

THE LORD'S DAY

The Ninth Day of August, Two Thousand Nine
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

Presiding Minister — The Reverend Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas

Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. Jeremy H. Smith

Executive Minister

At the time of the Greetings and Announcements, and during the Prelude, the congregation is invited to a season of silent and reverent preparation for corporate worship.

The Greetings and Announcements (8:20 and 10:50 a.m.)

The Prelude — "From Heaven Above"Sigfrid Karg-Elert
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organist

The Introit — "Come, Join Our Cheerful Song"Dale Wood

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Psalm of Praise No. 1** — "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" (Psalm 100)

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**

The Old Testament Reading — Isaiah 47 (Pew Bible pages 607-608)

‡ **The Response** — Isaiah 14 and 47 (See Guide)

The Public Profession of Faith

The Biblical Basis

The Introduction of New Members and Communicant

The Questions of Membership

The Prayer

The Declaration

The Blessing

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Anthem — "Be Not Afraid" (*Elijah*).....Felix Mendelssohn

"Be not afraid, saith God the Lord; Thy help is near.

Though thousands languish and fall beside thee,

And tens of thousands around thee perish;

Yet still it shall not come nigh thee.

Be not afraid! Thy help is near.

Be not afraid, saith God the Lord."

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Romans 8:31-37 (Pew Bible pages 944-945)

The Sermon — *The Best Chapter in the Bible*: "If God Is For Us" (1) ...Dr. Thomas

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 691** — "It Is Well with My Soul"

‡ **The Benediction**

The Response — "Five-Fold Amen"Pinehurst

The Postlude — "Fugue in C Major"Felix Mendelssohn

‡ Congregation standing

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

Presiding Minister — The Reverend Mr. Jeremy H. Smith
Assisting Minister — The Reverend Mr. William F. Joseph III
Minister of Congregational Care

The Announcements and Words of Preparation (5:50 p.m.)

The Prelude — "Evening Prayer".....Gordon Young
Connie S. Wadsworth, Organist

The Call to Worship

‡ **The Psalm of Praise No. 84** — "Under the Care of My God, the Almighty" (Psalm 91)

‡ **The Invocation**

The Evening Hymn — "Before the Throne" (See Guide)

* **The Greetings**

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Noel Toler

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — "There Is a Savior"Sandi Patti
Mary Margaret May, Soloist

The Young Children's Devotional

The Song No. 1 — "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" (Stanzas 1, 3, and 4)

The *Children's Catechism* No. 84

Q. "What is the third commandment?"

A. "The third commandment is: *You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses His name.*"

The Scripture — Exodus 20:7; Leviticus 19:12; Deuteronomy 5:11; 28:9-10,
58-59; Psalm 115:11; Isaiah 42:8; Matthew 6:9

The Meditation.....Brett Clifton, Student Ministry Assistant

The Prayer(The children dismissed following the prayer)

‡ **The Hymn No. 646** — "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts" (Stanzas 1-4)

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Matthew 16:13-23 (Pew Bible page 822)

The Sermon — *Encounters with Jesus*: "A Willful Disciple"Mr. Smith

‡ **The Benediction and Response No. 646** — "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"
(Stanza 5)

"O Jesus, ever with us stay,
make all our moments calm and bright;
chase the dark night of sin away,
shed o'er the world Thy holy light."

The Postlude — "Postludium"Gordon Young

*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

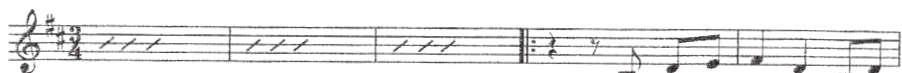
Welcome
Visitors

We are delighted to have you in our worship. May we heartily worship and praise God together! If you would like information about joining this church, we cordially invite you to an informal meeting in the Session Room following the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services.

