 210
	Foundations Class.....	WH 204
	Marriage Intensive	WH 202
	Prayer Meeting.....	SC 213
	Teacher Training.....	Miller Hall
6:00 p.m.	Children's Midweek Summer Nights.....	Various Locations
6:00 p.m.	Junior and Senior High D Groups	YH & Baird Center Gym
7:10 p.m.	Brass Ensemble Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Thursday, July 20, 2023

9:30 a.m.	French Camp Quilters	Bookstore
9:30 a.m.	Women's Summer Bible Study.....	WH 204
3:00 p.m.	Junior High Pool Day	the Brown Home (615 Old Agency Rd.)
7:00 p.m.	Young Adults Thursday Night Fellowship	Hutton Chapel

Saturday, July 22, 2023

7:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Meeting	WH 202
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Sunday, July 23, 2023

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School.....	Various Locations
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)
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight.....	the Ball Home (418 Hampton Court)

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

SUMMER PREACHING SCHEDULE

Please pray for Senior Minister David Strain and his family while on a planned sabbatical this summer. During the weeks he will be away from us, we will have the opportunity to hear from several guest ministers. David will return in August.

July 23 – Wiley Lowry

July 30 – Derek Thomas

WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Dive into God's Word

Ladies, dive into the Bible this Summer with us! We're reading five short Epistles (1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Timothy, and Titus). We will meet from 9:30–10:30 on Thursdays, July 20 and 27, in Westminster Hall 204. Register online at fpcj.ms/women.

SUMMER SEWING CAMP

Our sewing camp is designed for all ages and stages. Whether you are interested in learning how to sew or you're already an experienced seamstress—all are welcome! We will meet July 24–28 from 9 a.m.–12 p.m. The cost is \$5 (plus the personal supplies you will need). If you are interested, contact Sharon Gatlin at shargatl@gmail.com or 601-497-5807. Space is limited, and students under eight-years old must be accompanied by an adult.

MOMS BIBLE STUDY

Steadfast Faith: A Study of James

Ladies, we hope you'll join us for MOMS this fall! MOMS is a Bible study for expectant moms, those who hope to become moms, and those whose youngest child is in the sixth grade or below. This semester, led by church member Jane Wiggins, we will study the book of James. As believers in Christ we are called to be steadfast in our Christian walk. To be steadfast is to be unwavering regardless of our circumstances. The book of James is written to exhort and encourage his readers as we are called to live out the gospel in our families, neighborhoods, communities, and workplaces; but the world often threatens to undo our faith and get us off track. James addresses trials and temptations, suffering and sickness, and wealth and poverty. He confronts our sin, speech, and pride. Through our study we will realize that ultimately we can remain steadfast only because of God's faithfulness.

A nursery is available, but space is limited. Registration will be available at fpcj.ms/women or on the church app beginning August 1. For more information, email moms@fpcjackson.org.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT — AUGUST 4

Join us for some family fun at Trustmark Park in Pearl as we cheer on our Mississippi Braves players. The cost of the event is \$5 per person, and the maximum cost per family is \$25. Come dressed in your favorite Mississippi Braves gear, and bring extra cash for food and drinks. You can register each member of your family at fpcj.ms/familynight.

SENIOR ADULTS LUNCHEON

School's Out Forever!

Senior adults, join us for an afternoon of food, fellowship, and fun on August 25, at 11:30 a.m. in Patterson Hall. We will start off with lunch followed by a short program with speaker, Brian Smith, FPDS Head of School. The cost of the event is \$3 per person. We are asking all attendees with the last name starting with letters A–G to bring a dessert and those with H–Z to bring a side. The main dish will be provided by the church. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by contacting Emily Eastman at 601-326-9243 or emilye@fpcjackson.org.

FAMILY CAMP — SAVE THE DATE

Save the date of September 1–2 for a special event for families at FPC. Our first ever Family Camp will be held at Twin Lakes Camp & Conference Center. More information to follow!

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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.

Abigail Conroy – Abigail serves with MTW in El Salvador (still in the US for now). email: abbyconroy4@gmail.com

Mark & Raylene Casson – Mark serves as the Executive Director of the Metanoia Prison Ministries in Chattanooga, TN. email: mcasson@pcanet.org

GUEST MINISTER — BRIAN SORGENFREI

Brian (MDiv, RTS), a son of our church, completed his undergraduate degree from the University of Mississippi. After graduation, he worked for two years with RUF as an intern at Auburn University. He then married Liza and moved back to Jackson to attend Reformed Theological Seminary. While in seminary, he served as our College Intern. Upon completing seminary, Brian was ordained and moved to Starkville to work with RUF at Mississippi State University. After 13 years of serving as an RUF campus minister at MSU (eight years) and Ole Miss (five yrs), Brian accepted a call in the summer of 2022 to become an associate pastor at Christ Presbyterian Church in Oxford, MS. Brian and Liza have three children Shelby, Annie, and Clark.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Betty Quinn, faithful servant of her Lord and Savior by Catherine Wasson on behalf of Belhaven School of Education.

The flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday, July 9, were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Don Breazeale by Betsy Ann Breazeale.

PERU MISSION TRIP REPORT — TONIGHT

Join us after the evening worship service tonight in Lowe Hall for an extended report from the Peru mission trip team.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH'S ANNUAL REPORT

The Giving and Stewardship Committee is proud to present FPC's first Annual Report! This report summarizes how monetary giving to the church is ultimately used and the ministry impact of your generosity. The report will be emailed to the congregation with the First Word on Monday, July 17, or you may access it online at fpcj.ms/annual-report. Limited physical copies are available today near the rear entrances to the sanctuary. If you prefer that a physical copy of the report be mailed to your home, please contact Chase Wynn at chasew@fpcjackson.org.

FPC UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we shuffle and detour this summer while preparations are made for our new welcome center and nursery spaces!

- The Pinehurst St. ramp entrance and main hallway (from the sanctuary to the Study Center and Miller Hall) are closed. The Study Center entrance is closed.
- In order to travel indoors from the nursery or sanctuary to Sunday school in Miller Hall or the Study Center, you must travel through Lowe Hall and take the stairs by the Pepsi machines or the elevator in the Study Center.
- If weather permits, we advise walking outside between locations.
- Sanctuary entrances on State St. and Belhaven St. are open. The parlor and porte cochère entrances on Belhaven St. are open. The Miller Hall and Church Office (Nursery) entrances on Pinehurst St. are open.
- The Fourth and Fifth Sunday School classes will now be held on the Second Floor of the Youth House.
- The church library is closed; however, the bookstore will remain open.