

# The First Presbyterian Church

of Port Gibson, Mississippi

Worship Service December 11, A.D. 2011

Instrumental Prelude ..... Mrs. H.N. Gage  
Introit ..... The Choir  
Welcome and Announcements  
The Doxology ..... No. 572  
Invocation and Lord's Prayer  
Responsive Reading..... Isaiah 64:1-12 (p. 554, p.)  
Hymn of Praise ..... No. 110  
The Apostles' Creed .....(Front of Hymnal)  
The Gloria Patri ..... No. 576  
Time With God's Children  
Hymn of Meditation..... No. 121

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Silent Prayer and Meditation  
The Pastoral Prayer  
Choral Response

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Offering and Offertory Prayer  
Scripture.....Luke 2:1-20 (p. 750, p. 1221)  
Sermon **"Good Tidings for Losers"**  
Hymn of Dedication (All)..... No. 104  
Benediction  
Response .....The Choir  
Postlude

*WE EXTEND OUR SINCERE WELCOME to our visitors.  
Please come to worship with us again, soon.*

*A NURSERY is provided during the service.*

*CHILDREN in second grade or younger are welcome to attend Children's  
Church after the Time with God's Children.*

*IF YOU DESIRE TO BECOME A MEMBER of this congregation of the  
Body of Christ, please speak to the pastor after the Worship Service.*

## Announcements

**THIS EVENING** at 5 p.m., the Children will present their Pageant, telling the story of Our Savior's Birth. The performers will gather at 3pm to practice.

**A TOUR** of homes and houses of worship will take place from 2-6pm today. Tickets may be purchased at the Art and Gift Gallery or the Chamber of Commerce.

**HOME ATHLETIC EVENTS** at Chamberlain-Hunt this week include Basketball vs. WCCA Monday at 6pm.

**THE SESSION** will meet at the home of Robert St. John tomorrow at 6pm.

**THE ADVENT CONCERT SERIES** at Port Gibson United Methodist Church continues this Tuesday at noon, with local talent performing. Lunch will be served afterwards for \$6.

**STEPPING STONE** Baptist Church will host its annual Christmas program featuring local talent on Tuesday at 6pm.

**PARTIES** for Sunday school classes will be next Sunday at 9:30am

**CISTERNs** provide a year's worth of drinking and cooking water for a family in the Sertao in Northeast Brazil. To help, make out your check to First Presbyterian Church, and label it "cistern project."

**THE SERTA0 PROJECT** is in its second phase of planting churches in the Presbytery of the Northeast in Brazil. To help, make out your check to First Presbyterian Church, and attach a note labeled "Sertao Project."

**CHRISTIAN VOLUNTEER SERVICES** is a worthy organization providing for many needs within our local community. This year we are designating our CVS Christmas funds to be used for utilities and prescription drugs, which will benefit entire families. In these difficult economic times, our goal is to meet needs of the highest priority. To help, make out your check to First Presbyterian Church and label it "CVS Christmas fund."

## Bible Reading Schedule

December 12 ..... Philippians 4:10-20 – God Meets All Your Needs  
December 13 ..... Galatians 4:21-31 – Born Through the Promise  
December 14 ..... Proverbs 21:1-5 – Righteousness and Justice  
December 15 ..... James 2:14-24 – Faith Completed by Works  
December 16 ..... Joshua 22:21-29 – Concern for Our Descendants  
December 17 ..... Genesis 22:1-8 – Not Withholding His Only Son  
December 18 ..... Genesis 22:9-18 – The Challenge to Commitment

## Upcoming Events

December 18 ..... Christmas Music Program, 11am  
December 18 ..... Musical Program, PG Baptist Church, 4:30pm  
December 24 ..... Carolers meet at Annex, 4:15pm  
December 24 ..... Christmas Eve Service, PGUMC, 5pm  
December 24 ..... Christmas Eve Service, St. James, 7pm  
December 25 ..... Christmas Day Community Service, St. James, 10am  
January 27-28 ..... PW Retreat, St. Mary of the Pines, Chatawa, MS  
February 5 ..... Souperbowl Offering for CVS  
February 10-11 ..... Kaleidoscope, First-Trinity Laurel

