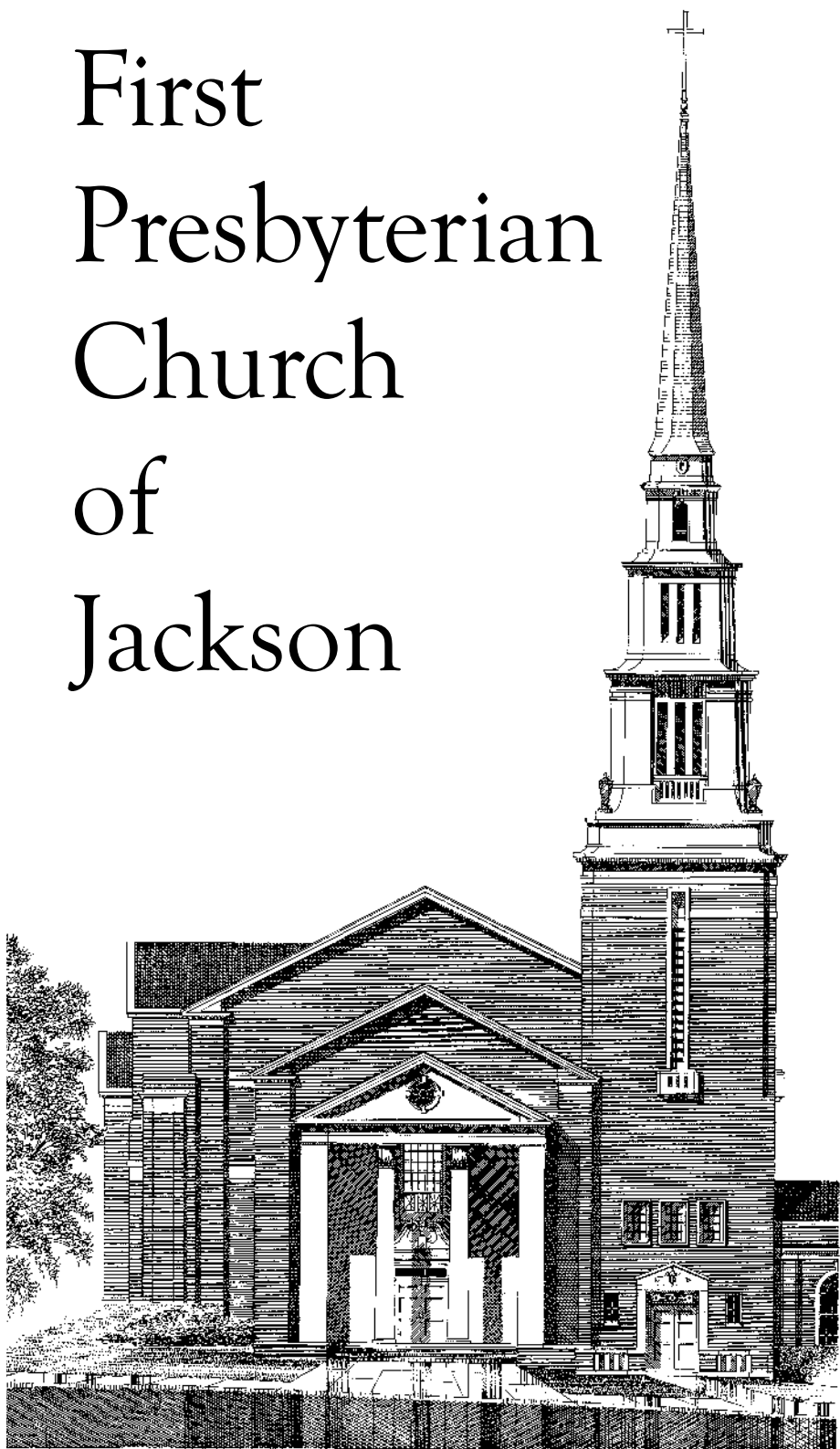


The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Sixteenth Day of June, Two Thousand Twenty-Four
MORNING WORSHIP
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. Guy P. Waters

James M. Baird, Jr. Professor of New Testament and Academic Dean
Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson

The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey

Minister of Congregational and Pastoral Care

DRAWING NEAR TO GOD

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

The Prelude — “Beautiful Savior”.....Michael Burkhardt
Rae Shannon, Organ

The Introit — “Come Christians, Join to Sing”

The Call to Worship — Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, He is God!

