

LORD’S DAY COMMUNION SERVICE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STARKVILLE RALLY DAY AND TEAM COLORS SUNDAY AUGUST 12, 2018		
PRELUDE	<i>Theme from Sonata No. 6</i>	Mozart/arr. Watkins Jennifer Blackburn
WELCOME		Martin Lifer
APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEER USHERS AND GREETERS		
*CALL TO WORSHIP <i>from</i> Matthew 6:24; James 1:17; John 14:6 Pastor: [Jesus said] “No one can serve two masters,” Congregation: “For either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.” Pastor: Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above – Congregation: Coming down from the Father of lights, with Whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Pastor: Jesus said to him, ALL: “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”		
*INVOCATION AND PRAYER OF PRAISE		
*HYMN OF PRAISE 98	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	NETTLETON
COMMISSIONING FALL SEMESTER 2018 SUNDAY TEACHERS		
GOOD NEWS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN		Ashleigh Murdock
BLESSING STUDENTS WITH THEIR BACKPACKS		
*AFFIRMING OUR FAITH <i>From the Westminster Confession of Faith</i> Worthy receivers, physically partaking of the visible substances of this sacrament, do then also by faith actually and in fact, but not physically or bodily, spiritually receive and feed on Christ crucified and on all the benefits of his death.		
*RESPONSIVE HYMN 668	<i>THE DOXOLOGY</i>	
*GIVING TO GOD: HIS TITHE AND OUR FURTHER OFFERINGS		
OFFERTORY	<i>Tell Me the Story of Jesus</i>	arr. Howlett Jennifer Blackburn
SOLO (11:00 – Vivian Cade, soloist)	<i>Keep Us Safe</i>	Underwood et. al.

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

Having trouble hearing the service? We have portable units that are connected directly to our sound system for optimum audio. Please see an usher about using one of these devices during the service.

Deacon of the Month: Johnny Fair
Today’s Ushers: 8:30 –Charlie Guest; 11:00 – Keith Hodge, Wesley Ferguson
Today’s Greeters: 8:30 – Rubye Guest; 11:00 – Gayle Hodge, Emily Ferguson

The Sanctuary Flowers are given by Loren and Lynn Zimmerman to the **Glory of God** and in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Ushers and Greeters Needed for Many Upcoming Sunday Morning Services!
Please Choose Your Dates and Volunteer to Serve the Lord on One or More Sundays.
Access our “Signup Genius” webpages to sign up for Sundays through the end of the year, or call Rita at the church office 662-323-1994 or contact Vivian Cade at cade.vm@gmail.com.

Sign up for the 8:30 Service: tinyurl.com/FPC8-30Ushers-Greeters-Aug-Dec
or the 11:00 a.m. Service Aug.-December: tinyurl.com/FPC11amUshers-Greeters-Jul-Dec

GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED		
SCRIPTURE	John 6:27, 35, 51 & 53-58 (ESV Pew Bible pp. 891-892)	
SERMON	<i>What Will You Eat?</i>	Martin Lifer
INVITATION: TURN TO JESUS, AND TRUST ABSOLUTELY IN HIM		
PRAYERS OF REPENTANCE AND PETITION		
*RESPONSIVE HYMN 435 (vv. 1, 3, 5) <i>Just As I Am</i>		
GOD’S WORD SEALED: THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION		
INVITATION TO THE TABLE FOR BAPTIZED MEMBERS OF HIS LARGER CHURCH		
THE LORD’S WORDS OF INSTITUTION		
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION		
THE LORD’S PRAYER <i>(Unison)</i> 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 THE BREAD AND SHARING THE CUP <i>We invite all who receive from the bread and then the cup to wait – in each case – until all have been served, and then to partake at the same time as other worshipers are partaking.</i>		
*PRAYERS OF COMMITMENT AND BENEDICTION		
*RESPONSIVE HYMN 670 - THE GLORIA PATRI		
POSTLUDE	<i>Sarabande</i>	Couperin Jennifer Blackburn

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Visiting with Us?

We warmly welcome you to our worship of God. We hope you can be back in worship with us on upcoming Sundays and also connect with other study and fellowship opportunities at FPC.
To learn more about believing in Jesus Christ, as well as about church membership, your spiritual growth, and ways to learn & serve at FPC – please speak to Pastor Lifer following the service, or call him this week at the church office. You may also send a message to him via email (mwlifer3@gmail.com).



FIRSTConnect Cards!

Visitors - including MSU and other university students ...
and
FPC Members - *if you need to update your information or let us know of Prayer Requests or Ministry Questions:*
Please complete a FIRSTConnect Card and place it in the Offering or in one of our FIRSTConnect Boxes inside the entranceways.

