

# First Presbyterian Church

January 2, 2011

## THE LORD'S DAY

10:50 a.m.

If you want to get warm you must stand near the fire; if you want to be wet you must get into the water. If you want joy, power, peace, eternal life, you must get close to, or even into, the thing that has them. They are not a sort of prize which God could, if he chose, just hand out to anyone. They are a great fountain of energy and beauty spurting up at the very center of reality. If you are close to it, the spray will wet you; if you are not, you will remain dry. Once a man is united to God, how could he not live forever? Once a man is separated from God, what can he do but wither and die?

~C.S. Lewis

\*CONGREGATION STANDS AS ABLE.

PLEASE ADJUST ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES SO AS NOT TO DISRUPT THE SERVICE.

## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

### Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to

give thanks to God our Creator and Redeemer.

People: **Know therefore that the Lord your God is**

**God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commands.**

DEUTERONOMY 9:7

\***Hymn 167** *When Morning Gilds the Skies* LAUDES DOMINI

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Confession

### Confession of Sin

**Almighty God our Heavenly Father, we ask your forgiveness of our many sins. Like your people of old we have too often complained against you and your people.**

**We have failed to trust you; we have failed to believe you; we have failed to live in conformity with your law, and even our best works are imperfect and defiled by sin.**

**Have mercy upon us, we pray. Cleanse and purify us that we may live in a manner worthy of your unfailing love and bring forth the fruit of gratitude, for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

### Assurance of Pardoning Grace

1 John 3:1-2

### Hymn

*The Power of the Cross*  
Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day:

Christ on the road to Calvary.

Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten,

Then nailed to a cross of wood.

*This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us,  
Took the blame, bore the wrath.*

*We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh to see the pain written on your face,

Bearing the awesome weight of sin.

Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed

Crowning your blood-stained brow.

*This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us,  
Took the blame, bore the wrath.*

*We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath

Quakes as it's maker bows his head.

Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life,

"Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

*This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us,  
Took the blame, bore the wrath.*

*We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh to see my name written in the wounds

For through your suff'ring I am free

Death is crushed to death life is mine

To live won through your selfless love.

*This the power of the cross: Son of God slain for us.*

*What a name! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.*

### Hymn 44

*How Great Thou Art*

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### Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

### Offering

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO SIGN THE BLACK REGISTRATION PAD LOCATED AT THE END OF THE PEW AND PASS IT TO OTHERS ON YOUR PEW.

### \*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Scripture Reading

### Sermon

Rev. Brian Sorgenfrei

\***Hymn 455** *And Can It Be That I Should Gain* SAGINA

### \*Benediction

\***Response** from #223 *While Shepherds Watched*

*"All glory be to God on high, and to the earth be peace;*

*good will henceforth, from heav'n to men,*

*begin and never cease, begin and never cease!"*

Morning Service broadcast live on WKOZ 1340 AM  
and live online at [www.breezynews.com](http://www.breezynews.com).

**"Thank God you've come!"**

*We thank God that you've come today, and we hope you thank God that you've come today!*

*Please fill out the black registration pad located at the end of your pew, so we will have a record of your visit.*

*We want to serve you in Christ's name in any way we can.*

We welcome to the pulpit this morning **The Rev. Brian Sorgenfrei**. Brian is RUF campus minister at Mississippi State University.

### Communicants' Class II

Grant will be leading a class for any of our covenant children who have professed faith in Christ and feel they are ready to come to the Lord's Table. Classes will meet on *Sundays*, from 3:30 - 4:30pm. Classes will begin on **January 16<sup>th</sup>**, and end on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Notify the church office by **January 2<sup>nd</sup>**, if your child will participate.

You will receive a letter with further details.

**Officer nominations this month:** A healthy church requires God-given, committed, and qualified leaders to serve as **deacons** and **elders**. Nominations are open during the month of January. Please complete a nomination form for each nominee. Forms are found where you pick up church bulletins. Please note that you must obtain the signature of the nominee, indicating his acceptance of the nomination.

## Evening Worship

5:00 pm

### Welcome

### Call to Worship

\***Hymn 296** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* CORONATION

### Invocation

**Hymn 252** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* HAMBURG

**Hymn 585** *Take My Life, and Let It Be* HENDON

### Elder Prayer

James Boyd

### Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:20-27  
(p. 980 in pew Bible)

### Sermon

Mr. Paul Andrew Sechler

*"Life Worth Living"*

\***Hymn 693** *Blessed Assurance* ASSURANCE

### \*Benediction

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### JANUARY DUTIES:

Elders: Ken Fowler, Eddie Thomas & Don Smith

Deacons: Owen Oliver, Allen Massey & Scott Pickle

Preaching at Alexander Memorial Presbyterian Church: Grant Carroll

Preaching at Alexander next Sunday: Sam Potts

## Upcoming Events

### PDS-FPC Family Night:

**Saturday, January 15 with Greg Strange**

### Mid-South PCA Men's Rally:

**Friday, January 28**

### FPC Bible Conference:

**February 11-13 with Dr. Bill Hogan**

## "See you at 9 on the 9<sup>th</sup>."

Beginning January 9, our Sunday morning events will begin and end thirty minutes earlier.

- Sunday School from 9:00-10:00 a.m.
  - Morning Worship from 10:20 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
- Weekly live radio broadcast on WKOZ-1400 and live internet streaming will begin at 10:30 a.m.*

**Mission Sunday: Larry and Debbie Thompson** will be here on Sunday, **January 9** to share with us about their long service for Christ in Eastern Europe and about the new directions they are taking. Join us at the new time—9:00 a.m.