It is He who made us, and we are His;

We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

Give thanks to Him; Bless His name.

For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures forever,

And His faithfulness to all generations.

The Hymn No. 34 — “The God of Abraham Praise”

The Prayer of Adoration and Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

The Doxology

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,

And publish abroad His wonderful name;

The name, all victorious, of Jesus extol;

His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

WELCOMING THE PEOPLE OF GOD

The Public Profession of Faith

The Biblical Basis

The Introduction of New Members

The Questions of Membership

The Prayer

The Declaration

The Blessing

The Psalm No. 88 — “With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring” (Psalm 138)

The Offering

The Offertory — “Redeemer of Israel” Mack Wilberg

Redeemer of Israel, our only delight,
On whom for a blessing we call,
Our shadow by day, and our pillar by night,
Our King, our Deliverer, our all!

We know He is coming to gather His sheep
And lead them to Zion in love;
For why in the valley of death should they weep
Or in the lone wilderness rove?

How long we have wandered as strangers in sin,
And cried in the desert for Thee!
Our foes have rejoiced when our sorrows they've seen,
But Israel will shortly be free.

As children of Zion, good tidings for us;
The tokens already appear.
Fear not, and be just, for the kingdom is ours.
The hour of redemption is near.

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

The Prayer for Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Mark 5:1-20pew Bible page 840

The Sermon — A Day at the Beach Dr. Waters

The Hymn No. 358 (stz. 1-5) — “For All the Saints”

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Postlude — “Lord of the Dance” Douglas E. 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” 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.

THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

This week we have the happy occasion to receive new members into our church family during the morning worship service.

QUESTIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure and without hope, save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

NEW MEMBERS

The following new members were welcomed into our fellowship on June 2, 2024, and are being presented to the congregation during the morning worship services today. Please welcome them warmly.

Reed and Laura Abraham
(Strickland, Mary Grace, and Witt Abraham)

Will Atkins

Evana Bock

Abi Clarke

Thomas Clement

Bert and Amanda Green
(Presly and Mamie Green)

Reed Hairston

Sam and Jen Hilliker

Ben and Ellie Jackson
(Nora Jackson)

David and Mary Catherine Korba

() Children joining as non-communing members

JOIN FPC!

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please note that the next date to join is August 4. New member forms can be found online at fpcj.ms/membership or in the greeting courtyard outside the sanctuary. Forms are due by July 24. If you have any questions about the membership process at FPC, please email ccare@fpcjackson.org.

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O’Clock

The Reverend Dr. Rupert Hunt Taylor
Discipleship Department

Mr. J. Peyton Gunter
College Intern

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

The Prelude — “Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners”..... arr. Jones
Nancy Bateman, Cello

The Call to Worship — Psalm 2:11-12

The Hymn No. 705 — “I Know Whom I Have Believed”

The Invocation

The Hymn No. 100 — “Holy, Holy, Holy!”

The Greetings

The Commissioning of the Mission Teams..... Mr. Billy Dempsey
Minister of Congregational and Pastoral Care

The Evening Prayer..... Mr. Hu Meena, Ruling Elder

The Offering

***The Offertory** — “The Mission/How Great Thou Art”Hine / Morricone

The Hymn No. 116 (stz.1-4) — “For the Beauty of the Earth”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Samuel 20:12-42..... pew Bible page 243

The Sermon — When You Come into Your Kingdom.....Dr. Hunt Taylor

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

For each perfect gift of thine
to our race so freely giv’n,
graces human and divine,
flow’rs of earth and buds of heav’n,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

The Postlude

* Children age four through third grade will be dismissed to a children’s devotional and can be picked up after the service in the Tree House.

FPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 16, 2024

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 202 A
5:00 p.m.	Prayer for Global Missions.....	Parlor
6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship	Sanctuary (age four through third grade dismissed for children's classes)
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight	the Biggs Home (4025 Crane Blvd.)

Monday, June 17, 2024

2:00 p.m.	Junior High Snow Cone Summer.....	Nandy's Candy
-----------	-----------------------------------	---------------

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

9:30 a.m.	French Camp Quilters.....	Parlor
6:00 p.m.	Mother, Daughter, Sister, Friend Dinner	MH

Wednesday, June 19, 2024

5:00-6:00 p.m.	Midweek Dinner	MH
5:30 p.m.	Children's Playtime.....	Playground
5:30 p.m.	Families Count	PH
5:50 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal.....	MS
6:00 p.m.	Membership Class.....	WH 204
6:00 p.m.	Midweek Programs	
	Adults: The Gospel at Hearth & Home	MH
	Children: Faithful to All His Promises.....	Playground
	Junior High and Senior High: D Groups.....	Youth House & Gym

Thursday, June 20, 2024

9:30 a.m.	French Camp Quilters.....	Parlor
10:00 a.m.	Women's Summer Bible Study	WH 202
4:00 p.m.	SH Lake Day.....	Lost Rabbit Poolside

Saturday, June 22, 2024

7:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast	PH
-----------	------------------------------	----

Sunday, June 23, 2024

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 202 A
5:00 p.m.	Prayer for Global Missions.....	Parlor
6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship	Sanctuary (age four through third grade dismissed for children's classes)
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight	the Boyd Home (2693 Lake Circle)

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

MEN'S MINISTRY ST. LOUIS TRIP — JULY 12-14

Men, sign up to be part of the adventure in St. Louis! Bring a child or grandchild to witness great baseball as the Cardinals and Cubs play for the win. The cost is \$250/person, not including meals and St. Louis sightseeing. This trip is always fun and filled with great memories. Register online at fpcj.ms/events.

CHILDREN'S CHURCHTIME

Children's Churchtime has concluded for the summer. Childcare during 11 a.m. worship service for those in the Threes Class is available in room N4 in the nursery. Children in the Fours Class are invited to attend the service with their parents. Children's Churchtime will resume in September.

SUPPORT GROUP

If you are struggling with alcohol or other chemical dependence and would like to get together with people who share the same struggles, we have a small and very safe group that meets regularly for just that purpose. This discreet, weekly meeting is one of friendship, encouragement, biblical reflection, and prayer. For more information, please call or text 601-260-1636. Also, twice each month a group of those who have loved ones who struggle with addiction/alcoholism meet for a time of mutual encouragement and Christ-centered counsel. Anonymity is required. For more information concerning the place and time of these meetings, call or text 601-260-0388.

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE MISSION TEAMS

One of our most privileged responsibilities as a "sending body" is to pray for our short-term mission teams as they go out from our midst to be of gospel service to others. Tonight we have the exciting opportunity to commission three short-term mission teams: Cajamarca, Peru (June 21-29); Honduras (June 22-29); and South Africa (June 28-July 8). Follow FPC Missions Instagram account @fpcmissions for updates on their trips. You may also email Jo Lynn for the specific prayer requests at jollynnm@fpcjackson.org.