Sermon – Scripture Highlights and Notes:

“Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on Him God the Father has set his seal.” John 6:27

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believe in Me shall never thirst.” John 6:35

“I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” John 6:51

So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you.” John 5:53

Members – Today is the final Sunday to submit Your Recommendations for Possible Elder-Nominees and Deacon-Nominees

Over the past few weeks, the Nominating Committee has extended the invitation for each active FPC member to complete a Recommendation for Officer Candidates form. Today is the final Sunday for any such responses. *If you need a recommendation form, please ask an usher for one.*

Please place your recommendation information in the offering TODAY or email your recommendation TODAY to Orly Hardin: obh2@msstate.edu

Continuing Prayers for the Families who have Lost Loved Ones

Please continue to join in our expressions of sympathy to – and in our prayer’s for the Lord to comfort – to:
- John Michael and Avent, John Michael's mother and father, and all those in their family, following the death last Sunday (August 5) of **John Michael VanHorn's grandmother, Helen Parker Daves** [services were last Tuesday in Winona];
- Dr. Jimmy Lee Dodd — following the death on Monday (August 6) of his sister, **Helen Ann Dodd Puitt** [services were Friday in Aberdeen].

Thank you from Will, Caitlin and Madeline Rackley

To Our Church Family,
We are blessed to call FPC Starkville our church home and to serve the Lord with each of you. The outpouring of love through our Diapers and Wipes Shower is a tremendous gift to our family and we thank you! Please continue to pray for us as we prepare for our son’s arrival.
- Will, Caitlin and Madeline Rackley

Thursday Women's Bible Study Begins on September 20, 2018

This year's study, *The Epic of Eden: Understanding the Old Testament* by Sandra L. Richter, is a 14-session series which will be the subject of both the fall (Peggy Johnson) and spring (Susan Gamel) studies. From the Publisher's Forward to the workbook: "The Old Testament makes up three-fourths of the Bible--a clear majority--and yet it is the least understood part of the Bible. Sandra Richter is one of the finest teachers of the Old Testament in the world. She has a way of teaching the Old Testament that brings it to life. As a result of engaging with her in this study of the *Old* Testament, you will come to a profound understanding of the *New* Testament and all that Scripture means for your life. She comprehends it from a deep place of faith and understanding and she has learned to teach it to ordinary people in extraordinary ways."

Workbooks will be ordered the first week of September and will cost \$25 for the entire series. For questions or to sign up for the fall session, please contact Peggy Johnson at johnsonpeggyp@gmail.com or at 662-418-6870.

SUNDAY:	8:30a.m.	Worship Service
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Gathering (Fellowship Hall)
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
MONDAY:	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts (Boy Scouts Building)
	8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous, also on T, W, & F (Ed. Bldg)
TUESDAY:	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Parlor)
	6:00 p.m.	Casserole Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)
THURSDAY:	6:00 p.m.	Casserole Kitchen (Fellowship Hall)
SATURDAY:	12:00 pm	Casserole Kitchen (Episcopal Church)
	6:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Christian Education Bldg.)

Prayer List

Additional Prayer List for Health Care / Assisted Living

Louise Haddigan – The Claiborne
Cattie Taylor – Beehive, Starkville
Thelma Gentry – Vicker’s Personal Care Home
Jane Lusk – The Claiborne
Jetta Kuykendall – The Grove, Columbia
Frances Oakley – Sunnybrook Estates, Madison
Marie Tramel – Beau Ridge, Ridgeland
Maxine Eastland – Franklin, TN
Elizabeth Duffey – Presbyterian Village, GA
Jewel Jacobs (Cindy Walker’s mother) – Montgomery Garden
Lu Graham (Jane Zitta’s sister) – The Hermitage, Richmond, Virginia

<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Myles Carpenter	Dolph Bryan	Carl Ivey
Jack Forbus	Harold Clark	Jim Beaty
Randell Foxworth	Cecelia Cook	Peggy Johnson
Allen Johnson	Bob Daniels	Jeff Foster
Janice Kinard	Orly Hardin	
Perry Rackley	Edward Kemp	

Deacons Serving on Our Diaconate

FPC Women's Ministry – Janice Kinard, *Moderator*

Circles, Meeting Places, and Leaders

Men of the Church (MOC) Officers – Andrew Fountain, *President*,
Will Rackley, *Vice President*, Charlie Weatherly, *Treasurer*

The Ministry of Music

On Wednesdays - Chancel Choir, 6:00 p.m.

FPC and FPCCC Ministry Team

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Mon. - Friday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m. & 1:00-4:30 p.m.



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AUGUST 12, 2018

Communion Worship Services

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Rally Day Sunday School | 9:45 a.m.

FPC's Annual "TAILGATE"/ TEAM COLORS BRUNCH

Join us for brunch at the extended

Fellowship Time

10:25 – 10:50 a.m.

