



First
Presbyterian
Church

GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI

Jesus Is Asking...

November 5

Who Do You Say I Am?

Luke 9:18-27

November 12

What Do You Live For?

II Timothy 4:6-18

Mark 8:36-37

November 19

Why Are You Afraid?

Matthew 8:23-27

November 26

Why Are You Anxious?

Luke 12:25-31

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

11:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

The time to begin preparing for worship is no later than the sounding of the chimes.

*The congregation is invited to stand.

**Seating of those arriving after worship has begun.

CHIMING

PRELUDE

Adagio in C

Charles M. Widor

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 46

Dr. Andrew Chaney

One: "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

All: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

One: Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

All: The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Come and see what the LORD has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth.

One: He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

All: He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress."

Let us worship God together!

**HYMN 630

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADER'S HYMN

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESSION OF SIN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, in Jesus, you have provided fully for our redemption, securing peace with you. And yet, at times we assume we're on our own. Forgive us when we try to live apart from the Holy Spirit's power and presence. Deepen our trust in your ability to put sin to death. Renew our hope in your resurrection power that equips us to walk in the newness of life. We humbly pray...

A TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

**Laud and honor to the Father, Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, Ever three and ever one:
One in might and one in glory While unending ages run!**

PROCLAIM THE WORD

EXPRESSIONS OF FELLOWSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP

A TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Shannon Melton

ANTHEM

Christ Be with Me
(Caroline Chaney, violin)

G. F. Handel

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort, to restore me. Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love thee, Christ in those, both friend and stranger.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 8:23-27

SERMON

“Jesus is Asking...”
3. Why Are You Afraid?

Dr. Andrew Chaney

RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

*HYMN 8

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

MELITA

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Berceuse

Alexander Guilmant

*Doxology, No. 606

OLD 100TH

**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 Dedication and The Lord’s Prayer

Elder Chuck Conditt

*HYMN 634

To God Be the Glory TO GOD BE THE GLORY

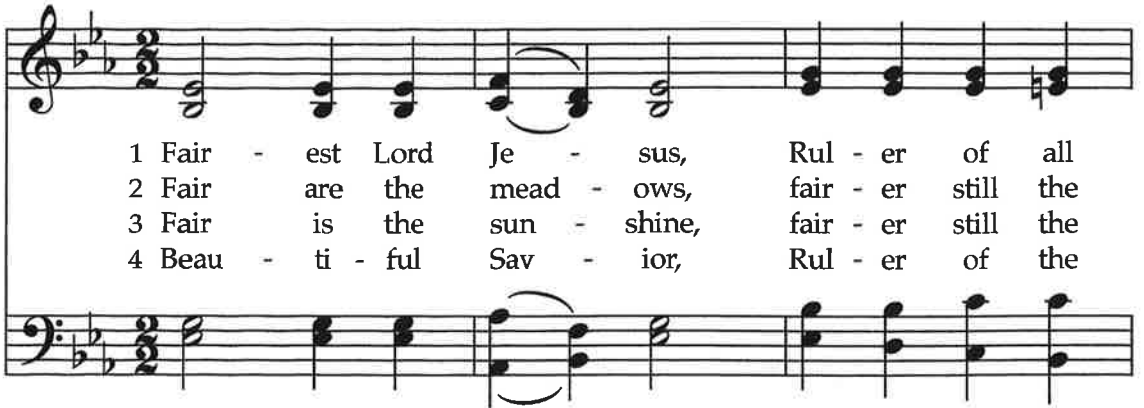
*CHARGE, BENEDICTION, AND CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

