Community Life

November 29, 2026

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!

Fifth Sunday PCA Joint Worship Service, tonight, 5:30 p.m., Columbia Presbyterian Church, with Rev. Caleb Cangelosi preaching.

Women's Ministry Team, Tuesday, December 1, 9:30 a.m., Taylor Hall.

Student Ministry Parent Meeting, Wednesday, December 2, 6 p.m., McIntosh Hall.

Fellowship Dominoes, Thursday, December 3, 9:30 a.m., Taylor Hall.

White Gift Service, Sunday, December 6, 5 p.m., Sanctuary. *Children's choirs and musicians will help lead us in worship, with a homily from Pastor Darwin. We are asked to bring non-perishable food items to the service that will be used to restock the FPC food pantry and to distribute to those in need. Children who will be singing are asked to be dropped off in Currie Hall at 4 p.m. for rehearsal.*

Service of Lessons and Carols, Sunday, December 13, 6 p.m., Sanctuary. *Featuring the FPC Sanctuary Choir, guest singers from area PCA churches, and orchestra.*

Core Values

These unchanging, non-negotiable values define how we behave and what kind of people we are becoming.

GOSPEL-CENTERED TRUTH
We celebrate and submit to God's Word as the anchor of our lives.

JOYFUL COMMUNITY
We believe transformation happens through authentic, shared life.

FORMATION OVER PERFORMANCE
We value deep, patient spiritual growth over superficial activity.

GRACE AND HOSPITALITY
We aim to be a place where the broken are welcomed and restored.

KINGDOM MISSION
We exist not for ourselves but to serve others, reflecting Christ's love.

These values are experienced through what FPC Hattiesburg terms its "presuppositions", cultural cues that shape ministry style and church atmosphere. People often feel our values before they hear our message.

Sermon Notes

"Light in Darkness"
Isaiah 9:1-7

1. Darkness

2. Light and Joy

3. Freedom and Peace

4. A Child and a Throne

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