



# NEWS & NOTES

FROM

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### VICKSBURG, MS

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### March Schedule of Duties

#### USHER SCHEDULE

Mar 3— E. McCaskill, M. Fant, G. Ruff,  
M&P Fulghum  
Mar 10—G. Denton, J&M Chaney, C.Sullivan,  
P. Cashman, J Cashman  
Mar 17—C&D Peacock, B. Teller, D. Coulter,  
J. Thames, J. Mooney  
Mar 24—G. Denton, T. Boolos, C. Martin-Nez,  
P&A Stone  
Mar 31—D. Miller, J Freeman, G. Fulcher,  
J&B Kamman, D&J Bottemiller

#### BREAD DELIVERY

Mary Martha Sunday School

#### SUNDAY MORNING OPENING

Mar 3— K. Klaus  
Mar 10—G. Denton  
Mar 17—D. McClung  
Mar 24—K. Jabour  
Mar 31—W. Montgomery

#### MEALS ON WHEELS

##### Friday, March 1

<u>Mac N Cheese</u>	<u>Cookies</u>
B. Hall	D. Mitchell
B. Kamman	P. Teller
C. McClung	L. Peyton
D. McClung	
R. Gay	

##### Tuesday, March 26

<u>Casseroles</u>	<u>Cookies</u>
B. Clarke	S. Braddock
G. Fulcher	R. Ledbetter
P. Gee	C. Houser
D. Hall	
A. Lauderdale	
S. Oaks	
L. Rodgers	
A. Vessel	

#### NURSERY

Coordinator-Stacey Teller

Shell White & Sharon Harris

Mar 3 — Addison/Annslee Averett  
Mar 10— Christian Harris  
Mar 17— Ryan Hadley Grey  
Mar 24— Sydney Sullivan  
Mar 31—Melissa Herlee

#### Fellowship and Renewal

God didn't intend for us to live as isolated individuals. When we are nearer to Him, he also brings us nearer to one another. He wants us to be a community of believers. This is the purpose of Fellowship and Renewal Committee. We provide tablescapes and organize meals for several opportunities for fellowship with one other.

The next opportunity will be Holy Week when we host one of the ecumenical lunches. This is a wonderful opportunity to have fellowship with other churches in our downtown area. We also provide Sunday morning fellowship, Weekend of Renewal/Women's Retreat, Wonderful Wednesday Meals and other special events. Last year we were the location for appetizers for the fundraiser for Grace Christian Counseling Center's Progressive Dinner, hosted Bob Cunny's 99th birthday celebration and hosted a potluck hamburger lunch to kick off the new Sunday School year. That is a lot of sweet fellowship with fellow believers! It also takes a lot of volunteers that I am very grateful for! These events couldn't happen without them!

I have been given permission to include a list of our small groups meetings that provide another way to enjoy special fellowship and further your spiritual walk:

- Will Montgomery is teaching an in depth study of Job. This groups meets on Wednesday night at 6:00 in the classroom to the right of the elevator.
- Sara Johnson is teaching on Isaiah, This group meets at 6:00 on Wednesday night in the Library.
- Todd Boolos and Blake Teller are teaching a Max Lucado video series. They are currently meeting at the Teller home, in the pool house. This group meets on Tuesday night at 6:00.
- Fred Newcomb and Donna Bodron are teaching from The Christian Manifesto by Alistair Begg. They meet in the Koionia room Wednesday night at 6:00.
- Mike Davis is teaching an in depth study on David. They meet at 4:00 on Wednesday afternoon in the conference room.

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• Fireside Chat is a discussion group currently studying *They Turned the World Upside Down* by Charles Martin. They meet Thursday at 10:00 in the conference room.

So many opportunities to learn, share, and love with your church family!

