

The Lord’s Day

June 25, 2017
Eleven O'clock

*Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!
We encourage you to complete the black fellowship folder
and to switch all communication devices to silent. Thank you.*

Welcome and Announcements

+Prelude..... “Communion” Everett Titcomb

Call to Worship.....Isaiah 12:2-5

Minister: “Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.”
People: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.
Minister: And you will say in that day: “Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted.
All: “Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.

Choral Introit “O Praise Ye The Lord” Dale Wood
Sanctuary Choir

***Ascription of Praise** (Hymn 598, verse 1) CWM RHONDDA

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow’rful hand; Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.

*Prayer of Adoration

***Hymn 598** (verses 2-3) CWM RHONDDA
“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Private Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon.....Psalm 32:1, 2, 5

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

***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 Giamanco
“Come, Holy Spirit, Faithful 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 Dale Grotenhuis
“For God So Loved the World”
Sanctuary Choir

As Moses raised the serpent up, so must God’s Son be lifted high, that whosoever will believe in him may live eternally. For God so loved the world he made, he gave his own beloved Son; all who believe in him will live not die, but live forevermore. God did not send Christ to the world that he might then condemn us all, but that the world by Christ’s own death might then be ransomed from the fall. For God so loved the world he made, he gave his own beloved Son; all who believe in him will live not die, but live forevermore.

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Scripture Reading.....Isaiah 53:10-11..... Pew Bible p. 614

Sermon..... Dr. Michael McKelvey
“The Gospel Beforehand”

Hymn 599 (verses 1-2) SHEPHERD
“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

The Lord’s Supper

***Hymn 599** (verses 3-4)..... SHEPHERD
“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

***Benediction**..... Dr. McKelvey

*Choral Response

***Postlude** “Alleluias” Theodore Dubois

*Please stand if you are able.
+The ushers may seat worshipers.

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 - Rev. Knox Baird
Assisting Elder - Ruling Elder Matthew Boyd

Missionary of the Week - Bassam Chedid

COMMUNITY LIFE

Joint Evening Worship Service with Ebenezer Missionary Baptist

Church, tonight, 6 p.m., in the Sanctuary, Rev. Knox Baird

preaching, Ice Cream Social to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Family Night with Waterslide, Wednesday, July 19.

Fifth Sunday Night Service, July 30, at Bay Street Presbyterian

Church.

Sanctuary Choir Schedule

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

Meetings

- **Senior Adult Dominoes**, Tuesday, July 18, 10 a.m., F. Hall.
- **Joint Session & Diaconate Meeting**, Wednesday, July 19, 6:30 p.m., CH 206.

Please pray this week:

- Medical Mission Trip to Juarez, Mexico
- Junior High RYM Summer Conference
- Hope-4-Hattiesburg Mission Week

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

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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:

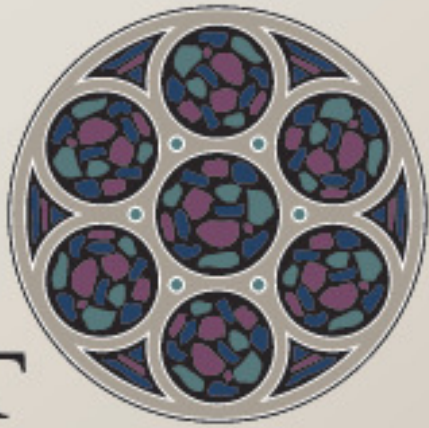
Duty Deacons for June:

Jeremy Cooper, B. J. Null, Brian Smith,
Craig Thieling, Jarrod Gray, Kevin Arnold,
Nathan Starns

Nursery Volunteers for Today:

Kate Jakab
Joan Jakab
Allison Leatherwood

Ushers for June: Ed Allegetti,
Chris Leonard, Andrew Leonard,
Mo Karnes, Mason Starns, Sam Cole,
Bennett Smith, Mitchell Cox, Jim Hall,
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