

The
First
Presbyterian
Church
of
Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Eighteenth Day of January, Two Thousand Twenty-Six
MORNING WORSHIP
Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain
Senior Minister

The Reverend Dr. Charles M. Wingard
Minister of Shepherding

ADORING THE COVENANT LORD

The Greetings and Announcements

The Prelude — “Fairest Lord Jesus” Marilyn Reimer
Dr. Levi Henkel, piano

The Introit — “Praise Ye the Name of the Lord” Gordon Young
Praise ye the name of the Lord of Hosts.
Praise Him, all ye people.
Let all the nations praise the Lord.
Praise ye the Lord!

The Call to Worship — Psalm 117:1-2

The Hymn No. 167 — “When Morning Gilds the Skies”

The Prayer of Adoration and Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

The Doxology — “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” tune: *Old Hundredth*
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

RECEIVING THE COVENANT SIGN

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. 413 — “Our Children, Lord, in Faith and Prayer”

The Offering

The Offertory — “Total Praise” Carol Cymbala
Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills, knowing my help is coming from You.
Your peace You give me in time of the storm.
You are the source of my strength, You are the strength of my life.
I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen.

HEARING THE COVENANT WORD

The Prayer of Illumination

The Scripture Reading — 1 Timothy 5:24-6:2pew Bible page 993

The Sermon — Life in the Household of God: Sinners and Servants...Dr. Strain

The Hymn No. 461 (stz. 1-4) — “Not What My Hands Have Done”

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

I praise the God of grace; I trust His truth and might;
He calls me His, I call Him mine, my God, my joy, my light.
‘Tis He who saveth me, and freely pardon gives;
I love because He loveth me, I live because He lives.

The Postlude — “Prelude in a Classical Style” Gordon Young

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.

THE 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

William Thomas Brand Jr.
son of William and Kelsey Brand

Walter Gillespie Green
son of Aubrey and Elizabeth Green

John Owen Hallbach
son of Owen and Mikayla Hallbach

Caroline Ruth House
daughter of Bob and Josie House

The next baptism date is March 15.
Spaces are available for both services.
Please email emilye@fpcjackson.org to reserve a place.

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O’Clock

The Reverend Dr. Rupert Hunt Taylor

Minister of Discipleship

Mr. Owen M. Hallbach

Missions Fellow

The Greetings and Announcements

The Prelude — “It Is Well With My Soul” Robert Jones, violin
Morgan Yeates, piano

The Call to Worship

The Hymn — “Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor” hymn sheet

The Invocation

The Hymn — “Oh, How Good It Is” (based on Psalm 133) hymn sheet

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer Mr. Sharkey Burke, Ruling Elder

The Offering

The Offertory — “His Mercy Is More” Men’s Octet

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

Q142. Where is Christ now? **A. In heaven, ruling his kingdom and interceding for us.**

* The Meditation & Prayer Mr. Peyton Gunter, College Ministry Intern

The Hymn 691 (stz. 1–3) — “It Is Well with My Soul”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Scripture Reading — Haggai 2:10-23 pew Bible page 791

The Sermon — **The Unwanted God: Grace for Grimy Hands** ... Dr. Hunt Taylor

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
“Even so” - it is well with my soul.
It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRIEFSHARE — BEGINNING FEBRUARY 4

GriefShare is a ministry of support and encouragement for those grieving the death of a loved one. Using the Bible and the shared experience of others, participants will discover how to navigate the profound difficulties of bereavement. Our next 13-week GriefShare course will begin Wednesday, February 4, at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor. To register, please contact Emily Eastman at 769-572-3535 or emilye@fpcjackson.org.

STAND 2026 — FEBRUARY 6

Building Up Mid-South Men in the Gospel

Save the date for our annual conference for men in the Mid-South: Friday, February 6, led by Randy Pope. Join us for supper, and then worship with your brothers in Christ as we raise our voices together in praise. There is no cost to attend, but contributions to support the event are welcome. Register online at fpcj.ms/stand-2026 to help us plan for the dinner.

SAVE THE DATE: GLOBAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE 2026

Make plans to join us for the 2026 Global Missions Conference: A House for All Nations, February 21-March 1! This week-long celebration will highlight God's work among the nations through worship, teaching, and stories from missionaries serving around the world. We're excited to welcome Kevin DeYoung, Jonathan (MTW), and many more guests. More information will follow.

New Missions Conference Event This Year

Don't miss the conference Opening Session with Kevin DeYoung on Saturday, February 21, in the evening. Dr. DeYoung will share a message calling God's people to consider how they might participate in His mission around the world. All are invited to celebrate the beginning of this year's conference and to think deeply about how we might participate in advancing God's kingdom.

HEARING ASSISTANCE AT FPC

FPC partners with Sanctuary Audio to help improve the listening experience in our sanctuary. The program can be used through earbuds or any bluetooth-enabled hearing aid. Below are the directions for using Sanctuary Audio via your phone or tablet. If you have questions, please contact Tim Tumutod at timt@fpcjackson.org.

1. Connect your headphones or earbuds to your phone/device.
2. Connect your phone/device to the WiFi network "FPC Guest."
3. Download the app called "ListenWIFI."
4. Open the "ListenWIFI" App.
5. Tap "Venue Scan" until the app connects with FPC Jackson.
6. Select "FPC Jackson" channel.
7. Enjoy listening to the Sanctuary audio!

