

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

FEBRUARY 4, 2018

### PRELUDE

*Come Away to the Skies*

Harris  
Jennifer Blackburn

### WELCOME

### INTROIT (11:00 – Chancel Choir)

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP from 1 Corinthians 15:56-57

*William Henry (11:00):* The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God –

**ALL: Who gives us the victory through our Lord, Jesus Christ!**

### \*INVOCATION AND PRAISE

### \*HYMNS 499

*Victory in Jesus*

HARTFORD

### ANTHEM (11:00 – Chancel Choir)

*Da Pacem, Domine*

### \*AFFIRMING OUR FAITH IN PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY (Unison)

[From 1 Corinthians 11:27, 29]

Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the Cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the Body and blood of the Lord. ... For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the Body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

[From the Scots Confession]

We confess and acknowledge that baptism pertains as well to the infants of the faithful, as unto those that be of age and discretion.... But the supper of the Lord we confess to pertain to such only as be of the household of faith, and who are capable to try and examine themselves, as to their faith, and as to their duty toward their neighbors;... Therefore, it is that in our kirks (churches) our ministers take public and particular examination of the knowledge and conversation of such who are to (begin to) be admitted to the table of the Lord.

[From the Westminster Confession of Faith]

Worthy receivers, physically partaking of the visible substances of this sacrament, do then also by faith actually and in fact, but not physically or bodily, spiritually receive and feed on Christ crucified and on all the benefits of his death.

### \*HYMN 670 THE GLORIA PATRI

### GOOD NEWS FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00 – Amy Aarhus)

### PRAYERS OF CONFESSION, PETITION AND INTERCESSION

#### 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.

#### SILENT PRAYERS

#### GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S GRACE

### \* RESPONSIVE HYMN 668 - THE DOXOLOGY

### \*GIVING TO GOD: TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

### OFFERTORY

*Trust and Obey*

arr. Larson  
Jennifer Blackburn

*\*The congregation is invited to stand.*

## GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

### SCRIPTURE

**Psalm 115:8** (ESV Pew Bible p. 510)

**Philippians 3:8-14** (ESV Pew Bible p. 981)

### Sermon

***What's Your Goal? How Do You See Victory?***

***The Team God Wants to Win Tonight***

Martin Lifer

### INVITATION TO FAITH AND PRAYERS OF TRUST IN GOD'S GRACE

### \*HYMN 236

*Lift High the Cross*

CRUCIFER

### \*BENEDICTION

**CHORAL RESPONSE** (11:00 – Chancel Choir) *Amen*

### POSTLUDE

Jennifer Blackburn

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**The Sanctuary Flowers** are given to the **Glorify of God** and in honor of the birth of Everett Young Kemp by his grandmother, Dianne Faulk.

**Deacon of the Month:** Jason Ryder

**Today's Ushers:** 8:30 Gary Bardwell; 11:00 – Lee Weiskopf, Ernie George

**Today's Greeters:** 8:30 – Carolyn Coleman; 11:00 – Amy Weiskopf

### *Visiting with Us?*

**We warmly welcome you to our worship of God. We hope you can visit our other ministries and be back in worship with us on upcoming Sundays. Please speak to Pastor Martin Lifer following today's service (outside the front entrance), ... or contact him at the church office or via email (mwlifer3@gmail.com). Let us know of any special prayer requests, and learn more about growing in your faith or, specifically, about joining our church family.**

### University Students - Join us for Lunch Fellowship Today!

Join Dr. Lifer, Kirk Kinard, Peyton & Catherine Fandel, and other FPC members and college students for a fellowship lunch and for discussing an upcoming Bible Study opportunity. We'll meet downstairs in the Fellowship Hall today following the 11 a.m. worship service.



### Fresh Flowers for the Sanctuary

If you would like to provide flowers for our Sanctuary for Lord's Day worship, please call Rita Usher in the church office for details and/or to reserve a date. You may provide one or two arrangements or contribute smaller amounts to a flower fund.

### Ushers and Greeters Needed

We had a great response to the First Serve cards for ushers and greeters, but we wanted to give everyone the chance to be a part of this important service to our church. Please access our "Signup Genius" webpage to sign up for any Sundays from now through June, or you may call Rita at the church office or contact Vivian Cade at [cade.vm@gmail.com](mailto:cade.vm@gmail.com) to sign up.

8:30 Service: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4faaac2ba4f58-830>

11:00 Service: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4faaac2ba4f58-11amservice>.

## What's Your Goal? How Do You See Victory?



### Prepare for HOLY COMMUNION, and Come to the Lord's Table Next Sunday and Next Wednesday Night.

We will celebrate Communion next week: in our **morning services on Transfiguration Sunday (February 11)**; and then again at our **6 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service (February 14)**.

We invite all baptized and affirming believers who have previously been approved and prepared to discern and partake of the Body to enter this week of spiritual renewal in seeking to share in the Lord's Supper – including renewal through repentance, through reconciliation to God and to others (particularly fellow believers from whom you may have become estranged), and through trusting in God's grace in all things.



