

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

FEBRUARY 25, 2018

*Sunday School 9:30 a.m.*

*Worship 10:45 a.m.*

## WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

God's peace to you this morning. The Faith family welcomes you! Please fill out the information on the welcome book so we can include you in the life of Faith Presbyterian Church. May God grant us a glimpse of His splendor as we worship Him together.

*A fully staffed nursery and special needs ministry is available during all services.*

Please remember to turn off or silence any electronic devices.

+Please stand if able

### USHERS

\*Terry Reid, Woody Breeland, Andy Montgomery,  
Joey Norton, Tommy Stewart, and \*\*Mike Powell  
\*Head Usher, \*\*Assistant Usher

### GREETERS

David Braden and Carl Aycock

# **Preparation for Worship**

## **Promise**

*Delight yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.*

Psalm 37:4

## **Prayer**

Lord, you made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you—yet we seek peace in money, power, and approval. You redeemed us for yourself, and you desire us as no one else ever could—yet we still look elsewhere for other loves and other lovers. You're coming back for us, with the passion of a Bridegroom for his new Bride—yet we get more excited about lesser stories and smaller dreams.

By your grace and by the power of your resurrection, refresh, renew and intensify our love for you, Jesus. We want to esteem you above everything and everyone else. You will never love us more than you already do; we want to love you so *much* more. So very Amen we pray, in your compassionate and all-worthy name.

– *Scotty Smith*

## **Provision**

“For every look at self, take ten looks at Christ.”

– *Robert Murray M'Cheyne*

## **Presence**

“Most of us **WRONGLY** draw our assurance of acceptance with God from our sincerity, our past experience of conversion, our recent religious performance or the relative infrequency of our conscious, willful disobedience. Few of us begin each day with the truth that in Christ *you are accepted*. Christians who are no longer sure that God loves and accepts them in Jesus, apart from their present spiritual achievements, are subconsciously radically insecure persons. Their insecurity shows itself in pride, a fierce, defensive assertion of their own righteousness, and defensive criticism of others. They come naturally to hate other cultural styles and other races in order to bolster their own security and discharge their suppressed anger.”

– *Richard Lovelace*

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

## **The Prelude**

## **Matters of Church Life**

### **+The Call to Worship**

**Matthew 11:28-30**

*Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

### **+The Hymn of Praise**

**Hymn No. 2**

#### ***Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing***

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise His name – I'm fixed upon it –  
Name of God's redeeming love.

Hither to Thy love has blest me;  
Thou hast bro't me to this place;  
And I know Thy hand will bring me  
Safely home by Thy good grace.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Bought me with His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it;  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

## The Confession of Sin

**Unison**

taken from *Reformation Theology*

*Jesus, forgive my sins. Forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten. Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements and those when I have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown myself. Forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided. Forgive me the pain I have caused others and the indulgence I have shown myself. Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole. Amen.*

## The Assurance of Pardon

**Isaiah 53:4–6**

*Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

## Corporate Prayer

### +The Hymn of Thanksgiving

**Hymn No. 175**

#### *Hallelujah, What a Savior!*

“Man of Sorrows!” what a name  
For the Son of God, who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim.  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,  
In my place condemned He stood;  
Sealed my pardon with His blood.  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we;  
Spotless Lamb of God was He;  
Full atonement! can it be?  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die;  
“It is finished!” was His cry;  
Now in heav’n exalted high.  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King,  
All His ransomed home to bring,  
Then anew this song we'll sing:  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

## **Prayer & Presentation of Tithes & Offerings**

*Instrumental*

### **+Hymn of Confession**

#### ***Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God***

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Holy Spirit living Breath of God  
Breathe new life into my willing soul  
Let the presence of the risen Lord  
Come renew my heart and make me whole  
Cause Your word to come alive in me  
Give me faith for what I cannot see  
Give me passion for Your purity  
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit come abide within  
May Your joy be seen in all I do  
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin  
In each thought and deed and attitude  
Kindness to the greatest and the least  
Gentleness that sows the path of peace  
Turn my strivings into works of grace  
Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Holy Spirit from creation's birth  
Giving life to all that God has made  
Show Your power once again on earth  
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways  
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise  
Lead us on the road of sacrifice  
That in unity the face of Christ  
May be clear for all the world to see

***Holy Spirit****CCLI License # 11216176*

There's nothing worth more  
That will ever come close  
No thing can compare  
You're our living hope  
Your Presence

I've tasted and seen  
Of the sweetest of loves  
Where my heart becomes free  
And my shame is undone  
In Your Presence Lord

*Holy Spirit You are welcome here  
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere  
Your glory God is what our hearts long for  
To be overcome by Your Presence Lord*

**The Scripture****John 3:1-5; 4:7-19**

**3** <sup>1</sup> Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” <sup>4</sup> Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

**4** <sup>7</sup> A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” <sup>8</sup> (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?” (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.” <sup>11</sup> The woman said to him, “Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? <sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.” <sup>13</sup> Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup> but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” <sup>15</sup> The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.”

