

The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



"To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever"

THE LORD'S DAY

The Second Day of November, Two Thousand Twenty-Five
MORNING WORSHIP
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. David L. Felker
Executive Minister

The Reverend Mr. William E. Dempsey
Minister of Congregational and Pastoral Care

APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

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

The Prelude — "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" Dan Forrest
Dr. Grace Shumaker, Piano

The Introit — "The Lord Reigns" Dale Wood
The Lord reigns! He is robed in majesty!
O let us come into His presence with song!

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 301 — "Join All the Glorious Names"

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

The Doxology — "Gloria Patri" tune: *Greatorex*
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very
God of very God; begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven: and was
incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was
crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures;
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and
He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.
And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life;
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who
spoke by the Prophets.
And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

SEEKING GOD’S FACE

The Hymn No. 66 — “God Is Known among His People” (from Psalm 76)

Pastoral Prayer and Prayer for Ministry of FPDS

The Stewardship Report ...Mr. Chase Wynn, Director of Giving and Stewardship

The Offering

The Offertory — “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”Eric Nelson

O for a thousands tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!
My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad, the honors of Thy name.
Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
‘Tis music in the sinner’s ears, ‘tis life and health and peace.
He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.
Hear Him, ye deaf! His praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ!
Ye blind, behold your Savior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy!
O leap and sing for joy!

HEARING GOD’S WORD

The Prayer of Illumination

The Scripture Reading — Philippians 3:1-11.....pew Bible page 981

The Sermon — Found in Him..... Mr. Felker

The Hymn No. 521 (stz. 1-3) — “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

**When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found;
dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.
On Christ, the Solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.**

The Postlude — “The Solid Rock” Anna Laura Page
Dr. Levi Henkel, Organ

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 into the church.

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. H. Geoffrey Thomas

Pastor of Alfred Place Baptist, Church, Aberystwyth, Wales (Retired)

The Reverend Dr. Charles M. Wingard

Minister of Shepherding

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

The Prelude — “I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”

Fours and Fives Choir

Molly Blanton, Director; Amanda Hohm, Accompanist

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 408 — “Day Is Dying in the West”

The Invocation

The Hymn No. 508 — “Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

The FPDS Report.....Mr. Jonathan Lancaster, FPDS Head of School

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer..... Mr. Tim Threadgill, Ruling Elder

The Offering

The Offertory — “Christ Is Made a Sure Foundation”

First and Second Grade Choir

Beth Archer, Director, Joy Graves, Accompanist

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

Q122. What is the fifth petition [of the Lord's prayer]? **A. The fifth petition is, “And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.”**

Q123. What does it mean to pray, “and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors”? **A. We are asking God to forgive our sins for Christ's sake, and to make us willing to forgive others.**

* The Meditation & Prayer Mr. Eliot Jones, Students & Families Intern

The Hymn (stz. 1-3) — “All I Have Is Christ”hymn sheet

The Prayer of Illumination

The Scripture Reading — Mark 14: 32-42.....pew Bible page 851

The Sermon — Our Praying SaviorDr. Thomas

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

**Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone, and live so all might see
the strength to follow your commands could never come from me.**

**Oh Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose,
and let my song forever be my only boast is You.**

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ, Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

The Postlude

*Children ages 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.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN DAY SCHOOL

FPDS REPORT — TONIGHT

Tonight in the evening service, Jonathan Lancaster, FPDS Head of School, will join us to give a report on our school and how God is at work growing seeds of Christlikeness.

ADMINISTRATION/OFFICE STAFF

Jonathan Lancaster
Head of School

Jennifer Dryden
Upper School Principal

Kim Duhs
Lower School Principal

Julie Weeks
Early Childhood Director

Olivia Hamilton
*After School and Summer
Program Coordinator*

Camille Hassell
Admissions Coordinator

Carley Garner
Office Receptionist

Taylor Ormon
*Director of Student and School
Advancement*

Ann Raggio
Financial Services Coordinator

Lauren Ridgway
Office Receptionist

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Barbara Beavers
Doria Bell
Anna Chatham
Lisa Dickens

Tracee Evans
Theamiyah Fuller
Dasha Kolomiiets
Sada Longino

Barbara McCollum
Loretta McDaniel
Dendy McDavid
Shamikia Miller

Rebecca Singleterry
Sarah Thomas
Erianna Tucker
Antonia Wiggins

PRESCHOOL

Mary Marie Bernardini
Hasina Brown
Ann Chestnut
Candace Cummins
Sarah Grace Duncan

