

## Prayer List

The family of Martha Swain following her death  
 The family of Anna Ray Gassaway following her death  
 Margaret Collins  
 Albert Clark  
 Dero Ramsey  
 John Turner  
 Barbara Johnson  
 Carl Ivey & family following Paula's death  
 Macey & Byron Bell (Marshall Molen's sister & brother-in-law)  
 Churches & communities affected by recent tornadoes  
 Janet, Gary & Jay Bardwell, Linda Necaie (Janet's sister) and Will Taggart & family (Jay's friends)  
 John Glass (Vivien Miller's father)  
 Patsy Randle  
 Don Curto  
 Frances Graham  
 Mary Yeates (mother of mission partner Edward Yeates)  
 Libby Stephan & Jayna McQuade (daughters of Sara Wilson)  
 Peggy Johnson  
 Lesa Rhodes & Hugh Shurden (Sandy Jackson's cousin and father)  
 Maxie Bruce (Brittney McAfee's father)  
 Ressie Carpenter  
 Andy Lawrence  
 Jean Alice McDavid  
 Mary Caroline Morris (Carpenters' granddaughter)  
 Lee Fleming (nephew of Gloria & Wallace Cade)  
 John Clark Packer  
 Bob Forbus (Jack Forbus's brother); Staci Moak (Jack's daughter)  
 Rae Nell Crumpton  
 Gerlene Lifer; and Keitha Scott (Gerlene's friend)  
 Dr. Joe Brown  
 Roy D. Dreher, Jr. (Jennie Beth Chance's father)  
 Delores Irvin (Diane Daniel's sister), Sarah Helen McCloskey & Craig D. Campbell (Daniels' friends)  
 Aspen Reynolds (Anita Reynolds' granddaughter)  
 John Gassaway and Michael Tubb (Anna Ray Gassaway's brother-in-law and nephew)

## Additional Prayer List for Health Care/Assisted Living

Dero Ramsey – The Claiborne  
 Carl Ivey, Sr., & Nina Ivey – The Claiborne  
 Lou Cross – The Claiborne  
 Jimmy Lee Dodd – Huntsville, AL  
 Hilda Scholtes – The Claiborne  
 Cattie Taylor – The Beehive, Starkville  
 Bessie Montgomery – Garden Hills, Columbus, MS  
 Marjorie Malone  
 Thelma Purdy

## FPC Officers

Rev. Dr. Martin Lifer, Moderator // Andrew Fountain, Clerk of Session  
 Bob Daniels, Corporate President // Lee Weiskopf, Treasurer

### Session of Elders

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Richard Blackburn	Bob Daniels	Larry Anthony
Andrew Fountain	Jeff Foster	Vivian Cade
John Kelley	Charlie Guest	Michele Rackley
Kristen Skinner	John Turner	Lee Weiskopf

### Board of Deacons

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Debbie Cooper	Bob Boyd	Haley Graves
Johnny Folsom	Boston Hampton	Wayne Huberty
Mike Jackson	Robbie Holditch	Dalton Miller
Alex Massingill	Jackie Mullen	Caitlin Rackley

# SUMMER SCHEDULE

## VBS

JUNE  
5-8

Starts June 11

## SUMMER SUNDAYS

5th grade and under  
5:00-6:00 pm

## FAMILY PICNIC

JUNE  
07

Youth Kick-Off!  
Current 6th grade +

## 3 DAYS STRAIGHT

MAY  
31

JUNE  
01

JUNE  
02

## SWERVE

Wednesday Nights

Jr. High - 6:00-7:00 pm

Sr. High - 7:30-9:00 pm

Starts June 14

REGISTER here for  
VBS & 3 Days Straight



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STARKVILLE

Starkville's Church that Preaches the *Doctrines of Grace*  
 Part of the *Evangelical Presbyterian Church*

*May 28, 2023*

*Pentecost Sunday*

AND JESUS ANSWERED THEM, "THOSE WHO ARE WELL HAVE NO NEED OF A PHYSICIAN, BUT THOSE WHO ARE SICK."

LUKE 5:31

### Men of the Church Fellowship

Please join us for a Men of the Church fellowship event that is a program and tour of the Starkville Civil War Arsenal at 6:45 pm on June 6th. <https://starkvillecivilwararsenal.com/>

If you want to meet for supper, come to Sweet Peppers Deli at 545- we can carpool/caravan from there around 6:30. The facility is on Troy Lane off of Horseshoe Circle. No need to RSVP- just come on if you want to see this hidden gem!

Call Andrew Fountain with any questions. 662-822.-0601.

JOIN US FOR A

## COUPLES SHOWER

AS WE CELEBRATE

*Grace Lifer & Christian Dunlap*

SATURDAY, JUNE 24TH, 2023  
6 P.M. TO 8 P.M.