PRAY FOR SUPPORTED MINISTRY PARTNERS

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

Coby & Pamela McGinty – Coby serves with MTW at the University of Cape Town in South Africa in various areas of campus ministry (developing leaders, training student workers, discipleship and counseling). Pamela serves with RUF, is co-founder and Vice Chair of Biblical Counseling Africa. Email: coby@mcginty.com

Andrew & Vanessa Chesebro – Andrew serves as a church planter in Brighton, MI. Email: andrew@pathwaypca.com

Gateway Rescue Mission – Supported through Mission to Jackson under the guidance of the Benevolence Committee, Gateway offers life-changing hope through the Gospel of Jesus Christ to homeless men, women and children through programs to deliver food, shelter, counseling, and discipleship. Email: mlott@gatewaymission.org or 601-353-5864, ext. 207

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FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. and Mrs. George E. Gillespie (Charlice) by their family.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Riley B. Collins Sr. — January 8, 2026

MOMS & MOMS AT NIGHT BIBLE STUDIES

Registration is open for new participants in MOMS Bible Studies at fpcj.ms/women. Those registered in the fall do not need to register again. MOMS meets Wednesdays at 9 a.m., beginning January 28, and MOMS at Night meets two Tuesdays each month from 6-8 p.m., beginning January 20.

COMMUNICANT CLASS — BEGINNING JANUARY 25

Parents of middle school students, our Communicant Class begins Sunday, January 25, at 4:45 p.m. in Miller Hall, with a fellowship meal following. The class is for sixth–eighth grade students who are interested in learning more about church membership and the Christian faith. If your child plans to attend and you have not registered, please contact Kimberly Wilkins at kimberlyw@fpcjackson.org or 601-353-8316.

BOUND TOGETHER BOOK CLUB — INSTALLMENT TWO

Joining the Mission of the Church

As we continue exploring what it means to belong to the Household of God, our next Bound Together Book Club gathering invites you to dive into the theme of **Joining the Mission of the Church**. This section of our reading plan will extend through January. Find the entire Recommended Reading List online at fpcj.ms/household.

The book club's featured book for this section is *What Is the Mission of the Church?* by Kevin DeYoung. If you weren't able to attend the previous book club, each meeting is independent, so please join us, Monday, January 26, at 6:30 p.m., led by Dallis and Christy Ketchum. Desserts and coffee will be provided. Register online at fpcj.ms/events.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS — BEGINNING JANUARY 28

Those interested in becoming members of First Presbyterian Church are invited to attend the upcoming six-week Membership Class, beginning January 28, at 6 p.m. in Westminster Hall 204. Participants will learn what we share in common with all Bible-believing Christians, as well as the particular tenets of Presbyterianism, hear from ministry leaders, and have the opportunity to meet others who are new to the church. To register or for additional information, please contact Emily Eastman at emilye@fpcjackson.org.

ELDER ELECTION — FEBRUARY 1

An election for the office of elder will be held during a congregational meeting on Sunday, February 1, at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. The 28 candidates have completed a thorough review and training process, and the Session is confident they are fit for this office. Nominee information is available at fpcj.ms/elder-election. On February 1, children age two and under may remain in the nursery; parents of older children are asked to pick up from Sunday School promptly at 10:20 a.m.

Candidates for the Office of Elder

Charles Barbour	Bo Gregg	Doug Morgan	Jeff Skelton
Jesse Browning	Michael Hogue	Mike Myers	Ernie Strahan
Brooks Buchanan	Dallis Ketchum	Nathan Oakley	Hugh Trussell
Beau Burrow	Jeffrey Lamb	Virgil Payne	Matthew Turnage
Bill Crim	Alston Ludwig	Matt Peaster	Lee J. Webb
Price Davis	John Marchetti	Trey Porter	Tom Wright
Paul Forster	Martin McGee	Malcolm Saxon	Frank York

FPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 18, 2026

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.	New Member Meeting	PH
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)

Monday, January 19, 2026

all day Church Office Closed

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

9-10:30 a.m.	Women's Bible & Prayer Time	We Will Go
9:30 a.m.	Sew & Sow	WH 302
9:30 a.m.	Quilters	Bookstore
10:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	WH 305
12:00 p.m.	Weekday Prayer Meeting	PH
6:00 p.m.	MOMS at Night	MS
6:45 p.m.	Internationals Class	PH

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

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 Mini-Intensive: Ephesians	MH
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choirs	Playground
6:00 p.m.	Rise: Sixth Grade Fellowship	SC 211
6:00 p.m.	Student Ministry D Groups	YH & Baird Center Gym

Thursday, January 22, 2026

9:15 a.m.	Women's Bible Study: Exodus	PH
9:45 a.m.	Women's Bible Study: Romans	MH

Saturday, January 24, 2026

7:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast	PH
2:00 p.m.	Young Adults Retreat	Twin Lakes

Sunday, January 25, 2026

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
4:45 p.m.	Communicant Class & Fellowship Meal	MH
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 Ketchum Home (1073 Manship St.)

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

MIDWEEK MINI-INTENSIVE — CONTINUES WEDNESDAY

Ephesians: Belonging and Becoming

Join us this January for our Midweek Mini-Intensive, as David Strain leads us through the book of Ephesians. Over two Wednesday nights, we will explore Paul's great masterpiece on the church: what does it mean to be united to, and to live in, the body of Christ? D groups and electives will resume on January 28.