

The Lord’s Day Morning

October 18, 2026

Ten Forty-Five O'clock

The Mission of First Presbyterian Church

To make disciples of Jesus Christ who live in His hope, walk in His love, discover His peace, and multiply His grace in others.

Welcome

+Prelude..... Raymond Haan
“Prelude on ‘Brother James’ Air”

Call to Worship Psalm 16:1-2, 5-6, 8

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
I say to the Lord, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.”
The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed,
I have a beautiful inheritance.
I have set the Lord always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Prayer for God’s Grace in our Worship

*+Hymn of Adoration 642 SLANE
“Be Thou My Vision”

*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

Our gracious Father, your word declares that “if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.” We confess that we have indeed sinned against you in many ways in thought, word and deed. Our zeal at times is blunted and dull. Our worship at times is distracted and cold. Forgive us we pray through our Lord Jesus Christ. Our continuing hope and only hope is that we are united to Christ and accepted into the favor he has before you. We praise you for your abundant grace! Amen

Private Confession of Sin

Adoration for Christ’s Redemption Revelation 1:5b-6

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood
and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father,
to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

*+Hymn of Response (insert) Newton/Taylor
“Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”

Receiving of New Members

Dawn Harmon
Carter and Jessica Holland with Sam and Jonathan
Bobby and Chelli Jones with Caitlin and Lillie Jo
Buster and Ina Pace
Ryan and Lauren Robertson with Marion and Rivers

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..... Irish Folk Melody/arr. Bob Krogstad
“Be Thou My Vision”
Piano Solo: Sue Bush

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

Ministry of the Word Darwin Jordan
“Our Reason for Living (Part 2)”
Philippians 1:18-30 (p. 980)

*Hymn of Response (insert) Getty/Boswell
“Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death”

*Benediction

*Doxology (hymn 731) 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.

*Postlude “Carillon” Gordon Young

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

Presiding Pastor - Darwin Jordan
Assisting Pastor - Josh Kines
Assisting Elder - John Kosko

FPC STEWARDSHIP UPDATE Year-to-date as of September 30, 2026

General Fund income	\$1,254,578
Expenses	<u>1,376,103</u>
Net income	\$ (121,525)

Mortgage balance as of 9/30/26 \$ 130,472

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Coby and Pamela McGinty serve with Mission to the World at the University of Cape Town (UCT) in South Africa, ministering to students through evangelism, discipleship, church planting, Bible studies, counseling, and hospitality. Pray for the Reformed University Fellowship Global (RUF-G) ministry at the university, and pray for Pamela’s work with Biblical Counseling Africa in educating students across ten African nations.

Ben and Melanie Kappers are church planters with All Saints Reformed Church (PCA) in St. George, Utah. The church’s mission is to establish an orthodox, reformed, and evangelical church in Southwest Utah. Pray for Ben as he pastors the church and for his wife, Melanie, who plays the piano and homeschools their children: Caleb, Grace, Anna, Drew, Luke, and Elizabeth.

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 visitor card in the pew rack.

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.

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 during October or November, 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

4901 Hardy Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39402
601-268-0303 office
www.fpchattiesburg.org
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..... K4-2nd Grade Children’s Choir Director
Mrs. Hilary Strum 3rd–6th Grade Children’s Choir Director

Support Staff

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

CHURCH OFFICERS

CLASS OF 2026
Keith Easterling
Ken Gunnufsen
Arrington Rhett

CLASS OF 2027
Wes Curry
John Kosko
Wyche McMullan

CLASS OF 2028
Louis Benton
Randy Henderson

CLASS OF 2029
Rob Jackson

CLASS OF 2030
Bobby Blass
Randy Martin

CLASS OF 2031
Grant Bennett
Matthew Boyd
Paul Durfield
Michael Griffin
Bill Stanway

Elders Emeriti
James L. Duncan III
David Shull

John R. Jackson, Jr.
Bill Turpin

Robert Jackson, Sr.

The Diaconate
CLASS OF 2026
Joe Gibbons
Chuck Jakab
Rob King
Drew McMullan
Keith Reeves
Aaron Strum
Rob Robertson
Schaeffer Smith
Trey Sutton
Andres Tellez
Joseph Tullos

CLASS OF 2027
Wes Bonner
Tony Claytor
Tommy Lofton
Kelly McMullan
Lee Norman
Ben Pace
Quentin Parsons

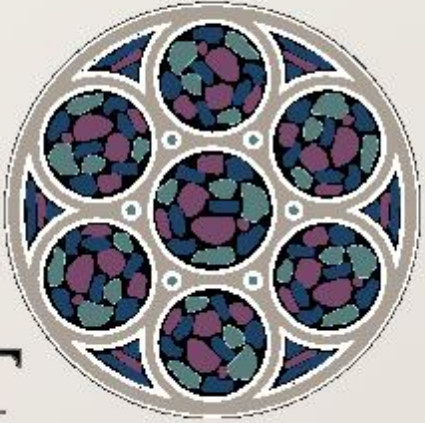
CLASS OF 2028
Thompson Liddell
Lance Mangum
Chris Parsons
Tommy Shook

CLASS OF 2029
Hunter Berry
John Howell
Weston Locastro
Will Morgan
Sam Rosten

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!

Duty Deacons for October:
Tommy Lofton (head), Wes Bonner,
Rob King, Weston Locastro,
Quentin Parsons, Andres Tellez

Ushers for October:
Connor Chancellor, Richard Fleming,
Jackson Ross, Troy Russell,
Jason Valliere



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