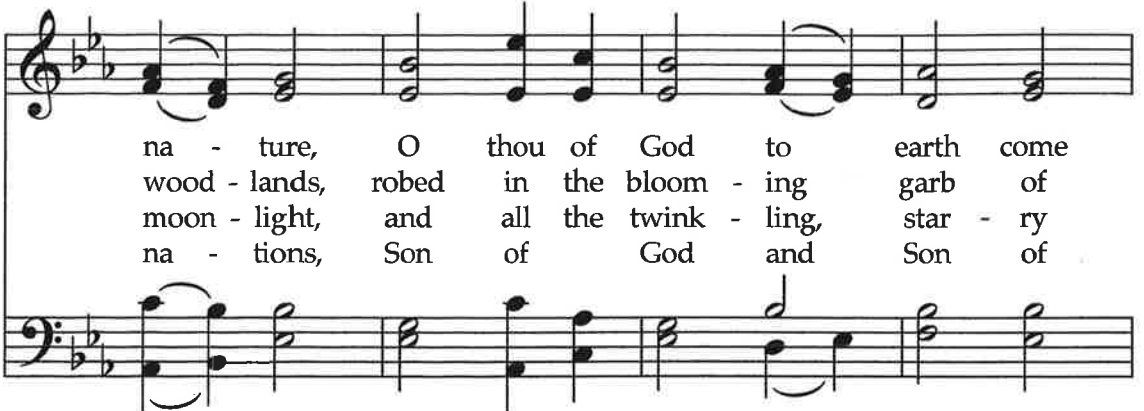
Carillon in B-flat

A. Guilmant

Fairest Lord Jesus



1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair - er still the
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Rul - er of the



na - ture, O thou of God to earth come
 wood - lands, robed in the bloom - ing garb of
 moon - light, and all the twink - ling, star - ry
 na - tions, Son of God and Son of



down, thee will I cher - ish, thee will I
 spring. Je - sus is fair - er; Je - sus is
 host. Je - sus shines bright - er; Je - sus shines
 Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o -



hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.
 ra - tion, now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Franz Liszt used this melody for a "Crusaders' March" in an oratorio, but this hymn had nothing to do with the Crusades. No record of the German text exists before the middle of the 17th century or of the Silesian folk melody before the first half of the 19th century.

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Eternal Father, Strong to Save



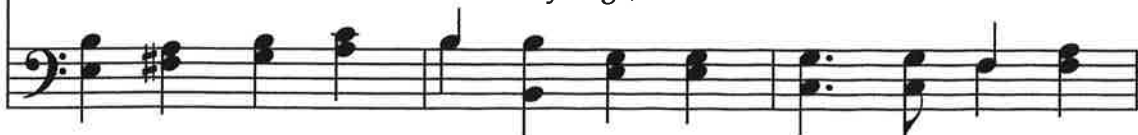
1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who did brood up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and power, all trav - elers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 wild and rude, and bade its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
 dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
 calm a - mid its rage did sleep: O hear us when we
 gave, for fierce con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.



The year after this text was written for a student sailing to America, it was included in the most influential British hymnal of the 19th century. The tune especially composed for it preserves the ancient Roman name of the island where Paul was shipwrecked, now called Malta.

634 To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo - ple re - joice!

O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,

and give him the glo - ry: great things he has done!

WELCOME TO THIS HOUR OF WORSHIP

We hope that you will be made to feel welcome here and that you will find this service helpful to you in your Christian life. If you are a visitor, please know that we are glad for your presence here. Please help us to know you better by filling out the Friendship Register and then pass it to the person seated next to you. Take note with whom you are worshipping with and greet them warmly! Welcome one another to the Lord's House! Should you be interested in joining this congregation, please check the appropriate box on the Friendship Register and we will be in touch with you, or you may call the church office at (662) 453-4680. The Session meets periodically at 10:35 a.m. on Sunday to receive new members into our congregation.

A Nursery Is Available for children 3 years and younger in Room 103 in the Van Arnold Education Building located directly across the street from the Sanctuary.

Accessibility: Large print Bibles, hymnals, and hearing devices are available in the back of the Sanctuary. At the end of the service, please return these to the back tables.

Cell Phones and Photography: In order to maintain reverence during the service, please silence all cell phones and other communication devices and refrain from unauthorized photography or recordings.

Internet Broadcast: To watch the service live on a computer, tablet, or smart phone, go to www.firstgreenwood.net/video. Worship bulletins are available under the "Worship" tab on the website, as are archived services. You may also access the worship service live by going to the church's Facebook page.

Community Food Pantry: Please bring canned food and place it in the Food Pantry Collection Box near the handicap entrance.

