



The People of First Presbyterian Church

OUR GATHERING		
The Chiming of the Hour		
Prelude	“Quiet Reflection”	Broughton
Welcome and Announcements		
Choral Call to Worship	“Steal Away”	Steal Away
Prayer of Praise and Adoration		

Call to Worship
The Lord is sovereign; let the earth rejoice!
Righteousness and justice are the foundation of God’s throne.
The mountains melt like wax before the Lord.
The heavens proclaim God’s righteousness, and all peoples behold God’s glory.
For the Lord is most high over all the earth;
God is exalted above all gods.
Let us worship God!

+Opening Hymn # 1	“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!” (Verses 1, 2, and 4)	Nicaea
-------------------	--	--------

Prayer of Confession
Holy God, you have shown yourself to us in Jesus, perfect in every way, compassionate and kind, faithful and loving, gracious and hospitable. We stumble and fall as we seek to follow him, struggling to make his ways our ways. Our sins are real, and they are many. Forgive our failings and encourage us to start again. Amen. *Moment for Silent Meditation.*

Congregational Prayer Response: ***Sheperd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life. From Hymn # 473***

Assurance of Forgiveness

Choral Anthem	“Come, Thou Fount”	arr. Craig Courtney
---------------	--------------------	---------------------

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

The Word of God	Acts 16:16-34 (p. 128)
	Psalms 97:1-12 (p. 521)
	John 17:20-26 (p. 105)
	Revelation 22:12-21 (pp. 245-246)

Children’s Message

Sermon	“WWJD - What Would Jane Do?”	Dr. Tom Richardson
--------	------------------------------	--------------------

+Affirmation of Faith *Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.26*

Life in Christ is life eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is the sign that God will consummate the work of creation and reconciliation beyond death and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ.

+The Gloria Patri, # 581 *Glory Be to the Father*

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.

OUR RESPONSE

+Hymn of Praise # 662	“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”	Ratisbon
-----------------------	---------------------------------------	----------

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.

Call for the Offering

Offertory	“O Jesus, Grant Us Hope and Comfort”	Franck
-----------	--------------------------------------	--------

+Doxology # 606
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 Thanksgiving

SENDING

+Sending Hymn # 81	“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”	Austrian Hymn
--------------------	--------------------------------------	---------------

+Closing Prayer

+Postlude	“Praise You, I Will Praise You Lord”	Frayse
-----------	--------------------------------------	--------

+ Indicates a time to stand as you are comfortable in doing so.
Please join in unison reading of the bold print.

Prayer Concerns

Sandra Mims
Health Concerns

Jon Fortman
Health Concerns

Toni Oakes
(Ed Oakes’ Sister)
Health Concerns

Ginny Oakes
(Ed Oakes’ Mother)
Health Concerns

Allison L. Jones
(Scott Jones’ Mother)
Health Concerns

Amy Sullivan
(Pam Sullivan’s Daughter-In-Law)
Health Concerns

Lyla Fulton (2 Years Old)
(Holly Longton’s Great Niece)
Cancer Diagnosis

Patty Jones Family
Prayer Concerns for Family

Jim Loveland
Holly Longton’s Father
Recovery from Stroke

Julian Gardner
Recovery from surgery

Sherean Harrington
(Hope Oakes Step-Mother)
Health Concerns

Doug & Kandi Aultman & Family
Prayer Concerns

The Threadgill Family
On the loss of Mr. William Threadgill

Colin Kreiger
Recovery from Fall

Tom Porter
Health Concerns

Lee Hackett
Health Concerns

Zac & Shelley Clair Nagy
Welcome Baby Boy Noah Russell

Simon Storer
(Friend of Lee Hackett)
Cancer Diagnosis

J.D. & Emily Frizzell
Welcome Baby Girl Estlin Rose

Prayer requests should be communicated through the Church Office.

THE CHURCH AT WORK

We welcome you to
First Presbyterian Church!

A Nursery is available in the Education Building for the youngest worshipers (birth through Kindergarten).

Restrooms are located on both floors in the Education Building. Follow the signs or ask a friendly face who will be happy to help you find anything you need.