Joy Hendrickson
Jasmine McDaniel
Catherine McKee
Lindsey Mercer
Tracey Robinson

Yana Tkachuk
Ann Turner Selman
Cindy Wilks

KINDERGARTEN-SIXTH GRADE

Wanda Allen
Julie Benson
Anna Beth Brinson
Sally Beth Maxwell
Caroline Bird
Nicole Booker
Dea Bowling
Elizabeth Brown
Kristi Cook
Amber Cope

Arthur Davis
John Dawson
Julie Hoeniges
Angie Holman
Ashley House
Amy Hutton
Meredith Johnson
Dominique Jordan
Melinda Lytton
Janet Marble

Jennifer Morgan
Debbie Parker
Amanda Porter
Ceci Rutledge
Petula Sinclair
Sarah Stevens
Angie Thigpen
Leslie Thompson
Kendal Waters
Leigh Faires Winters

STUDENT SERVICES AND FACULTY SUPPORT

Audra Banks
Ellen Champagne
Cherry Dean Fyke
Abbey Heavener

Jennifer Higginbotham
Jenny Howard
Aimee Hudson
Claire Jordan

Meghan Kersgaard
Laura McEuen

ARTS, ATHLETICS, LIBRARY, SCIENCE, AND TECHNOLOGY

Carol Brister
Jamie Dowd
Kim Griffin
Jana Heimer
Karen McBride

Sara Moss
Delaney Pfeiffer
Sara Riles
Nairi Seker
Lesley Smith

Mary Claire Stockett
Mary Margaret Thiel
Sarah Thomas

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Kathryn Day
Molly Lowry

Ella Payne
Barbara Porter

Gary Sinclair
Chaplain and Assistant Minister

FPDS BOARD

David Elkin
Max Bowman
Jay Brown
Reid Cotten
David Dale

Price Davis
Emily Hoff
Jeannie Hood
Lawrence Martin
George May

Jeff Skelton
Wade Smith
Tim Threadgill
Cal Wells
Jordan Yerger

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVERING OUR CHILDREN IN PRAYER

Through **Covering Our Children in Prayer**, each Adult Sunday School class is paired with a children's or youth class to pray for throughout the year. This program connects our church family across generations and helps us keep the promise we made at each child's baptism to assist in their Christian nurture. Ask your Sunday School president for your class's prayer list, and join us in praying for God's protection, provision, and purpose in the lives of our children.

SENIOR HIGH WINTER RETREAT — JANUARY 16-19

Students in grades 9-12 are invited to join us for Winter Retreat, January 16-19 at Alpine Camp in Mentone, Alabama. Our theme this year is "Trinity: God's Nature and the Church." Scott Miller, our Minister to Young Adults and College Students, will lead us. Register online at fpcj.ms/events by December 14 to pay the early bird price of \$190.

NEW WE WILL GO TEAM — TUESDAYS

Join your church family in serving our neighbors through We Will Go's Food Pantry on the fourth Tuesday of each month, from 9-11 a.m. For more information, contact Rae Ann Lawrence at 601-278-4935 or lawrence.raeann@gmail.com.

THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

Our 2025–2026 churchwide theme, **The Household of God**, reminds us that the Church is not merely a building but is the living family of God. Find out more and watch the Household of God theme video at fpcj.ms/household.

NEW BABY ANNOUNCEMENTS

We would love to celebrate and welcome new children into the church by announcing their births! If there has been a new birth in your family, please inform the church online at fpcj.ms/nursery or by emailing ccare@fpcjackson.org. Please include the full name of the child, birth date, parents' names, as well as grandparents' names.

FPDS ACORN FUND

As you are able, consider making a gift to the FPDS Acorn Fund, our school's annual fund and a way that you as a church member can support the ministry of the school. Gifts to the Acorn Fund are used to recruit and retain the best teachers, provide academic excellence, and keep Christian education accessible through competitive tuition. Most importantly, a gift to the Acorn Fund is your opportunity to partner with FPDS as we grow our children from acorns of faith into "oaks of righteousness" (Isaiah 61:3). A gift to the Acorn Fund can be made at fpds.org/give, through the church app by selecting "Acorn Fund," or by mailing a check made payable to First Presbyterian Day School–Acorn Fund to 1390 N. State Street, Jackson, MS 39202.

PRAY FOR SUPPORTED MINISTRY PARTNERS

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

Deddy & Desta S – Serving in Asia as a church planter.

Jason & Erika Piland – Jason serves as a church planter in Northeast Ohio.
Email: jason@wrpres.com

PEARSON Foundation – Supported through Mission to Jackson under the guidance of the Benevolence Committee, PEARSON provides mentorship and discipleship to students through in-school mentoring, faith-based community mentoring in cooperation with the Rankin County Juvenile Court, after school activities and summer learning and enrichment. Email: Pearson39208@gmail.com;
jarward@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COLLEGE LUNCH — TODAY!