### FURTHER SPECIAL FELLOWSHIP THIS MONTH:

#### JOIN US WEDNESDAY FOR *Friends & Family Fellowship!*

This Wednesday's Dinner: Ham, Purple-hull Peas, Cream Corn, Cornbread, Caramel Cake. Adults may also choose a Chef Salad, ... or, as always, children may have pizza – just let us know. *Please complete your reservation card and place it in the Offering today, or call or send an email to the Church Office.*

Children's, SOS & Youth Ministries (5:50 -7 p.m.)

#### Adult Studies Wednesday Night:

Men's Bible Study (Johnson Room) ***A Life Beyond Amazing*** by David Jeremiah.

Women's Bible Study (Parlor) - ***We Saved You a Seat***, by Lisa-Jo Baker.

HOW TO BE ***FAITHFUL, TECH-Wise Christians and Families:***  
***Practical Steps to Put Technology and Social Media in Their Proper Places*** (Chapel) Dr. Lifer

...ALSO, our Chancel Choir practices on Wednesdays 6-7 p.m.



#### Church-Wide Valentine's Pot-Luck Fellowship

**Next Sunday Night, February 11.** Everyone is invited to a pot-luck dinner on Sunday February 11th at 5:30 pm. Bring your favorite dish and enjoy a Valentine themed dinner with your church family.

#### Winter Jam for Kids and Youth

Calling all 3rd-6th graders and Youth!! The Winter Jam 2018 Christian concert is February 22nd at 7 pm. Don't miss this amazing night of worship! Let Ashleigh Murdock know if you will attend.



#### Sunday, February 25

Join leaders from the Central South Presbytery celebrating FPC's Becoming a Full, Voting Congregation in the EPC. We will celebrate in our:

10:00 a.m. - Unified, Single Worship Service;  
and a Church-wide

Fellowship Lunch *following the Worship Service.*

## Week of February 4, 2018

<b>SUNDAY:</b>	8:30a.m.	Worship Service
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Gathering (Fellowship Hall)
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
<b>MONDAY:</b>	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts (Boy Scouts Building)
	8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous, also on T, W, & F (Ed. Bldg)
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Parlor)
	6:00 p.m.	Casserole Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	5:15 p.m.	Friends & Family Meal
	5:50 p.m.	Children's Choir, SOS, Youth Discipleship
	6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Practice
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	6:00 p.m.	Casserole Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	12:00 pm	Casserole Kitchen (Episcopal Church)
	6:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Christian Education Bldg.)

## Prayer List

Robert McDavid  
 Thomas Guest (Charlie and Rubye Guest's grandson)  
 Mary Jo Wallace and Family  
 Rusty Bouchillon  
 Rev. Scott Griffin's father, Rev. Griffin  
 Diane Daniels, together with her sister, Delores Irvin, and Sarah Helen McCloskey (Daniels' family friend) -PA  
 Jane Zitta  
 Sylvia Love  
 Marjorie Malone  
 Cynthia Ware, together with her parents, Donna and Herman Ware  
 Eleisha G. Reynolds (Anita Reynolds' daughter-in-law) Montrose, CO  
 Marie Tubb and John Gassaway (Anna Ray Gasaway's sister-in-law & brother-in-law)  
 Dawn Allen (Nell Hartness' granddaughter) - Starkville  
 Billy and Brenda Harrington  
 Cattie Taylor  
 Carol Clark (Albert Clark's sister)  
 Brenda Pratt, Cheryl Kay Linder (Beth Ann Dunlap's stepmother & sister)  
 Bessie Montgomery  
 Mae Glass (Vivien Miller's mother)  
 Carl Ivey, Sr. – Dukedom, Kentucky  
 Anderson Ivey (Carl and Paula Ivey's grandson) – Birmingham, Alabama  
 Marshall McReynolds (Sherylan Webb's nephew) – Tupelo  
 Craig Wolf (Paula Elliott's son-in-law) – Huntsville, Alabama  
 Danny Carlisle (Loren Zimmerman's friend)  
 Frances Ellis, Christopher A. Cook, and Brett Horton (Ellen Mauldin's sister, grandson – U.S. Army-Poland – and her brother Leslie's grandson)  
 Billy Ray Ball (Dolph Bryan's Uncle) – Tuscaloosa  
 Madeline Bell (Greta Bryan's great niece) – Vienna, Virginia  
 Jack Boren & family, Ryan Carrithers, Tonia McLendon, and Sue Salley (friends of Dolph & Greta Bryan)

### Health Care / Assisted Living Prayer List

Jane Lusk – The Claiborne  
 Jetta Kuykendall – The Grove, Columbia  
 Kathleen Smithson Lawson – Vicker's Personal Care Home  
 Lu Graham (Jane Zitta's sister) – The Hermitage, Richmond, Virginia  
 Frances Oakley – Sunnybrook Estates, Madison  
 Marie Tramel – Beau Ridge, Ridgeland  
 Maxine Eastland – Franklin, TN  
 Elizabeth Duffey – Presbyterian Village, GA  
 Jewel Jacobs (Cindy Walker's mother) – Montgomery Garden  
 Thelma Gentry – Vicker's Personal Care Home

## New Church Pictorial Directory!

A professional photographer will begin taking family portraits for the directory on **March 1-3** at our church. You can **sign up** online by using the link below. If you do not have access to a computer you can call the church office to make this appointment at your convenience. Please click the following link to make an appointment: <https://tinyurl.com/FPCpictures> (Thanks to Craig Aarhus for making this link shorter and easier to type!)