Today
7th Sunday of Easter
8:30 a.m.
Session Meeting

9:00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal

9:45 a.m.
Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship
Dr. Tom Richardson

Wednesday
12:30 p.m. Prayer Group

Thursday
5:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Saturday
8:00 a.m.
Men's Prayer Breakfast

Next Sunday
Day of Pentecost
9:00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal

9:45 a.m.
Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship
Rev. Buren Blankenship

Congregational Meeting
following worship

**Helping Hands
Immediate Needs:**
Fans
canned vegetables
Chef Boyardee canned pasta
canned soups

Session

Dr. Tom Richardson, Moderator, Pro-Tem
Hope DeVenney, Clerk of Session

<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>
Collene Albright-3	Maridith Geuder-1	Fran Brown-1
Hope Devenney-4	Tori Pumphrey-4	Marthalie Porter-1
Taylor Richardson-2	Lezli Waits-4	Steve Porter-2
Tom Richardson-3	Steve Wilkes-2	Susan Smith-2

Numbers beside names indicate Shepherding Group

Diaconate

<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>
Dorothy Fortman-1	Hope Oakes-3	Lee Hackett-1
Hillary Richardson-3	Eric Waits-4	Mary Nelson-1
Anna Jones -4	Sue Hatcher-3	

Numbers beside names indicate Shepherding Group

Last Sunday's Attendance: 41

Loaves & Fishes Water Drive

We want to provide bottled water when we serve at Loaves & Fishes. Cases of 8 oz. water bottles may be dropped off in the Education Building.

Helping Hands Fan Drive has started! Helping Hands is now accepting new fans and monetary donations through the summer months. Fans may be dropped off in the education building. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please reference Helping Hands Fan Drive.

Helping Hands Immediate Needs:

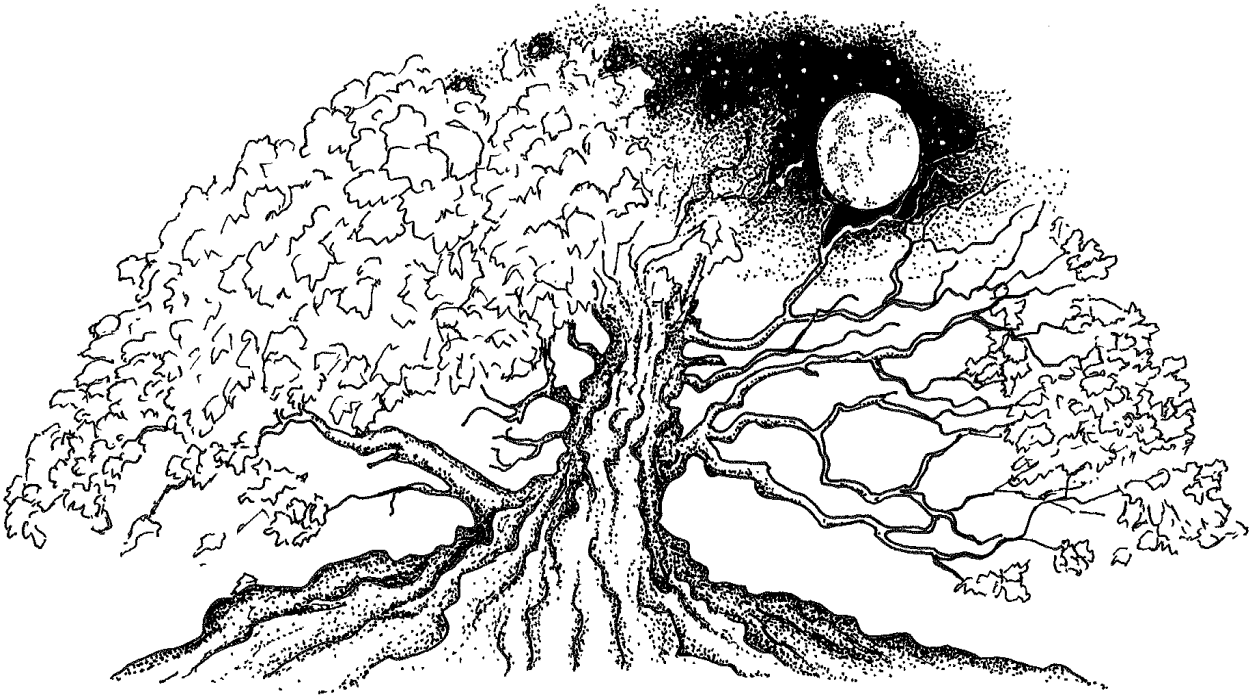
If you are at the grocery store this week, please consider picking up the following to help those in need: all canned vegetables, Chef Boyardee canned pasta, and all canned soups.

First Presbyterian Church

3200 Bluecutt Road P. O. Box 9681 Columbus, MS 39705 (662) 328-5992
Clerk of Session: Hope DeVenney (662) 549-5479 Email: Hope.DeVenney@outlook.com
Administrative Assistant: Tracie Hanson (662) 328-5992
Director of Music: Andrew Miller
Accompanist: Shirley Ellis
PCDP Director: Lezli Waits
Custodian: Rowland Jennings



First Presbyterian Church
Columbus, Mississippi



In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:1

“WWJD~What Would Jane Do”

Dr. Tom Richardson
June 1, 2025

