Morning Worship Service
Mother's Day

May 12, 2019 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

"False friends are like vermin that abandon a sinking vessel, or like swallows that depart at the approach of winter. True friends are like ivy that adheres to the tree in its decay. True friends are like the light of phosphorus: brightest in the dark." Unknown

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME, CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE *England's Glory* Nigel Ogden

INTROIT *Anthem of Dedication* Warren Martin

*CALL TO WORSHIP
(Based on themes from Psalm 139)

Leader: We gather together to worship our loving, nurturing God, who, like a mother, knows us intimately, loves us unconditionally, teaches us the way we should go, and comforts us in times of need.

People: Praise God, the Source and Sustainer of life! May we be at Worship.

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 473 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

LITANY OF FAREWELL (11:00) Larry, Miriam, Ren & Jonathan Crowell

CALL TO CONFESSION
Leader: It takes a great deal of energy to live the life for which God created us and sometimes, we are simply too exhausted. So please join me in the prayer of confession printed in your bulletin following the scripture reading from Proverbs.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)
(Following the reading of Proverbs 31:10-12, 25-30)

Lord, many of us read these words from Your Holy Word and are inspired, encouraged, and grateful. But some of us are tempted to doubt that your grace could ever produce these kinds of virtues in our lives. Some of us are tempted by resentment and un-forgiveness because of those who have let us down. Some of us are tempted to condemn ourselves for past failings, and all of us remember times when we have fallen short. Forgive us for doubt, resentment, unforgiving hearts, self-condemning attitudes. Remind us of your forgiveness, always available in Jesus Christ. In spite of our failures and sin, we trust in your power to transform our lives. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit, Lord Jesus, so that our lives may bring Joy to Your World and Praise to Your Name. (*Pause for reflection and self-examination*) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: This is good news: We may grow weary. We may grow tired and indifferent. But the Holy Spirit breathes into the very depths of our being, restoring us to lives that reflect the profound goodness of God.
All: So let's sing and give thanks 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.

RECEPTION OF CONFIRMANDS (11:00) Isabella and Ashton Posey

GRADUATION LITANY (11:00)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM *Here I Am, Lord* Daniel L. Schutte

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 2:1-2, 19:23-27 (NT) pg. 93& 114

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **Thank God for Moms** Rev. Dr. Olin McBride

*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 OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

TWO CENTS A MEAL

OFFERTORY *Where Can I Turn for Peace?* arr. Mack Wilberg

*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, we long for the time when the meek shall inherit the earth, and all who hunger and thirst after justice shall be satisfied. We believe that, despite the persistence of evil, now is always the time when more good can be done and we can make a difference. May it be so, through the offering of these gifts and the offering of our lives. Amen. (*Prayer for Justice and Peace, Iona*)

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

BLESSING AFTER MEAL

*****CLOSING HYMN No. 343 *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

*****BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Festive Trumpet Tune* David German

*Congregation Standing- as able

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP AND WORK

SUNDAY	
8:30 & 11:00 A.M.	Worship Service
9:45 A.M.	Sunday School
MONDAY	
8:30 A.M.	Preschool & Kindergarten
9:30 A.M.	Circle 2/ Ann Godwin's home
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
7:00 P.M.	Boy Scouts
TUESDAY	
8:30 A.M.	Preschool & Kindergarten
9:00 A.M.	Tai' Chi'
10:00 A.M.	Marthas Cooking
11:00 A.M.	Mary & Martha's Bible Study
7:00 P.M.	A.A. 12&12 Al-Anon
WEDNESDAY	
9:45 A.M	Preschool Year-end Program
7:05 P.M.	Chancel Choir
THURSDAY	
7:30 A.M.	Men's Breakfast (Holiday Inn)
9:45 A.M.	Kindergarten Graduation
FRIDAY	
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.

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.

Leading the Worship Service: Rev. Dr. Olin McBride; Liturgist: 8:30 Rick Jones 11:00 Richard Hastings; Dr. Bob Taylor, Dr. Ray Harris
Elder at the front of the sanctuary: 8:30 Lucy Nash 11:00 Sallie Kate Collins
Greeting: Margaret Anne Murphey
Ushers: 8:30 Sarah Helen & Ana Morgan Beckham 11:00 Buddy & Mary Stubbs, Jim Ingram & George White

The Flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God and in loving memory of Irma Stubbs by Buddy, Mary & Erin Stubbs.

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, at the 11:00 service, 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).

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

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 FOR THIS WEEK
Cancer Treatments: Aimee McDonald Burrow, Julie Seiler, Judy Armentrout, Leslie Geoghegan
Homebound: Ottis Boyd, Mary Evelyn Maxwell. Claudia Neelly
College Students: Jackson Caldwell, Mamie Clark, Drake Cobb, Emma Counce

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, and our pastoral staff and prayer partners will pray for you.

Congratulations to our graduating seniors. They will attend the following colleges in the fall: Ansley Caldwell - Mississippi State University, Carson Clark - Mississippi State University, Leland Counce - University of Mississippi, Carli Hillhouse - Itawamba Community College, Emma Kantack - University of Florida, Eli Martin - Itawamba Community College, John Robert Martin - Itawamba Community College.

Congratulations to Larkin Robbins upon her graduation from the University of Mississippi with a Degree in Education and to Gus Depew upon his graduation from Itawamba Community College with his second Associate of Applied Science Degree in Computer Programing.

You are cordially invited to a baby shower for Sally Kate and Tatum Collins on Sunday, May 19 from 1:30 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. They are registered at Reed's and Amazon.

Summer Worship Schedule begins Sunday, May 26 with 10:00 a.m. worship and Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. See newsletter for Sunday School information. Regular Sunday schedule resumes August 4.

VBS 2019- Save the Date June 2-4, 5:30- 7:30 p.m. Dinner provided. 2-year-old – 5th grade. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Melissa. We especially need shepherds for each individual age group.

Ladies! Please mark your calendar: Synod of the Living Waters-Presbyterian Women Triennial Gathering- June 13-15, 2019- will be held at our church! Send in your early bird reservations by May 15. Brochures /registration forms are available in the church office and in the breezeway.

Helping Hands -Join our team to assist at Helping Hands Food Pantry on Saturday, May 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The team will help stock shelves and bag groceries for neighbors in need. We do this every 4 weeks. Helping Hands is located at 314 S. Church Street, Tupelo, MS and is an extension of First United Methodist Church of Tupelo. Children are welcome. More info: 662-213-1520 or rickjones2525@gmail.com

Gideons- On March 24 our congregation collected a total of $1021 for The Gideons International. This will provide 204 Bibles or 816 New Testaments for distribution where needed.

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		

First Presbyterian Church Staff
Rev. Dr. Olin McBride, Pastor
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Heather Crotwell, Children's Church Director
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Nannette Comer, Church Librarian
Margaret Anne Murphey, Music Librarian
Teresa Nichols, Church Secretary
Kay Stanford, Financial Secretary
Sunny Waters, Director of Preschool
Eddie Baker, Maintenance Superintendent
Joyce Richardson, Housekeeper
Rev. M. McCoy Franklin, Pastor Emeritus

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY Worship 8:30 - 67 11:00 – 155

Weekly Budget $16,901 Amount Received 5/5/19 $9,304
YTD Budgeted Income $366,248 YTD Income Received $350,053

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