**Sanctuary Flowers:** If you would like to provide flowers for the sanctuary during 2011, please sign up on the bulletin board or contact the church office, 289-2435.

## Church Ministries

Budget Information	Revenue	Expense	Totals
November 2010	\$ 41,512.35	\$ 34,790.71	\$ 6,721.64
Year-to-Date	\$396,136.62	\$399,268.02	\$ -3,131.40

**Nursery Schedule:** Notify Marsha @ 289-2435 of any changes.

Date	Toddler AM	Infant AM	PM
Jan. 2	Carol, Wade & William Fiedler	Mary Bess Bryant & Sally Wasson	Ken & Sandra Fowler
Jan. 9	Deborah & Art Templeton	Camille Carroll & Sarah Ellen Parish	Angie, Abigail & Emi Holman

**Lord's Supper:** We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in Morning Worship next Lord's Day, January 9.

A new session of GriefShare begins **Thursday, January 13 at 6:30 pm.** If you or someone you know has lost a loved one, please call us to find out more information about this seminar/support group.



**FPC members, could you help with:**

- *hosting and refreshments for the weekly meetings*
- *as a group facilitator, or*
- *running the weekly DVD presentation?*

**If so, contact Teresa Paton (289-1753).**

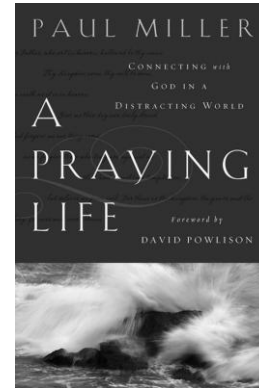
## Wednesday Night Connection

**Wednesday Fellowship Supper**—Wednesday nights at 5:30 pm. You **MUST** call the church office **NO LATER** than Tuesday at noon to **add** your name or **cancel** your reservation.

**MENU:** Hamburgers, baked beans, chips & dessert

## New adult Connection begins Jan. 5!

*A Praying Life: Connecting with God in a Distracting World*



Prayer is so hard that most of us don't pray unless an illness or a public setting demands it. Prayerlessness marks the lives of too many Christians. As a result, our lives are marked by fear, anxiety, joylessness and spiritual laziness. Join us for this honest, realistic, deep and wise encouragement to cultivate a vibrant prayer life.

**You can buy a copy of *A Praying Life* from the church office for \$10.00.**



### *Like Shepherd...*

### *Like Sheep:*

*Sermons on how to be a sheep...and a mid-level shepherd*

In Morning Worship, beginning January 9

## Committee and Board Meetings

**Inside/Outside Committee:** Tuesday, Jan. 4 at 6:00 pm

**Mercy Committee:** Wednesday, Jan. 5 at 7:15 pm

**Finance Committee:** Sunday, Jan. 9 at 8:30 am

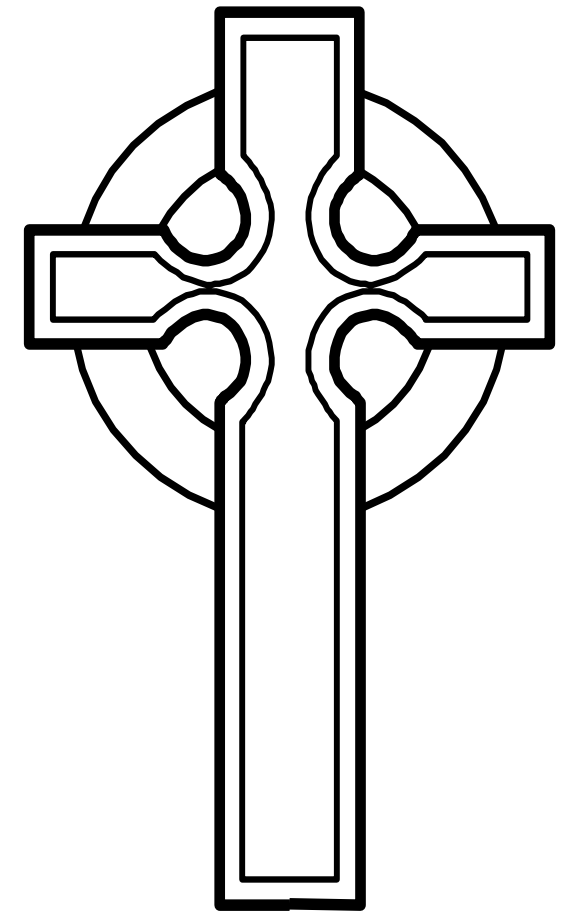
**Mission Committee:** Sunday, Jan. 9 at 4:00 pm

**Worship Committee:** Sunday, Jan. 9 at 6:15 pm

## Activities for this Week in Our Church

SUNDAY	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:50 am	Morning Worship <b>No Choir Practice</b>
	5:00 pm	Evening Worship
TUESDAY	6:00 pm	Inside/Outside Committee
WEDNESDAY	5:30 pm	Fellowship Supper Wednesday Night Connection Youth Connection Children's Connection
	7:15 pm	Mercy Committee
SUNDAY	8:30 am	Finance Committee
	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:50 am	Morning Worship
	4:00 pm	Choir Practice Mission Committee
	5:00 pm	Evening Worship
	6:15 pm	Worship Committee

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## *First Presbyterian Church*

*Sunday Worship Service  
January 2, 2011*

*Vision Statement:  
A Gospel-driven church pursuing  
God, his ways, and people.*

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REACHING**

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