Words: Charitie Bancroft
and Vikki Cook

Before the Throne

Music: Vikki Cook



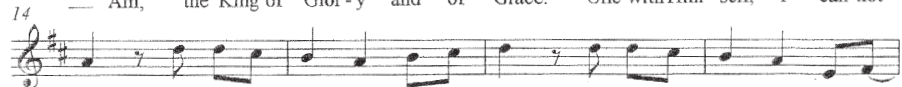
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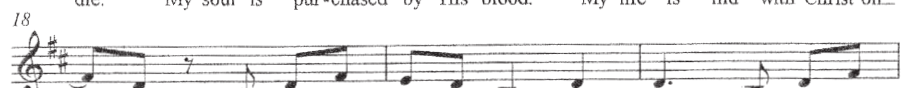
bove, I have a strong and per - fect plea; a great High Priest whose name is...
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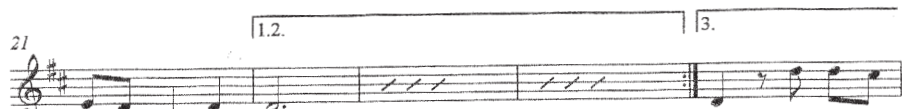
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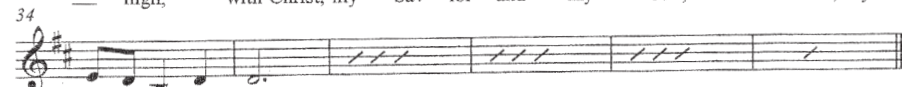
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Sav - ior and my God.

A Guide to the Morning Service

The Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

One of the two best-known and well-loved psalms of our congregation is this setting of Psalm 100 (the other is Psalm 23, sung to “Crimond” which we sang last week). There has probably not been a year in the 160-year-plus life of this church when this psalm and tune haven’t been sung. The tune comes right out of Calvin’s *Genevan Psalter* and is still in use in every nation where there is a Reformed church.

It takes a humble man or woman to sing the words of this hymn. Of course, our worship is an expression of our humility, as we pay homage to and glory in a great God. But there is also something else here. One of the oft used metaphors in Scripture for God is that of a shepherd; and in stanza two, we claim to be both God’s folk and His flock. In essence, we are saying to God, “we are slow, dull, helpless, easily befuddled sheep—please feed us or we will not eat.” It’s hard to be a proud sheep.

Isaiah 14 and 47

"The dreaded nation Babylon
has heard a shocking word
The Lord will come with judgment on
The mistress of the world.

She thought her reign and revelry
would never know an end.
But now the enemy of God
will answer for her sin

The Lord has made a difference
among the folks that dwell
upon the earth - His people are
safe from the fires of hell.

But woe to those who would abuse
His name or people dear
destruction and reproach ensue
the feared will know true fear!"
[Tune #30 *St. Anne*]

Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment

Karolina Wilhemina Sandell-Berg (1832-1903), known to friends as “Lina,” was the daughter of Jonas Sandell, pastor of the Lutheran church in Fröderyd. At age 26, she accompanied her father on a boat trip to Gothenberg, during which he fell overboard and drowned before her eyes. The tragedy profoundly affected Lina and reportedly inspired her to write hymns. Known as “the Fanny Crosby of Sweden,” she wrote 650 hymns, of which “Children of the Heavenly Father” is the best known. She married Stockholm merchant C. O. Berg in 1867, but continued to initial her hymns “L. S.”

It Is Well with My Soul

This hymn was written after two major traumas in Spafford’s life. The first was the Great Chicago Fire of October 1871, which ruined him financially (he had been a wealthy businessman). Shortly after, while crossing the Atlantic, all four of Spafford’s daughters died in a collision with another ship. Spafford’s wife, Anna, survived and sent him the now famous telegram, “Saved alone.” Several weeks later, as Spafford’s own ship passed near the spot where his daughters died, he penned these words. They speak to the eternal hope that all believers have, no matter what pain and grief befall them on earth. Should we suffer for the sake of the gospel, we can yet sing along with confidence, “whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, ‘It is well with my soul.’”

FPC THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • August 9, 2009

Sunday

Pre-Service Announcements — 8:20 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Hymns of the Faith Radio Program — 9:00 a.m. on WJNT 1180 AM
Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133
Sunday School — 9:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m. in various locations
Pre-Service Announcements — 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary
New Members Luncheon — 12:00 p.m. in MH
The Choir — 4:30 p.m. in MS
WIC Prayer Group — 5:00 p.m. in the Parlor
Pre-Service Announcements — 5:50 p.m. in the Sanctuary
First - Third Grade Catechism Class — 6:30 p.m. (dismissed from Sanctuary to M133)
Four- and Five-Year-Olds Scripture Memory Class — 6:30 p.m. (dismissed from Sanctuary to M135)
Senior High Insight — 7:30 p.m. in the home of Taylor Byrd (4793 Crestwood Drive)
College Open Gym Night — 7:30 p.m. in Gym

Monday

Scout Committee — 12:00 p.m. in MH
The Diaconate — 5:30 p.m. in PH
The Session — 7:00 p.m. in MS

Tuesday

Staff Meeting — 9:00 a.m. in HC
Stewardship Committee — 12:00 p.m. in MH
Twin Lakes Executive Committee — 12:00 p.m. in MH