<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” <sup>17</sup> The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; <sup>18</sup> for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.” <sup>19</sup> The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet.”

## **The Sermon**

## ***Jesus Visits the Best and Worst Neighborhoods***

*Rev. Sam McDonald*

## **Notes:**

### **Knowing Jesus Changes Everything**

Greatest Commandment (Dt.6:5; Mk.12:30)

*heart, soul, mind & strength* – the whole person

Hearts (worship): falling in love with Jesus (Lk.24:32)

Minds (Bible study): thinking like Jesus (Rom.12:2)

Hands (missions): living like Jesus (Jn.13:14)

## **+The Hymn of Response**

### ***The King of Love My Shepherd Is***

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The King of love my Shepherd is  
Whose goodness faileth never  
I nothing lack if I am His  
And He is mine forever

Where streams of living water flow  
My ransomed soul He leadeth  
And where the verdant pastures grow  
With food celestial feedeth

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed  
But yet in love He sought me  
And on His shoulder gently laid  
And home rejoicing brought me

And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness faileth never  
Good Shepherd may I sing Thy praise  
Within Thy house forever

## **The Benediction**

## **The Organ Postlude**

## Opportunities to Serve:

### Sunday, February 25

Nursery:

*Babies & Toddlers-*

Sue Magee

*2's & 3's-*

Billy & Diane Hay

Children's Church:

Jason & Staci Anding

### Wednesday, February 28

Nic & Betsy Belk

### Sunday, March 4

Nursery:

*Babies & Toddlers-*

Karen Braden

*2's & 3's-*

Asa & Sarah Reynolds

Children's Church:

Carl & Susan Aycock

### Wednesday, March 7

Anna Montgomery

### Special Needs Ministry

Sunday, March 4, 2018 and  
Wednesday, March 7, 2018:

Lissa Boerner

Sunday, March 18, 2018 and  
Wednesday, March 21, 2018:

Sally Proffitt

## Announcements:

If you are involved with any ministry relating to children or youth, you must sign Faith's *Child Protection Policy*. Copies are available in the nursery and in the work room. Or, you may drop by the office to pick up a copy.

**THE TODAY DEVOTIONAL** for March/April is now available.

**WORSHIP TEAM MEETING** today at 3:00 p.m. in the Fogartie Room.

**CHOIR REHEARSAL** this afternoon at 4:30pm in the Fogartie Room.

**SUNDAY NIGHT COMMUNITY GROUP** will meet this evening at 6:00 at Jim & Charlene Elliott's home (657 Zetus Road).

**A VERY SPECIAL THANKS** to all for your recent kindness and being there for me during my recent "visit" to KDMC. What would I have done without you? I'm so blessed to have you. Thank you and God bless, Kay Mattos.

**LADIES, COME CROCHET!** Tomorrow, **Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**, at 6:00 p.m. at Harriet Proffitt's home. Bring some medium weight yarn and an "H" hook if you're learning! You can also bring whatever project you're working on!!

**SESSION MEETING** on **Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room.

**BRIDGE, ANYONE?** **Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 p.m. at Merrie Boerner's home, we are learning this challenging game (but mostly yapping and enjoying each other!)

**YOUTH TEAM MEETING** on **Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room.

**WOMEN OF FAITH LUNCH BUNCH** is **Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** at 11:00 a.m. at Georgia Blue Bakery. See you in the courtyard!

**THE LORD'S SUPPER** will be celebrated next **Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>**.

**FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY** is next **Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>** giving us another opportunity to participate in New Hope MB Church's food pantry ministry. Please consider helping by:

1. Donating food and toiletry items: **canned vegetables, canned meat, canned fruit, peanut butter**
2. Financial Donations – on your check, please notate “Food Pantry”
3. Offer to assist with delivery on **Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00 a.m. (meet in the fellowship hall)

For more information, please contact Holly Gardner (601-748-6948) or Amy Cooley (601-754-0474).