College Students, join us for a FREE LUNCH following the 11 a.m. worship service on Sunday, November 2, at the Hardy home. Questions? Or need a ride? Text Peyton at 205-613-1059.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Marcia Woodward Penn — October 24, 2025

Mr. Larry Houchins — October 26, 2025

DR. GEOFFREY THOMAS — GUEST MINISTER

Tonight in the evening service, Geoffrey Thomas will be our guest minister. Geoff is a Reformed Baptist, and was for his whole ministry until his retirement, the pastor of Alfred Place Baptist Church, in Aberystwyth, Wales. He is an internationally known conference speaker, and author, including many articles for the Banner of Truth and Ligonier, an excellent volume on the Holy Spirit, and a delightful recent autobiography called *In the Shadow of the Rock*.

MEN'S NIGHT — NOVEMBER 6

Men, invite a friend and join us Thursday, November 6 at 5:30 p.m. for some great barbecue and casual time together at Lake Cavalier. (Parking is available at Twin Lakes Baptist Church - 673 Lake Cavalier Rd., Madison, and we will shuttle to the event.) Contact discipleship@fpcjackson.org with questions.

COMMUNION — NEXT WEEK

Communion will be observed in the morning worship services next week. Please begin prayerfully preparing your hearts and minds to receive the Lord's Supper. Professionally prepared, gluten-free elements will be available to pick up on the table on the south wall of the Greeting Courtyard.

HONORING OUR VETERANS AT FPC

In honor of our veterans, we will display a slideshow of our past and present veterans in the Welcome Center November 9-12. If you have a picture that you would like to be included, please email it to ccare@fpcjackson.org with the name of the veteran pictured.

BAPTISM — NOVEMBER 16

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, November 16. Spaces are available for both services. To make a reservation, please contact Emily Eastman at emilye@fpcjackson.org.

FATHER SON RETREAT — NOVEMBER 21-22

Save the date for our Father Son Retreat at Twin Lakes. We are excited to put together a weekend specifically for dads and sons. Spend time together having fun and making memories! Save the date and register online at fpcj.ms/events.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE AND MEAL — NOVEMBER 27

Gather with your church family this Thanksgiving Day! Join us for an informal service at 11 a.m. in Miller Hall, followed by a meal at 11:45. The church will provide the meat; please bring a side or dessert that serves at least eight. To sign up and share what you'll bring, call Emily Eastman (769-572-3535). Feel free to invite a friend or neighbor who may be alone this Thanksgiving!

HOST A MISSIONARY

Are you interested in hosting one of our guests during the conference? We need you! For more information, please contact Janie Clarke, our housing coordinator at 601-953-4991 or janielclarke6@gmail.com.

FPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 2, 2025

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Services	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School	Various Locations
11:00 a.m.	Children's Churchtime for 3 and 4 year olds	M135
4:30 p.m.	Student Choir Rehearsal	MS
5:00 p.m.	Prayer for Global Missions	Parlor
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 Watkins Home (2212 Heritage Hill Dr.)

Tuesday, November 4, 2025

6:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast Series	MH
9:30 a.m.	French Camp Quilters	Bookstore
9:30 a.m.	Sew & Sow	WH 302
10:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	WH 305
12:00 p.m.	Weekday Prayer Meeting	PH
7:00 p.m.	Internationals Class	PH

Wednesday, November 5, 2025

9:00 a.m.	MOMS Bible Study	MH
9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible and Prayer Time	We Will Go
9:30 a.m.	GriefShare	Parlor
5:00-6:00 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 Programs for Adults	
	Roots: Our Holy catholic Church	PH
	D Groups	Various Locations
	College D Group	WH 302
	Membership Class	WH 204
	Prayer Meeting and Bible Study	The Session Room
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choirs	Playground
6:00 p.m.	Rise: Sixth Grade Fellowship	SC 211
6:00 p.m.	Junior High & Senior High D Groups	YH & Baird Center Gym

Thursday, November 6, 2025

9:15 a.m.	Women's Bible Study: Exodus	PH
9:45 a.m.	Women's Bible Study: Romans	MH
5:30 p.m.	Men's Night	673 Lake Cavalier Rd., Madison

Saturday, November 8, 2025

7:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast	PH
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Sunday, November 9, 2025

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Services	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School	Various Locations
11:00 a.m.	Children's Churchtime for 3 and 4 year olds	M135
4:30 p.m.	Student Choir Rehearsal	MS
5:00 p.m.	Prayer for Global Missions	Parlor
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 Rutledge Home (101 Ridge Street)

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

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Helen Katherine Tomb by her nieces, Catherine and Elizabeth Cook.