

**The First Presbyterian Church**  
of Port Gibson, Mississippi

Worship Service November 20, 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 ..... No. 607  
Hymn of Praise ..... No. 565  
The Apostles' Creed ..... (Front of Hymnal)  
The Gloria Patri ..... No. 576  
Time With God's Children  
Hymn of Meditation ..... No. 564

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Silent Prayer and Meditation  
The Pastoral Prayer  
Choral Response

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Offering and Offertory Prayer  
Scripture ..... Psalm 147 (p. 485, p.790)  
Sermon "Reasons to Give Thanks"  
Psalm 147 (6 stanzas) ..... (Tune No. 517)  
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.*

Introit Verse 3

With voices united our praises we offer,  
To thee, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise;  
Thy strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us;  
To thee, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

Announcements

**THE COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE** will be held today at St. James Episcopal Church at 6pm.

**BIBLE STUDY** will take place at noon on Tuesday and at 7pm on Wednesday in the Annex.

**POINSETTIAS** will decorate the Sanctuary on December 18. If you would like to order one, contact Jerry St. John before November 27.

**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 SERTAIO 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."

**FOR SEVERAL YEARS** our congregation has shopped for Christmas gifts for families assigned to us by Christian Volunteer Services. CVS 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."

**Deacon for the Month:** Dorothy Staer

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

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

## Bible Reading Schedule

November 21.....Psalm 37:1-8 – Do Not Fret  
 November 22.....Philippians 4:10-19 – Be Content  
 November 23.....Luke 21:29-36 – Guard against Worry  
 November 24.....Matthew 10:16-23 – The Spirit as Our Resource  
 November 25.....Matthew 10:24-31 – Do Not Be Afraid  
 November 26.....I Peter 5:6-11 – Give Your Worries to God  
 November 27.....Matthew 6:25-34 – Don’t Worry about Tomorrow

## Upcoming Events

November 29.....Alcorn Men’s Chorale performs, PGUMC, noon  
 November 30.....Main Street Annual Meeting, MCC, 5:30pm  
 November 30.....Alcorn Concert Choir performs, Sanctuary, 7pm  
 December 1 .....Alcorn Concert Choir performs, Fine Arts Bldg, 1pm  
 December 2 .....“The Forgotten Carols,” Vicksburg Civic Center, 7pm  
 December 3 .....Decorations hung in Sanctuary and Annex, 10am  
 December 3 .....Main Street Parade, 10am  
 December 4 .....Alcorn Concert Choir performs, Natchez Cathedral, 7pm  
 December 5 .....Recital, Nikki Brannen’s piano students, Sanctuary, 6pm  
 December 6 .....CHA Girls’ Recital, Sanctuary, 7pm  
 December 7 .....Joy Gift Supper, 7pm  
 December 10-11 .....Tour of Homes and Churches  
 December 11 .....Children’s Pageant, 5pm  
 December 13 .....Musical Program, Stepping Stone BC, 6pm  
 December 18 .....Adult Sunday School Party, W.S. Guthrie III Home, 9:30am  
 December 18 .....Christmas Music Program, 11am  
 December 18 .....Musical Program, PG Baptist Church, 6pm  
 December 24 .....Christmas Eve Service, PGUMC, 5pm  
 December 24 .....Christmas Eve Service, St. James, 7pm  
 December 25 .....Christmas Day Community Service, PGUMC, 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

## November Birthdays

11 Dorothy Staer	12 Brenda Roberts
12 Jack West	13 Keith Fraley
16 Mel McFatter	17 Jessica Blackwell
20 Ananda Straka	23 Tim Hudson
24 Nick Hynum	25 Ray John Forrest
27 Gabe Nasif	28 Emily Daughdrill

## Church Directory

Rev. Michael G. Herrin, Pastor  
 Mrs. H.N. Gage, Organist

### The Session

Class of 2011 Mr. Kenny Strawn Mr. John L. Torrey	Class of 2012 Mr. Jim Cassell Dr. Betsy Lipscomb	Class of 2013 Mr. Burton O. Byrnes, II Mr. Robert St. John
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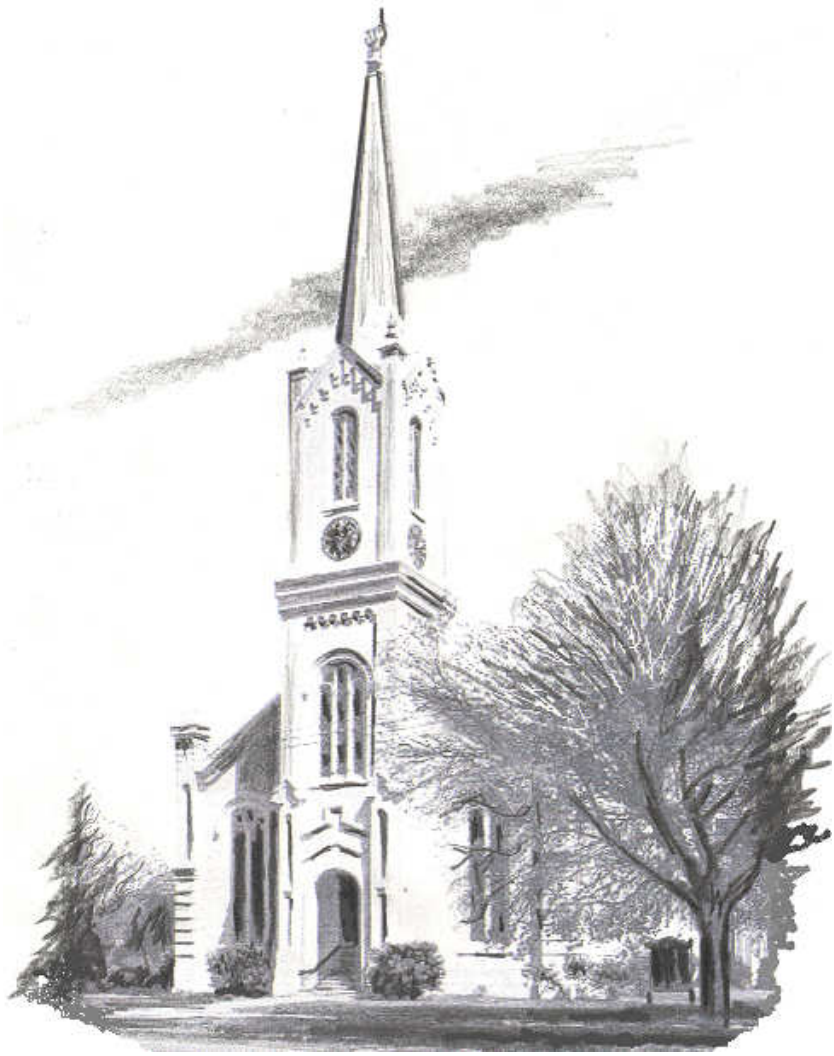
### The Diaconate

Class of 2011 Mr. Lee Eaton Mr. Shreve Guthrie, III Mrs. Dorothy Staer	Class of 2012 Mr. Kevin Keaton Mr. Dalton Williams Mrs. Ruth Willis	Class of 2013 Mr. Jimmy Cassell Mr. Mike Mikell
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**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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