

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

9:00 AM Sunday School
 9:55 AM Worship Service
 11:00 AM Discipleship Committee
 5:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

TUESDAY

6:00 AM Men's Morning Book Study

WEDNESDAY

5:30 PM Wednesday Night Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School - Winter Quarter: Walt Herrington is teaching a study titled "The Christian and Finances". We'll discuss how we as Christians should approach how we earn, spend, donate, and save money.

Discipleship Committee Meeting: after church this morning.

Choir Rehearsal: today at 5:00 PM.

Wednesday Night Fellowship: We will have weekly dinners from 5:30-6:30 PM followed by activities for all ages 6:30 -7:30 PM. Meals start at \$5 a person with a \$15 cap for families of three or more. The children and youth will be meeting after supper and there will also be an adult study led by Andrew Ouzts. Two nursery volunteers will be needed at 6:20 PM each Wednesday.

2025 Offering Envelopes: Your 2025 Offering Envelopes are available for pickup on the bookshelf in the breezeway.

Stand 2025: Mid-South men's annual conference will be on Friday, February 7th at FPC, Jackson. The event is free with a BBQ Dinner from 5:30-6:30 PM. To register for dinner scan the QR code on the flyer on the bulletin board or go to www.fpcj.ms/stand-2025. Dr. Kevin De Young will lead a study on facing the challenge of *Courage and Compromise in the Book of Joshua* from 7:00-8:30 PM in the Sanctuary.

Flower Calendar: The 2025 flower calendar has been posted on the bulletin board. If you have a date you prefer please sign up early to reserve that date.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School: Classes for 2 years - 6th grade meet each Sunday at 9:00 AM.

Wednesday Night: The children (3 year olds - 6th) are studying the catechism through March 26. The 3, 4, & 5 year olds will study questions 1-13 of the Children's Catechism with Susan Inman & Sue Bohnen. The 1st - 3rd will be learning about & memorizing questions 1-54 of the Children's Catechism with Scotty and Nancilynn Dickey. The 4th-6th will begin the Shorter Catechism and will study the first 16 questions with Nate Inman & Chris Groebe.

SERVING SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Sophie Warren **Next Week:** Taylor Vance

Nursery: Cecile Whitten, Molly Eastland (SS), Hutton Curtis, Cecile Whitten (WS)

Evening Service: Carrie Mills, Kerri Matthews **Wednesday:** Trasy Shores, Rebecca Thompson **Next Sunday:** Savannah Brewer (SS), Carrie Mills (WS) / Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:** Kerri Matthews, Cecile Whitten **Wednesday:** Trasy Shores, Rebecca Thompson

January: Cecile Whitten **February:** Molly Eastland

Children's Church: Lauren Hoge & Savannah Brewer **Next week:** Gray Ouzts & Ginger Sasser

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School: Jr and Sr. High classes meet upstairs at 9:00 AM every Sunday.
Youth Fellowship: Youth Group meets after dinner on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM.

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10 AM/6 PM): Jan 5 158/61
 Live Views: 8/8
 Total Online views: 46/39
 Sunday School: 125
 Last Week's Offering: \$ 10,204.00
 Online Giving : \$ 3,095.00
 Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$ 9,968.00
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 23,733.00 (+3,797.00)
 Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving: \$ 19,936.00

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OFFICERS

Elders - Scotty Dickey, Thomas Eastland, Brad Mills, Brian Smith, John Thompson, Jim Neill, Nat Whitten
Deacons - Richard Bohnen, Alex Dupree, Chris Groebe, Nate Inman, Ryan Lee, Eric Napier, Andrew Ouzts, Andrew Rush, Luther Stowers, Darrin Tolar, Matthew Warren

OFFICERS EMERITUS

Elders - Walt Herrington, Gary Morrison, Jackie Thompson
Deacons - John McInnis †, Richard Harrison

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Leadership Team - Nancilynn Dickey, Julie Huddleston, Becky Inman, Kerri Matthews, Carole Morrison, Jeanne Monsour, Melinda Neill, Elizabeth Pinkerton, Jo Stanford, Mary Thompson
Flower Coordinators - Deanna Rush & Gray Ouzts

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God.

To livestream the service go to:

