

Rev. Monty Clendenin

Guest Organist: Dr. Andy Nevala

Lay Reader
Wayne Claeren

Elder Greeter
Barbara Franklin

Ushers
Jerry Boozer and Rodney Petty

Gathering

First Ringing of the Bell ☞ Music for Meditation

Second Ringing of the Bell ☞ Opening of the Bible

Welcome, Joys, Concerns, and Announcements

Prelude

Organ Selection

Call to Worship

Triumphant Song of Confidence

Psalms 27:1-9

One: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

All: **When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—my adversaries and foes—they shall stumble and fall.**

One: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

All: **One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.**

One: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

All: **Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.**

One: Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!' Your face, LORD, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me.

All: **Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!**

*Some people are so poor,
all they have is money.*

Prayer of Adoration and The Lord's Prayer

†Hymn

Come, Thou Almighty King

Hymnal #139

†Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed
traditional

Hymnal Page 14

Prayer of Confession

Lord God, servanthood is not easy for us. We are attracted to the illusions of power and rank. We are seduced by wealth and privilege. We are accustomed to success and surrounded by the symbols of our accomplishments. The towel and basin of servanthood, the stooping of ministry, the listening, gentleness, and openness of the serving spirit are so alien to much of our society...and to us. O God who ministers to us – who breaks open the storehouse of treasures before us – who came to the sick, not the well – who touched the leper, forgave the harlot, endorsed the Samaritan, welcomed the child, dined with the tax collector, and was numbered with the sinners. Teach us to love. Teach us to serve. Teach us gentle strength and warm authority. Teach us how to bind up the brokenness. Teach us to be stewards of our powers, custodians of our communities. Teach us the sheer exploding joy of service. 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

1 Kings 18:17-30

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Elijah's Triumph over the Priests of Baal

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading

Matthew 6:22-34

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Serving Two Masters

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

**The Prophet Who
Anoints Kings**

Rev. Monty Clendenin

† Please stand if you are able.

†Hymn

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Hymnal #150

Prayers of the People

Offertory

Organ Selection

†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

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Hymnal #142

†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.

Postlude

Organ Selection

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Jesus' way is a narrow, demanding way to walk. No wonder that many hear his invitation to discipleship and turn away. However, every time the church gathers to worship Jesus we have the opportunity to respond when he calls our name. Despite the demands and the difficulty, God has given us what we need to follow Jesus. "Here am I, send me!"

*My grace is sufficient for thee:
for my strength is made
perfect in weakness.*
2 Corinthians 12:9

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 our Pastor after the service.

Prayer requests - Yellow folders in the pew racks may be used to request prayer. The Pastor will receive requests before the Prayers of the People.

Announcements

Session Meeting – The Session will meet on Sunday, December 7th instead of the second Sunday in December.

Congregational Meeting - The Session has called a congregational meeting to follow today's worship. The purpose of the meeting is to elect three elders to the class of 2017, a trustee for the class of 2017 and a Congregational Nominating Committee. The following persons will be nominated by the current Nominating Committee: **Elders**– Steve Underhill, Cospier Bell and Bonnie Seymour; **Trustee**–Wayne Claeren; **Nominating Committee**–Mary Agnes Hester, Jetta Manners, Margaret Pope, and Rachel Underhill. Nominations will be received from the floor providing that the persons nominated have agreed to serve if elected. All church members are encouraged to attend.



Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Daniel Davis (friend of Hannah Underhill)
 Dorothy DiBartolo
 Susie Duncan (friend of David and Cecelia Talley)
 Gene Fair
 Larry Fair
 Pat Fitzsimmons
 Lynsey Gillam
 Bobby Haynes
 Tom Hester (Glenn and Mary Agnes Hester's son)
 Pat Kochan
 Lee Manners
 Margo Miller (3 year old with Leukemia-requested by Laura Underhill)
 Ken Mount
 Diane Mount Nisbet
 Carolyn Paris
 Peggy Parrish (friend of David and Cecelia Talley)
 Ivan Ratzlaff
 Darlene Shults
 Ellen Simpson
 Rodney Sprayberry
 Thompson Nash Wagoner
 Gary Wilborn (friend of the Boozers)



Next Sunday – November 30
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Scripture

Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19;
 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37

Elder Greeter

Barbara Franklin

Lay Reader

Margaret Pope

Ushers

Virginia MacRae and Ryan Kirby



Worship Opportunities for this Week

Today	9:45am	Sunday School
	10:30am	Between the hours fellowship
	11:00am	Worship Service
Wednesday	5:00pm	Bible Study
	10:00am	Bible Study – <i>Consider the Birds</i>
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	10:30am	Between the hours fellowship
	11:00am	Worship Service
	5:00pm	Bible Study

Dr. Susie F. Dempsey, Church Organist; Carlton Ward, Treasurer
Mary Furlow, Secretary

The Session

Class of 2014
 Wayne Claeren
 Barbara Franklin
 Laura Underhill

Class of 2015
 Aleta Bell
 Carolyn Padgett
 Sharon Ward

Class of 2016
 Ethelyn Brown
 Margaret Pope
 Don Seymour

Lana Boozer

Trustees
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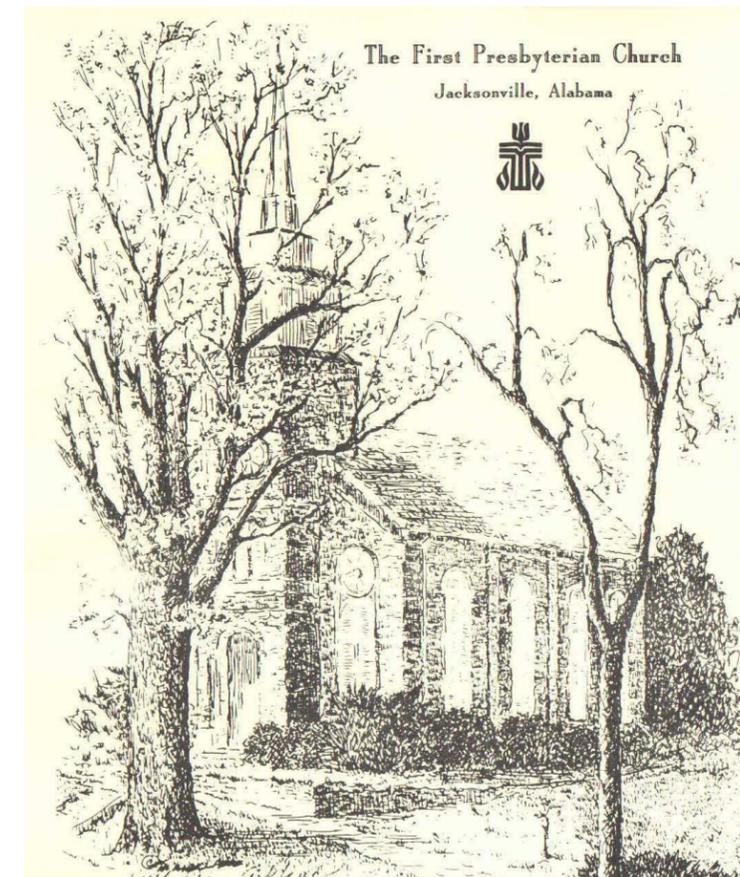
Church Office Hours
 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday

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Jacksonville, Alabama



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