Wednesday

Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH
Junior High Small Groups — 5:00 p.m. in YH
Children's Activities — 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. on the Playground/Gym
The Choir — 5:50 p.m. in MS
Mid-Week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in LH
Senior High Small Groups — 7:45 p.m. in YH

Thursday

Romans Bible Study Prayer Time — 9:45 a.m. in WH202
Internationals Planning Meeting — 12:00 p.m. in MH
College Game Night — 8:30 p.m.
(Call David Felker if interested)

Friday

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

II THESSALONIANS 3:1

"Finally, brethren, pray for us..." — Our FPC missionary for today to lift up in prayer: Will Joseph, serving local national churches in East Asia. 1359 Broadway, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10018. Email: willrcpc@redeemer.com.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given in loving honor of Dr. and Mrs. Howard Cleland by their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren in celebration of their 65th wedding anniversary.

NEW MEMBERS

Last Sunday, we welcomed the following new members into our fellowship: Mrs. Lynn Broomfield; Ms. Amber O'Farrell; Mrs. (Robert) Adrienne Penny; Mr. William Pringle, and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Whitney (Nan).

CALLING ALL MEN!

FPC Men's Bible Study - "Surveying the New Testament"

Men, would you like to grow in your knowledge of the Bible's content, and better understand how each book of the New Testament contributes to the unfolding of God's plan of redemption? This fall, Nate Shurden, Minister of Discipleship, will lead a weekly morning Bible study through the New Testament. In this study, you will gain a better grasp of the content, theological foundations, and redemptive contributions of the New Testament. The study will include teaching, guided discussion, and prayer. The Bible study will meet on Tuesday mornings from 6:30-7:50 a.m. in Miller Hall from September to December. A light breakfast will be served each week. Please join us as we seek to better know and understand God's Word! To sign up for this study, please contact Shannon Craft, Administrative Assistant of Discipleship, at shannonc@fpcjackson.org or call 601-326-9243.

LADIES FALL BIBLE STUDY CORRECTION

MOMS will be studying 2 Corinthians rather than
1 Corinthians as previously printed
Wednesdays from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

(Small groups and large group lecture) Teacher: Jane Wiggins
Registration: Call Laura Barbour at 601-366-3073
First day of study: September 9

FALL 2009 DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Beginning: Wednesday, August 26, 2009

To sign-up, call or email Shannon Craft in the Discipleship Office
and you will be connected to a group.
601-326-9243 or shannonc@fpcjackson.org
Deadline: Monday, August 23, 2009

ELIJAH!
FPC Choir
Sunday, August 30, 2009
at 6:00 p.m.

THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

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web site - www.fpcjackson.org
"Hymns of the Faith" WJNT 1180AM Talk Radio 9:00 A.M. Sunday
WWSL FM102.3 11:00 A.M. Sunday
WLBT TV3 10:00 A.M. Sunday
WTWB TV14 Memphis

THE SESSION

The Reverend Dr. J. Ligon Duncan III, Senior Minister

John A. Crawford, Clerk	Stephen M. Edwards	Wiley P. Lowry, Jr.	Jerrald L. Shivers
James S. Armstrong	James D. Elkin	A. William May	Mark A. Sorgenfrei
J. Mark Baird	T. David Elkin	George W. May, Jr.	Paul H. Stephenson III
McNeill Bartling III	George R. Fair	C. Eugene McRoberts, Jr.	Marvin E. Stockett
Bryant R. Boswell	Kenneth G. Fairly	Robert B. Mims	William O. Stone, Jr.
John H. Bowen III	W. Craig Flowers	J. Longstreet Minor III	Daniel B. Story II
Max P. Bowman	L. H. Fulcher, Jr.	James L. Moore	Orrin H. Swayze, Jr.
Forrest G. Bratley, Jr.	Claude W. Harbarger	Doyle B. Moorhead	Tian C. Teh
Donald G. Breazeale	William K. Harper	J. Lee Owen, Jr.	Denny A. Terry
John P. Buchanan	Samuel D. Hensley	Joel G. Payne, Jr.	Jim B. Tohill
Don B. Cannada	W. Wayne Husband	William D. Payne, Sr.	Noel K. Toler, Jr.
Al Page Chestnut	H. Richard Johnson, Jr.	William M. Penn	Ward B. Toler
Victor B. Clark	J. Edmund Johnston, Jr.	Thomas I. Rice III	R. Barry Vickery
C. David Cleland	W. Harper Keeler	Richard L. Ridgway	Alan H. Walters
William S. Cook	Crane D. Kipp	Stephen W. Rosenblatt	T. Calvin Wells
Robert A. Cunningham	Ralph H. Lord	Richard W. Russ	A. Terrel Williams
T. Doug Dale, Sr.	Robert Y. Love, Jr.	A. Jerry Sheldon	Mark J. Windham