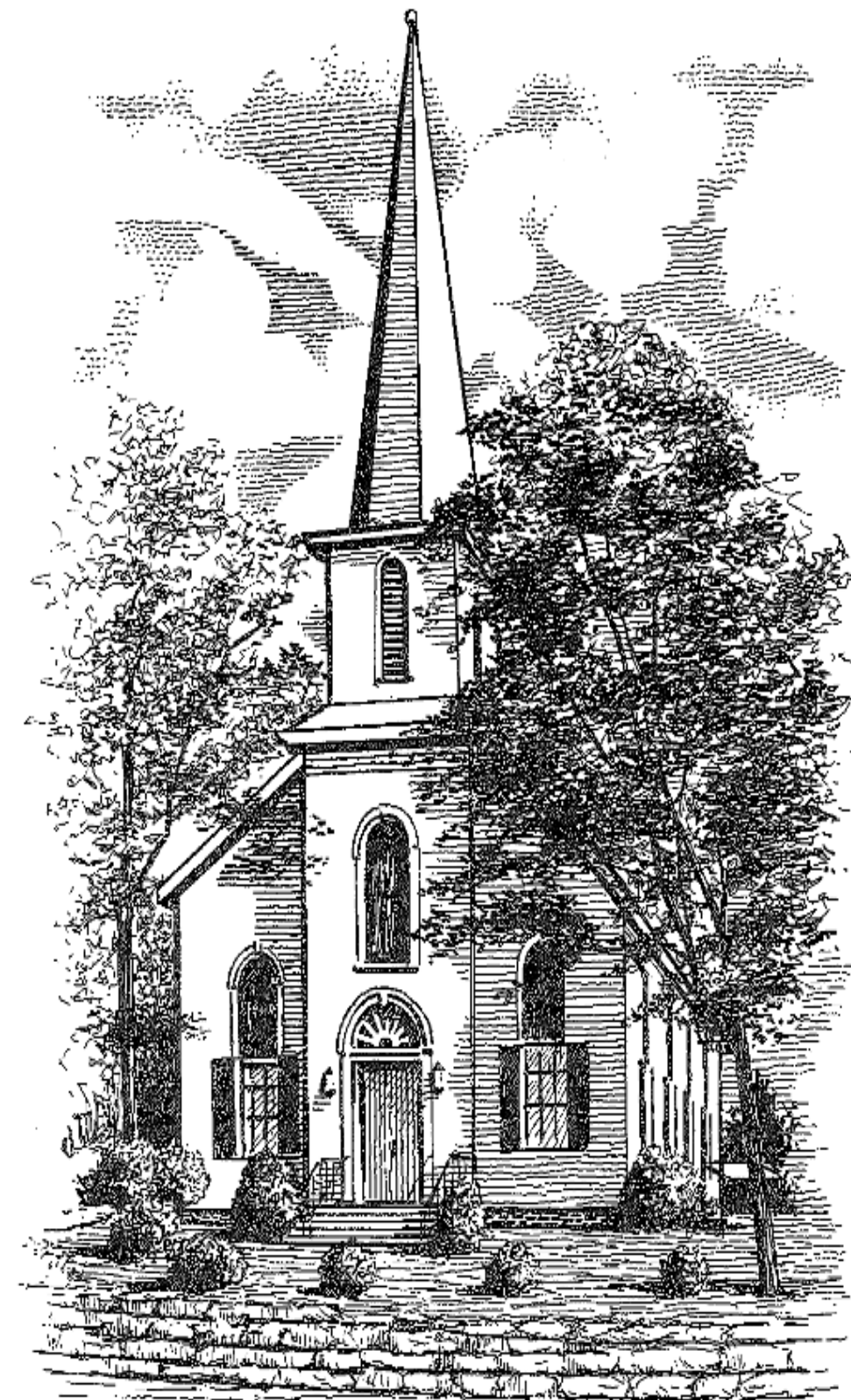
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To Our Visitors

We are pleased to have you worship with us.
 Our church doors are open as wide as the Gospel:
"For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" Romans 10:13

Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Mills at the end of the service. Let an usher or Pastor Mills know if you have any questions.



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*"The Church's One Foundation
 Is Jesus Christ, Her Lord..."*

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, January 19, 2025

During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.

Meditation CLEMENT OF ROME

“Let us fix our gaze on the blood of Christ and realize how precious it is to the Father, seeing that it was poured out for our salvation.

Prelude JOSH PEOPLES, ORGANIST

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory” - John Bowring

Call to Worship * HEBREWS 10:19, 22-23

Pastor: Have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus; let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

People: Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

Invocation * PSALM 86:6, 15-16

Psalm of Praise * N^o. 114

“Lord, Our Lord, Thy Glorious Name” Hymn of the Month (Psalm 8)

Confession of Faith CANONS OF DORDT, HEAD II, ARTICLE 5

Moreover, the promise of the gospel is, that whosoever believeth in Christ crucified, shall not perish, but have everlasting life. This promise, together with the command to repent and believe, ought to be declared and published to all nations, and to all persons promiscuously and without distinction, to whom God out of his good pleasure sends the gospel.

Confession of Sin PETER DATHENUS

Almighty, merciful God, we acknowledge for ourselves and we confess before you that which is the truth; namely, that if you decided to consider our merits and worthiness, we would not be worthy to lift our eyes to heaven and bring our prayer before you. For our consciences accuse us and our sins testify against us. We also know that you are a righteous Judge, who punishes the sins of those who transgress your commandments. But, O Lord, since you commanded us to call upon you in every affliction, and promised in your unspeakable mercy to hear our prayers, not for the sake of our merits—of which there are none—but for the sake of the merits of our Lord Jesus Christ, whom you have set forth as our Mediator and Advocate, so we forsake all other help and take our refuge to your mercy alone. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon MATTHEW 1:20-21

But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.”

