

The Lord's Day Morning

May 24, 2026

Ten Forty-Five O'clock

Welcome

+Prelude..... Robert Hobby
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Call to WorshipPsalm 61:1-4

Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer; from the end of the earth
I call to you when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher
than I, for you have been my refuge,
a strong tower against the enemy. Let me dwell in your tent forever!
Let me take refuge under the shelter of your wings!

Prayer for God's Grace in our Worship

***+Hymn of Adoration 53**..... LOBE DEN HERREN
“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

***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[†].
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.

[†]This “descent clause” is a summary statement of Christ's passion, death, and burial.
*i.e., the universal Christian Church

Congregational Confession of Sin

O Lord you have promised that since you didn't spare your own Son,
but gave him up for us all, you will, along with him, graciously give us all
things. You have promised that all things will work together for good for
those who are called according to your purpose.

Forgive us that on a given day, we can completely lose sight of these and
your other great and precious promises. Forgive us that we can ignore
the peace and rest of your promise, the hope of your promise, the joy of
your promise and the strength of your promise.

Kind Father, ever give us faith; ever give us helpless and glad
dependence on your promises. Ever enable us to believe that goodness
and mercy will follow us all the days of our lives and that we will live in
the house of the Lord forever. Amen.

Romans 8:32, 28; 2 Peter 1:3-4; Isaiah 26:3;
Philippians 4:4, 6-7; Romans 15:3, 13; Psalm 23:6

Private Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon Romans 4:4-8

When people work, their wages are not a gift, but something they have
earned. But people are counted as righteous, not because of their work,
but because of their faith in God who forgives sinners. David also spoke
of this when he described the happiness of those who are declared
righteous without working for it: “Oh, what joy for those whose
disobedience is forgiven, whose sins are put out of sight. Yes, what joy
for those whose record the Lord has cleared of sin.” (NLT)

***+Hymn of Response** (insert) Peters/Smith
“All Must Be Well”

The Children's Catechism (An Introduction to the Shorter Catechism)

Q.133 What is the Lord's Supper?
*The eating of bread and drinking of wine in remembrance of the
sufferings and death of Christ.*

Q.134 What does the bread represent?
The body of Christ, broken for our sins.

Q.135 What does the wine represent?
The blood of Christ, shed for our salvation.

Q.136 Who should partake of the Lord's Supper?
*Only those who repent of their sins, believe in Christ for
salvation, and love their fellow men.*

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 Anthem.....Adapted from Psalm 139/
arr. Benjamin Harlan

“Know My Heart”
Sanctuary Choir
Conductor: Aaron Strum

Lord, you have searched me; you know ev'rything I do.
When I rise, when I lie down, you are with me.
Before I speak, you hear me; your presence follows day by day.
O know my heart, O God.

If I ascend into heaven, you are there,
On the wings of the morning, or in my deepest despair...
His hand shall lead me; his right hand will guide me,
Though darkness should cover me, Light shall surround me.
And I will praise the Lord, I will praise the Lord,
I will praise him with my whole heart!

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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
“Life with God”
Psalm 63 (p. 479)

***Hymn of Response 662** AS THE HART LONGS
“As the Hart Longs for Flowing Streams”

*Benediction

*Choral Amen

***Postlude** “Postlude on OLD HUNDREDTH” Fred Bock

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

Presiding Pastor - Darwin Jordan
Assisting Pastor - Knox Baird
Assisting Elder - Arrington Rhett

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Pray for **John Spencer**, a son of our church and senior at Ole Miss, who will be serving as a summer intern in Sofia, Bulgaria with Mission to the World. John asks that we pray for him and four other interns as they fly to Bulgaria on May 27. Pray that the Lord would prepare their hearts to glorify Him in an unfamiliar and challenging environment and use them in the spread of the gospel in Bulgaria.

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.

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

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

SUMMER ADULT/YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL SERIES

Adult/Youth Sunday school classes will meet jointly beginning next Sunday, May 31, through the months of June and July. We will meet together in the Sanctuary each week at 9:30 a.m. while renovations are being completed in Taylor Hall.

This summer's study will be *Characters of the Bible*, with teaching times led by Darwin Jordan, Josh Kines, and Matthew Wiggins.

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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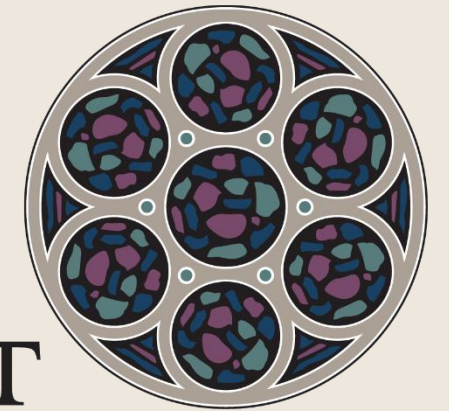
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THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!

Duty Deacons for May:
Thompson Liddell (head),
Tony Claytor, Chuck Jakab,
Lance Mangum, Chris Parsons,
Keith Reeves, Sam Rosten

Ushers for May:
Trevor Grenn, Hank Hawes,
Alex Hudson, Spence Hudson,
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