

First Presbyterian Church Biloxi, Mississippi

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America



**The Lord's Day
March 23, 2025**

We Gather, Grow, and Go in Christ

Order for the Worship of God

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The members of First Presbyterian Church welcome you to our morning worship service.

Please program all communication devices to silent mode.

Assistive hearing devices are available, ask a Greeter in the narthex for assistance.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation & Meditation

‡Call to Worship

Psalm 27:1-6

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? When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident. One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple. 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 lift me high upon a rock. And now my head shall be 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.

‡Prayer of Invocation

‡Hymn No. 528 (1-6) – Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism

52. How does Christ's return "to judge the living and the dead" comfort you?

A. In all distress and persecution, with uplifted head, I confidently await the very judge who has already offered himself to the judgment of God in my place and removed the whole curse from me. Christ will cast all his enemies and mine into everlasting condemnation, but will take me and all his chosen ones to himself into the joy and glory of heaven.

‡Hymn No. 229 (1-4) - Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Confession of Sin

Psalm 25:6-8, 11, 16-18

Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of Your goodness, O LORD! Good and upright is the LORD; therefore He instructs sinners in the way. For Your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; bring me out of my distresses. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 31:7-8

I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love, because you have seen my affliction; you have known the distress of my soul, and you have not delivered me into the hand of the enemy; you have set my feet in a broad place.

Offertory Hymn No. 246 (1-4) - Though Troubles Assail Us**‡Doxology** (Hymnal Pg. 569)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

Pastoral Prayer**‡Reading of Scripture** Philipians 1:27-30 (Pew Bible Pg. 980)**Sermon**

Rev. Tim Horn

*A Sign and the Gift No One Wants***‡Hymn Psalm 11B (1-4) - The LORD Is My Refuge****‡Benediction****‡Dismissal - 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.

‡Postlude

‡*Congregation, please stand if able.*

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Sermon Notes