Hymn of Praise * “Man of Sorrows! What a Name” N^o.246

Pastoral Prayer JIM NEILL

God's Tithes & Our Offerings MATTHEW 6:19-21

“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But lay up for yourselves

treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Offertory “How Great Thou Art” arr. Stuart K. Hine JOSH PEOPLES

Doxology * 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 * JIM NEILL

Special Music “Blessed Redeemer” BRIAN MATTHEWS

Sermon BRAD MILLS

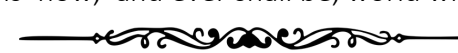
“Brought Near” (Ephesians 2:13) PAGE 977

Hymn of Response * “Nothing but the Blood” N^o307

Benediction HEBREWS 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

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.



Evening Worship

Meditation COLOSSIANS 3:16-17

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Prelude “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” JOSH PEOPLES, PIANIST

Call to Worship * PSALM 96:7; ROMANS 16:27

Pastor: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!

People: To the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

Invocation * MATTHEW 6:9; PSALM 43:3

Hymn of Praise * “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” NO. 38

Responsive Reading Psalm 4 PAGE 786

Pastoral Prayer BRAD MILLS

Psalm of Praise * “Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting” NO. 188

Sermon BRAD MILLS

“The Neverending Chase” Ecclesiastes 1:12-18 PAGE 553

Hymn of Response * “Be Thou My Vision” NO. 642

Benediction * ISAIAH 33:5-6

The Lord will fill Zion with justice and righteousness; he will be the stability of your times and the abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge.

Gloria Patri * * Congregation Standing

IN PRAYER

- **Missionary of the Week:** Rodney & Jana Davila (El Salvador)
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Nat Whitten, Alex Dupree, Eric Napier
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Jack, Kate, Lara, and Daisy Inman
- **College Student of the Week:** Ainslie Curtis
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**



- **BPC Children's Ministry:** Please pray for our children to realize they are sinners that need Christ's redemptive work. Pray that they seek after Christ, honor their parents and stay healthy and safe. Pray for our parents that they will lead our children to Christ by their words and example. Pray that God will provide Sunday School teachers.



- **Mike Langley** (Claire Langley's father-in-law): blood clots in his lungs originating from his leg; on oral blood thinners for three months will follow up with the pulmonologist.
- **Beeg Ford:** recovering from a fractured vertebra.
- **Brady Stewart** (Carol Booth's son-in-law): being treated for a rare heart condition.
- **Hays Monsour** (Jeanne Monsour's 21 yr. old nephew): at home in Meridian. Please pray for his recovery to continue.
- **Tina Tolar:** dealing with several chronic illnesses.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee's son): leukemia; +293 days post transplant; still having issues with GVHD and taking anti-rejection meds. Went back to St. Jude twice last week for lab work and an infusion since he has levels of Epstein Barr virus. Pray his anti rejection meds work, the infusion helps Ames get back on track for healing, and his body can handle what's to come. Please pray these issues will be resolved and he will turn the corner. Thank you for your prayers.
- **Jim Smith:** had another stable scan Dec. 26th; praising God for his blessings & mercies to us.
- **Laura Smith** (Kerri Matthew's friend): glioblastoma (brain cancer), stage 4. Had surgery Oct. 25; taking oral chemo and radiation.
- **Donna Smith** (Amelia Carpenter's Aunt): received new cancer diagnosis. To discuss treatment options soon.
- **Nancy Collum** (Tina Tolar's mother): early stage carcinoma; had surgery on Dec. 2nd.
- **Myles Hester** (Scott Word's 8 yr. old cousin): diagnosed with leukemia; at St. Jude.
- **Will Saulter** (Jan Heath's 21 year old neighbor): brain cancer; is stable; continuing chemo pills. Will have another MRI in Feb.
- **Bill Inman:** finished radiation treatments; doctors will study all things, and he will have an appointment in Mid January to see if anything else needs to be done.
- **Bill Monsour** (Hays Monsour's grandfather): continues chemo to control his cancer.



- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Joe Berryhill, Evelyn Culpepper, Jody Nelson, Lois Carman, Beeg Ford, Mary Ruth Ruffin, Dotsy Peel



- **Service members:** Baylor Griggs, Japan (Scott Word's nephew); Matthew Hellier, CA; Glenn Stewart, Fort Campbell (Sam Heath's nephew); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Joey Brown (Barbara Fowler's nephew); Laurel and Aaron Arnold, (Jeff & Lisa Bynum's daughter and son-in-law)

Weekday	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalm
Monday	Genesis 14	Matthew 14	Psalm 10:1-11
Tuesday	Genesis 15	Matthew 15	Psalm 10:12-18
Wednesday	Genesis 16	Matthew 16	Psalm 11
Thursday	Genesis 17	Matthew 17	Psalm 12
Friday	Genesis 18	Matthew 18	Psalm 13
Saturday	Flex Day		
Sunday	Flex Day		