

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STARKVILLE (EPC)

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER SEASON
APRIL 28, 2019

PRELUDE *Chorale Prelude* Zachau
Jennifer Blackburn

WELCOME Ben Jackson

CALL TO WORSHIP IN CHRIST’S NAME

***Responsive Litany** *from* Psalms 118 & 100 FPC Youth
Leader: The Stone the builders rejected has become the Cornerstone.
**ALL: This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the Day
hat the LORD has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it!**
Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with
gladness; come into his Presence with singing!
ALL: We enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise.

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION & PRAISE** FPC Youth
***HYMN 149** *Praise Him! Praise Him!* JOYFUL SONG

PRAYERS OF PRAISE, PENITENCE & PETITION Reid Roberson
THE LORD’S PRAYER (Unison) 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.

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH – *The Apostles’ Creed (Unison) FPC Youth
**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.**

* **HYMN 668 - THE DOXOLOGY**

***+OFFERING: GOD’S TITHE, OUR STRATEGIC INITIATIVES GIVING, AND FURTHER OFFERINGS**

OFFERTORY *Children’s Medley* arr. Hayes
Jennifer Blackburn

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

Having trouble hearing the service? We have portable units that are connected directly to our
sound system for optimum audio. Please see an usher about these devices!

+We invite you to place in one of the baskets at the front of the Chancel – **during the closing
hymn or following the service** – a **FPC Benevolence Missions Support Special Offering**.
This offering is used to **supplement FPC’s local benevolence mission support and mission
ministries.**

Visiting with Us?

We warmly welcome you to our worship of God this Lord’s Day.
Please complete a FIRSTConnect Card and place it in the Offering ... or in a
FIRSTConnect Box in the entranceways.



To learn more about faith in Jesus Christ, as well as about church membership, your
spiritual growth, and ways to learn & serve at FPC – please speak to Ben Jackson
today, ... or contact Pastor Lifer via a phone call to the church office or via an email
to him (mwliifer3@gmail.com).

EASTER SEASON MUSICAL FROM FPC CHILDREN’S CHOIRS & MINISTRY

Joseph: *From the Pit to the Palace*

by Jimmy Travis Getzen and Gail Getzen

“**Joseph**”
Solo 1: Carson Mullen, James Rackley, Tucker Chance
Solo 2: Elle Lacey, Collier Martin

“**One Good Lookin’ Hebrew**”
Solo: Elizabeth Fair

“**Going, Going, Gone**”
Auctioneer: Addison Rackley
Bidders: 1-Collier Martin, 2-Cline Kemp, 3-Preston Lewis

“**Don’t Wait, Don’t Hesitate**”
Solo1: Barrett and Preston Lewis
Solo 2: Ann Carlton Holditch, Edie Kemp

“**It’s Not About Me**”

“**I Forgive**”
Solo: Jack Aarhus

“**Our Mighty God**”
Solo 1: Maddie Riffle
Solo 2: Finnley Murdock
Solo at m. 62: Cathryn Ryder
Solo 3: Abigail Wolfe
Solo 4: Ella Walters

“**I Just Want to Praise**”
Solo: Davis Banzhaf

Children’s Choirs

Jack Aarhus, Molly Kate Aarhus, Davis Banzhaf, Tanner Chance, Tucker Chance,
Elizabeth Fair, Kate Fair, Anne Elise Hearnberger, Mary Neel Hearnberger,
Mary Gresham Henry, Ann Carlton Holditch, Grace Holditch, Ross Hubbard,
Vaughn Hubbard, Cline Kemp, Edie Kemp, Elle Lacey, Barrett Lewis, Preston
Lewis, Wade Luke, Collier Martin, Henry Martin, Mary Cameron Martin, Sally
McAfee, Alli Beth McElmore, Carson Mullen, Finnley Murdock, Hawkins Murdock,
Addison Rackley, Anna Rackley, James Rackley, Madeline Rackley, Maddie Riffle,
Cathryn Ryder, Ava Simmons, Jon Kyle Skinner, Audrey Walters, Ella Walters,
Julia Weiskopf, Abigail Wolfe, Madeline Wolfe

Children’s Choir Leadership

Kathy McGill, Vivian Cade, Maggie Fair, Emily Ferguson, Sarah Ryder, Amy
Aarhus, Amanda Henry, Ashleigh Murdock

GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 50:15-26
(ESV Pew Bible p. 44)

SERMON

The Gospel According to Joseph

Ben Jackson

CALLED, BLESSED AND SENT AS WITNESSES OF GOD’S WORD

***HYMN 594**

Faith of Our Fathers

St. Catherine

***EXCHANGE OF WORDS OF BLESSING [IN THE ABSENCE OF PASTORAL BENEDICTION]** *from* Ruth 2:4
Ben Jackson: The LORD be with you!
ALL: And may the LORD also bless you!