### CASSEROLE KITCHEN MISSION MEAL HOSTS AT FPC THIS WEEK

Feb 6 – Loren Zimmerman      Feb 8 – Ross Collins

### Elders Serving on Our Session

<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Myles Carpenter	Dolph Bryan	Carl Ivey
Jack Forbus	Harold Clark	Jim Beaty
Randell Foxworth	Cecelia Cook	Peggy Johnson
Allen Johnson	Bob Daniels	Jeff Foster
Janice Kinard	Orly Hardin	
Perry Rackley	Edward Kemp	

#### Elder Emeritus – Dero Ramsey

/ Dr. Martin Lifer, Moderator / Randell Foxworth, Clerk

### Deacons Serving on Our Diaconate

<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Jay Cook	Peggy Branch	Tabor Mullen
John Rush	Vivian Cade	Kristen Skinner
	Joel Downey	Johnny Fair
	Jimbo Hearnberger	Jeremy Murdock
	Jason Ryder	

### FPC Women's Ministry – Caitlin Rackley, Moderator

Circles meet **2<sup>nd</sup>** week of each month (7:00 pm Circle meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday)

#### Circles, Meeting Places, and Leaders

Sunday, 8:00 am, Parlor – Lynda Forbus	Tuesday, 6:00 pm, location TBA – Orly Hardin
Monday, 1:30 pm, Parlor– Kay McReynolds	Monday, 7:00 pm, location TBA– Amy Aarhus

### Men of the Church (MOC) Officers – Andrew Fountain, President, Will Rackley, Vice President, Charlie Weatherly, Treasurer

#### The Ministry of Music

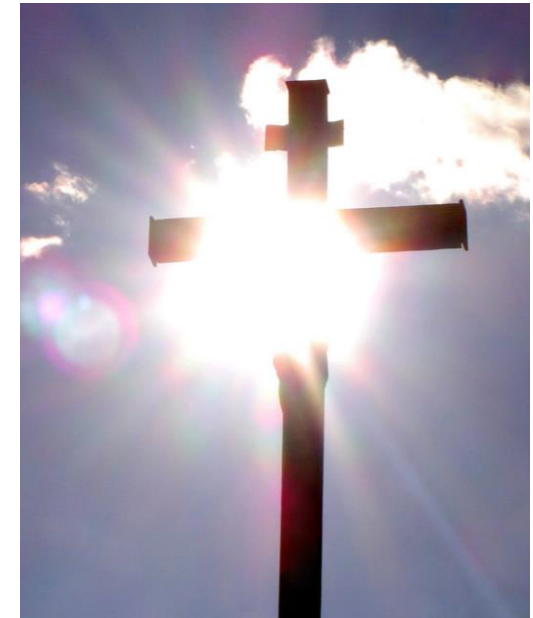
On Wednesdays - Chancel Choir, 6:00 p.m./ Children's Choirs at 5:50 p.m.

### FPC and FPCCC Ministry Team

<b>Rev. Dr. Martin Lifer, Pastor</b>	<a href="mailto:mwlifer3@gmail.com">mwlifer3@gmail.com</a>
<b>Rita Usher, Pastoral Secretary</b>	<a href="mailto:info@fpcstarkville.org">info@fpcstarkville.org</a>
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<b>Ellen Mauldin, Church Librarian</b>	<a href="mailto:mem3@bellsouth.net">mem3@bellsouth.net</a>
<b>Amanda Corley, Child Care Director</b>	<a href="mailto:fpcccdirector@fpcstarkville.org">fpcccdirector@fpcstarkville.org</a>

**Construction at Robinson Lake** The road to Robinson Lake will be under construction. Work will start on the spillway across the road about 200 feet from our gates. If you are visiting our property, please be mindful of this construction. Proceed with caution and be careful not to disturb the concrete forms.

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A Global Movement of Evangelical Christians**

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**Worship Service | 8:30 a.m.**

**Sunday School | 9:45 a.m.**

**Fellowship Gathering | 10:30 a.m.**

**Worship Service | 11:00 a.m.**

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**[www.fpcstarkville.org](http://www.fpcstarkville.org)**

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### Office Hours

**Mon. - Friday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m. & 1:00-4:00 p.m.**