

# The First Presbyterian Church

of Port Gibson, Mississippi

Worship Service December 15, A.D. 2019

Instrumental Prelude ..... Mrs. Janice Carter  
Introit ..... The Choir  
Welcome and Announcements  
The Doxology ..... No. 572  
Invocation and Lord's Prayer  
Responsive Reading ..... No. 597  
Hymn of Praise (1, 3-6) ..... No. 108  
The Apostles' Creed .....(Front of Hymnal)  
The Gloria Patri ..... No. 576  
Time for the Children / Minute for Mission  
Hymn of Meditation (All)..... No. 121

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Silent Prayer and Meditation  
The Pastoral Prayer  
Choral Response

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Offering and Offertory Prayer  
Scripture.....Matthew 2:1-12 (p. 703, p. 1139)  
Sermon **"Lessons from Wise Men"**  
Hymn of Dedication (All)..... No. 114  
Benediction  
Response ..... The Choir  
Postlude

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

**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

**POINSETTIAS** will be placed in the Sanctuary on December 22. To order one contact Kenny Strawn today. Cost is \$20, and please make a separate check for this item.

**A COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY** will be held at the Multipurpose Building tomorrow at 10am. The pastor will teach on Joshua 2.

**BIBLE STUDY** will not be held this week.

**CHURCH PLANTS** sponsored by our presbytery include Quest Church in New Braunfels, Texas: [www.questchurchnb.com](http://www.questchurchnb.com) and Haven Church in Katy, Texas: <https://www.havenkaty.com> To help with these efforts, make out your check to First Presbyterian Church and label it either "Quest Church" or "Haven Church."

**PLEASE PRAY** for Nick and Amanda, Elizabeth and Greg and Jacqy as they participate in the Engage 2025 project in the Middle East, and for Kevin and Jena as they prepare to join them next fall. To help, make out your check to First Presbyterian Church and label it either "Nick and Amanda," "Elizabeth and Greg," "Jacqy," or "Kevin and Jena."

## Opening and Closing Schedule

|                                |                           |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 12/15-21 – Shreve Guthrie, III | 1/12-18 – Kenny Strawn    |
| 12/22-28 – Don Wilson          | 1/19-25 – Eddie Lipscomb  |
| 12/29-1/4 – Scott Davis        | 1/26-2/1 – Lem Montgomery |
| 1/5-11 – Michelle Burrell      | 2/2-8 – John L. Torrey    |
|                                | 2/9-15 – Doug Nasif       |

## Upcoming Events

December 17 ..... Community Handbell Choir performs, PGUMC, noon  
December 22 ..... Guthries' Christmas Breakfast, 10am  
December 22 ..... Christmas Pageant, 5pm  
January 24 ..... Presbytery meets at River Community Prairieville, LA  
April 24 and 25 ..... Presbytery meets at First Ocean Springs, MS  
September 25 and 26.... Presbytery meets at Covenant EPC Lake Jackson, TX

## Bible Reading Schedule

December 16 – Luke 1:57-66..... December 17 – Luke 1:67-79  
December 18 – Isaiah 7:10-17 ..... December 19 – Luke 1:26-33  
December 20 – Luke 1:34-48..... December 21 – Matthew 1:18-25  
December 22 – Luke 1:39-56

## December Birthdays

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|----|------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 3  | Steve Sones      | 8  | Anna Brady               |
| 8  | Claire Hudson    | 10 | David Hunt Headley       |
| 10 | Ann Katzenmier   | 11 | Allen Cassell            |
| 13 | Spencer Willis   | 14 | Marsh Willis             |
| 15 | Charlie Donald   | 16 | Michael Herrin           |
| 17 | Mille Wolfe      | 17 | Molly Byrnes Scarborough |
| 18 | Jo Ann Mikell    | 18 | Kathy Byrnes Burgess     |
| 20 | Jimmy Cassell    | 27 | Dianne Wade              |
| 30 | Linda Montgomery |    |                          |

