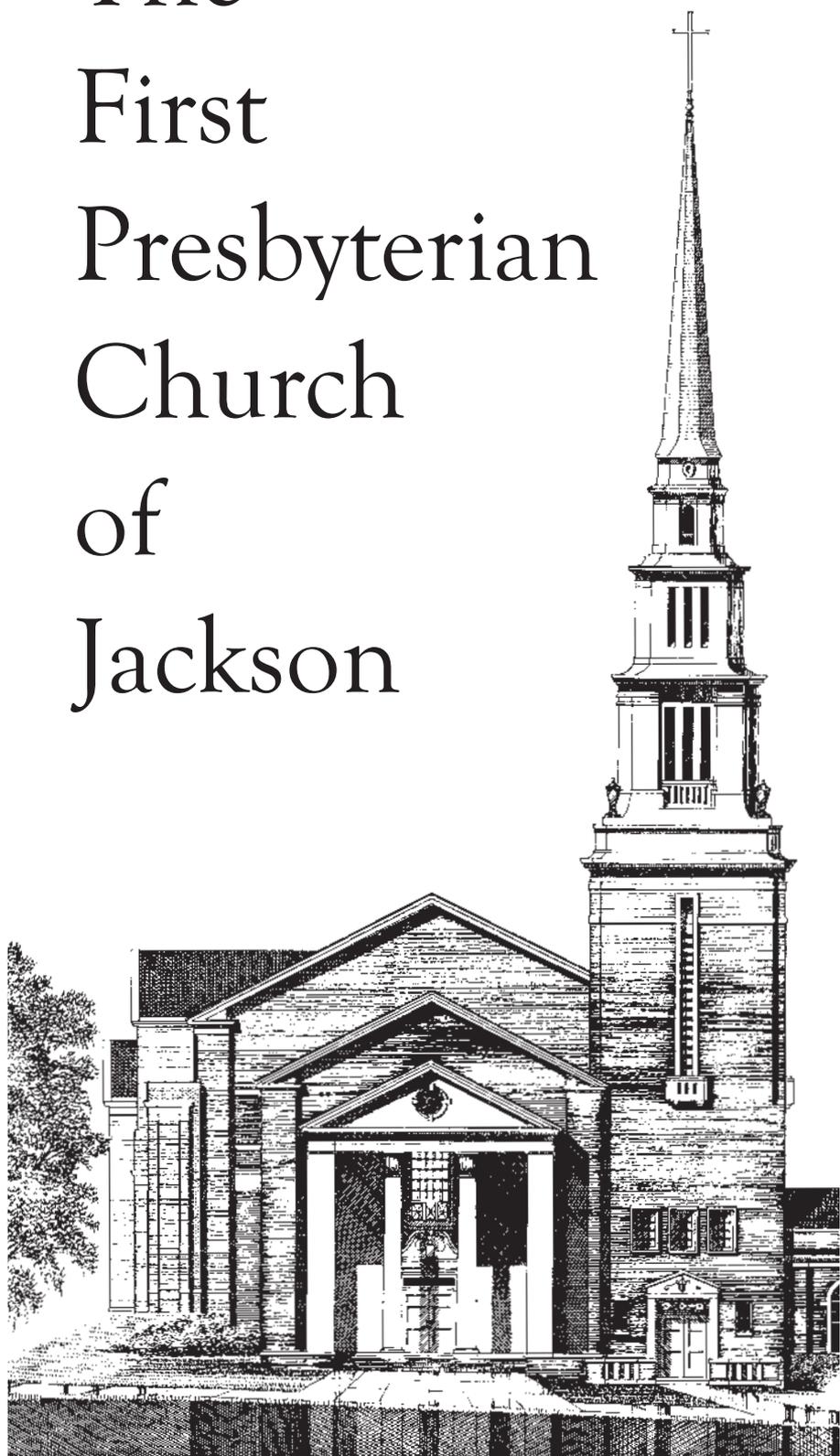


The
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Jackson



“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

The Thirteenth Day of January, Two Thousand Nineteen
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister
The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III — Minister of Pastoral Care

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

The Prelude — “Adagio”Joseph Hector Fiocco
Rae Shannon, Organ

The Introit — “Be Thou Exalted!”W. Wymond

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Hymn of Praise No. 277** — “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

‡ **The Invocation**

‡ **The Doxology** — All praise we sing to God, the Holy Trinity.
We praise the Father, Son and Spirit joyfully.
Creator God, our Shepherd, Savior, Lord and King; To Thee we sing!

