

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

JULY 1, 2018

PRELUDE *Battle Hymn of the Republic* arr. Hayes
Jennifer Blackburn

WELCOME Martin Lifer
RECOGNITION OF CHRIS BERTRAND

***CALL TO WORSHIP** from Psalm 22:4
Pastor: In You our fathers trusted.
ALL: Our fathers trusted, and You delivered them.

***INVOCATION AND PRAYER OF PRAISE**

***HYMN 642** *God of Our Fathers* NATIONAL HYMN

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 FORGIVENESS IN CHRIST

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

GOOD NEWS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN Kirk Kinard

***AFFIRMING OUR FAITH** from the (*Westminster*) Larger Catechism, Q. 1
Pastor: What is the primary and highest purpose of human beings?

ALL: The primary and highest purpose of human beings is to glorify God and to enjoy Him completely forever.

***RESPONSIVE HYMN 668 THE DOXOLOGY**

***GIVING TO GOD: HIS TITHE AND OUR FURTHER OFFERINGS**

OFFERTORY *All That Thrills My Soul* arr. Ham
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 using one of these devices during the service.

Deacon of the Month: Tabor Mullen
Today's Ushers: Derick and Pam Metts
Today's Greeters: Janice Kinard and Jane Bobbitt

Ushers and Greeters Needed! Please Choose Your Dates and Volunteer to Serve the Lord on One or More Sundays. Access our "Signup Genius" webpage to sign up for Sundays through the end of the year or call Rita at the church office 662-323-1994 or contact Vivian Cade at cade.vm@gmail.com.

Sign up for the 8:30 Service: tinyurl.com/FPC8-30Ushers-Greeters-Aug-Dec
Sign up for the 10:00 a.m. Service in July or the 11:00 a.m. Service Aug.-December: tinyurl.com/FPC11amUshers-Greeters-Jul-Dec

The Sanctuary Flowers are given to the Glory of God by members of the congregation for the blessing of this country.

GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

SERMON SERIES *REVOLUTIONARY PRESBYTERIANS*

SCRIPTURE Psalm 76:7-12
(ESV Pew Bible p. 487)

SERMON John Witherspoon
and
Providence's Dominion Over Peoples' Passions Martin Lifer

FOLLOWING GOD'S WORD IN FAITH AND WITNESS

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND OF TRUST IN GOD'S GRACE

***HYMN 641** *America, the Beautiful* MATERNA

***BENEDICTION** Martin Lifer

POSTLUDE Jennifer Blackburn

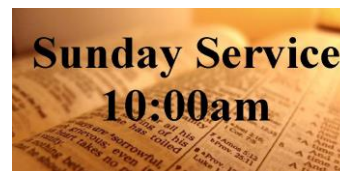
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Visiting with Us?

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.



On this and each subsequent Sundays in July (8, 15, 22 and 29), we are joining together for a single, unified Lord's Day Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. on. In addition, our **Children's and Youth Sunday School** will **NOT** meet during July – to provide a "sabbatical" to our small number of volunteers for Children's and Youth Sunday School. **However, we will provide childcare during the 10:00 am services in July, and our Crusader Adult Sunday School Class will meet each Sunday in July, 8:30-9:30 a.m., in Fellowship Hall.**

On Sunday, August 5, we will return to 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.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER to teach Children's or Youth Sunday School – this coming fall semester OR during this or next summer – please contact Ashleigh Murdock.

Church Family News -

Sympathies: We extend condolences to, and to pray for: **Emily Daniels** and family, following the death last week of her grandmother, **Pat Cardwell** (of Sylacauga, AL); and Family and friends of **Lois Melton**, following her death last week. *Pastor Lifer conducted a memorial and interment service for Lois Melton on Wednesday.* [Lois was the sister of **Beverly Robinson**, who gave Robinson Lake to our church.]

Celebrations: We continue in our thanksgiving from last Sunday for the birth on Thursday night, June 21, of **James Winthrop (Winn) Fandel**, son of FPC members Peyton and Catherine Fandel, Today, the cradle cross is placed on the pulpit and the rose on the chancel in praise to God for Winn's birth.

In addition to thanking God for Winn's birth, **please consider helping our FPC Women's Ministry in providing meals for the Fandel family** in these next 2-3 weeks following the birth on their son Winn. Follow the directions below to choose a date to bring a meal.
Website: takethemameal.com Last Name: Fandel Password: Fandel

We also thank God for blessing our FPC Mission in many further ways in June, including through our VBS Outreach



to 158 children,...

...and

the mission gathering of the EPC General Assembly, June 19-22 (mHope Presbyterian Church in Memphis), at which Pastor Martin Lifer and FPC Elders Ernie George and Jim Long served.



On Thursday, June 21, we commissioned the EPC's newest missionaries (Class of 2018) for their respective calls in Africa, the Middle East, and Asia.

For more information on FPC's June highlights and FPC plans for this month, please see the **July 2018 Happenings on the Hill.**

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

July 4 and 6 – For the glory of God by Members of FPC and in memory of Clyde Wade.

If you would like to sponsor a Tejerias 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.

Week of July 1, 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: [OFFICE CLOSED for a National Independence Day]

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.)

CASSEROLE KITCHEN MISSION MEAL HOSTS AT FPC THIS WEEK
 July 3 – Loren Zimmerman July 5 – Billy Harrington

Prayer List

Jay, Gary and Janet Bardwell
 Fancy George
 Thomas Guest (grandson of Charlie & Rubye Guest)
 Cynthia Ware, together with her parents, Donna and Herman Ware
 Glen and Karen Sisk (Joe and Carol Mobley’s daughter and son-in-law)
 Carol & Joe Mobley
 Nancy Lifer
 Hawkins Murdock
 Billy and Brenda Harrington
 Marjorie Malone
 John Michael & Avent VanHorn and Nicholas
 Shirley Randle
 Laurin Scales
 Lauren Cooper (granddaughter of Wallace & Gloria Cade)
 Carol Clark (Albert Clark’s sister)
 Diane Daniels, her sister, Delores Irvin, and Sarah Helen McCloskey (family friend) -PA
 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
 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 and Brett Horton (Ellen Mauldin’s sister and her brother Leslie’s grandson)

Additional Prayer List for Health Care / Assisted Living

Louise Haddigan – The Claiborne
 Cattie Taylor – Beehive, Starkville
 Thelma Gentry – Vicker’s Personal Care Home
 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 August 19, 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.

FPC and FPCCC Ministry Team

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Visit Our Website for Ministry Resources and News: www.fpcstarkville.org

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**Sunday Morning Schedule
 for July Only.**

Fellowship Gathering | 9:30 a.m.

Unified Worship Service | 10:00 a.m.

Unified Worship 10:00 a.m. Service for our July Sundays.
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