

The Lord’s Day

February 26, 2017
Eleven O'clock

“And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD his God.” (Micah 5:4)

Please switch all communications devices to silent mode. Thank you.

Welcome and Announcements

+Prelude..... “Be Thou My Vision” Mark Thewes

Call to Worship..... Isaiah 66:1-2

Thus says the Lord: “Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool; what is the house that you would build for me, and what is the place of my rest? All these things my hand has made, and so all these things came to be, declares the Lord. But this is the one to whom I will look: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word.

Choral Introit “Sing to the Lord”Samuel Porter
Sanctuary Choir

***Ascription of Praise** (Hymn 521, verse 1)..... SOLID ROCK

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

*Prayer of Adoration

***Hymn 521** (verses 2-4)..... SOLID ROCK
“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

Private Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon..... Psalm 103:1-5

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems

your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

***Affirmation of Faith**..... The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell[†]. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church^{††}, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

[†]i.e., Christ remained dead for three days ^{††}i.e., the universal Christian Church

Prayer of Intercession and The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Please complete the black Fellowship Folder and pass down the pew.

Presentation of God’s Tithe and Our Offerings

Offertory Anthony Giamaco
“Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove”

(Four and Five-year olds dismissed to Children’s Church)

+Doxology (Hymn 731) OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heav’nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Choral Anthem Derek Hakes
“Fairest Lord Jesus”
Sanctuary Choir

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nations, O thou of God and man the Son, Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul’s glory, joy, and crown. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all

the angels heaven can boast. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise and adoration forevermore be Thine!

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Scripture Reading Matthew 5:4 Pew Bible p. 809

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon..... Dr. Michael McKelvey
“Mourning”

Hymn 305 (verses 1-2)..... LENOX
“Arise, My Soul, Arise”

The Lord’s Supper

***Hymn 305** (verses 3-4) LENOX
“Arise, My Soul, Arise”

***Benediction** Dr. McKelvey

*Choral Response

***Postlude** “Trumpet Tune in D” David Lasky

*Please stand if you are able.

+The ushers may seat worshippers.

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

You are invited and are welcome to participate in the Lord’s Supper if you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a faithful member or adherent of this or some other congregation, recognized as belonging to the fellowship of Christian believers. If this does not describe you, we are glad you are here and commend to you this prayer for your use during this time of the Lord’s Supper.

Lord Jesus, the burdens of my life are too great for me. I know that my heaviest burden is my own sin. My sin has made me estranged from God and it is too great for me to carry. You say to all sinners, including me, “Come to me all who are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest.” These are the words my guilty conscience longs for. Help me, Lord Jesus, to understand and believe your loving promise that I can have rest for my soul. And even more, that I can know you and have eternal life.

Presiding Minister - Dr. David Hatten Jussely
Assisting Elder - Ruling Elder Louis Benton

Missionaries of the Week - Donald & Claire-Lise Cobb with MTW

COMMUNITY LIFE

Evening Worship Service, tonight, 6 p.m., with Rev. Ben Griffith preaching.

Spring Break, March 13-17.

Save the dates: VBS is scheduled for June 5-9. Rally night is May 7.

Twin Lakes Camp, June 26- July 2. For more information go to www.twinlakescamp.org. For information about camp scholarship, contact Kathy Young.

Meetings

- **Women’s Weekly Bible Study**, Thursday, March 2, 9:15 a.m., F. Hall.
- **Women’s Ministry Council Meeting**, Tuesday, March 7, 9:30 a.m., F. Hall.
- **Senior Adult Dominoes**, Tuesday, March 7, 10 a.m., F. Hall.

Sanctuary Choir Schedule

- **Rehearsal**, today, 8:45 a.m., Choir Room.

Wednesday Night Supper & Activities

- **Supper** at 5:30 p.m. (*Menu: Presidents chicken & wild rice, carrots, squash casserole, yeast rolls, green salad, Ms. Kim’s surprise dessert. Paleo Option: Presidents chicken no rice, steamed squash, green salad.*)
- **Children’s Choir & Activities** at 6:15 p.m.
- **Adult Bible Studies** at 6:30 p.m. Select from one of the four studies:
 - 📖 Faith in the Work Place, led by Mr. Randy Pope.
 - 📖 Who is the Holy Spirit, a Bible Study/Video Series by Sinclair Ferguson, led by Dr. David Jussely.
 - 📖 Grace for the Hurting, led by Rev. Knox Baird.
 - 📖 Connections with United Christian Ministries. *See Rev. Knox Baird or Rob Jackson Jr. for more information.*

Contribution Summary for January 31, 2017

General Fund Contributions-January	\$120,432.06
Building Fund Contributions-January	\$3,342.00
Year to Date Actual Revenue	\$120,500.26
Year to Date Budgeted Revenue	\$155,817.50
Difference	\$(35,317.24)

If you would like a copy of today’s service, visit our website, www.fpcpca.net/sermons. There you will find the entire service in video format as well as the sermon available for download. If you have questions, please call the church office (601-268-0303).

First Presbyterian Church Directory

Ministry Staff

Rev. C. Knox Baird. Minister of Missions/Outreach
Rev. Ben Griffith Minister of Students
Dr. David H. Jussely..... Minister of Senior Adults/Visitation
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Mr. Don Hill Custodian
Mrs. Pat Hill Custodian

Mission Statement

**First Presbyterian Church proclaims and practices
the Gospel of God’s transforming grace for God’s glory alone.**

Grace transforms our characters

We believe God’s grace unites us to Jesus by faith with the result that we become more like him. This character transformation develops through use of the means of grace and is displayed through lives of virtuous service.

Grace transforms our communities

We believe that God’s grace enables us to extend the same patient, sacrificial pursuit of relationship which God demonstrates toward us to our various spheres of community—our families, small groups, neighborhoods, work place, volunteer associations, and civic organizations.

Grace transforms our callings

We believe that God’s grace not only calls us to be saved, but calls us into a variety of vocations. We are workers with God in our homes, careers, church, and city to seek the flourishing of God’s world and the extension of Christ’s Lordship through work done well.

Grace transforms our city

We believe that God’s grace moves us toward our city, both Hattiesburg and the larger polities to which we belong, to seek its peace, welfare, and flourishing. We long for our city to know the reconciliation with God and others that the Gospel alone accomplishes.

Thanks to those serving today:

Duty Deacons for February:

Wade Wicht, Bobby Blass, Drew McMullan,
Joseph Tullos, Josh Blair, Mark Kolvites,
Robert Dews

Ushers for February:

John White, Ralph Abraham, Luke Hudson, Alex Hudson,
Tom Bates, Malcolm English, Stephen Brown, William Cain, Andrew Jakab

Nursery Volunteers for Today:

Andrea Jussely, Allison Rester,
Sarah Lane Rester

Nursery Volunteers for March 5:

Robin Reeves, Ruth Ann Reeves,
Anita Henderson



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