In Christian love,  
Tommye Strickland  
Fellowship and Renewal Chairman



**OUR CONTINUING PRAYER MINISTRY** for March lifts up the names of these with-  
in our congregational family, giving thanks to God and asking for His blessings to fill  
their lives:

March 3— John Cashman; Pat and Barbara Cashman; and Jim and Monnie Chaney

March 10—Sandy Clark; Betzebe Clarke; and Marilyn Corley

March 17—Dennis and Jennifer Coulter; George and Lerlyne Cronia; and Bob Cunny

March 24—Mike and Denesha Curtis; Faye Daniels; and Ward and Katy Daniels

March 31—Michael and Clarissa Davis; Zeki and Kay Demirbilek; and Glenn and Terri  
Denton



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYS FOR OUR FRIENDS AND  
FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY.**

Captain Robinson Bash Brown, Army, son of Rev. and Mrs. Tim Brown  
Corporal Christopher Harris Wilkinson, Marine Corp, nephew of Anne Gee  
Captain Jimbo Bodron, Army, son of Jim and Donna Bodron  
Staff Sergeant Kyle Butler, Army, cousin of Suzanne Means  
Lieutenant Colonel Sam Berryhill, Airforce, nephew-in-law of Jim Chaney  
Diplomatic Security Special Agent Clifton Jeffery , Jr., Diplomatic  
Security Service, friend of Dale and Cindy McClung  
Staff Sergeant Eric Roberts, Airforce, nephew of Marianne Floyd.  
Lieutenant Colonel Dustin Owen, Air Force, nephew of Richard and Rebecca  
Hunt.  
Captain Cailin Penley Console, Air Force, niece of Sharon Penley.



**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Carmine Bell                      Carmen Jabour  
Wynette McBeth                Mary Reed

Please call the church office at (601) 636-1200 if you  
know of a church member who has entered the hospital.



**Our Christian love and sympathy is extended to:**

Crorey and Kathe Lawton in the loss of Kathe’s mother, Barbara  
O’Hara, who entered the Church Triumphant on January 20, 2024.

Rob and Leslie Sadler in the loss of Leslie’s father Glen Rowe who en-  
tered the Church Triumphant on January 28, 2024.



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| 1 | Sandy Clark<br>Laura Newman                            |
| 2 | April Herrle   |
| 4 | Mark Williamson  |
| 5 | Bowen Downey<br>Ruth Gay<br>Wil Hyland                 |
| 6 | Caden House<br>Emmy Reese Walker<br>William Wooten Jr. |
| 7 | Bradley Downey<br>John Shingler                        |
| 8 | Katie Floyd<br>Rob Jarvis                              |
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| 11 | Nancy Carr<br>Bill Nichols<br>Billy Williamson III   |
| 12 | Mike Curtis<br>Eric McCaskill                        |
| 14 | Richard Ledbetter<br>Greg Ruff                       |
| 15 | Laura Leigh Shivers                                  |
| 16 | Helen Bulter   |
| 17 | Christian Harris<br>Donna Ingram<br>Lanier Lambiotte |
| 18 | Belle Williamson                                     |
| 19 | Lee Anna Lyons                                       |
| 20 | John Ellis Montgomery                                |

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| 21 | Johnny Means<br>Ryan Newman<br>Natalie Jones |
| 22 | Geni Fulcher<br>Evie Gattle                  |
| 23 | Jackie Dees<br>Sara Montgomery               |
| 24 | Jeff Artman                                  |
| 27 | Patrick Border<br>Sadler Lambiotte           |
| 28 | Glenda Dixon<br>Charlie Downey               |
| 29 | Marianne Floyd<br>Laurie Malik               |
| 30 | Bethel Border                                |
| 31 | Samuel Gilliland                             |

