

# The Lord’s Day Morning

July 12, 2026

Ten Forty-Five O'clock

## Welcome

+**Prelude**.....arr. Mark Hayes  
“O Worship the King”

**Call to Worship** ..... Psalm 145:8-13

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made. All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you! They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power, to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The Lord is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.

## Prayer for God’s Grace in our Worship

\*+**Hymn of Adoration III** .....TERRA BEATA  
“This Is My Father’s World”

\***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

Lord, you command us to rejoice always, pray without ceasing and give thanks in everything. We confess that it is difficult for us to maintain heartfelt joy and gratitude. We can be so far from a ready attitude of prayer. Not only are we not in awe of your greatness, at times we totally neglect your greatness.

Forgive us for our unbelief. Forgive us that we can be enamored with creation and the enjoyments of our culture and yet not the God who has provided it all. O Lord, constantly renew us by your Holy Spirit who gives life to all things. May he strengthen us in our inner being so that rivers of living water flow from us. Amen.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Ephesians 5:18; Proverbs 28:14; Hebrews 3:12-13;  
2 Corinthians 3:18; Ephesians 3:16; John 7:37-39

## Private Confession of Sin

**Assurance of Pardon**..... Ephesians 1:7-8; Romans 8:1; Romans 5:1

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

\*+**Hymn of Response 701** .....ADA  
“Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!”

## 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**..... Habershon/Merker  
“He Will Hold Me Fast”  
*Duet: Christy Howell and John Howell*

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;  
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.  
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path,  
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast.

*Refrain:*  
*He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast.*  
*For my Savior loves me so. He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast.  
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.  
He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last.  
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast.  
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast.  
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast.  
Till our faith is turned to sight. When he comes at last!

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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  
“What Can’t God Do? Come On! Trust Him and Praise Him!”  
Psalm 146 (p. 525)

\***Hymn of Response I** ..... OLD HUNDREDTH  
“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

## \*Benediction

\***Postlude** .....arr. David Cherwien  
“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

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

Presiding Pastor - Darwin Jordan  
Assisting Pastor - Knox Baird  
Assisting Elder - Wes Curry

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

**Fred and Sheila Reid**, serve overseas in Japan with Alive Again Ministries in cooperation with Mission to the World. Fred ministers as a college evangelist, assists in church planting and engages in an outreach to Japanese alcoholics and addicts. Pray for the Reids as they build relationships in their community through hospitality, host short-term mission teams, and gather unbelievers in their home.

Founded in 2015, **Ddembe Ministries** serves widows and orphans in the Jinja, Uganda area, providing children with a safe, loving, and sustainable home environment. Ddembe means “freedom” in the native Luganda language, reflecting the ministry’s desire “to see tangible love generously given, to see hope restored, and to see those whom we serve know the freedom that is found only in Jesus.”

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 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 through the months of June and July. We meet together in the Sanctuary each week at 9:30 a.m. while renovations are being completed in Taylor Hall.

This summer’s study is *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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*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 Teaching and Congregational Life  
Rev. Josh Kines ..... Assistant Pastor of Discipleship and Shepherding  
Dr. David H. Jussely. .... Pastor Emeritus  
Dr. Kathy C. Young..... Director of Children’s Ministry  
Mrs. Whitney McMullan..... Assistant to Children’s Ministry  
Miss Savannah Prescott ..... Assistant to Student Ministry  
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  
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Mrs. Pat Hill..... Custodian

CHURCH OFFICERS

| The Session                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                           |                                                                                                     |
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THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!

| Duty Deacons for July:                                                                                       | Ushers for July:                                                                   |
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| Lee Norman (head),<br>Hunter Berry, John Howell,<br>Tommy Shook Schaeffer Smith,<br>Aaron Strum, Trey Sutton | Richard Fleming, Jim Koerber,<br>Glenn Mangum,<br>Dennis McGaughran, Conner Morrow |



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