

"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Twenty-Fifth Day of February, Two Thousand Twenty-Four MORNING WORSHIP **Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock**

> The Reverend Mr. Aaron Halbert MTW Missionary, Tegucigalpa, Honduras

The Reverend Mr. James C. Peipon Minister of Missions

APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

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

The Prelude — "Man of Sorrows"

Lydian Peipon, Piano

The Introit — "Who Is on the Lord's Side?"...... Carradog Roberts

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 263 — "Lift High the Cross"

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 fail throughout eternity.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Conroy (11:00 a.m.)

The Offering

The Offertory — "By the Waters of Babylon".......Philip James

By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept

when we remembered thee, O Sion.

As for our harps we hanged them up upon the trees that are therein;

For they that led us away captive required of us a song:

"Sing us one of the songs of Sion!"

Jerusalem!

How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?

If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning.

By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept

when we remembered thee, O Sion.

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Psalm 147

| The Hymn — "O God of Light" (hymn insert) | | |
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| The Pastoral Prayer | | |
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| HEARING GOD'S VOICE | | |
| The Prayer of Illumination | | |
| The Reading of Holy Scripture -2 Corinthians 8:1-15 (pew Bible page 967) | | |
| The Sermon — Christ's Poverty and the Grace of Giving | | |
| The Hymn No. 585 (stzs. 1-3) — "Take My Life, and Let It Be" | | |
| The Benediction | | |
| The Congregational Response Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold, Take my intellect, and use ev'ry power as Thou shalt choose, Ev'ry power as Thou shalt choose. | | |

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" 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.

O God of Light, Your Word, A Lamp Unfailing



EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. Aaron Halbert MTW Missionary, Tegucigalpa, Honduras

The Reverend Mr. James C. Peipon Minister of Missions

| The Greetings and Announcements (5:55 p.m.) | |
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| The Prelude — "O Lord, Most Holy"Caesar Franck Thomas Waters, Trumpet | |
| The Call to Worship | |
| The Hymn — "O God of Light" (hymn insert) | |
| The Invocation | |
| The Hymn — "Facing a Task Unfinished" (hymn sheet) | |
| The Greetings | |
| The Commissioning Miss Abigail Conroy to El Salvador | |
| The Offering | |
| The Offertory — "Lyrisches Andante" | |
| The Hymn No. 443 (stzs. 1-3) — "Hark! the Voice of Jesus Crying" | |
| The Prayer of Illumination | |
| The Reading of Holy Scripture — 2 Corinthians 8:16-24 (pew Bible page 968) | |
| The Sermon - Christ's Poverty and the Earnestness of Going Mr. Halbert | |
| The Benediction | |
| The Congregational Response Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do," while the sons of men are dying, and the Master calls for you: take the task he gives you gladly, let his work your pleasure be; answer quickly when he calleth, "Here am I; send me, send me." | |
| The Postlude — "Go Forth in Grace"(English Tune) | |



GLOBAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE 2024

SUN 25 FEB

GUEST MINISTER AARON HALBERTMorning Worship — 8:30 and 11 a.m.
Evening Worship — 6 p.m.

WED **28** FEB

MISSIONS MIDWEEK

Dinner with our honored guests — 5 p.m. in Miller Hall Missions Midweek Session — 6 p.m. in Miller Hall Children's Missions Time — 6 p.m. in regular rooms

THUR 29 FEB WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

Professor Jill – 11:30 a.m. in Miller Hall

MEN'S DINNER

Missionary Panel – 6 p.m. in Miller Hall

FRI 1 MAR SENIOR ADULTS COFFEE AND CONVERSATION
10 a.m. in Miller Hall

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS DINNERS WITH MISSIONARIESContact your class President for more info.

SAT 2 MAR SATURDAY SESSION WITH JONATHAN MASTER

8:30 a.m. Breakfast in Miller Hall 9:00 a.m. Session I

10 a.m. Panel Q&A

RUF MEET AND GREET

11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Baird Center Courtyard Lunch provided

SUN 3 MAR GUEST MINISTER JONATHAN MASTER

Morning Worship — 8:30 and 11 a.m. Evening Worship — 5 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS FROM GUESTS 9:45 a.m. in the following locations

PATTERSON HALL
College
Lighthouse
Lost & Found
Young Adults

MILLER HALL
Covenant
Lamplighters

Life Learners

Pilgrims Young Seekers **LOWE HALL**

Cornerstone Providence Salt & Light Stewards First Ladies

DINNER ON THE GROUNDS 6 p.m. in the Baird Center Gym

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER, VISIT FPCJ.MS/MISSIONS-CONFERENCE OR SCAN THE QR CODE (RIGHT).