## Church Directory

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

### The Session

Class of 2019  
Mr. Kenny Strawn  
Mr. John L. Torrey

Class of 2020  
Dr. Betsy Lipscomb

Class of 2021  
Mr. Jim Hynum  
Mr. Douglas Nasif

### The Diaconate

Class of 2019  
Mr. Shreve Guthrie, III  
Mr. Kevin Keaton

Class of 2020  
Mrs. Michelle Burrell  
Mrs. Dorothy Staer  
Mrs. Ruth Willis

Class of 2021  
Mr. Jimmy Cassell  
Mr. Jim Harrison  
Dr. Eddie Lipscomb

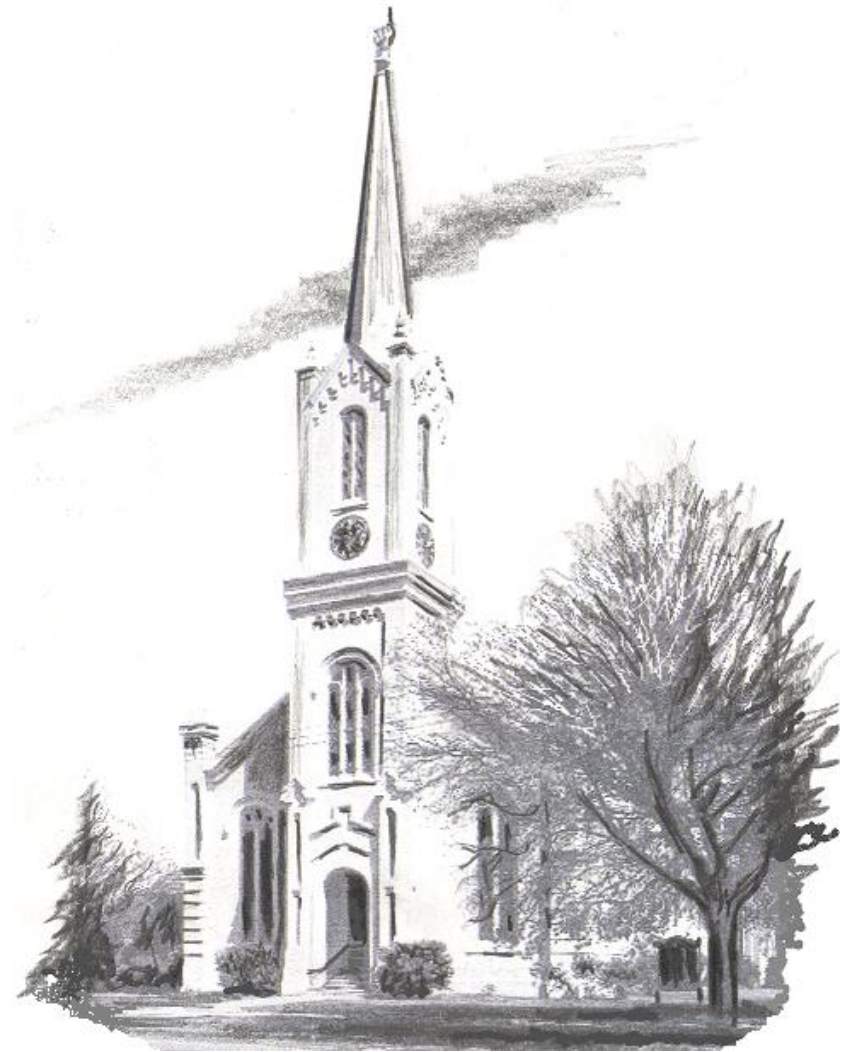
**Tithes and offerings** may be mailed to P.O. Box 517.

**Our website** features audio recordings of services, daily devotions on the Bible Readings, sermon texts, sermon videos and lessons based on the sermons.

**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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