The Law of God (See Guide)

The Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”Gilbert Martin
When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.
See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
Love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all!
Amen.

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Colossians 2:13-15 (Pew Bible page 984)

The Sermon — *Rooted*: “This, the Power of the Cross”Dr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn (Stzs. 1-3)** — “The Power of the Cross” (See Guide)

The Lord's Supper

The Words of Institution

The Invitation

The Prayer of Consecration

The Communion with Our Lord Jesus Christ and His People

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

‡ **The Hymn of Response (Stz. 4)** — “The Power of the Cross”

‡ **The Benediction**

The Response — “The Five-Fold Amen” Wymond

The Postlude — “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” ... Denis Bedard

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Mr. Gary W. Sinclair — Assistant Minister

The Reverend Dr. Cory C. Brock — Minister of Young Adults & College

The Announcements and Words of Preparation (5:55 p.m.)

The Prelude — “Here Is Love”

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Hymn** — “Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah!” (See Hymn Sheet)

‡ **The Invocation**

The Hymn — “Here Is Love” (See Hymn Sheet)

The Greetings

The Prayer — Ruling Elder Danny Story

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!”

The Young Children’s Devotional

For children currently in 4-year-old through 3rd grade Sunday School

The Children’s Catechism

Q61: What does it mean to believe in Christ? A: To trust in Christ alone for my salvation.

Q62: Can you repent and believe in Christ by your own power? A: No. I cannot repent and believe unless the Holy Spirit changes my heart.

Q63: How can you get the help of the Holy Spirit? A: God has told us to pray for the Holy Spirit’s help.

** **The Meditation and Prayer** Jamie Peipon, Worship Ministry Assistant

‡ **The Hymn No. 535 (Stzs. 1,2)** — “O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Proverbs 4:10-27 (Pew Bible page 529)

The Sermon — “Only Two Paths: Life and Death” Mr. Sinclair

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response** — “O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev’ry love the best:
‘Tis an ocean vast of blessing, ‘tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus! ‘Tis a heav’n of heav’ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to Thee.”

The Postlude

‡ Congregation standing

** Children dismissed after the prayer



First Presbyterian Church of Jackson exists to glorify God by making disciples on the North State Street corridor, in the greater Jackson area, and around the world.

A GUIDE TO THE MORNING SERVICE

This Lord's Day is a special occasion as we have the joy of partaking of the Lord's Table together. The sacrament of the "Lord's Supper" was instituted by Christ for the church in every age. St. Augustine, one of the early church fathers, referred to the sacrament as "a visible word" because it proclaims to us "the Lord's death until He comes" (1 Corinthians 11:23-26). As we come to the Table today, it may help you to prepare your hearts by pondering the significance of the Lord's Table.

THE LORD'S TABLE

The phrase itself conveys something very important about what is taking place during this component of our worship service. First, it is a table and not an altar. An altar is a place where sacrifices are offered to God. Christ has "offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, [and] he sat down at the right hand of God" (Hebrews 10:12). Again, "for by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified" (Hebrews 10:14). We have no need of an altar because the cross of Christ is the only altar of God. Second, it is the table of the Lord. He is the host of the meal and, hence, possesses the prerogative to invite us to meet and sup with Him. Therefore, as the term "Communion Service" denotes, it is a fellowship meal of Christ with His people.

It is oftentimes easy to miss the significance of Church architecture, but in reality, our sanctuary is designed to speak to us about the grace, beauty, and majesty of God. And the Lord's Table beautifully communicates this. Our communion table sits in the front of the sanctuary on the floor with the congregation in order to remind us that it is in Christ's sacrificial death that we are truly united to Him and also to one another. The table remains on the floor to show us that the body and blood of Christ, which it displays, is for the entire covenant community.

CHRIST'S PRESENCE

Another important question to ask when thinking on this sacrament is, "In what way is Christ present within it?" Sincere Christians throughout the ages have struggled to answer this question because within the ordinance there is certainly an aura of mystery. But we must remember that while the elements remain bread and wine, the presence of Christ is truly among us by His Spirit. The Spirit alone is able to make the sacrament of the Lord's Supper beneficial to our souls by penetrating our hearts and stirring our affections for Christ. Hence, let us be prepared to feast at the Lord's Table by asking the Spirit of God to convict us of sin, to supply grace to truly repent, and to savor Christ more and more. As we partake the emblems of Christ's suffering, let us remember that God confirms the benefits of His suffering: pardon, reconciliation, and eternal life through this covenant meal. Let us in turn reaffirm our covenant privileges and responsibilities to God as we anticipate His return.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. You shall have no other gods before Me.
2. You shall not make for yourself an idol. You shall not worship them or serve them.
3. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
5. Honor your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
10. You shall not covet.