FPC THIS WEEK

| Sunday, Febru 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. | Morning Worship Sanctuary Sunday School Various Locations Children's Churchtime (for age 3 and 4 by Sept. 1) M135 Student Choir Rehearsal MS Intercessory Prayer Group WH 202 A Prayer for Global Missions Parlor Evening Worship Sanctuary (age four through third grade dismissed for children's classes) Senior High Insight the Jordan Home (9 Pond Side Dr.) |
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| Tuesday, Febru 6:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:45 p.m. | Men's Breakfast Series |
| | Pbruary 28, 2024 MOMS Bible Study |
| Thursday, Feb 9:45 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. | ruary 29, 2024 Women's Bible Study – Covenant: God's Amazing GracePH Women's Luncheon with Professor Jill |
| Friday, March 10:00 a.m. | 1, 2024 Senior Adults Coffee and ConversationMH |
| Saturday, Marc 8:30 a.m. 11 a.m1 p.m. | Saturday Session with Jonathan Master |
| Sunday, March 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. | Morning Worship |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Tial & Annie Thanga – Tial serves as the MTW National Partner Project Director and the Mission Executive Director of RPCM Church Planting. email: mrts.edu@gmail.com

Joe & April Johnson – Joe serves as the RUF Campus Minister at Mississippi State University. email: joe.johnson@ruf.org

FLOWERS

The flowers today are given by the Choir of First Presbyterian Church to the glory of God and in honor of Rev. Dr. William K. Wymond on the occasion of his retirement from his service at First Presbyterian Church. We thank God for you and your ministry to us. *Soli Deo gloria*.

GUEST MINISTER — AARON HALBERT

Aaron Halbert and his wife Rachel serve as missionaries in Honduras, with Mission to the World. Aaron is originally from Honduras, and he spent the early part of his life there. After marrying a Mississippi girl and finishing seminary, God called them to plant a church in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

FOUNDATIONS CLASS — BEGINS MARCH 24

The next offering of the Foundations Class during the Sunday School hour will begin March 24. Foundations is the place to begin if you are considering membership at FPC or would like to know more about our church and the basics of our faith and practice. During the class we will learn what we share in common with all Bible-believing Christians, as well as about the distinctives of Presbyterianism. We will hear from ministry leaders about what's taking place at First Pres, while providing a great opportunity to meet others who have recently found a home here at FPC.

ENCOUNTER RETREAT — APRIL 5-7

Junior High Presbytery-Wide Retreat

Sixth through ninth grade students, join us for a junior high presbytery-wide retreat on April 5-7 at Twin Lakes Camp in Florence, MS. We will join with churches from the Mississippi Valley Presbytery for a great weekend full of games, shared meals, and fellowship with other students. Our speaker Zack Owens will be teaching on the topic Belonging to God. The cost is \$115, but sign up by the Early Bird Deadline March 8 and pay \$85. Register online at fpcj.ms/events.

SENIOR ADULTS DAY TRIP TO COLUMBUS — APRIL 12

Experience a day of fellowship and enjoy all that Columbus has to offer. As part of the itinerary, we will tour the home of our state's famous author, Tennessee Williams, as well as the Southside Historic District. We will wind down over a delicious lunch at Harvey's on Main Street. We will depart from the church campus at 7:30 a.m. and depart from Columbus by 4 p.m. To register, please email the Administrative Assistant for Congregational Care, Emily Eastman, at ccare@fpcjackson.org, or call her office at 601-326-9243. The cost is \$25. Please plan to bring money for your meal.

VBS DONATIONS FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

This year at VBS we are partnering with Operation Christmas Child! During VBS our children will be packing shoeboxes, and the offering collected by our children during VBS will go toward mailing our shoeboxes. Would you consider donating items to be included in our Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes? Suggested items include: stuffed animals, balls, brushes, combs, toothbrushes, washcloths, school supplies, socks, flip-flops, chalk, jump ropes, and stickers. Items may be dropped off in the donation box in the Welcome Center. Please no food or liquids.