***POSTLUDE**

A Cheerful Trumpet

Harris
Jennifer Blackburn

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

The Sanctuary Flowers for today’s worship are given to the **Glory of God** by **George and Peggy
Bennett** in memory of **their spouses, Sara Ann Bennett and Robert Regl, and their siblings,
and their parents.**

Deacon of the Month: Kristen Skinner
Today’s Ushers: (8:30) – George Vemer; (11:00) – Lee Weiskopf, Rebecca Banzhaf
Today’s Greeters: (8:30) – Jane Vemer; (11:00) – Ernie George, Janice Kinard

Please Help Today:
Help Us Move Forward *with*
FPC’s 2019 Strategic Initiatives –
through your response of generosity to the
Extra Giving Opportunity for 2019 Strategic Initiatives.



As we enjoy today and rejoice in God’s ongoing blessings to us through
FPC’s Children’s, Youth, and University Ministries –
Please pray and respond to how God is calling you to partner with us in in
our **2019 Strategic Initiatives *Extra Giving Opportunity*** (*above and
beyond your regular tithe and offerings*).

Help us make several cost-effective, high-impact renovations and updates
to our building and technology so that our facilities can serve better their
purpose: to glorify God at FPC and to facilitate ministry.

*Checks and other payments should be made to FPC and with a memo
line (or other) notation “2109 Strategic Initiatives.”*

Children’s & Youth Ministry News: VBS will be Coming June 10-13;

Registration Opens on FPC Website in May!

Our Vacation Bible
School Program (VBS) this year will be June 10-13, Monday-Thursday, from
8:30-11:30 a.m. Children ages 4 years old to 6th grade are welcome! Come
join us as we learn about how life is wild, but God is good!



**MVP Presbyterian Summer Camp Week for FPC’s Children and
Youth July 22-27**

Children and Youth from EPC and ARP congregations will be at the *Rising Son*
Camp Facilities at French Camp, MS.

This is **THE** summer camp FPC now sponsors and recommends to
members. With leadership that includes pastors from our Central South Presbytery, the
MVP Camp clearly conveys God’s Word to our children AND is lots of fun!!! Parents &
Families: If you have not yet registered, but are interested in your child attending, then
please contact Pastor Lifer, Ashleigh Murdock, or the church office as soon as possible.

**Join Us on the Sanctuary Front Steps on National Day of Prayer,
This Thursday, May 2, 2019, 12:15-12:45 p.m.**

Followed by a light lunch provided by Sweet Peppers Deli.

We will pray for our nation & leaders and all nations & leaders, our families, and our city
and schools. Light lunch served after the time of prayer.

Week of April 28, 2019		
SUNDAY:	9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Gathering (Fellowship Hall)
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
MONDAY:	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts (Boy Scouts Building)
	8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous, also on T, W, & F (Ed. Bldg)
TUESDAY:	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Parlor)
	5:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 p.m.	Casserole Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)
THURSDAY:	1:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 p.m.	Casserole Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)
SATURDAY:	6:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Christian Education Bldg.)

CASSEROLE KITCHEN MISSION MEAL HOSTS AT FPC THIS WEEK		
	April 16 – Paula Ivey	April 18 – Bob Boyd

TEJERAS MEAL SPONSORS (Mission meal for children in Tejeras, Honduras)		
May 1 & 3 – By members of the congregation for the Glory of God.		