Elders Emeriti: Thomas H. Bowen, Jr.; Robert F. Cooper, Jr.; William H. Cox, Jr.; Allan G. Edgar, Jr.; Owen C. Elder, Jr.; Frank H. Hagaman; W. Jefferson Hamm, Sr.; Homer Lee Howie, Sr.; Leland Hume, Jr.; Leon E. Lewis, Jr.; Dickson R. Liddell; William A. Long, Jr.; R. Sam McAllister; Palmer L. Quarterman; Sidney A. Robinson, Jr.; Lewis Van Ness Rusling; Arthur C. Stringer; Joel E. Varner; Chess B. Wymond

THE DIACONATE

Marcus M. Wilson, Chairman	John L. Cox	Paul Hurst	John Lowe Smith
John H. Allgood III	Paul L. Cox	Carey A. Johnston	Victor P. Smith, Jr.
David M. Baird	John A. Crawford, Jr.	Terry R. Levy	William F. Sneed
D. Kyle Ball	J. Holt Crews	Douglas M. McDaniel	Stewart C. Swayze
Kenneth C. Ball	William L. Crim, Jr.	John H. McVey, Sr.	L. Ford Terry
Charles F. Barbour	Edward J. Currie, Jr.	Michael M. Manning	Robert L. Thomas
James M. Bateman	Thomas D. Dale, Jr.	Victor H. Meena, Jr.	Timothy M. Threadgill
Lewis W. Bell	Guy H. Davant III	Robert A. Miller	Michael T. Tramel
Victor E. Blaylock	Arthur P. Davis	James L. Moore, Jr.	Joe P. Uithoven
David L. Bowling	Robert G. Dye, Sr.	William M. Moore	Guy T. Vise, Jr.
Walter J. Brand	Larry W. Edwards	J. Walter Newman IV	J. Wilbourn Vise
P. Sharkey Burke, Jr.	Robert G. Feild	J.T. Noblin	Joseph W. Wadsworth
William T. Burnham, Jr.	Marcial D. Forester, Jr.	J. Lee Owen III	H. Coles Wilkins, Jr.
C. Glen Bush, Jr.	David H. Fulcher	Leroy H. Paris II	Joseph T. Wilkins III
R. Barry Cannada	Alan F. Futvoye	R. Phillip Parker	Neil Witherow
Stuart H. Clarke	Gary J. Herring	Benjamin W. Roberson	Thomas M. Wright
Danny C. Costello	James W. Hood	J. Clark Robinson	Wirt A. Yerger III
V. Reid Cotten	L. Lawrence Houchins, Jr.	S. Craig Robinson	John H. Young III
	James R. House III	Cy Rosenblatt	

Deacons Emeriti: T. Oscar Burris, Jr.; Charles R. Gardner; Wentworth T. Gates; Billy C. Greenlee; J.O. Manning, Jr.; Boyd Thompson; Richard B. Wilson, Jr.; Wirt A. Yerger, Jr.; Donn E. Young

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL—9:40 - 10:40 A.M.

A. Jerry Sheldon, General Superintendent
Mrs. Al Chestnut, Special Ed. Coordinator
Mr. & Mrs. Ward Toler, Jr. High Coordinators
Mr. & Mrs. Crane Kipp, Churchtime Coordinators
Mrs. Hall Bailey, Information Desk Coordinator

THE CHURCH PROGRAM

THE SUNDAY SERVICES:

*Sunday School	9:40 A.M.
*Morning Worship	8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
*Evening Worship	6:00 P.M.
Senior High Insight	7:30 P.M.
Communion	2nd Sunday in January, April, July and October
Baptism	3rd Sunday in January, March, May, July, September, and November
New Members Received	1st Sunday in February, April, June, August, October and December at 5:00 p.m. in HC

*THE MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER MEETING:Wednesday, 6:30 P.M.
Family Night DinnerWednesday, 5:00 - 6:15 P.M.
Adult Bible StudyWednesday, 6:30 P.M.
Senior High Small Groups.....Wednesday, 7:45 P.M.
Junior High Small GroupsWednesday, 5:00 P.M.
Children's ActivitiesWednesday, 6:30 P.M.

