

Morning Worship Service

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 11, 2018

11:00 A.M.

Most of the time, we don't like to see how far we miss the mark of God's calling. But when we do, and when we realize that God still loves us and has hope for us, we are empowered to strive to be the people he sees in us.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE *Andante Maestoso from Sonata No. 2* Felix Mendelssohn

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In a world filled with violence and war,

People: we gather together to celebrate the promise of peace.

Leader: In a world filled with tyranny and oppression,

Leader: we gather together to celebrate the promise of justice for all.

People: In a world filled with hunger and greed,

Leader: we gather together to celebrate the promise of plenty for all.

People: Our hope is in the name of the Almighty God,

Leader: the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of heaven and earth.

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: We continue to believe that we must earn our way into God's heart. But

God's grace is given to each of us, for all of us, freely, unconditionally, always.

Let us open our lives to this mercy as we pray the prayer of confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sustainer of the weary, we know how we sang for joy when Christ came into our lives, and how we have not followed him when he leads us on this journey. We have hidden our faces from the pain and suffering of our world. We have turned a deaf ear to the cries of the poor, the hungry, the oppressed. We trust in the slick promotions of the world, and not in your words that can transform our lives. Forgive us, Steadfast God, and shine your face upon us. Help us to have the same mind as Christ, so we would know your promises; help us to have the same heart as Christ, so we might serve your children; help us to have the same Spirit as Christ, so we might go wherever you lead us. (Silent Prayers) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: This is the good news: there is no ranking in God's kingdom. God graces everyone with the same gifts: mercy, restoration, new life.

People: God has kept the covenant. We have been forgiven, we have been made new people. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*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

SCRIPTURE LESSON Proverbs 17: 22 (OT) pg. 600
Philippians 2:5-11 (NT) pg. 197

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **How Is Your Attitude?** Rev. Dr. Olin McBride

*HYMN OF DEDICATION No. 324 *Open My Eyes That I May See*

*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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 *Voluntary on Ashgrove* Dale Wood

*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

How do we show you whose side we are on, Good Lord? How do we acknowledge our loyalty? How do we affirm our faith and trust in your Son? Maybe this is a beginning: to bring the fruits of our labors and the evidence of our faithfulness to you. Dedicate them, and us, to your purposes. Amen.

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

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Rigaudon* Andre Campra

*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.

Parent Confirmation Meeting

5:30 P.M.

Youth Meeting

MONDAY

8:30 A.M.

Preschool & Kindergarten

9:30 A.M.

Circle 2/ Ann Godwin's home

2:00 P.M.

Prayer Partners

5:00 P.M.

Mah Jongg/Rec Room

5:30 P.M.

Christian Education,

Congregational Care, Fellowship,

Outreach/Mission & Worship

Committee Meetings

Boy Scouts

7:00 P.M.

TUESDAY

8:30 A.M.

Preschool & Kindergarten

9:00 A.M.

T'ai Chi Chih

10:00 A.M.

Staff Meeting

11:00 A.M.

Mary & Martha's Bible Study

Noon

Circle 4/ Sheffield Classroom

5:30 P.M.

Administrative & Property &

Grounds Committee Meetings

A.A. 12 & 12. Alanon

7:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

8:30 A.M.

Preschool & Kindergarten

5:00 P.M.

Faithbuilders

5:05 P.M.

Handbells

5:30 P.M.

Supper in Fellowship Hall

6:15 P.M.

Advent around the Church

7:05 P.M.

Chancel Choir

THURSDAY

7:30 A.M.

Men's Breakfast (Holiday Inn)

8:30 A.M.

Preschool & Kindergarten

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 Julie Gibens; Dr. Bob Taylor, Dr. Ray Harris

Ushers: Rochelle Wallace, Al, Tisha, Emma Claire and Gracie Wallace, Jim Ingram, George White

Elder at the front of the sanctuary: Vivian Fleming

Greeting: Gay Abney

The Flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God and in celebration of Olin's return to the pulpit by Joe and Beverly Chappell.

Nursery Care is available for newborns through 4- years-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

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

Homebound: Chris Thompson, Ruth Ann Wilcox, Bernice Baker

College Students: Abbey 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

WEDNESDAY SUPPER November 14 at 5:30 p.m. Connie's Chicken Tenders, Chicken and Wild Rice Casserole, Green Beans, Corn on the Cob, Tater Tots, Congealed Salad, Corn Spoon Bread, Homemade Rolls, Full Salad Bar, Fresh Fruit, Chocolate Layered Dessert, Strawberry Cake, Italian Cream Cake, Pumpkin 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.**

The annual Congregational **Thanksgiving Luncheon** is Sunday, November 18 in the CLC following the 11:00 a.m. service. We will celebrate the Installation of Olin McBride and hear the final report from the Stewardship Committee. The church will provide turkey, ham, dressing, mashed potatoes, rolls and beverages. Everyone is asked to bring large casseroles, salads, vegetables and desserts. Please go through the Wednesday night food line to drop your dishes off that morning! If you are interested in decorating a Thanksgiving themed table, please contact Toni Martin at 401-1001 or by email wii3martins@att.net. Thank you!

Presbyterian Women will collect the **Thank Offering** at the Thanksgiving luncheon. This offering gives us a tangible way to express gratitude for the many blessings we receive. The generosity of Presbyterian congregations as demonstrated through their Thank Offering gifts helps chosen recipients find real solutions for projects related to health, education, economic development, and needs of women and children. Please give prayerful thought to your gift to this offering!

Please join us for the **Christmas Parade Open House** Friday, November 30, in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m. Parade begins at 7:00 p.m., and FPC's own Margaret Anne Murphy is the Grand Marshal!! So come out and support her and have some fun and fellowship! We would like for members of the congregation to please bring pick up sweets or savory items to the church kitchen by 2:00 p.m. on that Friday. This

is a great community outreach, so please bring items if you're able. If you have questions, please contact Holly Rogers at hollyirogers@gmail.com or 790-3241.

Greeters are needed for December 9, 16, 23 & 30. If you are able to serve as a greeter, please contact Margaret Anne Murphey 842-5213.

FPC has moved to one service at 11:00 a.m. until January 6. Sunday School time will not change.

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, Interim 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

Allison Neal, Communications Director

Danielle Frerer Ratliff, Director of Elementary and Youth Choirs

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 11:00 - 205

Weekly Budget \$15,418

Offering Amount Received 11-4-18 \$ 12,170

YTD Budgeted Income \$ 822,406

YTD Income Received \$ 723,325

2019 Stewardship Update

94 Pledges Totaling \$676,072

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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