First Presbyterian Church  
Financial Report Summary - January 2024

	2024 Jan	2024 YTD	2024 Budget	2024 YTD %
Regular Fund Income:	46,518.42	46,518.42	0.00	
Regular Fund Expenses:				
Salary & Benefits	26,722.78	26,722.78	0.00	
Building and Property	3,108.66	3,108.66	0.00	
Operations	19,687.81	19,687.81	0.00	
Christian Education	(407.44)	(407.44)	0.00	
Worship	35.75	35.75	0.00	
Renewal & Fellowship	201.45	201.45	0.00	
Evangelism & Communications	365.00	365.00	0.00	
Outreach and Benevolence	512.35	512.35	0.00	
Denominational Relations	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Regular Fund Expenses:	50,226.36	50,226.36	0.00	
Total Regular Fund Income/(Loss)	(3,707.94)	(3,707.94)		
Kindergarten Net Income	3,854.43	3,854.43		
Total Financial Report Income/(Loss)	146.49	146.49		



To our many friends at FPC: Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your wonderful, thoughtful greetings on the occasion of our 50th wedding anniversary. What an amazing surprise it was to be remembered by the FPC family! We may be miles apart but you will always be a part of us. All of God's richest blessings to all of you in 2024.

Love,  
Janean and Fred Shirley





### **PALM SUNDAY ACTIVITIES (March 24, 2024)**

**Parade of Palms:** After Sunday School, be sure to come join us during worship service as the children celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11) by marching into the sanctuary waving palm branches.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Bring your children to join in the fun as they hunt eggs and play games from 2:00 to 4:00 at the home of Todd and Tammy Boolos (3200 Porters Chapel Road). Youth helpers are very appreciated!

**Church Family, please help us prepare for the egg hunt by bringing candy or candy filled plastic eggs to the church between March 1 and March 20. Thank you very much for supporting our children's ministry!**

### **Sunday School:**

The children are learning about the Holy Spirit and the beginning of the Church as they continue to study the New Testament using The Gospel Project Curriculum.

Pre-K(3) through 1<sup>st</sup> grade meet in the Rainbow Room (113) with Laurie Malik, Randy Sherard, Phyllis Gebhart, & Gareth Lampkin.

2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Graders meet upstairs in the Joyful Noise Room (204) with Betty Kamman & Dennis Coulter



### **Wonderful Wednesday Activities:**

4:30 pm Choir Interns (with Barbara Tracy)  
5:00 pm Wonderful Wednesday Meal  
6:00 pm Bible Study, Games, & Crafts (with Beth Hall, Anne Gee, & Phyllis Gebhart)

- Working our way through the Old Testament and learning how it relates to the New Testament as well as to our lives today
- Continuing to learn some Biblical doctrine using The New City Catechism for Kids which was recommended by Pastor Tim

***“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.”  
Proverbs 22:6***

## **Youth News**

### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

Youth Sunday School: Please join us as the youth continue their survey of the New Testament, focusing particularly on the Gospels. Youth Sunday School meets at 9:30 am in the teen room. Let us all praise God for His sacrifice in Christ and encourage our youth to strive to live a life that glorifies Him and bears witness to His awesome love and enduring faithfulness.



The Souperbowl of caring was a great success! We were able to raise \$1,817.10 for the Storehouse Food Pantry. Thank you to all who volunteered their time, talents, and treasure to make this event memorable and enjoyable for the whole congregation, especially including our Youth, who worked together in service to God and others.



Wednesday night fellowship has resumed, and we encourage Youth attendance for this sweet time of fellowship and Bible study. It begins at 6:00 pm.



Is God calling you to serve in His Kingdom through youth ministry? If so, please prayerfully consider His call and the gifts with which you have been blessed. If you have any questions about opportunities for service feel free to reach out to a member of the Youth Ministry Team.



Plans are underway to update the team room so it might better accommodate our youth. With the help of our youth, we hope to have the updates completed within the next few months.

The Youth Ministry Team earnestly requests your continued prayers for our youth ministry. Please pray that the Lord might fill their hearts with the Holy Spirit, convict each soul of their need for Christ, encourage them to rest in His one, perfect sacrifice for the forgiveness of sins, and order their lives unto service in His Kingdom, giving thanks for his immeasurable grace.