

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

JULY 8, 2018
10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE *Exalt Him with Song* arr. Ham
Jennifer Blackburn

WELCOME Martin Lifer

***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 594** *Faith of Our Fathers* ST. CATHERINE

GOOD NEWS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

***AFFIRMING OUR FAITH** from the (Westminster) Shorter Catechism, Q. 2
Pastor: What authority from God directs us how to glorify and enjoy Him?
ALL: The only authority for glorifying and enjoying Him is the Bible, which is the word of God and is made up of the Old and New Testaments.

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

THANKSGIVING FOR RANDELL AND JEAN ANN FOXWORTH

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 668** *THE DOXOLOGY*

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

OFFERTORY *Rock of Ages* arr. Ward
Forrest Blackburn, baritone; Jennifer Blackburn, piano

**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: Kristen Skinner

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 by members of the congregation to the Glory of God in honor of **Randell and Jean Ann Foxworth**.

GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

SERMON SERIES

**REVOLUTIONARY PRESBYTERIANS'
DECLARATIONS OF INDEPENDENCE**

SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 1:1-7 [Revelation 3:16]
(ESV Pew Bible p. 995, 1030)

SERMON

**From the Fiery Faith of
Samuel Davies and Sarah Henry**

**... to
"Give me liberty, or give me death!"**

Martin Lifer

FOLLOWING GOD'S WORD IN FAITH AND WITNESS

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND OF TRUST IN GOD'S GRACE

***HYMN 646**

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

AMERICA

***BENEDICTION**

Martin Lifer

POSTLUDE

This Little Light of Mine

arr. Hayes
Jennifer Blackburn

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

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 university students ...
and
FPC Members

(if you need to update your information or let us know of Prayer Requests or Ministry Questions):

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

Appreciation from Joe and Carol Mobley

There aren't enough words for us to express our appreciation to our FPC family for the cards, visits, food, and especially prayers during this ordeal. We are slowly improving and started therapy July 2 at the Wellness Center to try to get our stamina and strength back. We especially want to thank Rita for all the organization and thank Martin for his prayers and visits. We are looking forward to the time when we can again be active participants in FPC.

Love in Christ,
Carol and Joe Mobley

Notice to FPC Members Regarding Congregational and Corporate Meetings on Sunday, July 22:

**(1) All members are asked to attend – and all visitors are invited to --
FPC's Annual Congregational Meeting at the close of the
10:00 a.m. Service.**

*On July 22, in our 10:00 a.m. Worship Service and then
at our Annual Congregational Meeting –
hear updates on*



Reports and Action Items before the Annual Meeting include:
- a **Report on the 2018 Budget and on Your Giving & Ministry Finances to date in 2018;**
- **Other Ministry Planning Updates;** and
- **The Election of two At-Large congregational members to the 2018-2019 Congregational Nominating Committee.**

(2) Then – following the Annual Congregational Meeting – there will also be on Sunday morning, July 22, a

**Special Meeting of the Members of First Presbyterian Church
Starkville, Inc.**

[All active, voting members of the congregation are members of the corporation].



The purpose of this Special Meeting of the Members of FPC, Inc., is to review and act upon the Board of Directors' recommendation to adopt proposed corporate Bylaws.

[All members are receiving by email or by postal mail a copy of the proposed Bylaws.]



As we continue thanking God for Winn Fandel'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: takethenameal.com

Last Name: Fandel Password: Fandel

DIAPERS & WIPES SHOWER – August 4

Will and Caitlin Rackley are expecting the birth of their second child: **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 one of the upcoming Sundays of this month.

Then join us **Sunday, August 4, during our Fellowship Gathering (10:30-10:50 a.m.)** for our Diapers & Wipes Shower for the Rackley family.

Week of July 8, 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.)

CASSEROLE KITCHEN MISSION MEAL HOSTS AT FPC THIS WEEK
July 10 – Rebecca Banzhaf July 12 – Ross Collins

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

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Sunday Morning Schedule for July Only.

Fellowship Gathering | 9:30 a.m.

Unified Worship Service | 10:00 a.m.



Today and each subsequent Sunday in July (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.