

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STARKVILLE (EPC)**  
**FEBRUARY 10, 2019**

**PRELUDE** *Priere* arr. Pasquet  
 Jennifer Blackburn

**WELCOME** Martin Lifer  
 Invitation to VIP\* "Valentine's" Fellowship Friday Lunch  
 RECOGNITION OF SCOUT SUNDAY Amy Aarhus  
 Martin Lifer

\*INTROIT (11:00 – Chancel Choir)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP 11:00 - Simon Banzaff, FPC Youth Member and Eagle Scout  
*from Jeremiah 31:2a,3b*  
 Leader: Thus says the LORD: ... "I have loved you with an everlasting love."  
**ALL: "Therefore, I have continued my faithfulness to you."** Ben Jackson

\*INVOCATION

\*HYMN 652 (vv.1, 2 & 4) *Jesus Loves Me* CHINA

**GOOD NEWS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN** Martin Lifer (8:30); Ashleigh Murdock (11:00)

\*AFFIRMING OUR FAITH *from The Westminster Confession of Faith (Chapter 2, Art. 1, Sent. 3-5)*  
 Minister: Through the gospel, what do we believe and know about God?  
**ALL: He is completely loving, gracious, merciful, and long-suffering. He overflows with goodness and truth. He forgives wickedness, transgression and sin, and He rewards those who diligently seek Him.**

\* RESPONSIVE HYMN 111 *The Love of God* LOVE OF GOD

**PRAYERS OF CONFESSION & PETITION** Martin Lifer

**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.

**GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S GRACE**

\* RESPONSIVE HYMN 668 - THE DOXOLOGY

\*OFFERING – GIVING GOD'S TITHE AND OUR FURTHER OFFERINGS

\*PRAYER OF THANKS AND DEDICATION

**OFFERTORY** *Love Medley* arr. Ham  
 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 these devices today!

**Deacon of the Month:** Joel Downey (8:30) Jason Ryder (11:00)  
**Today's Ushers:** (8:30) – Marshall Molen; (11:00) – Ernie George, Larry Anthony  
**Today's Greeters:** (8:30) – Pattie Molen; (11:00) – Leslie Corey, Wanda Anthony

Members of our FPC congregation have given today's Sanctuary Flowers to **the Glory of God** and enhance our worship of God this Lord's Day.

**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 Pastor Lifer following the service, or call him this week at the church office. You may also send a message to him via email (mwlifer3@gmail.com).

**GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED**

**SCRIPTURE**

John 10:11-16 & 10:26-27  
 Ephesians 5:25-27  
 (ESV Pew Bible pp. 896-97, 979)

**SERMON SERIES** *GETTING PERSONAL: GOD'S SAVING LOVE*

**TODAY'S SERMON** *The Savior's Kiss* Martin Lifer

**INVITATION TO FAITH AND TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH IN CHRIST**

**GOOD NEWS FROM FPC/CCO UNIVERSITY MINISTRIES, AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT STUDENTS GOING TO THE NATIONAL CCO JUBILEE+** Ben Jackson

\*HYMN 110 (vv.1, 3 & 4) *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go* ST. MARGARET

\*BENEDICTION

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE** *Love Lifted Me* Smith  
 Jennifer Blackburn, organ

*\*The congregation is invited to stand.*

+Please join us this month in prayer support for University Minister Ben Jackson, our FPC/MSU students going to the Jubilee Conference, and for all other students and leaders from across the world who will be participating February 22-24. *If the Lord is also leading you to provide further, specific support – beyond regular tithe and offering (which already provide the foundational support for our University Ministry and most of FPC's further ministries and mission work) – then please write an additional check made payable to FPC or direct an additional payment to FPC (above & beyond your regular tithe) with the specific Memo Line Note: "University Ministry/ Scholarship Help."*

**VIP Valentine's Luncheon this Friday, February 15**

It's time to have some fun! We are having a VIP (Very Important Presbyterians) **Valentine's luncheon on Friday, February 15th at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall.** *Bring a photo (or photos) from your wedding.* © If you like, you can bring photos of your parents' wedding too. We will have a wonderful lunch and will share our photos and stories of our lives and loves. Please call the church office (662-323-1994) by Monday, Feb. 11, to R.S.V.P. We hope to you can join us!