Hospital Visitation: Please call the church office to let us know whether you are in the hospital or know of any church member in the hospital, since the hospital here no longer lists names of hospitalized persons on a public register.

Elder Dallas Baker is the visitation elder for **November**.

Ushers for Today: Richard Beattie, Wanda Clark, Wade Litton, Drew Pinkston, Claire Smith, Ryan Strawbridge

Security Detail: Robert Cole and Ryan Strawbridge

Children's Church for 4- & 5-year-olds with Carling and Brett Canterbury

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 19, 2023

9:30 am Choristers Choir
10:00 am Sunday School
10:30 am Fellowship Time
11:00 am Worship
6:00 pm Community Thanksgiving
Service – St. Francis of Assisi
No PYF

Monday, November 20, 2023

5:00 pm Deacons Meeting
5:30 pm Session Meeting
6:00 pm Chancel Choir

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

Newsletter Deadline

Wednesday November 22, 2023

12:00 pm Church Office Closes

Thursday, November 23, 2023

Church Office Closed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our thanks to Caroline Chaney for accompanying the Chancel Choir anthem this morning with the violin.

Stewardship Update: To date, 65 pledges were received totaling \$504,050 for the church's work in 2024. Thank you! Pledge cards and Time and Talent Surveys are available on the cabinets at the back of the sanctuary if you have not filled them out already. They may be placed in the offering plates.

Community Thanksgiving Service this evening at 6:00 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 2613 Hwy. 82 East.

Deacons Meeting, Monday, November 20, at 5:00 p.m.

Session Meeting, Monday, November 20, at 5:30 p.m. The officers are reminded to bring with them copies of the agenda and financial statements that were emailed last week.

Newsletter Deadline Tuesday, November 21

The Church Office will close for the Thanksgiving Holiday at Noon on Wednesday, November 22. The Church Office will reopen Monday, November 27.

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study will not meet Thursday, November 23. It will resume on Thursday, November 30.

Advent Event will be held on Sunday, December 3, at 9:45 a.m. in Shuler Hall. Breakfast foods will be provided. Christmas crafts for children will be provided. Join us for a fun time of fellowship as we begin the Advent season.

The 42nd Annual Singing Christmas Tree presentation will be held on Monday, December 4, at 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal will be held on Sunday, December 3, at 6:30 p.m. You will be contacted soon by our Director of Music and Organist Ray Smithee about your participation. Please be ready to respond with a "Yes"! Remember it takes 100 people to completely fill the tree stand.

The Annual Blood Drive is scheduled for Sunday, December 10, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Sign-up sheets are available today in the Narthex.

Also Coming Up in December:

- December 10 Chancel Choir Christmas Program
- December 14 Classics at First Concert presenting the Faculty Brass Quintet from Mississippi State University in a concert of Christmas music.
- December 17 Children's Nativity Pageant
- December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

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Foreign Missionaries/Missions We Support:

Shapoor Ahmadi, Operation Promise

Liverpool, England Persian Church & Outreach Ministries

Bill Holland, Ahava Ministries

Bill and Bette Bryant Crisis Nursery, Lusaka, Zambia

Cistern Project of the Yucatan

Amos Yam, San Pablo Theological Seminary, Merida, Yucatan

Potter and Clay Ministries of Haiti,

Jordan Walker (MSU), Rebecca Gasson (Ole Miss)

Presbyterian Church of Aleppo, Turkey

Ivan Rusyn, Ukraine Evangelical Seminary

SESSION

CLASS OF 2024

Jim Bowen
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Todd Fincher
Mary Haley Flautt
Pat Gulledege
Cathy Jennings

CLASS OF 2025

Susan Beckham
Taylor Calhoun
Chuck Conditt
Jimmy Lott
Moss Melton
Richard Oakes

CLASS OF 2026

Dallas Baker
Alan Barger
Miller King
Reese Pillow
John Stewart III
Ryan Strawbridge

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2024

Lina Elfert
Lynn Riales
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CLASS OF 2025

Rebekah Arant
Karla Bowen
Zach Luke

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Christie Beattie
Emmie Daugherty
Sam Pigott



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