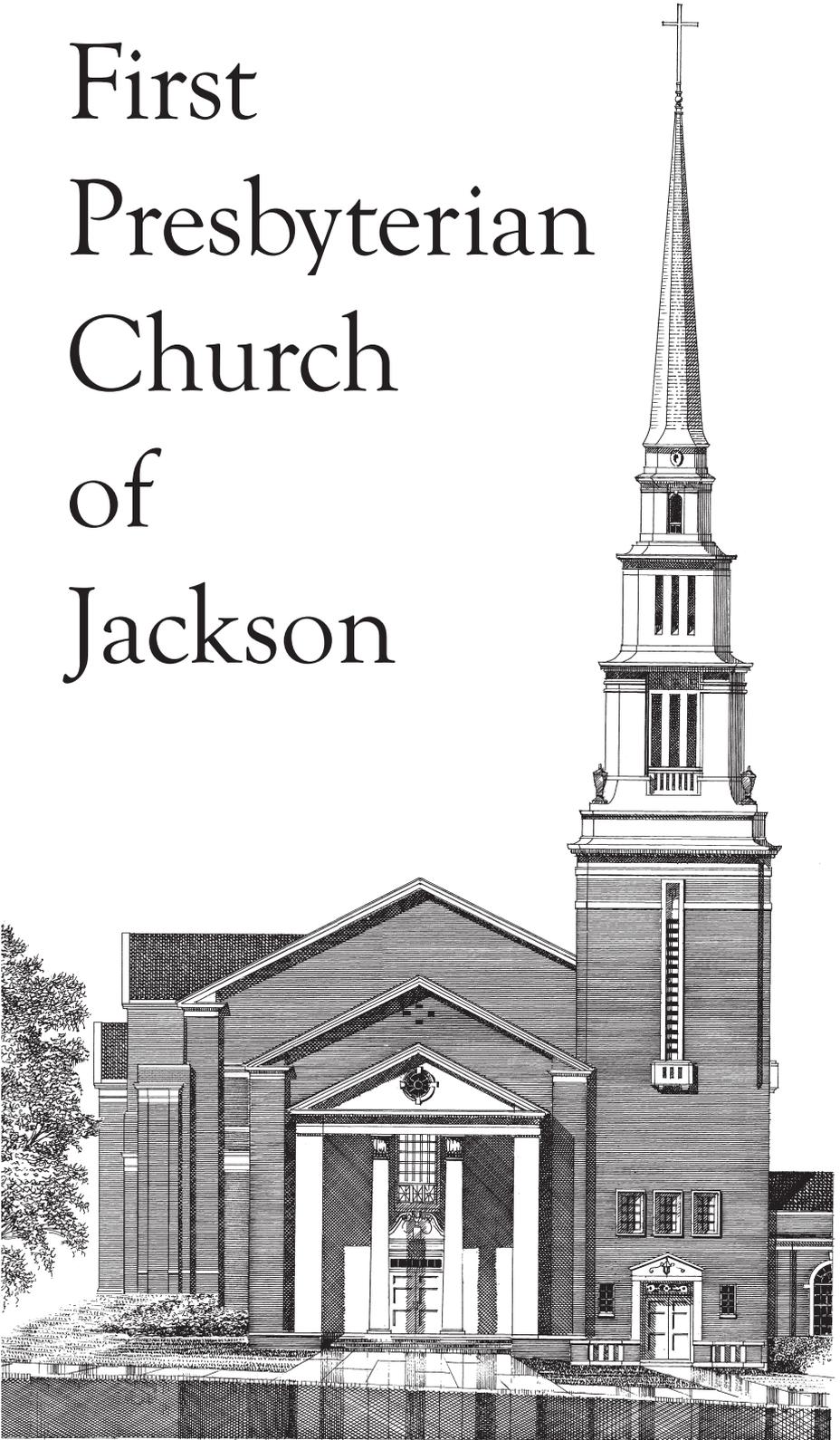


The
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“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”

THE LORD'S DAY

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

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister
The Reverend Dr. Edward A. Hartman — Minister of Mission & Outreach

APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

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

The Prelude — "To God Be the Glory" Michael Burkhardt
Rae Shannon, Organ

The Introit — "I Was Glad When They Said unto Me" C. Hubert H. Parry

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 57 — "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul"

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Invocation

The Doxology

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. Amen.

The Corporate Prayer of Confession — Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD!

O Lord, hear my voice!

Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in His word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with Him is plentiful redemption. And He will redeem Israel
from all his iniquities.

The Assurance of Pardon

The Offering

The Anthem — "Unclouded Day" Shawn Kirchner

O they tell me of a home far beyond the skies, they tell me of a home far away.

And they tell me of a home where no storm-clouds rise:

O they tell me of an unclouded day.

Chorus:

O the land of cloudless days, O the land of an unclouded sky,

O they tell me of a home where no storm-clouds rise.

O they tell me of an unclouded day.