**Youth and Children's Ministry**

The Youth and Children (3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up) will be attending Winter Jam in Tupelo, on Thursday, February 21. If you are interested in more information, please contact Ashleigh Murdock [aabmurdock@gmail.com](mailto:aabmurdock@gmail.com) or Kirk Kinard at [kirkkinard@gmail.com](mailto:kirkkinard@gmail.com)  
 For more details about the concerts, see this link <http://2019.jamtour.com/>



**Have you signed up for Right Now Media Yet?**

All FPC members & current visitors may go to [rightnowmedia.org](http://rightnowmedia.org) to see the wonderful content that is available:

Bible studies, children's videos, conferences, leadership training, etc., from Excellent Christian leaders and teachers, as well as Christian movies, and more.

Here are 3 easy ways to sign up for Right Now Media

- On your Computer – Go to this link <https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/FPCStarkville>
- On your Phone – Text **RightNow FPCStarkville** to 41411
- By QR code – Open the camera on your phone. Hover over this QR code. It will pop up the link for you to sign up.



**TODAY'S KEY SERMON & SCRIPTURE NOTES**

**(1) The Savior's Kiss.**

September 8, 2009:



Real Heroism & Saving Actions in Earthly Battles are Personal, Specific, "Get Personal," and are Unconditional

**(2) The Gospel Truth of Biblical, Reformed "Doctrines of Grace" — God's Saving Love Is Personal, Specific, Transforming, Unconditional & Eternal.**

(a) Savior *for* the World - John 3:16, 1Timothy 2:3-7 & 4:10b - God's Saving Love: Fully Sufficient for All

... *yet, specifically*

(b) Savior *for Those Who Believe in Him* / "my own"

John 3:16, 1 Timothy 4:10b "whoever believes in Him..." / "we have our hope set on the living God, Who is the Savior of all people – *especially those who believe.*"

John 10:14, 16 "I am the Good Shepherd. I know my own and my own know Me.... And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they also will listen to my voice. So [then] there will be one flock and one shepherd."

John 10:26 "But you do not believe Me, because you are not among my sheep."

John 10:27 "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow Me."

**Biblical, Reformed "Doctrines of Grace" —**

Real Love is Personal & Specific, "Gets Personal," and is Unconditional

Salvation Is Personal & Specific, "Gets Personal," and is Unconditional

Real Faith in & Love for the Savior are Personal & Specific, "Get Personal," and are Unconditional

**(3) The Savior's Kiss.**

ca. A.D. 30 or 33 (April/Passover):



**Having loved his own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.** John 13:1b

Husbands, love your wives – as Christ loved the Church and gave Himself up for Her, so that He might sanctify Her, ... that He might present Her to Himself in splendor, spotless...." Ephesians 5:25-26

**THE INVITATION:**

Real Faith in & Love for the Savior are Personal & Specific, "Get Personal," and are Unconditional

## Week of February 10, 2019

<b>SUNDAY:</b>	8:30 a.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)
	5:15 p.m.	Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 p.m.	Casserole Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	5:15 p.m.	Dinner and visiting in the Fellowship Hall
	5:50 p.m.	Nursery, Children and Youth programs begin
	6:00 p.m.	Men's and Women's Bible studies
	6:00 p.m.	HeBrews in Fellowship Hall-coffee, dessert, visiting
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Practice
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	1:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
	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.)

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

February 12 – Rebecca Banzhaf

February 14 – Ross Collins

### A "Thank You" Note from the Gentry and Kinard families to Their Church Family:

Appreciation to our church family from the family of Thelma Gentry: She was a woman who walked with the Lord in her own special way. Your prayers were answered because we felt his comfort. Your love came through because we were cared for during the memorial service, visitation, and meal ministry.

In Christ,

*Elvis, Janice, Elliott and Kirk Kinard, Mal and Gloria Gentry.*

### Prayer List

Sylvia Love  
Scottie Knight  
Chares Atkinson  
Allison Jackson  
Marjorie Malone  
Paula Elliott  
Paula and Carl Ivey  
Ross Collins  
Billy and Brenda Harrington  
Janet, Gary, and Jay Bardwell  
Gerlene Lifer  
Hawkins Murdock  
Beverly Smitherman (Ellen Mauldin's cousin)  
Bob and Dot Forbus, and Raleigh Wood (brother, sister-in-law, and friend of Jack Forbus)  
Bobby Fleming (brother of Gloria Cade)  
Thomas Guest (grandson of Charlie & Rubye Guest).  
Frances Knoll Waltman and Cissy Knoll Thomas (Libby Gill's sister and mother)  
Cynthia Ware, together with her parents, Donna and Herman Ware  
Michael Tubb – Anna Ray Gassaway's nephew  
David Skinner (Kyle Skinner's father)  
Frances Ellis and Brett Horton (Ellen Mauldin's sister and her brother Leslie's grandson)  
Diane Daniels, her sister, Delores Irvin, and Sarah Helen McCloskey and Craig D. Campbell (family friends of Bob & Diane Daniels)  
Marie Tubb and John Gassaway (Anna Ray Gassaway's sister-in-law & brother-in-law)  
Brenda Pratt, Cheryl Kay Linder (Beth Ann Dunlap's stepmother & sister)  
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)  
David Sanders (Friend of Loren Zimmerman)