**VBS VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!** **Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the morning worship service, there will be a short (30 minutes, tops) meeting regarding volunteering opportunities with VBS. Anyone interested in volunteering is strongly encouraged to attend as they will get a chance to sign up for the areas they are interested in that day.

## Events:

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### This Week

<b>Sun. February 25</b> <b>3:00PM</b>	<b>Worship Team Meeting</b> <i>Fogartie Room</i>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Sun. February 25</b> <b>4:30PM</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b> <i>Fogartie Room</i>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Sun. February 25</b> <b>6:00PM</b>	<b>Sunday Night Community Group</b> <i>Jim &amp; Charlene Elliott's (657 Zetus Road)</i>	<b>Discipleship</b>
<b>Mon. February 26</b> <b>6:00PM</b>	<b>Women of Faith: Crochet</b> <i>Harriet Proffitt's (401 Oliver Drive)</i>	<b>Women of Faith</b>
<b>Mon. February 26</b> <b>6:30PM</b>	<b>Session meeting</b> <i>Conference room</i>	
<b>Tue. February 27</b> <b>9:00AM</b>	<b>Ladies' Tuesday Bible Study</b> <i>Church library</i>	<b>Women of Faith/ Discipleship</b>
<b>Tue. February 27</b> <b>6:00PM</b>	<b>Women of Faith: Bridge</b> <i>Merrie Boerner's (304 Hog Chain Drive SE)</i>	<b>Women of Faith</b>
<b>Tue. February 27</b> <b>6:30PM</b>	<b>Youth Team Meeting</b> <i>Conference room</i>	<b>Youth</b>
<b>Wed. February 28</b> <b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Wednesday Night Supper</b> <i>Fellowship hall</i>	<b>Fellowship</b>
<b>Wed. February 28</b> <b>6:30PM</b>	<b>Wednesday Night Community Groups, Youth Group &amp; Children's Activities</b>	<b>Discipleship</b>
<b>Thu. March 1</b> <b>9:00AM</b>	<b>Ladies' Thursday Bible Study</b> <i>MUB room 3</i>	<b>Women of Faith/ Discipleship</b>
<b>Sat. March 3</b> <b>11:00AM</b>	<b>Women of Faith: Lunch Bunch</b> <i>Georgia Blue Bakery</i>	<b>Women of Faith</b>
<b>Sat. March 3</b> <b>7:00AM</b>	<b>Men's Prayer Breakfast</b> <i>Bowie Barbeque</i>	<b>Discipleship</b>

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**Upcoming... Mark your calendars now!**

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<b>Sun. March 4</b>	<b>Communion &amp; Food Pantry Sunday</b> Collection baskets are available for your donations	<b>Worship/ Women of Faith</b>
<b>Sun. March 4 12:00PM</b>	<b>VBS Meeting</b> <i>Fellowship hall</i>	<b>Children's</b>
<b>Sun. March 11</b>	<b>Daylight Savings Time begins</b> Don't forget to <i>spring</i> ahead!	
<b>Sun. March 11</b>	<b>No CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b>	<b>Children's</b>
<b>Tue. March 13 9:00AM</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Cup Tuesday</b> <i>Fox's Pizza</i>	<b>Women of Faith</b>
<b>Wed. March 14</b>	<b>No SUPPER, SMALL GROUPS, YOUTH or CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES</b> Spring Break Week!	

# Ministry of the Week

**Latasha Allston**

*Serving with RUF at  
Jackson State University*



Please Pray for:

- Latasha to continue growing deeper in her devotion and wonder of God.
- Her wisdom and being in the fear of the Lord.
- The Lord to raise up leaders who will take up their cross and follow Him.
- Her support raising, and for the Lord to continue to soften people's hearts!

# The Youth Informer



## What's Next?

- 2.25.18 :** Sunday School @9:30am
- 2.25.18 :** NO SMALL GROUPS
- 2.28.18 :** Wednesday Night Large Group
  - ⇒ Dinner @5:30 in fellowship hall
  - ⇒ Youth @6:15 in Youth Room

## Verse of the Week

### Lamentations 3:22-23a

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning.

Q. What's the difference between a poorly dressed man on a tricycle and a well-dressed man on a bicycle?

A. Attire!