

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI**

JUNE 3, 2018

PRELUDE *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* (11:00) Boertje
Michele Rackley (8:30); Marquita Beaty (11:00)

WELCOME AND FPC MINISTRY UPDATES

INTROIT (11:00 – Chancel Choir)

***CALL TO WORSHIP** from PSALM 23:5-6

Pastor: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil;

ALL: My cup overflows!

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

*** INVOCATION & PRAISE**

***HYMN OF PRAISE 98** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* NETTLETON

GOOD NEWS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN Kirk Kinard (11:00)

***AFFIRMING OUR FAITH** *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.

***RESPONSIVE HYMN 670 - THE GLORIA PATRI**

ANTHEM (11:00 -Chancel Choir) *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND PETITION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Verses from Psalm 51*

(Unison) **Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Please hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to You. Deliver me from bloodguilt, O God – O God of my salvation – and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness.**

SILENT PRAYERS

GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S GRACE

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN 668** *THE DOXOLOGY*

***CALL FOR GOD'S TITHE AND FURTHER OFFERINGS**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY *Sweet By and By* arr. C. Berry
Michele Rackley (8:30); Marquita Beaty (11:00)

**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 using one of these devices during the service.

Deacon of the Month: Jeremy Murdock

Today's Ushers: 8:30 –George Vemer; 11:00 – Harold Knight; John McReynolds

Today's Greeters: 8:30 – Mary Jane Vemer; 11:00 – Wanda Anthony

GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 25:6-9
(ESV Pew Bible p. 586)

SERMON

The LORD's Feast

Martin Lifer

INVITATION TO FAITH AND TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH IN CHRIST

GOD'S WORD SEALED: SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE FOR BAPTIZED MEMBERS OF HIS LARGER CHURCH

THE LORD'S WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND SHARING THE CUP

We invite all who receive from the bread and then the cup to wait – in each case – until all have been served, and then to partake at the same time as other worshipers are partaking.

PRAYERS OF COMMITMENT FOLLOWING COMMUNION

***HYMN 604** *Shall We Gather at the River* HANSON PLACE

***BENEDICTION**

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

POSTLUDE *Epilogue on "Truro"* arr. L. Smith
Michele Rackley (8:30); Marquita Beaty (11:00)

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

The Sanctuary Flowers are given to the Glory of God by **Bruce Leopold** in loving memory of his grandparents, **Harry and Lillian Sheetz**.

Our church extends condolences to and prayers on behalf of Amy Weiskopf and family following the May 29 death of Amy's great aunt, Emily Seegar (Alabama).

Plan to be with us for Our Annual Early Summer Freedom Celebration Fellowship Event

**NEXT Sunday, June 10
4:30-7:00 p.m. at FPC's Robinson Lake**



with **Children's Paint Run and Kick-off for Summer VBS!**

**Also Next Week: Children's Ministry VBS
Monday- Thursday, June 11-14 (8:30-11:30 a.m.)**

SHIPWRECKED! RESCUED BY JESUS

For children Ages 4 years-old thru Rising 6th graders

Sign-Up at fpcstarkville.org

or go to this web site for registration: www.vbspro.events/p/fpc2018vbs

Young Adult Visitors or Members: Recently Completed School and Working Now, ... or Are You a Graduate Student?

**First Connect with Our New
FPC's Post-Grad Young Adult Bible Study & Fellowship**



Next Meeting: THIS Tuesday, June 5, 6:30 p.m.
at the home of Peyton & Catherine Fandel.
Connect by speaking with or contacting
Peyton Fandel, Jack Atkins, or Pastor Lifer.

Visiting with Us?

We warmly welcome you to our worship of God. We hope you can be back in worship with us on upcoming Sundays and also connect with other study and fellowship opportunities at FPC. To learn more about faith in Jesus Christ, church membership, and/or opportunities to learn and serve at FPC, please speak to Pastor Lifer following the service, ... or you may call the church office or send a note to him via email (mwlifer3@gmail.com).



FIRSTConnect Cards!

Visitors - including MSU and other students (and FPC Members, if you need to update your information or let us know of Prayer Requests):

Please complete a FIRSTConnect Card and place it in the Offering or in one of our FIRSTConnect Boxes inside the entranceways.

DIAPERS & WIPES SHOWERS

TODAY: Please join us today during our Fellowship Gathering (10:30-10:50 a.m.) in the Fellowship Hall for our Diapers & Wipes Shower for the Weiskopf family. **Lee and Amy Weiskopf** are expecting the birth of their second child this summer.

