



**Nursery Care** is available for newborns through 4- year-olds. Please ask an usher for directions to the nursery if you are visiting for the first time.

After the children's sermon, pre-kindergarteners through second graders are invited to attend "**Wee Kirk**" with Heather Crotwell in our Extended Session room (very end of hall from nursery). This is a time of age appropriate lessons, songs, and games intended to prepare our children to fully participate in worship. However, all children are welcome in worship! If you excuse yourself and your child, you can hear the service over speakers in McFadden Hall (directly behind the Sanctuary).

**Ritual of Friendship** – Members and Visitors: Please sign the black attendance register every Sunday and pass it down your pew. Please read the names, greet one another, and meet new members and visitors.

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

As a courtesy to those around you, kindly turn off or silence cell phones and personal communication devices.

Sermons are available by Podcast at [www.firstprestupelo.org/podcast](http://www.firstprestupelo.org/podcast)

Compact Discs of the service are available through the church office.

**TV Broadcast of the service** is the following week on Christian Network Television at 9:00 a.m. Sunday; and at 8:00 p.m. Monday on Channel 4 Comcast, Channel 49 Dish and antennae, and Channel 20 MaxSouth. Service is live streaming on youtube.com search *first pres tupelo*

**Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.** They also have devices to amplify the service.

#### **PRAYERS**

**Cancer Treatments:** Aimee McDonald Burrow, Julie Seiler, Judy Armentrout, Thaine Batte, Becky Franklin, Leslie Geoghegan

**Homebound:** Virginia Mills, Flo Shultz, Grace Stamps

**College Students:** Patrick Hastings, Spencer Hillhouse, Amanda Hillhouse

We care about you as we care about each other. If you would like to submit a prayer request, you may use the blue cards in the pews or in McFadden Hall.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Early service returns January 6.

**McMillan Lecture Series** returns February 8. Dr. Erskine Clark, Professor Emeritus American Religious History at Columbia Seminary, will be our guest for a weekend of discussion. Please mark your calendar.

**Walk through the Bible** series begins January 13 at 5:00 p.m. Monday classes begin January 14 at 10:00 a.m. Classes will be held in the Session Room.

Don't forget to fill your Sparkle Boxes with "gifts" for baby Jesus! Draw pictures for people in the nursing home, bake cookies for the people who collect your garbage or deliver your mail, pass out Hershey kisses to all the cashiers next time you are at the store, write a note to someone you know is lonely ...it can be anything! Then just write your gift on a simple strip of paper and drop it in your box! We will dedicate these Sparkle Boxes and all our gifts at the Epiphany service January 9!

**Souper Bowl Luncheon** is Sunday, February 3. All proceeds benefit Youth, Guatemala & Cuba mission trips. You may donate what you would for a normal meal. Children's menu also available.

#### **The Session**

Clerk of the Session, Cindy Faucette

Class of 2019  
Doyce Deas  
Lori Dickerson  
Rick Jones  
Jimmy Milam  
Lucy Nash  
Judy Thomas  
Mike Thomas  
Rochelle Wallace

Class of 2020  
David Carlisle  
Vivian Fleming  
Julie Gibens  
Toni Martin  
Rud Robison  
Chris Rogers

Class of 2021  
Mark Burleson  
Sally Kate Collins  
Ann Godwin  
Richard Hastings  
Glenn Thomas  
Joel Zimmerman

#### **First Presbyterian Church Staff**

Rev. Dr. Olin McBride, Pastor  
Rev. Dr. Ron Richardson, Parish Associate for Pastoral Care  
Dr. Bob Taylor, Director of Music  
Dr. Ray Harris, Organist  
Melissa McDuffie, Interim Youth Director  
Heather Crotwell, Children's Church Director  
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Margaret Anne Murphrey, Music Librarian  
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Sunny Waters, Director of Preschool  
Eddie Baker, Maintenance Superintendent  
Joyce Richardson, Housekeeper  
Rev. M. McCoy Franklin, Pastor Emeritus

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY      Worship      11:00 - 219  
ATTENDANCE CHRISTMAS EVE      6:00 - 278      11:00 - 52

Weekly Budget \$15,418      Offering Amount Received 12-23-18 \$ 14,214  
YTD Budgeted Income \$ 897,095      YTD Income Received \$ 830,947

#### **2019 Stewardship Update**

123 Pledges Totaling \$ 812,296

If you have not turned in your pledge card, please do so at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your faithfulness.



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