

# First Presbyterian Church

December 11, 2011

## THE LORD'S DAY 10:20 a.m.

So then we confess that God fulfilled the promise which he had made to the early fathers by the mouth of his holy prophets when he sent his only and eternal Son into the world at the time set by him. The Son took the "form of a servant" and was made in the "likeness of man," truly assuming a real human nature, with all its weaknesses, except for sin; being conceived in the womb of the blessed virgin Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit, without male participation. And he not only assumed human nature as far as the body is concerned but also a real human soul, in order that he might be a real human being. For since the soul had been lost as well as the body he had to assume them both to save them both together. In this way he is truly our Immanuel-- that is: "God with us."

~From the Belgic Confession, Article 18

\*CONGREGATION STANDS AS ABLE.

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

## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude *African Alleluia*

Arranged by Benjamin Harlan  
Based on Kenyan Folk Melody

### Call to Worship Luke 2:13; John 3:16-17

Leader: Good news! Glad tidings! Great joy!

**All: Glory to God in the highest!**

Reader 1: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

Reader 2: For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

**All: Glory to God in the highest!**

Leader: Peace on earth and good will toward men!

**\*Hymn 214** *Angels We Have Heard on High* GLORIA

### \*Prayer of Adoration and Confession

**Hymn 213** *What Child is This* GREENSLEEVES

**Hymn** *In Christ Alone*  
KEITH GETTY AND STUART TOWNEND

In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all—here in the love of Christ I stand.  
In Christ alone, who took on flesh,

Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For every sin on Him was laid—  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine—  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, J  
esus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home—  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

**Offering** *In Your Presence* FPC CHILDREN

THE OFFERING IS A WAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF FPC.  
IF YOU ARE OUR GUEST TODAY, PLEASE FEEL UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO GIVE.

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.

### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Scripture Reading** Isaiah 7:14  
(p. 572 in pew Bible)

**Sermon** Rev. Phillip Palmertree  
"Virgin with Child"

**\*Hymn 230** *Thou Who Was Rich [v.1-2]*  
QUELLE EST CETTE ODEUR AGREABLE

### The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation and Exhortation  
Prayer of Consecration  
Giving of the Bread and the Cup  
Prayer of Dedication

**\*Hymn 230** *Thou Who Was Rich [v.3]*  
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### \*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,  
Live online at [www.breezynews.com](http://www.breezynews.com).  
AND NOW ALSO LIVE ON WKOZ-FM 98.3!**

**"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.*

## Merry Christmas, 700 B.C. Isaiah's Celebration of Christ

DECEMBER 11: *Virgin with Child* (Isaiah 7:14)

DECEMBER 18 (a.m.): *Child Born, Son Given* (Isaiah 9:2-7)

DECEMBER 18 (p.m.): *Highway of Holiness* (Isaiah 35:1-10)

DECEMBER 25: *Arise and Shine* (Isaiah 60:1-3)

## Palmer Children's Home

*Zack & Tollie (Pinkard) Nail* are house parents at Palmer.  
The Sock and Mitten tree in the Fellowship Hall will be receiving socks and mittens through January 4. For more information, contact Melita Bordelon, 289-4726.

## PCA Ministerial Relief Christmas Offering

Gifts to the Christmas Offering for Ministerial Relief from individuals, churches, Sunday school classes and WICs enable Ministerial Relief to assist needy retired and disabled pastors, missionaries, church lay workers, their widows and dependent children. Presently, over four hundred potential Relief recipients are being monitored. Applications for assistance from the Ministerial Relief Fund are carefully and confidentially reviewed. Gifts from the Relief Fund are given on the basis of need for a specified time period.

You can give:

- during the Christmas Eve service
- during the Christmas Day service
- by designating "PCA Christmas Offering" at any time

