

*Presbyterian Heritage Sunday*

*May 26, 2013*

Rev. Monty Clendenin

Guest Pianist: Dr. Wendy Freeland

Lay Reader  
Sharon Ward

Elder Greeter  
Wayne Claeren

Ushers  
Hannah and Steve Underhill

*Gathering*

**First Ringing of the Bell** ☞ Music for Meditation  
**Second Ringing of the Bell** ☞ Opening of the Bible  
**Welcome, Joys, Concerns, and Announcements**

**Prelude** *It is Well with My Soul* Philip Bliss  
arr. by Peggy Tolson

*Call to Worship*

*Psalm 8*

One: O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**All:** You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

One: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

**All:** Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

One: You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

**All:** O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**Prayer of Adoration and The Lord's Prayer**

†Hymn *What Wondrous Love Is This* Hymnal #85

†Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed Hymnal Page 14  
*traditional*



**Prayer of Confession**

God of mercy and love, You have made us to belong to You alone. You call us to serve You with all our strength. We confess our waywardness from Your gracious path. Forgive us, God. You shower your grace into our lives, but we fail to deal graciously with others. We nurse grudges, judge harshly, and act with pettiness. We have failed to love others with Christ's love. Free us from our sin by the saving power of Your love in Jesus Christ. Free us from our sin by the saving power of Your love in Jesus Christ. Fill us with Your love, and show us how to serve, that our lives may glorify You in every way. Amen.

**Moment for Personal, Silent Confession**

**The Kyrie Eleison** -All are invited to sing- Hymnal # 572  
*Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

†The Gloria Patri  
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, Amen.

*The Word*

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament Reading** Exodus 20:1-18 OT Page 66  
*The Ten Commandments*  
One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

**Time with the Young People**

**New Testament Reading** John 2:13-25 NT Page 93  
*Jesus Cleanses the Temple*  
One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** Does Religion Have a Future? Rev. Monty Clendenin

†Hymn *The Church's One Foundation* Hymnal #442

**Prayers of the People**

**Offertory** *The Wind Beneath My Wings* Larry Henley and Jeff Silbar  
arr. by Dan Coates

†Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†Prayer of Dedication

*Sending*

†Hymn *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past* Hymnal #210

†Charge and Benediction

†Hymn *Song of Hope* Hymnal # 432  
*May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all; working, for a world that's new; faithful, when we hear Christ's call.*

†

Jesus' authority among people was not because of an unusual I.Q. or mystical otherworldliness or even a winsome personality. Nor was it economic, social or political power. In part, at least, His incredible authority lay in His freedom to say:

"Life as it is given is good."

Amen.



† Please stand if you are able.

## Welcome to our Visitors

We are happy to have you worship with us and we hope you will return to worship with us again in the near future. Please indicate your attendance by filling out a visitor's card and placing it in the offering plate. If you are interested in learning more about membership in First Presbyterian Church, please speak to one of our pastors or the Elder Greeter after the service.

**Nursery will be provided** for all children 6 years and under.

**Prayer requests** - Yellow folders in the pew racks may be used to request prayer. Please place your request in the offering plate when the offering is received.

### Announcements

**Special Offering** - Next Sunday we will receive our monthly JCOC offering.

**Diabetes Support Group** will meet Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Parlor.

**Worship Service** - The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated next Sunday.



#### Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Daniel Davis (friend of Hannah Underhill)  
Mary Lois Dempsey  
Bobby Haynes  
Joy Kelly and Family  
Robert MacRae  
Stacy Boozer Mariani  
Ken Mount  
Mary Frances Murphree (Ethelyn Brown's mother)  
Martha Rogers (friend of Margaret Pope)  
Frances Seymour  
Mike Underhill (Steve Underhill's uncle)  
Thompson Nash Wagoner



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## Next Sunday –June 2 Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Rev. Tom Winter

### Scripture

1 Kings 18:20-21 (22-29), 30-39; Psalm 96;  
Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10

### Elder Greeter

Barbara Franklin

### Lay Reader

Elsie Wheeler

### Ushers

Carlton and Sharon Ward

### Servers

Aleta Bell, Carolyn Padgett,  
Laura Underhill and Sharon Ward



### Worship Opportunities for this Week

<b>Today</b>	9:45am	Sunday School
	10:30am	Between the hours fellowship
	11:00am	Worship Service
	5:00pm	Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00am	Bible Study
<b>Next Sunday</b>	9:45am	Sunday School
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**Rev. Thomas S. Winter, Stated Supply Pastor**  
**Dr. Susie F. Dempsey, Church Organist; Carlton Ward, Treasurer**  
**Mary Furlow, Secretary**

**The Session** Rev. Tom Winter, Moderator

#### Class of 2013

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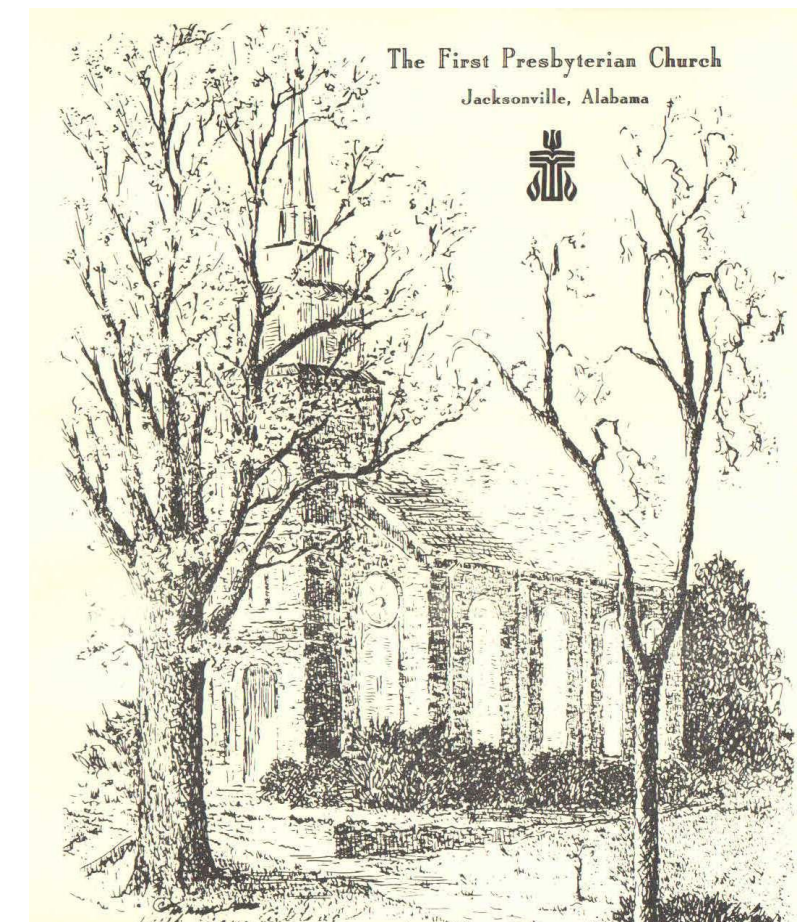
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