### 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 – Sunnybrook 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

### 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

#### Elders Serving on Our Session

##### Class of 2019

Dolph Bryan  
Harold Clark  
Cecelia Cook  
Bob Daniels  
Orly Hardin  
Edward Kemp

##### Class of 2020

Carl Ivey  
Jim Beaty  
Peggy Johnson  
Jeff Foster

##### Class of 2021

Wallace Cade  
Jack Forbus  
Will Martin  
Cal Rackley

#### Deacons Serving on Our Diaconate

##### Class of 2019

Peggy Branch  
Vivian Cade  
Joel Downey  
Jason Ryder

##### Class of 2020

Tabor Mullen  
Kristen Skinner  
Johnny Fair  
Jeremy Murdock

##### Class of 2021

Glenda Clark  
Jack Cook  
Peyton Fandel  
Robby Holditch

### Officer-Leaders of Ministry Teams

Please speak to these leaders today to learn more about the following ministry teams:

Bob Daniels  
Peggy Johnson  
Jack Forbus  
Orly Hardin  
Cecelia Cook

Administrative Team  
Education Team  
Outreach and Missions Team  
Shepherding Team  
Worship Team

### FPC Starkville (EPC) Women's Ministry

Janice Kinard, Moderator

Mission for February: FPC Youth Ministry – Kirk Kinard

Lesson: Week 4, The Kingdoms and the Prophets

**Circle Meetings** - 2nd week of each month (7:00 pm Circle meets 3rd Mon.)

Sunday, 2/10 – Parlor, 8 am, Leader Lynda Forbus

Monday, 2/11 – Parlor, 1:30 pm, Leader Sara Wilson

Tuesday, 2/12 - 6 pm – Home of Marquita Beaty, 103 Clairmont Cir, Leader: Vivian Cade

Monday, 2/18 – 7 pm, Home of Kristen Skinner, 1103 Yorkshire, Leader: Amy Weiskopf

### FPC Starkville (EPC) Men's Ministry

Will Rackley, *President*, Charlie Weatherly, *Treasurer*

### Make Your Reservations for Friends & Family Fellowship Dinner

**Wednesday, 5:15-5:45 p.m.**

THIS Wednesday's Dinner: Beef Tips, Rice & Gravy, Lima Beans, Rolls, Red Velvet Cake. Adults may also choose a Chef Salad, ... or as always, children may have pizza – just let us know.

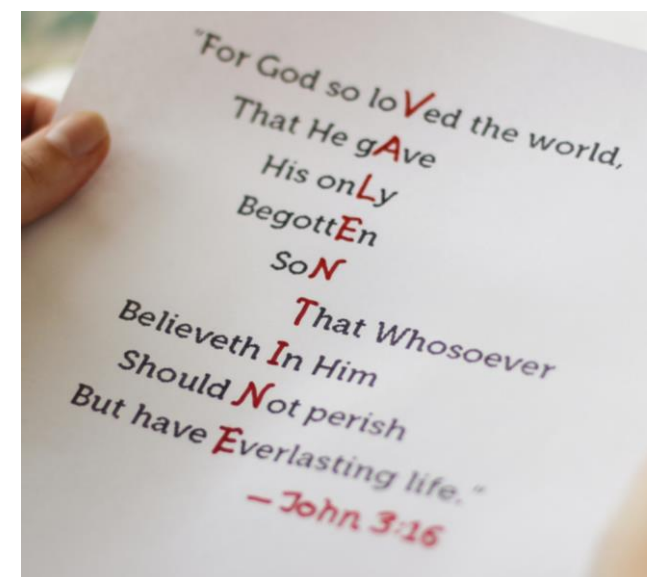
Please complete your reservation card and place it in the Offering today, or call or send an email to the Church Office by Monday, at NOON!

### University Ministry

On Mondays, Ben and Allison Jackson host a CCO/FPC meal to students in their home. Church members are invited not only to help with food but to eat and mingle with everyone. If you would like to join in some way, please speak to or email Allison or Ben ([allidjackson@gmail.com](mailto:allidjackson@gmail.com), [bjackson@ccojubilee.org](mailto:bjackson@ccojubilee.org)).



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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Office Hours

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