

# The First Presbyterian Church

of Port Gibson, Mississippi

Worship Service December 18, A.D. 2016

Instrumental Prelude ..... Mrs. H.N. Gage  
 Introit ..... The Choir  
 Welcome and Announcements  
 The Doxology ..... No. 572  
 Invocation and Lord’s Prayer  
 Responsive Reading..... Luke 1:26-38 (p. 749)  
 Hymn of Praise ..... No. 113  
 The Apostles’ Creed .....(Front of Hymnal)  
 The Gloria Patri ..... No. 576  
 Time for the Children/Minute for Mission  
 Hymn of Meditation..... No. 107

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Silent Prayer and Meditation  
 The Pastoral Prayer  
 Choral Response

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Offering and Offertory Prayer  
 Scripture..... Isaiah 7:1-16 (p. 518)  
 Sermon **“Immanuel”**  
 Hymn of Dedication..... No. 104  
 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

**TODAY** at 5pm, the Children will present their Pageant, telling the story of Our Savior’s Birth. The performers will gather at 3pm to rehearse. Then at 6pm, a Community Choir will present a Christmas Cantata at Port Gibson Baptist Church.

**THE ADVENT CONCERT SERIES** at the Port Gibson United Methodist Church continues Tuesday at noon, with the community Handbell Choir performing. Lunch follows for \$5.

**PLEASE PRAY** for Nick and Amanda, as they participate in the Engage 2025 project in the Middle East. To help, make out your check to First Presbyterian Church and label it “Nick and Amanda.”

**PLEASE PRAY** for Nour and Rebecca, EPC World Outreach missionaries serving in the Middle East. To help, make out your check to First Presbyterian Church and label it “Nour and Rebecca.”

## Upcoming Events

December 20 ..... PG Heritage Trust Annual Meeting, Collina, 6pm  
 December 24 ..... Candlelight Service, PGUMC, 6pm  
 December 24 ..... Christmas Eve Service, St. James, 6pm  
 December 25 ..... Worship, Sanctuary, 10am

## Opening and Closing Schedule

12/18-24 – Lem Montgomery	1/15-21 – Don Wilson
12/25-31 – John L. Torrey	1/22-28 – Scott Davis
1/1-7 – Doug Nasif	1/29-2/4 – Michelle Burrell
1/8-14 – Shreve Guthrie, III	2/5-11 – Kenny Strawn
	2/12-18 – Eddie Lipscomb

**Deacon for the Month:** Jimmy Cassell  
**CD recordings** of services are available. Call the pastor at 5887.  
**Tithes and offerings** may be mailed to P.O. Box 517.

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

## Bible Reading Schedule

December 19 .....Micah 5:1-5 – The New Ruler from Bethlehem  
December 20 .....Matthew 1:18-25 – Joseph Takes Mary as His Wife  
December 21 .....Matthew 2:1-12 – The Visit of the Wise Men  
December 22 .....Matthew 2:13-15 – The Escape to Egypt  
December 23 .....Luke 2:1-4 – Journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem  
December 24 .....Luke 2:5-7 – Mary Delivers Her Firstborn  
December 25 .....Luke 2:8-20 – The Shepherds and the Angels

## December Birthdays

3	Ian Cassell	3	Steve Sones
3	Linda Williams	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 Hawkins
20	Jimmy Cassell	27	Dianne Wade
28	Wes McClure	30	Linda Montgomery

## Church Directory

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

### The Session

Class of 2016	Class of 2017	Class of 2018
Mr. Jim Cassell	Mr. Burton O. Byrnes, II	Mr. Gary Knight
Dr. Betsy Lipscomb	Mr. Douglas Nasif	Mr. Lem Montgomery

### The Diaconate

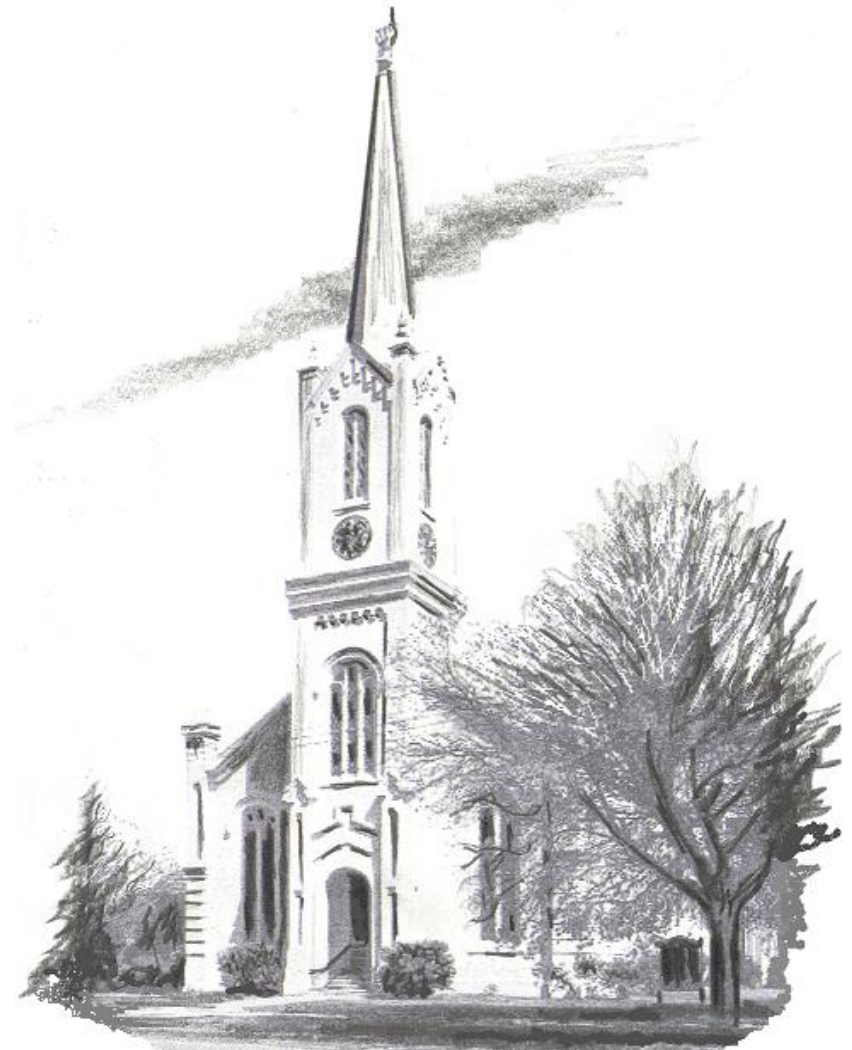
Class of 2016	Class of 2017	Class of 2018
Mrs. Ruth Willis	Mr. Jimmy Cassell	Mr. Jim Hynum
	Dr. Eddie Lipscomb	Mr. Mack May
	Mr. Mike Mikell	

### Presbyterian Women

Mrs. Dianne Wade, Moderator	Dr. Betsy Lipscomb, Mission Representative
Mrs. Jo Ann Mikell, Vice-Moderator	Mrs. Azalea Knight, Secretary/Treasurer

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