

# The Lord's Day Morning

April 19, 2026

Ten Forty-Five O'clock

## Welcome

**+Prelude**..... Anton Wilhelm Leupold  
“Christ is Risen”

**Call to Worship**..... Psalm 36:7-9

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!  
The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.  
They feast on the abundance of your house,  
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.  
For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

## Prayer for God's Grace in our Worship

**\*+Hymn of Adoration** (insert) ..... Cousin/Palmertree  
“The Sands of Time are Sinking”

**\*Affirmation of Faith**..... The Apostles' Creed (150 AD)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell<sup>†</sup>.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church\*,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

<sup>†</sup>This “descent clause” is a summary statement of Christ's passion, death, and burial.  
\*i.e., the universal Christian Church

## Congregational Confession of Sin

Our gracious Lord, you are the Resurrected One, exalted to the right hand of God. You give us freely your Holy Spirit and in you, Lord Jesus, we are new creation; the old has passed, the new has come.  
We adore you, Oh Lamb who was slain for our salvation!

Forgive us when we do not live in the awareness of our bold new life in you. Forgive us that we do not war against sin with the faith of those who are new creation, with the faith of those who have died to sin and now by your power, live to righteousness. Renew us, regroup us, reestablish us in your grace. Work in us that which is pleasing in your sight.  
For your glory we pray. Amen

## Private Confession of Sin

**Assurance of Pardon** ..... Ephesians 1:7; Romans 8:1

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace. There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

**\*+Hymn of Response** (insert) ..... Wesley/Thompson  
“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

## Sacrament of Baptism

Caroline Kate Lockey and James Edward Lockey, covenant children of Nathan and LeighAnne Lockey,  
by Rev. Knox Baird with Ruling Elder Louis Benton assisting.

**\*+Hymn of Baptism 189** ..... JESUS LOVES ME  
“Jesus Loves Me, This I Know”  
(verse 1)

## Prayer of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

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.

## +Presentation of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

**Offertory Duet** ..... Psalm 62/Wendell Kimbrough  
“I'll Not Be Shaken”  
India Smith and Jesse Noote

For God alone, I wait in silence  
My soul is still before the Lord;  
He is my rock and my salvation  
My fortress strong; I trust in Him.

*Refrain:*  
*I'll not be shaken! I'll not be shaken!*  
*For all my hope is in His love.*  
*From God alone comes my salvation.*  
*I'll wait and trust His steadfast love!*

Put not your hope in gain of riches  
Seek not your rest in empty wealth;  
The rich are weak; the poor are mighty  
Who turn to God alone for help.

Pour out your heart to God our refuge  
And trust in Him to hear you cry;  
No other hope will never fail you  
No other love will not run dry.

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**\*Doxology** ..... OLD HUNDREDTH  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Him, all creatures here below;  
praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(Four and Five-year olds dismissed to Children's Church)

**Ministry of the Word** ..... Darwin Jordan  
“Our Life with God through our Lord Jesus Christ”  
Psalm 16 (pp. 453-454) and Acts 2:22-33 (p. 910)

**\*Hymn of Response 168** ..... TOULON  
“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

## \*Benediction

## \*Choral Amen

**\*Postlude** ..... John Leavitt  
“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!”  
*Praise we in songs of victory that Love, that Life which cannot die.*  
*And sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia!*

\*Please stand if you are able.  
+The ushers may seat worshipers.

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Presiding Pastor - Darwin Jordan  
Assisting Pastor - Knox Baird  
Assisting Elder - Randy Henderson

## MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

**Mission India** provides church planting, children's Bible clubs, and adult literacy classes across India. Pray for God's protection and provision for partners who are persevering amidst the rise of persecution in India. [www.missionindia.org](http://www.missionindia.org)

**Lighthouse Rescue Mission** offers hope, stability, and new beginnings to young women and their children in need of a safe shelter in our community. Pray for Kim and Ken Thronson and their staff as they provide transitional housing, counseling, and life skills training to residents on behalf of our church. [www.lighthouserescuemission.org](http://www.lighthouserescuemission.org)

## WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We welcome you to First Presbyterian Church!

If you are our guest today in worship, we encourage you to visit the welcome table at the main entrance or in Taylor Hall. There you will find more information about our FPC church family.

Please take a moment to provide us with a record of your attendance using the register at the end of each pew.

For more information about our congregation, visit the church website at [fpchattiesburg.org](http://fpchattiesburg.org).

## HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The Sanctuary is equipped with a new hearing assistance system. Receivers are available in the narthex from the duty deacons.

## FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

These small groups meet monthly and are an opportunity to develop closer relationships with other members of the FPC church family. If you would be interested in learning more about fellowship groups, contact Molly Blass.

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to reserve a Sunday to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a friend or loved one, please contact Caroline Grubbs, chair of the Women's Ministry Flower Guild.

*Worship services are available live or archived!*  
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## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Church office hours are Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.*

### Ministry Staff

Rev. C. Knox Baird. .... Associate Pastor of Missions, Mercy and Mature Believers  
Rev. Darwin Jordan ..... Assistant Pastor of Leadership and Preaching  
Dr. David H. Jussely. .... Pastor Emeritus  
Dr. Kathy C. Young..... Director of Children's Ministry  
Mrs. Whitney McMullan.....Assistant to Children's Ministry  
Miss Ainslie Curtis ..... Student Ministry Intern  
Mr. Sean Kittler ..... Student Ministry Intern

### Music Ministry Staff

Dr. Jesse Noote..... Director of Music Ministries  
Mrs. Loleeta Rhett..... Organist  
Mrs. Christine Bellew..... K4-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Children's Choir Director  
Mrs. Hilary Strum ..... 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Children's Choir Director

### Support Staff

Mr. Arrington Rhett ..... Church Administrator  
Ms. Tracy Ross ..... Office Manager  
Mr. Tim Fortenberry ..... Project Coordinator  
Mr. Hank Hawes ..... Custodian  
Mrs. Pat Hill..... Custodian

## CHURCH OFFICERS

### *The Session*

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David Shull

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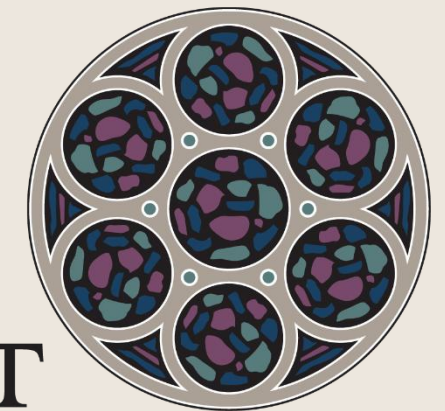
## THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!

### Duty Deacons for April:

Drew McMullan (head),  
Kelly McMullan, Will Morgan, Ben Pace,  
Rob Robertson, Joseph Tullos

### Ushers for April:

Paul Aehnlich, Chamberlan Carothers,  
Stephen English, Jarrod Gray, Austin Lovitt



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