Prayer List

Boswell Kennard
Cynthia Ware, together with her parents, Donna and Herman Ware
Philip and Darinda Gruchy
Charlie Guest
Bruce Leopold; Danielle Gregory (friend of Bruce Leopold)
Paula Elliott
Sylvia Love
Charles Atkinson
Allison Jackson
Marjorie Malone
Ross Collins
Billy and Brenda Harrington
Janet, Gary, and Jay Bardwell
Paula and Carl Ivey; Carl Ivey, Sr. (Dukedom, Kentucky); Anderson Ivey (Carl and Paula Ivey's grandson in Birmingham); and Traci Hardin (wife of a manager of the Iveys' Village Center Cycle)
Betty Randle Freeman (Russ Randle's sister)
Bob and Dot Forbus, and Raleigh Wood (brother, sister-in-law, and friend of Jack Forbus)
Thomas Guest (grandson of Charlie & Rubye Guest).
Gerlene Lifer
Beverly Smitherman, Frances Ellis and Brett Horton (Ellen Mauldin's cousin, Ellen's sister, and her brother Leslie's grandson)
Bobby Fleming (brother of Gloria Cade)
David Skinner (Kyle Skinner's father)
Diane Daniels, her sister, Delores Irvin, and Kevin McCauley, Sarah Helen McCloskey and Craig D. Campbell (family friends of Bob & Diane Daniels)
John Gassaway and Michael Tubb (Anna Ray Gassaway's brother-in-law and nephew)
David Henderson, Cheryl Kay Linder (Beth Ann Dunlap's stepbrother & sister)
Frances Knoll Waltman and Cissy Knoll Thomas (Libby Gill's sister and mother)
Dylan Walker (Jean Alice McDavid's great-nephew)

Additional Prayer List for Health Care / Assisted Living

Bessie Montgomery – Montgomery Gardens
Louise Haddigan – The Claiborne
Cattie Taylor – Beehive, Starkville
Jane Lusk – The Claiborne
Jetta Kuykendall – The Grove, Columbia
Frances Oakley – Sunnysbrook Estates, Madison
Marie Tramel – Plain View, Richland
Maxine Eastland – Franklin, TN
Elizabeth Duffey – Presbyterian Village, GA
Jewel Jacobs (Cindy Walker's mother) – Montgomery Garden
Lu Graham (Jane Zitta's sister) – The Hermitage, Richmond, Virginia
Mary Jo Wallace – The Blake at Flowood

FPC Officers		
The Session and Diaconate meet monthly. Dr. Martin Lifer, Moderator / Bob Daniels, Clerk of Session Elders Emeriti: James (Jim) Long and Dero Ramsey		
<u>Elders Serving on Our Session</u>		
<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>	<u>Class of 2021</u>
Dolph Bryan	Carl Ivey	Wallace Cade
Harold Clark	Jim Beaty	Jack Forbus
Cecelia Cook	Peggy Johnson	Will Martin
Bob Daniels	Jeff Foster	Cal Rackley
Orly Hardin		
Edward Kemp		
<u>Deacons Serving on Our Diaconate</u>		
<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>	<u>Class of 2021</u>
Peggy Branch	Tabor Mullen	Glenda Clark
Vivian Cade	Kristen Skinner	Jack Cook
Joel Downey	Johnny Fair	Peyton Fandel
Jason Ryder	Jeremy Murdock	Robby Holditch

FPC Starkville (EPC) Women's Ministry
Janice Kinard, Moderator
Circle Meetings - 2nd week of each month (7:00 pm Circle meets 3rd Mon.)
FPC Starkville (EPC) Men's Ministry
Will Rackley, <i>President</i> , Charlie Weatherly, <i>Treasurer</i>

The Family of Myles Carpenter Invites You to Join Myles THIS Saturday, May 4, at Robinson Lake for a Celebration of His Birthday
Saturday, May 4, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., at Robinson Lake
Adults and teens 15-years-old and older are welcome.
Casual Dress – Farmer jeans and plaids are a favorite. Bring lawn chairs and fishing poles. No gifts, please, ... but cards are always fun.
In case of rain, come to FPC instead. **No RSVP** needed.



Starkville's Church
That Preaches the *Doctrines of Grace*
and
That is Part of the EPC –
A Global Movement of Evangelical Christians.



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APRIL 28, 2019

Fellowship Gathering | 9:30 a.m.
Unified Worship Service | 10:00 a.m.

Visit Our Website for Sermon Podcasts & Ministry News
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