O they tell me of a home where my friends have gone,
they tell me of a land far away,
Where the tree of life in eternal bloom sheds its fragrance
through the unclouded day.

Chorus

They tell me of a King in His beauty there,
they tell me that mine eyes shall behold
Where He sits on a throne that is bright as the sun
in the city that is made of gold!

Chorus

The Hymn 485 (Stzs. 1-4) — “O Thou That Hear’st When Sinners Cry”

The Pastoral Prayer

HEARING GOD’S VOICE

The Old Testament Reading — Psalm 115 (Pew Bible page 510)

The New Testament Reading — 2 Peter 1:12-18 (Pew Bible page 1018)

The Sermon — Grace to Remember: Eyewitnesses of His Majesty ... Dr. Strain

The Hymn No. 34 (Stzs. 1 and 6) — “The God of Abraham Praise”

The Benediction

The Congregational Response

Because He lives I can face tomorrow; Because He lives all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future, and life is worth the living,
just because He lives.

The Postlude — “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” Denis Bedard

GUIDE TO THE MORNING SERVICE

WHY DO WE HAVE A PRAYER OF CONFESSION?

The Christian is one who has been given truth to confess. The heart of our confession is the good news that God has come in the flesh to redeem helpless sinners from our natural state of sin and misery. But it is the bad news of our natural sin and misery that makes the good news intelligible. This is why it is necessary and truly beneficial that we, as God's people, corporately confess our sins in worship. Corporate confession is one way that we reorient ourselves to the shocking reality of the kindness, mercy, and inestimable love of God—"for even while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8).

Our confession of sin also reminds us that we are ever dependent on His grace, because, in this life, we are ever struggling with the darkness of our own sinful hearts. The Bible is crystal clear that even though we've been justified by the blood of Christ, as long as we are on this earthly pilgrimage, we will always be at war with our sin (Col. 3:5). When we confess our sins together, we stop hiding, and we allow the light of God's grace to expose our deeds. And it is in this act of confession that His mercy renews us, fixes our eyes once again upon Christ, and cleanses our consciences to serve the Lord with gladness, joy, and hope—hope that even we can be made clean by the precious blood of Christ!

WELCOME

We welcome all to this service of worship. If you are a Christian visiting with us today, we greet you in the name of our common Lord. If you are not a believer, we greet you as a friend and trust that you will sense the warmth and genuineness of our reception. We invite everyone here to participate with our congregation as we sing, pray, and give attention to God's Word.

VISITORS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We are so glad you are here. You can text **fpcjwelcome** to 955-77 to learn more about how to get connected to the life of our church.

EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. Cory C. Brock — Minister of Young Adults & College
The Reverend Mr. Gary W. Sinclair — FPDS Chaplain

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

The Prelude — “Andante” (*Concerto in E*)..... Felix Mendelssohn
Shellie Kemp, Violin; William Wymond, Organ

The Call to Worship

The Hymn No. 500 — “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

The Invocation

The Hymn — “Come Ye Sinners” (Hymn sheet)

The Greetings

The Missionary Report Foster & Laura Gullett (MTW)

The Evening Prayer Mr. Arthur Davis

The Offering

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

Q23. What covenant did God make with Adam? A: The covenant of life.

Q24. What is a covenant? A: A relationship that God establishes with us and guarantees by His word.

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

The Hymn (Stzs. 1-2) — “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” (Hymn sheet)

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Nehemiah 8..... (Pew Bible page 403)

The Sermon — Gathered Around God's Word..... Dr. Brock

The Benediction

The Response

I take, O cross, thy shadow
for my abiding place:
I ask no other sunshine than
The sunshine of His face;
Content to let the world go by
To know no gain nor loss,
My sinful self my only shame,
my glory, all the cross.

The Postlude — “Fanfare in F” Henry Purcell

FPC THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 13, 2021

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship.....	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School.....	Various
6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship.....	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight.....	The Gregg Home (2465 Sandridge Dr.)

Monday, June 14, 2021

3:30 p.m.	Junior High Summer Snow Cones	Nandy's Candy
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Tuesday, June 15, 2021

2:00 p.m.	Junior High Girls Tie Dye.....	Belhaven Field
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Wednesday, June 16, 2021

5:00 p.m.	Midweek Dinner	Miller Hall
5:30 p.m.	Children's Playtime	Playground
5:50 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
6:00 p.m.	Midweek Adult Electives	
	Prayer Meeting and Bible Study.....	PH
	Engaged & Newlywed Class.....	SC 210
	Foundations Class.....	WH 204
	Hope Exchange: Mercy Ministry Training.....	Company Rm
	Revisiting the Problem of Anxiety.....	MH
	Teacher Training with Dr. Charlie Wingard	WH 202
6:00 p.m.	Children's Summer Program	Various
6:00 p.m.	Junior High & Senior High D Groups.....	YH

Thursday, June 17, 2021

4:00 p.m.	Rising Seventh Grade Pool Party.....	The Ketchum Home
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Saturday, June 19, 2021

7:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Meeting.....	WH 202
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Sunday, June 20, 2021

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship.....	Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School.....	Various
6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship.....	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Senior High Insight.....	The Biggs Home (4025 Crane Blvd.)