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019

Sunday

Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133
 The Learning Resource Center — 9:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.
 (Library only)
 Children’s Church for 3- and 4-year olds — during 11:00 a.m.
 worship service in MB135
 The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m.
 (Library only)
 The Student Choir — 4:35 p.m. in MS
 Communicant Class — 4:45 p.m. in MH
 Senior High Insight — 7:30 p.m. at the Griffin home
 (5119 Heatherton Drive)

Monday

Circles Meet This Week
 Diaconate Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in PH
 Session Meeting — 7:00 p.m. in MS

Tuesday

Sew & Sew — 9:00 a.m. in SC 211
 French Camp Quilters — 9:00 a.m. in Library
 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 Mission Conference Planning Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH 202A
 Internationals Bible Study — 5:30 p.m. in SC 211 / 213
 Internationals Class — 6:30 p.m. in PH

Wednesday

MOMS Leadership Training — 9:00 a.m. in PH
 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.
 Men’s Bible Study — 10:00 a.m. in Parlor
 Shepherding Training — 12:00 noon in WH 202A
 Midweek Dinner — 5:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. in MH
 Junior High Small Groups — 5:30 p.m. in YH
 Shepherding Training — 5:30 p.m. in WH 202A
 Evangelism Group — 5:45 p.m. in WH 202B
 Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS
 First Pres Forum: Heaven & Hell — 6:30 p.m. in MH
 Chinese Bible Study — 6:30 p.m. in SC 210A
 Marriage Study: Rooted — 6:30 p.m. in PH
 Women’s Study: Identity Theft — 6:30 p.m. in WH 204B
 Senior High Small Groups — 6:30 p.m. in Y201

Thursday

Acts Bible Study — 9:30 a.m. in PH & SC
 God’s Covenant King Bible Study — 9:45 a.m. in MH
 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 MTW Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH 202A

Friday

Senior High Winter Retreat — Depart 4:00 p.m. from YH

Saturday

Men’s Prayer Breakfast — 7:30 a.m. in MH

BC - Basement Classroom
 CH - College House
 LH - Lowe Hall
 M - Main Floor

MCR - Ministers Conference Room
 MH - Miller Hall
 MS - Music Suite

PH - Patterson Hall
 YH - Youth House
 SC - Study Center
 WH - Westminster Hall

HC - Hutton Chapel
 LRC - Learning Resource Center
 SR - Session Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

II THESSALONIANS 3:1 – “Finally, brethren, pray for us....”

Mr. & Mrs. F – Serving as Church-Planters in Central Asia. For more information, please contact the Mission Department.

Taylor & Matt Peaster – Serving as Reformed University Fellowship Intern at the University of Memphis.

STEWARDSHIP 2019

We can plan to do more gospel ministry with your commitment for 2019. If you have not turned in your stewardship commitment card, you may place it in the offering plate during today's worship services. You may also pledge electronically by visiting our church app and clicking on "Giving," then "Pledge." To date, we have received 410 stewardship commitments for a total of \$4,386,246 and 36 Capital Projects & Improvements commitments for a total of \$70,822.00.

PROVERBS EVENING SERMON SERIES

Tonight, we continue our sermon series in the book of Proverbs. For the next four Sunday nights, we will hear what God's Word tells us about living with wisdom in several important areas of life. Please join us as we study these short verses that really "pack a punch"!

MOMS BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, we hope you'll join us on Wednesdays in Patterson Hall from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. beginning January 16 for MOMS Bible Study, *From Garden to Glory*. The format is small groups followed by a large-group lecture led by Debbie Dempsey. MOMS is a weekly Bible study for expectant moms, those who hope to become moms, and those whose youngest child is in the sixth grade or below. A nursery is available, but space is limited. Registration begins January 1. Please contact Joanna McNeel at 601-807-1596.

BAPTISM

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, January 20, 2019. To make your reservation, please contact Lilly Foerter at pcare@fpcjackson.org by January 14.

INTERESTED IN JOINING FPC?

New members will be received on February 3, 2019. All new member forms need to be turned in by January 20 or they will be held until the next date. Contact Lilly Foerter at ccare@fpcjackson.org with questions.