## 2012 Faith Promise Drive

As of December 4, 2011 - \$50,693

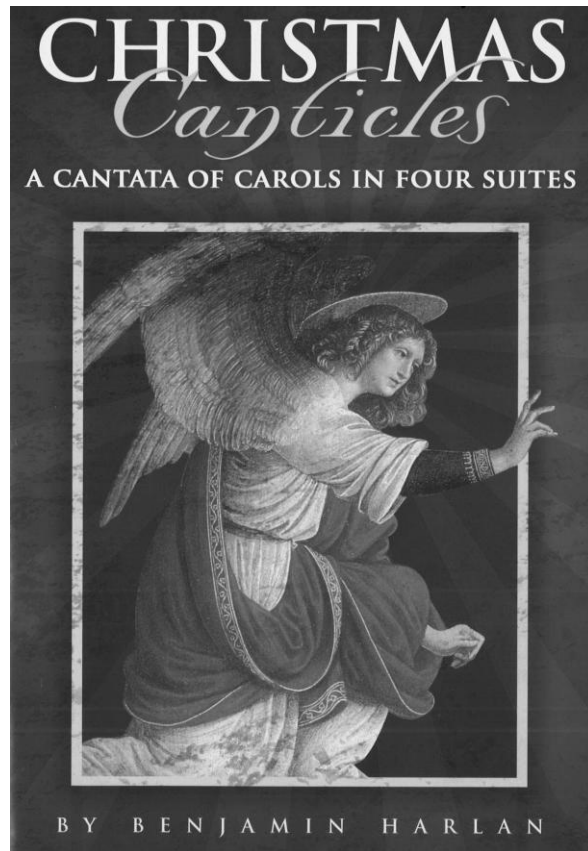
2011 Faith Promise Pledge - \$71,548

2010 Faith Promise Pledge - \$69,938



# Evening Worship

5:00 pm



CCLI License Number: 2535962

## Church Ministries

### Budget Requirements

Monthly 38,123.67  
Year-to-Date 381,236.70

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

Date	Toddler AM	Infant AM	PM
Dec. 11	Danny & Lynda Temple	Angela & Meredith Thomas	Judy Palmertree
Dec. 18	The Briscoes	Janet Baird & Judi Bell	Sid & Stirling Steen

### Circle Meetings:

**Circle 1** – Monday, Dec. 12 at 11:30 am in the home of Judi Bell

**Circle 2** – Monday, Dec. 12 at 12:00 pm in the home of Camille Carroll

**Lunchtime Ladies' Bible Study** – Tuesdays, 12:00 pm in the Susan Smythe room.

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

**MENU:** Breakfast for supper

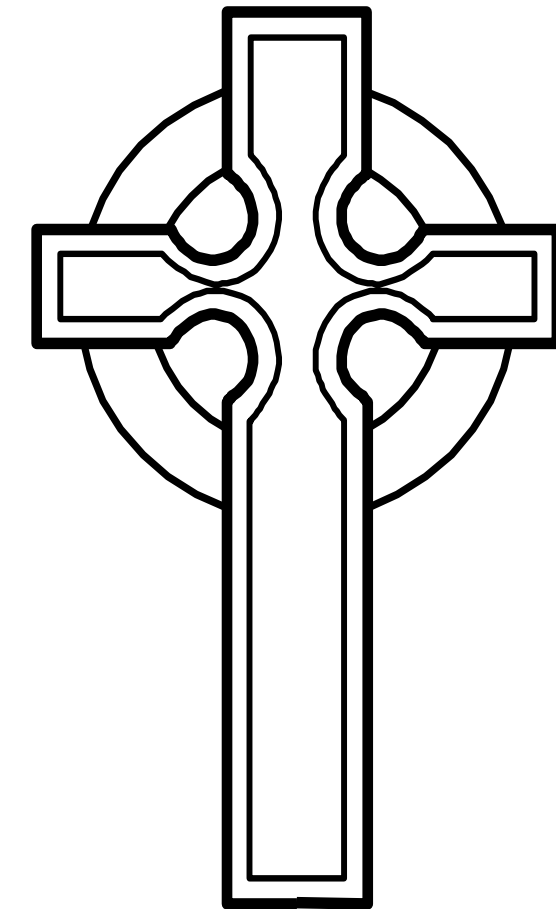
### December at a Glance

Date	Time	Activities
12/14	6:00 pm	Children's Christmas Program
12/18	9:00 am	Mission Sunday w/Melinda Wallace
	11:30 am	Mary Thornton Sunday School Luncheon at Wanda's Catering
	6:15 pm	Youth Christmas Party at Grant's
12/21	6:00 pm	Caroling and Finger Foods
12/24	6:00 pm	Christmas Eve Service
12/25	10:20 am	Morning Worship Only
12/26		Church Office Closed
12/28		<b>No Wednesday Activities</b>

### Activities for this Week in Our Church

SUNDAY	8:00 am	Finance Committee
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:20 am	Morning Worship
	3:30 pm	Choir Practice
	5:00 pm	Christmas Cantata
MONDAY	11:30 am	Circle 1
	3:00 pm	Circle 2
	6:00 pm	Diaconate Meeting
WEDNESDAY	4:30 pm	Preschool Committee
	5:30 pm	Fellowship Supper
	6:00 pm	Children's Christmas Program
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	10:20 am	Morning Worship
	11:30 am	Mary Thornton SS Class Luncheon
	4:00 pm	Choir Practice
	5:00 pm	Evening Worship

## Large Print



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Sunday Worship Service  
December 11, 2011

*Worshiping God,  
Making disciples,  
Loving others  
...FOR HIS GLORY!*

603 Smythe Street - Kosciusko, Mississippi 39090

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[www.fpckosciusko.org](http://www.fpckosciusko.org)

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America

### Children's Christmas Program



When: Wednesday, Dec. 14

Time: 6:00 pm

Where: FPC Sanctuary

You may also join us for supper at

5:30. Call the church office,

289-2435, no later than 12:00

Tuesday, Dec. 13 to sign up.

Adults, \$4.00 and children, \$2.75.

This week we are serving  
breakfast for supper.

### Committee and Board Meetings

**Preschool Committee:** Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 4:30 pm.

#### DECEMBER DUTIES:

Elders: Eddie Thomas, Johnny Boswell & Michael Holman

Deacons: Jeff Lacey, Sam Potts & Kerry Hudgins