

Morning Worship Service

Baptism of the Lord

January 13, 2019 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

A right relationship with God is one which requires honesty with God and with ourselves. Through such honesty we learn humility and experience the wonder of God's grace.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME, CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE *When Morning Gilds the Skies* Dale Wood

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is with us always and calls us each by name.

People: When we pass through difficulties and stress,

Leader: God is with us and calls us by name.

People: When we are discouraged and feel lost and alone,

Leader: God is with us and calls us by name, and heals us.

People: Blessed be God who knows us and calls us by name. AMEN.

* HYMN OF PRAISE No. 138 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: On this second Sunday of the New Year, let us confess our sins, our actions and our inactions that are contrary to the kingdom of the newborn King.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator of the universe, we stand amazed at your power and glory. We are eager to worship you and offer our praise, but we are often reluctant to answer when we hear you calling our name. Forgive us when we forget your promise to be with us always, O God. Renew us with the power of your ever-present love, and strengthen us to proclaim your justice throughout the world. (Silent Prayers) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the words of our creator, spoken through the prophet Isaiah: "I have called you by name. You are mine. Do not fear, for I have redeemed you."

People: Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE – No. 579 "Gloria Patri"
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM *Lift Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* arr. Mack Wilberg
 This anthem was commissioned by FPC Tupelo to commemorate her 150th anniversary.

SCRIPTURE LESSON II Timothy 4: 9-21 (NT) pg.213

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **Come Before Winter** Rev. Dr. Olin McBride

*HYMN OF DEDICATION No.316 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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.

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *Chorale on "Canonbury"* Alice Jordan

*DOXOLOGY No. 592
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, the needs around us are so great, and the challenge of the gospel is so overpowering that we sometimes feel helpless to do anything. Yet we know that you can take even our smallest gifts and create miracles, so we present these offerings in confidence and faith. We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN No. 341 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *If Thou But Trust In God To Guide Thee* J.S. Bach

*Congregation standing as able.

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND WORK

SUNDAY

9:45 A.M. Sunday School
 11:00 A.M. Morning Worship Service
 5:00 P.M. Walk Through the Bible
 5:30 P.M. Youth Meeting

MONDAY

8:30 A.M. Preschool & Kindergarten
 9:30 A.M. Circle 2/ Ann Godwin's home
 10:00 A.M. Walk Through the Bible

2:00 P.M. Prayer Partners
 4:30 P.M. Mah Jongg
 5:30 P.M. Administrative, Christian Education, Congregational Care, Outreach/Mission, Worship Committee Meetings

TUESDAY

8:30 A.M. Preschool & Kindergarten
 10:00 A.M. Staff Meeting
 11:00 A.M. Mary & Martha's Bible Study
 7:00 P.M. A.A. 12 & 12. Alanon

WEDNESDAY

8:30 A.M. Preschool & Kindergarten
 5:05 P.M. Tower Ringers
 5:15 P.M. Faithbuilders
 5:30 P.M. Supper in Fellowship Hall
 6:15 P.M. Tupelo Community Outreach Panel
 7:05 P.M. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY

7:30 A.M. Men's Breakfast (Holiday Inn)
 8:30 A.M. Preschool & Kindergarten
 5:00 P.M. Knitting & Crocheting

FRIDAY

8:30 A.M. Preschool & Kindergarten
 12:00 Noon A.A. 12& 12 Group Meeting

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Are you looking for a church home? After worship an elder will stand at the baptismal font at the front of the sanctuary to provide information.

Leading Worship Today: Rev. Dr. Olin McBride; Liturgist 8:30 Rick Jones, 11:00 Andy Crotwell; Dr. Bob Taylor, Dr. Ray Harris

Ushers: 8:30 Bill & Lori Dickerson 11:00 Grayson & Bess Robbins, Jim Ingram, George White

Elder at the front of the sanctuary: 8:30 Rick Jones 11:00 Vivian Fleming

Greeting: Sandy Henson

The Flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God by Park & Mer Dodge. These flowers express our gratitude for the hospitality shown our family by this congregation. They also honor the birth, five years ago this week, of Ocean Dodge.

Christian Sympathy is extended to Tom and Jenny Hewitt on the death of their great-grandson Benjamin Judson Hewitt, January 6.

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).

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.

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

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: Betty Castles, Mary Evelyn Maxwell, Virginia Mills

College Students: Cooper Moore, John Hewitt Parker, Allie Randle, Andrew Ray

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

Ray Harris has been named the **2019 Humanities Teacher of the Year** at Northeast MS Community College. As part of the recognition, he will present a lecture/recital titled, "Compositional Techniques in Leonard Bernstein's Anniversaries for Solo Piano" on Tuesday, January 15 at 6:00 p.m. in Hines Hall Auditorium on the NEMCC campus. A reception will follow.

WEDNESDAY SUPPER January 16 at 5:30 p.m. Connie's Fried Chicken Tenders, Chicken Casserole, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Broccoli Salad, Homemade Rolls, Full Salad Bar, Fresh Fruit, Banana Split Pie, Italian Cream Cake, Texas Sheet Cake, Cookies, and Ice Cream. **Use the form on the Attendance Register**, the web site, or call the Church Office at 842-5681 by noon **Tuesday** for reservations or cancellations. **Reservations required.**

We hope you will join us this Wednesday night for dinner followed by a panel of representatives from different organizations around our community. This will be an opportunity to learn about some of the new ministries reaching people in and around Tupelo! There will also be a time for questions and answers from our panel regarding issues like, "What do you consider the greatest need in our community?," "How has Tupelo changed in the past 10, 20 or 30 years?," "What small steps can I make to become more active in ministering to the people around me?" The panel discussion will take place in the Fellowship Hall.

The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, January 27 at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. This meeting will serve as our annual meeting. Committee reports will be received, the 2019 budget will be presented as information, and at-large members to the 2019 Officer Nominating Committee will be elected. Also, the duties, functions and responsibilities will be heard and a request made to add these duties and responsibilities to the church by-laws.

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.

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. Times will be announced next Sunday.

The Session

Clerk of the Session, Cindy Faucette

Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Doyce Deas	David Carlisle	Mark Burleson
Lori Dickerson	Vivian Fleming	Sally Kate Collins
Rick Jones	Julie Gibens	Ann Godwin
Jimmy Milam	Toni Martin	Richard Hastings
Lucy Nash	Rud Robison	Glenn Thomas
Judy Thomas	Chris Rogers	Joel Zimmerman
Mike Thomas		
Rochelle Wallace		

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ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY Worship 8:30 - 36 11:00 - 186

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