*THE CHOIR REHEARSALWednesday, 5:50 P.M.

THE WOMEN IN THE CHURCH:

*Administrative CouncilFirst Monday, 9:30 A.M.
*CirclesSecond Week

THE MEN OF THE COVENANTFirst Thursday, 11:45 A.M.

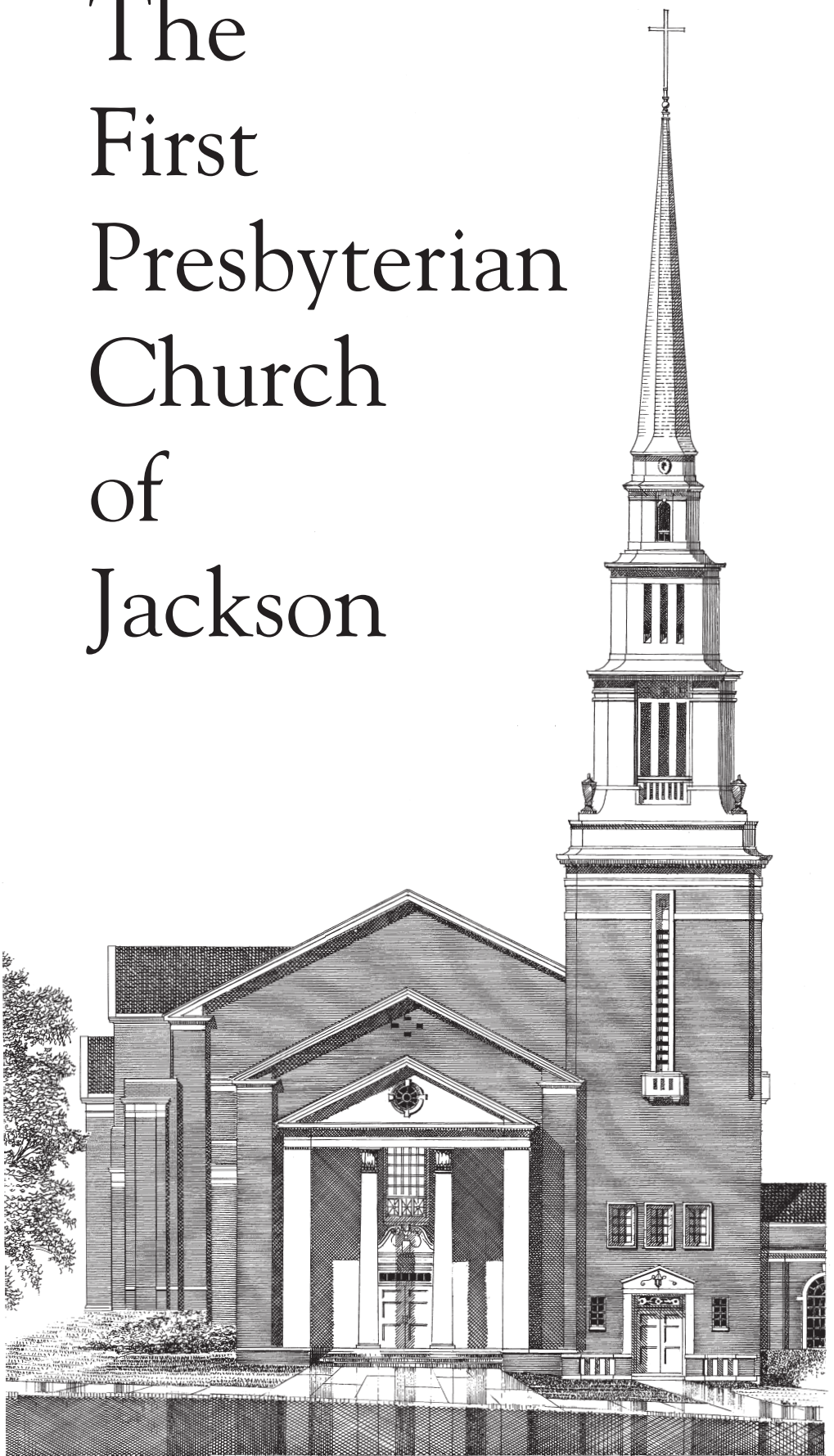
THE SCOUTS: Boy Scouts (Troop 18) (Weekly)Monday, 7:00 P.M.

THE SESSION MEETINGSecond Monday, 7:00 P.M.

THE DIACONATE MEETINGSecond Monday, 5:30 P.M.

* A nursery for infants and pre-school children is maintained by the Church.

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“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”