Caleb and Betsy Luke are expecting the birth of their second child this summer: a little brother for Wade. **Please bring Diapers and/or Wipes** to the Church Office during office hours on weekdays or to the Diapers & Wipes Tub in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays. Then, please plan to join us in **three weeks from today – Sunday, June 24 during our Fellowship Gathering (10:30-10:50 a.m.)** in the Fellowship Hall – for our Diapers & Wipes Shower for the Lukes.

Want to Help at VBS this year?? Contact Ashleigh Murdock at 662-312-9884 or aabmurdock@gmail.com to volunteer.

Unified Worship Services at 10:00 am for our July Sundays. Next month we will have a single, unified Lord's Day Worship Service beginning at 10:00 am on each of the five Sundays of July (1, 8, 15, 22 and 29). In addition, our **Children's and Youth Sunday School** will not meet during July; however, we will provide childcare during the 10:00 am services in July. **Beginning Sunday, August 5,** we will resume our regular Sunday morning schedule of two services at 8:30 and 11:00 am, and our full Sunday School schedule will be back at 9:45-10:30 on Sunday mornings.

Week of June 3, 2018

SUNDAY:	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
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)
	6:00 p.m.	Casserole Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)
WEDNESDAY:	6:00 p.m.	Adult Chancel Choir Practice
THURSDAY:	6:00 p.m.	Casserole Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)
SATURDAY:	12:00 pm	Casserole Kitchen (Episcopal Church)
	6:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Christian Education Bldg.)

TEJERAS MEAL SPONSORS *(Mission meal for children in Tejeras, Honduras)*

June 6 – For the Glory of God by Martha Wade - in memory of her sisters Elizabeth Nix and B.B. Corbell.

If you would like to sponsor a Tejeras Meal in 2018, please send a check for \$80 made out to Honduras Agape Foundation to Michele Rackley, PO Box 826, Starkville, MS 39760, or in the church office, or you may place your check in the Offering.

Prayer List

John Michael and Aventura VanHorn with Nicholas
Laurin Scales
Hawkins Murdock
Mike Dawson
Myles Carpenter
Shirley Randle
Jay, Gary and Janet Bardwell
Thomas Guest (Charlie and Rubye Guest's grandson)
Cynthia Ware, together with her parents, Donna and Herman Ware
Jack Burton
Nancy Lifer
Carol Clark (Albert Clark's sister)
Diane Daniels, her sister, Delores Irvin, and Sarah Helen McCloskey (family friend) -PA
Marjorie Malone
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)
Cissy Knoll Thomas (Libby Gill's mother) Stuttgart, AR
Dawn Allen (Nell Hartness' granddaughter) - Starkville
Billy and Brenda Harrington
Brenda Pratt, Cheryl Kay Linder (Beth Ann Dunlap's stepmother & sister)
Bessie Montgomery
Jane Zitta
Carl Ivey, Sr. – Dukedom, Kentucky
Anderson Ivey (Carl and Paula Ivey's grandson) – Birmingham, Alabama
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)

Additional Prayer List for Health Care / Assisted Living

Cattie Taylor – Beehive, Starkville
Thelma Gentry – Vicker's Personal Care Home
Louise Haddigan – The Claiborne
Jane Lusk – The Claiborne
Jetta Kuykendall – The Grove, Columbia
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
Lu Graham (Jane Zitta's sister) – The Hermitage, Richmond, Virginia

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
The Session's next Stated Meeting is Next Sunday, June 10, 12:30 p.m.

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
	Jason Ryder	Jeremy Murdock

FPC Women's Ministry – Caitlin Rackley, Moderator

Circles, Meeting Places, and Leaders

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

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.

CASSEROLE KITCHEN MISSION MEAL HOSTS AT FPC THIS WEEK

June 5 – Loren Zimmerman June 7 – Billy Harrington

If you are interested in volunteering with Casserole Kitchen, please speak to Loren Zimmerman today, or contact him by email – loren.zimmerman@yahoo.com

FPC and FPCCC Ministry Team

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A Global Movement of Evangelical Christians**

JUNE 3, 2018

Worship Service | 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School | 9:45 a.m.

Fellowship Gathering | 10:30 a.m.

Worship Service | 11:00 a.m.

Visit Our Website for Sermon Podcasts and Ministry News

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Mon. - Friday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m. & 1:00-4:30 p.m.