*The Jackson Residence*

212 TURNBERRY LANE  
STARKVILLE, MS 39759

REGISTERED AT THEKNOT.COM

PLEASE RSVP BY  
JUNE 12TH: 662-323-1994

## Sunday Morning Schedule

Lord's Day Service | 10:30 AM

Sunday School | 9:30 AM

Fellowship Time | 10:10 AM

Chapel Service of the Word | 8:30 AM

Access more information and online resources:  
**fpcstarkville.org**

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Welcome Reid Roberson  
Prelude *Spirit of the Living God* Jennifer Blackburn

God Calls Us

Call to Worship *Acts 2:33-36* Reid Roberson

Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, Jesus Christ has poured out the same Spirit that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.

For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool."

Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

\*Invocation Reid Roberson

\*Hymn #336 *Come, Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN

God Cleanses Us

Confession of Sin Reid Roberson

Heavenly Father,

We confess that we are sinners. Gracious Savior, we ask You to forgive us of our sin and to cleanse us by your Holy Spirit. Especially on this Pentecost Sunday, we ask You to empower us by your Spirit to be bold and faithful as Christ's witnesses to our neighbors and city. Lord Jesus, please also lead us this week to be renewed in our relationship with You and to be reconciled with our brothers and sisters, so that we may come faithfully next Sunday to share in the Bread and Cup from Your Table.

\*Assurance of God's Grace

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

\*Hymn #668 *Doxology* OLD 100TH

God Consecrates Us

Call to Give God His Tithes & Our Offerings Reid Roberson

Offertory *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* Jennifer Blackburn

Prayer of Intercession Dean Franklin

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem *All Earth Rejoice With A Gladsome Voice* Chancel Choir

\*Confession of Faith *Shorter Catechism 30 & 31* Reid Roberson

How does the Holy Spirit apply to us the redemption bought by Christ?

The Spirit applies to us the redemption Christ bought by producing faith in us and so uniting us to Christ in our effective calling.

What is effective calling?

Effective calling is the work of God's Spirit, Who convinces us that we are sinful and miserable, Who enlightens our minds in the knowledge of Christ, and Who renews our wills. This is how He persuades and makes us able to receive Jesus Christ, Who is freely offered to us in the gospel.

\*Hymn #670 *Glory Be to the Father* GREATORIX

Good News for Children Mattie Mason

\*Hymn #334 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* TRENTHAM

Prayer for Illumination Dean Franklin

Scripture *Luke 5:36-39* Pew Bible pp. 861

Sermon *The God of Grace* Dean Franklin

God Commissions Us

\*Hymn #115 *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDDA

\*Benediction Dean Franklin

\*Sung Response *Threefold Amen* DANISH



Postlude *Spirit Song* Jennifer Blackburn



\*The congregation is invited to stand.

### Preparing for Thanksgiving on Memorial Day



As we close our service today, we give thanks for those who made the ultimate sacrifice for the sake of defending our freedom, and we thank God for their families and fellow service members.



Today's Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God by Beverly Jones & Christie Lawrence. If you are interested in giving flowers for worship, please contact Olivia in the church office.

### Visiting with Us? We'd Love to Stay Connected!

Please fill out one of our FirstConnect Cards and drop it in the offering plate! Alternatively, you may scan our QR code or visit [fpstarkville.org/connect](http://fpstarkville.org/connect).

Want to find out more about faith in Christ, church membership, or ways to serve at FPC? Speak to Dean Franklin or Reid Roberson, or send an email to Pastor Martin at [mwlifer3@gmail.com](mailto:mwlifer3@gmail.com)



### Prepare to receive the Lord's Supper faithfully next Sunday.



We invite all baptized and affirming believers who are prepared to discern and partake of the Body and who are active in our congregation or any other evangelical church, professing personal faith in salvation through Jesus Christ, to a focused week of preparation for Holy Communion. God's Word instructs that our preparation should include Spirit-led self-examination, repentance, and reconciliation to God and to others (particularly fellow believers to whom we have been estranged), trusting in God's grace.

### Luke 5

36 He also told them a parable: "No one tears a piece from a new garment and puts it on an old garment. If he does, he will tear the new, and the piece from the new will not match the old. 37 And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the new wine will burst the skins and it will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed. 38 But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins. 39 And no one after drinking old wine desires new, for he says, 'The old is good.'"

### 1) Look to the Words of Jesus

### 2) Listen to what He says

### 3) Live out what we believe

### Notice of Congregational Meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup>

On June 11t, at 10:15 a.m., in the Sanctuary, there will be a called Congregational Meeting for the purpose of the election of our 2023-2024 Nominating Committee.

### Candidates Recommended by Session to the Congregation for Election as the 2022-23 Nominating Committee:

Session Members: Larry Anthony & Lee Weiskopf  
Diaconate Member: Jackie Mullen

At Large Candidates:  
(Women's Ministry) Orly Hardin & Foley Holditch  
(Men's Ministry): Available Next Week