MID-SOUTH MEN'S RALLY

Men, you are invited to this year's Mid-South Men's Rally, January 25, with guest speaker Rankin Wilbourne. Dinner will be served beginning at 5:15 p.m. and the first session begins at 6:30 p.m. No advanced registration is necessary.

FAITH & WORK LUNCHEONS

Men and women, join us for a luncheon series as we consider how the gospel gives meaning to our work, and how God is calling us to live faithfully as we work: January 31 with Dr. Zeb Henson on *God's Design for Work*, February 7 with Dr. Tracy Ford on *Our Problems with Work*, and February 13 with Dr. Cory Brock on *The Gospel and Work*. The luncheons will be held at an off site location to be determined. More info to follow.

SAVE THE DATE

Please mark your calendars for the 2019 Global Mission Conference, February 20-24. If you are interested in hosting any of our visiting missionaries for a meal, or providing housing, please contact the mission department at missiondepartment@fpcjackson.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019

Planning for Vacation Bible School has begun. If you are a FPC member and would like to volunteer, please contact VBS Director Paige Burke at burkepaige32@gmail.com or 601-672-3309.

WOMEN'S MIDWEEK BOOK STUDY

Please join us for a small group book study led by Allie Elkin and Elise Turner, beginning January 16 - March 6 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. We will be studying *Identity Theft: Reclaiming the Truth of Who We Are in Christ* by Melissa Kruger. To register email Lisa Oswald at lisao@fpcjackson.org.

CRAFTS FOR MISSIONS

Crafts for Missions will meet on February 5, 12, 19 and 26, in SC 211, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Ladies, please join us as we make a Christmas ornament for our missionaries. No special skills required. Nursery is available only by request by contacting Cheryl Crawford (clcrawfor@aol.com). For more information, please contact Sharon Teh (601-946-1517).

SUPPORT GROUP

If you are struggling with alcohol or other chemical dependence and would like to get together with people who share in 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, and biblical reflection. Personal anonymity is very important at this meeting. 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 meets 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.

JANUARY CIRCLES

MONDAY, JANUARY 14

CIRCLE 2: *Marian Kennedy*

10:00 a.m. – home of Deanne Stephenson
102 Oakridge Trail, Flowood

CIRCLE 3: *Sam Simkins*

10:00 a.m. – home of Ann Webb
223 Eastbrooke St. II, Jackson

CIRCLE 4: *Bess Corbitt & Rebecca Redman*

10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 6: *Rhonda Baird*

6:30 p.m. – home of Beth Archer
2257 East Northside Drive, Jackson

CIRCLE 8: *Janie Purvis & Jan Wade*

9:30 a.m. – The Orchard

CIRCLE 14: *Susan Turner & Georgia Miller*
12:00 noon – WH 202

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15

CIRCLE 9: *Karen Crawford & Grace Toler*
10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 10: *Diana Howie*

10:00 a.m. – home of Nan Fulcher
2035 Heritage Hill Drive, Jackson

CIRCLE 11: *Frenchie Graham & Ruth Tant*

10:30 a.m. – home of Frenchie Graham
4005 Cabell Lane, Jackson

CIRCLE 12: *Nina Johnston & Janet Quayle*

10:30 a.m. – St. Catherine's, Marian Hall

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The Power of the Cross



1. O, to see the dawn of the dark - est day;
 2. O, to see the pain writ - ten on your face,
 3. Now the day - light flees; Now the ground be - neath,
 4. O, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds,



Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.
 bear - ing the awe - some weight of sin.
 quakes as its Ma - ker bows His head.
 for through Your suf - f'ring I am free.



Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en, then
 Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, ev - 'ry e - vil deed
 Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to life
 Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,



nailed to a cross of wood.
 crown - ing Your blood - stained brow.
 "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.
 won through Your self - less love!



— This the pow'r _____ of the cross: _____
 — This the pow'r _____ of the cross: _____
 — This the pow'r _____ of the cross: _____
 — This the pow'r _____ of the cross: _____



— Christ be - came _____ sin for us. _____ Took the blame, _____
 — Christ be - came _____ sin for us. _____ Took the blame, _____
 — Christ be - came _____ sin for us. _____ Took the blame, _____
 — Son of God _____ slain for us. _____ What a love, _____



— bore the wrath; We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.
 — bore the wrath; We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.
 — bore the wrath; We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.
 — what a cost! We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.