



The People of First Presbyterian Church

OUR GATHERING

The Chiming of the Hour
 Prelude "Prelude No. 4" Rollin
 Welcome and Announcements
 Choral Call to Worship "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me" St. Catherine
 Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Call to Worship
 Some of us come this morning weary from life,
Jesus invites to come to him.
 Some of us come this morning carrying burdens that threaten to wear us down,
Jesus invites to come to him.
 Some of us come this morning trying to do it all ourselves,
Jesus invites to come to him.
 Some of us come this morning in desperate need of rest,
Jesus invites to come to him.
 Welcome! God meets each of us exactly where we are this morning!
Let us worship God!

+Opening Hymn # 611 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Hymn To Joy

Prayer of Confession
Merciful God, we confess that we have not done the things we should. We have not followed as Jesus led. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved others as we love ourselves. Gracious God, we have done the things we know we should not. We attempt to make our own way, rather than trusting yours. We wear ourselves out carrying burdens rather than allowing your help. We look for affirmation and justification in the wrong places, rather than coming to you. God, forgive us, cleanse us, and make us new that we might live reflecting you to all the world. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen. Moment for Silent Meditation.

Congregational Prayer Response: **"How our hearts with joy abound, with your beauty all around; words are feeble to express your great love and righteousness"**
 (From Hymn # 333)

Assurance of Pardon
 Anthem "My Jesus, I Love Thee" Arnold

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination
 The Word of God Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 (p. 11)
 Sermon "Come. Take. Learn. Rest." Melissa McDuffie

+Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, 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 rose 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 living 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 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 # 630 "Fairest Lord Jesus" Crusaders' Hymn
 (Verses 1, 3, and 4)

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 "Tender Moments" Rollin

+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 # 370 "This Is My Father's World" Terra Beata

+Blessing and Benediction

+Postlude "You Are Near" Schutte

Praise Reports

Welcome Melissa McDuffie!

Prayer Concerns

Jon & Dorothy Fortman
Health Concerns

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

Sherean Harrington
(Hope Oakes Stepmother)
Health Concerns

Noah Russell Nagy
Continued Prayers

Simon Storer
(Friend of Lee Hackett)
Cancer Diagnosis

Toni Oakes
Prayer Requests

Hilda Nance
(Hillary Richardson's Aunt)
Recovery from stroke

Wayne Bruchey
Health Concerns

Rowland Jennings
Health Concerns

Boyd Hardy
(Friend of the Gaskin Family)
Cancer Diagnosis

Alice Harris
(Friend of the Gaskin Family)
Cancer Diagnosis

The Allen Family
(Friend of Martha Jo Mims)
On the loss of James Allen

Peggy Barksdale
(Tracie Hanson's Mom)
Continued Recovery

Please let the church office know if you have any praise reports or prayer concerns.

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

THE CHURCH AT WORK

We welcome you to
First Presbyterian Church!

A **Nursery** is available in the Education Building for the youngest worshipers (birth - 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

6th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal
9:45 a.m.
Sunday School
11:00 a.m.
Worship
Melissa McDuffie

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

7th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal
9:45 a.m.
Sunday School
11:00 a.m.
Hymn Sing

Session

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

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Maridith Geuder-1	Fran Brown-1	Hope DeVenney-4
Tori Pumphrey-4	Marthalie Porter-1	Tom Hatcher-2
Lezli Waits-4	Steve Porter-2	Anna Jones-4
Steve Wilkes-2	Susan Smith-2	Tom Richardson-3

Numbers beside names indicate Shepherding Group.

Diaconate

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Hope Oakes-3	Lee Hackett-1	Roger Burlingame-2
Eric Waits-4	Mary Nelson-1	Holly Longton-3
Sue Hatcher-2		Jennifer Mearkle-2

Numbers beside names indicate Shepherding Group.

Sunday, June 28, 2026 – Attendance: 47

Helping Hands Immediate Needs:

Boxed cereals and canned Chef Boyardee.

First Presbyterian Church

3200 Bluecutt Road P. O. Box 9681 Columbus, MS 39705 (662) 328-5992

Moderator, pro-tem: Dr. Tom Richardson (662) 574-9636

Email: tcrichardson425@gmail.com

Clerk of Session: Hope DeVenney (662) 549-5479

Email: Hope.DeVenney@outlook.com

Church Administrator: Tracie Hanson (662) 328-5992

Email: firstprescolumbus@gmail.com

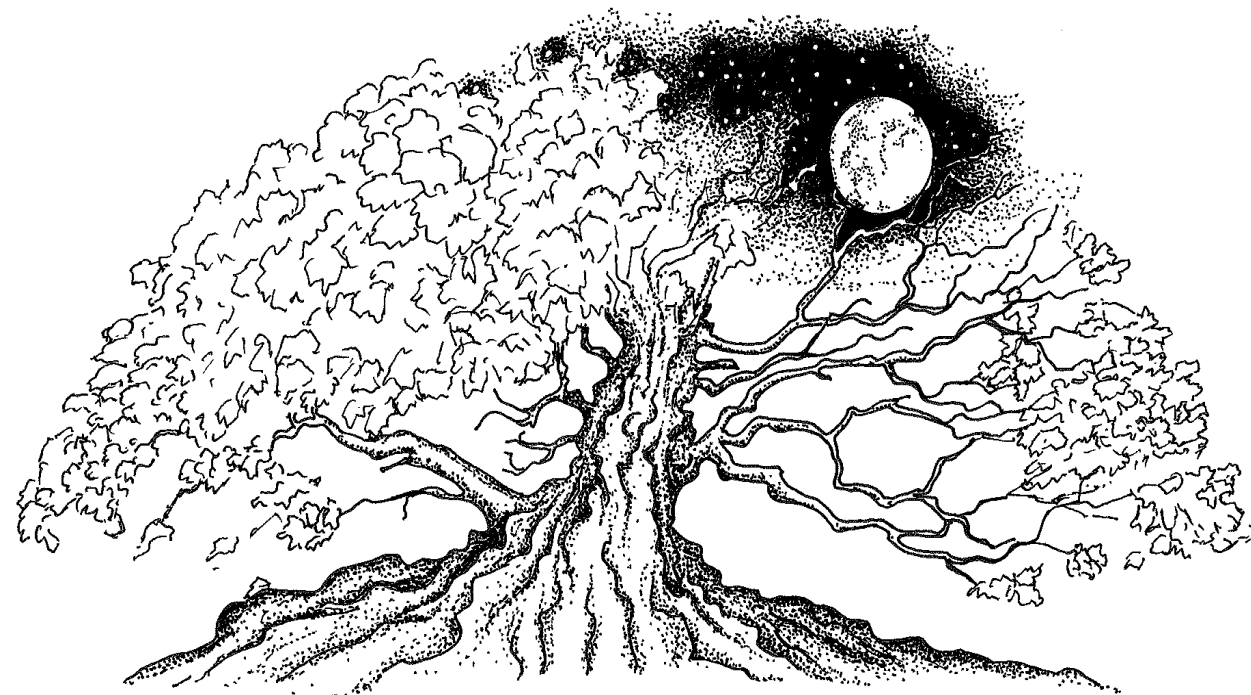
Director of Music: Alexander Nowell

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

“Come. Take. Learn. Rest.”
6th Sunday after Pentecost
Melissa McDuffie
July 5, 2026