Peru Mission Trip Team Members

Charlie Barbour, Gibson Brown, Abbie Carroll, Sayley Crawford, Dell Crosby, Craig Flowers, Garner Fluhrer, Liddy Hurst, Hamp Jones, Bonnie Jones, Jeff Jordan, Dominique Jordan, Wells Jordan, Henry Jordan, Caroline Jordan, Robert Leard, Wiley Lowry, Henry Lowry, George May, Cathy May, Caroline May Mars, Guy McClain, Meredith McClain, Hutch McClain, Tina Oates, Charlotte Oates, Walker Poole, Reagan Read, Frances Royal, Amy-Allison Russ, Stewart Russ, Henry Russ, Adrienne Saxon, Millie Saxon, Elisabeth Sinclair, Danny Story, Holly Story, Malon Stratton, Donna Trussell, and Joseph Upton

Honduras Mission Trip Team Members

Stephen Biggs, Jennifer Biggs, Eli Biggs, Julia Box, Laura Box, Bradley Burke, Auston Edwards, Carson Edwards, Sara Beth Henson, Leigh Henson, Katie Poole, and Sam Stogner

South Africa Mission Trip Team Members

Mary Ball, Betsy Ball, Lanah Ball, Sam Berry, Bill Cook, Haley Cushing, Jennings Duncan, Sarah Grace Duncan, Josh Hollingsworth, David Kimball, Carrie Kimball, Stephen Kruger, Phoebe Kruger, Lawrence Martin, Betsy Martin, Jamie Peipon, Dasha Peipon, and Cindy Snowden

ANNOUNCEMENTS

II THESSALONIANS 3:1 — “FINALLY, BRETHERN, PRAY FOR US...”

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

Virginia Crews – Virginia, serving with MTW in Ukraine, is helping with the refugee crisis and with the University ministry (similar to a RUF intern). email: crewsukraine@gmail.com

Austin & Kristen Braasch – Austin serves as the RUF Campus Minister at Ole Miss. email: austin.braasch@ruf.org.

Pioneer Ministries – Supported through Mission to Jackson under the guidance of the Benevolence Committee, Pioneer Ministries' purpose is to prepare boys and girls spiritually, educationally, and emotionally to serve Christ in their communities as contributing citizens. We further envision helping married couples to acquire relationship skills that will produce stable homes in a fast-changing world.

DR. GUY WATERS — GUEST MINISTER

Dr. Guy Waters is the James M. Baird, Jr. Professor of New Testament at Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, with a particular interest in the letters and theology of Paul, the use of Scripture in the New Testament, and the Synoptic Gospels. In 2003, he became a teaching elder in the Mississippi Valley Presbytery, where he served as the Chair of the Credentials Committee for more than ten years. Dr. Waters is the author of several books and articles.

MOTHER DAUGHTER SISTER FRIEND DINNER — JUNE 18

Devotion to the Word

We know that as Christian women, we are called to be devoted to the Word by spending time in it regularly, but we often struggle to do that. At the Mother Daughter Sister Friend Dinner, Boopie Beard, Mary Helen McGee, and Ella Payne will share some of their own stories and recommended resources for various stages of life. The menu will include a picnic fare of sliders and hot dogs, fruit, homemade chips and ice cream. Join us on Tuesday, June 18, at 6 p.m. for a delicious and encouraging time! Register online at fpcj.ms/events.

WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

This summer, our women's Bible study will work through The Beatitudes using John Stott's book as our guide. If you have to miss a week, jump back in when you're in town. This Bible study is for women of all ages and stages. Join us as Donna Dobbs and Anne Marie Kerr guide us along the way on Thursdays this summer; June 20, 27, July 11, and 18; 10-11:15 a.m. in Westminster Hall 202.

MOMS BIBLE STUDY IS 50!

Our MOMS Bible study is celebrating 50 years of ministry to the young mothers in our church. We would especially like to acknowledge the ladies who have served as teachers over the years: Judy Terry, Jo Lynn Swayze, Nan Kipp, and Jane Wiggins. Thanks to these ladies and the many others who have served behind the scenes to thousands of young women in our church and the whole Jackson area.

JOIN FPC — MEMBERSHIP CLASS BEGINS JUNE 19

The next offering of the Membership Class will begin June 19 on Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. This 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 distinctiveness 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.