## December Birthdays

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|----|-----------------|----|--------------------------|
| 3  | Ian Cassell     | 3  | Linda Williams           |
| 8  | Anna Brady      | 8  | Rochelle Forrest         |
| 8  | Claire Hudson   | 10 | David Hunt Headley       |
| 10 | Ann Katzenmier  | 11 | Allen Cassell            |
| 13 | Robert St. John | 13 | Spencer Willis           |
| 14 | Marsh Willis    | 15 | Charlie Donald           |
| 16 | Michael Herrin  | 17 | Molly Byrnes Scarborough |
| 18 | Jo Ann Mikell   | 18 | Kathy Byrnes Hawkins     |
| 19 | Randy Self      | 20 | Jimmy Cassell            |
| 27 | Dianne Wade     | 30 | Linda Montgomery         |

**Deacon for the Month:** Jimmy Cassell

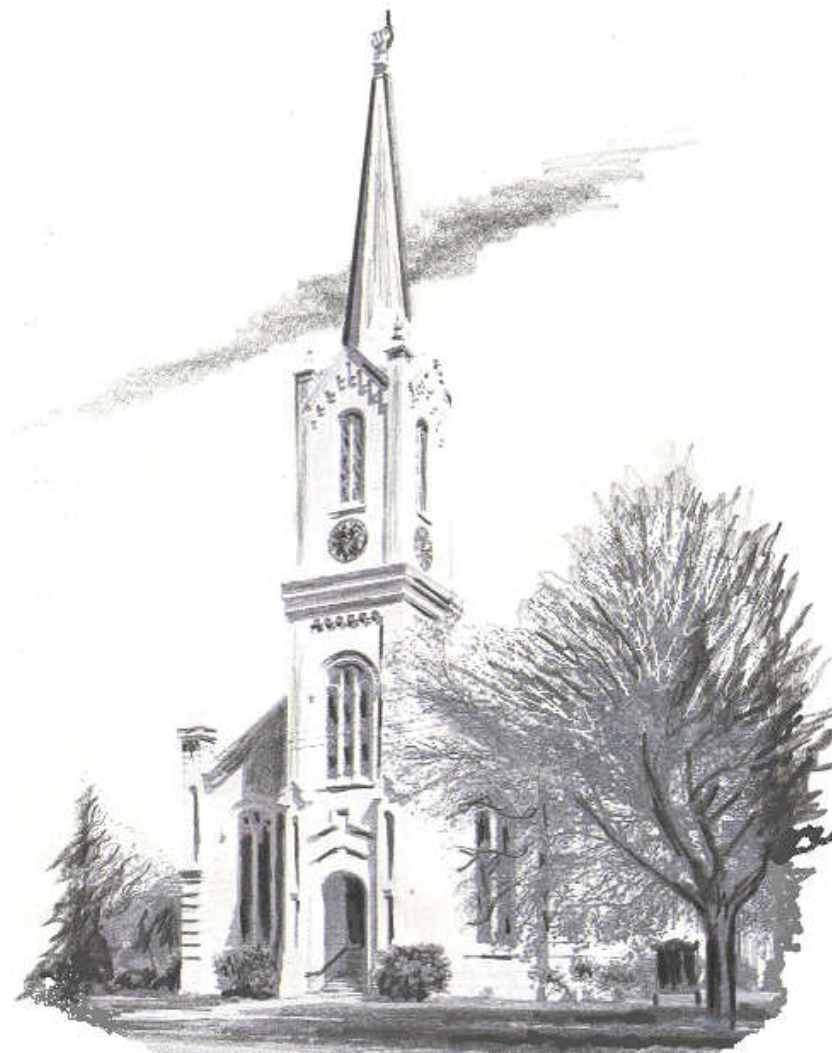
**Tithes and offerings** may be mailed to P.O. Box 517.

**CD recordings** of services are available. Call Dalton Williams at 3587.

**Through fellowship, teaching and service,  
sharing the truth of Jesus Christ  
with one another, with the community, and with the world.**

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