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly of the PCA will be held in St. Louis, June 29-July 2, 2021. The following church leaders and pastors will attend this year:

Ned Currie (Ruling Elder)	David Strain (Teaching Elder)
Claude Harbarger (Ruling Elder)	Ralph Kelley (Teaching Elder)
Wayne Husband (Ruling Elder)	Billy Dempsey (Teaching Elder)
Bill Stone (Ruling Elder)	David Felker (Teaching Elder)
Tim Threadgill (Ruling Elder)	Gary Sinclair (Teaching Elder)
Mark Windham (Ruling Elder)	

Please join us in praying for them as they prepare to study, discuss, debate, and decide biblical and ministry issues.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF MUSIC AND WORSHIP

We are pleased to announce that Jamie Peipon has been called by the Session to be Assistant Minister-elect of Music and Worship. Please be in prayer for Jamie over the summer as he studies for his examination before the presbytery and prepares for ordination in the early fall.

FPC DIGITAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The FPC has a digital membership directory puts the contact information of our fellow church members right at our fingertips! All FPC members can access the FPC Digital Directory online at fpcjackson.shelbynextchms.com or through the smartphone app. For more information visit fpcj.ms/membership-directory.

The Digital Directory is very easy to use, but if you would like help accessing it on your laptop or smartphone, we will offer a Help Desk in June on the following days:

Sundays, June 13, 20, & 27 — 9:30 to 10:00
in Miller Hall & the Greeting Courtyard

Wednesdays, June 16 & 23 — 5:30 to 6:00
in Miller Hall

Bring your smartphone, tablet, or laptop computer; app store ID and password; and ShelbyNext username and password. Contact kristinab@fpcjackson.org with questions or for more information.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER/SISTER/FRIEND PICNIC

Join us for an indoor picnic in Miller Hall on June 22 at 11:30 with speaker, Lisa Turner, Director of Women's Ministry at Independent Presbyterian Church in Memphis. The cost is \$8. There is a child's meal option of Chick-fil-A and pizza, and playground is available for boys age 12 and under. Sign up on the FPC website or app or call 601-973-9115.

WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Join us for *What's She Doing Here? The Messy Women in Jesus' Genealogy*, a six-week study on Thursday mornings this summer from 10:00-11:30 (June 17 -July 22). We will gather to discuss weekly homework and watch video lectures by Susan Tyner. Sign up on the FPC website or app.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Clarke & Khrystya Norton – Serving as church planters in Lviv, Ukraine.
Email: hecorton@gmail.com

Way & Amy Rutherford – Serving as Campus Minister with RUF at Baylor University in Waco, TX. Email: wrutherford@ruf.org

Somalia – The World Watch List is an annual report on the global persecution of Christians ranking the top 50 countries where Christians are persecuted for their faith. Number three on the list is Somalia. Download the Pray for the Persecuted app at opendoorsusa.org/prayerapp.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Jim and Betty Moore's children, grandchildren, and great grandchild in honor of their 61st anniversary (June 14).

RECEPTION FOR RALPH & WENDY KELLEY — TODAY

Join us tonight following the evening worship service as we express our appreciation for Ralph Kelley's nine years of service to our congregation. Come wish Ralph and Wendy well before they leave FPC at the end of June.

SUMMER MIDWEEK — BEGINNING JUNE 16

Our summer Midweek ministry kicks off on June 16, and we have six teaching elective options for adults:

Revisiting the Problem of Anxiety — Cory Brock

Hope Exchange: Mercy Ministry Training for Each of Us — Levi Gill

Foundations Class — David Strain and other FPC ministers
Learn the basics about our church and the PCA denomination. This class is specifically geared to newcomers, but any church members are welcome to attend. Register by emailing ccare@fpcjackson.org.

Engaged and Newlywed Class — various staff and local counselors
Register by emailing youngadults@fpcjackson.org. If you signed up and haven't heard back from us, email us again as we experienced a glitch in our system.

Teacher Training — Dr. Charlie Wingard

This training is for anyone who teaches at FPC or is interested in doing so in the future. Whether you teach Sunday school, a D Group, women's Bible study, or a small group, take advantage of this resource!

Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

For children, we offer nursery for infants through three-years old, children's play time for children in the 3-year-old Sunday School class through fifth grade, and a summer children's program. During this program, Fight the Good Fight, we will discuss practical suggestions on how to fight spiritual battles, talk about common battlegrounds of the heart, and offer helpful strategies to guard our faith.

For rising grades 7-12, we have Discipleship Groups in the Youth House.

For more information visit fpcjackson.org/midweek. With any questions, contact discipleship@fpcjackson.org.