The First Presbyterian Church

December 25, A.D. 2016

of Port Gibson, Mississippi

Instrumental Prelude	Mrs. H.N. Gage
Introit	"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"
Welcome and Announcements	
The Doxology	
Invocation and Lord's Prayer	
Responsive Reading	
Hymn (1, 2 & 6)	
Responsive Reading	
Hymn (All)	
Responsive Reading	
Hymn (All)	

Silent Prayer and Meditation	
The Pastoral Prayer	
Choral Response	
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Offering and Offertory Prayer

Worship Service

Scripture	Isaiah 9:2-7 (p. 520, p. 845)
Sermon	"The Greatest Christmas Gift"
Hymn of Dedicatio	n No. 106
Benediction	
Response	"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"
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.

<u>Announcements</u>

BIBLE STUDY will not be held this week.

THE CHURCH'S BOOKS will be closed on January 6, 2017. All 2016 contributions must be made before that date.

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."

QUEST CHURCH is a church planting effort in San Antonio, Texas, sponsored by our presbytery: <u>www.questchurchnb.com</u> To help, make out your check to First Presbyterian Church and label it "Quest Church."

ALL SOULS' CHURCH is a presbytery church planting effort in Austin, Texas: <u>http://www.landofmysojourn.com</u> To help, make out your check to First Presbyterian Church and label it "All Souls' Church."

Upcoming Events

January 4	Prayer Breakfast, Annex, 6:30am
January 27-28	Presbytery Meeting, First Meridian
February 5	Souperbowl Sunday
March 31-April 1	Whispers in the Cedars Cemetery Tours
April 28-29	Presbytery Meeting, First Ocean Springs
May 4-7	Presbyterian Cursillo, Camp Wesley Pines
June 20-23	EPC General Assembly, Sacramento, CA
September 22-23	Presbytery Meeting, Christ EPC Houston

Opening and Closing Schedule

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
1/15-21 – Don Wilson	2/12-18 – Eddie Lipscomb
	2/19-25 – Lem Montgomery

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December Birthdays

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

Bible Reading Schedule

December 26	
December 27	Psalm 146:6-10 – Those Whose Help Is the Lord
December 28	Micah 6:6-8 – Doing Justice and Kindness with Humility
December 29	Romans 1:16-20 – Creation Is a Witness to God's Plan
December 30	Psalm 33:1-9 – Hymn of God's Greatness and Goodness
December 31	
January 1	Psalm 33:17-22 – Hope in God's Steadfast Love

Church Directory

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

The Session

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

<u>The Diaconate</u> Class of 2017

Mr. Jimmy Cassell

Dr. Eddie Lipscomb

Mr. Mike Mikell

Class of 2016

Mrs. Ruth Willis

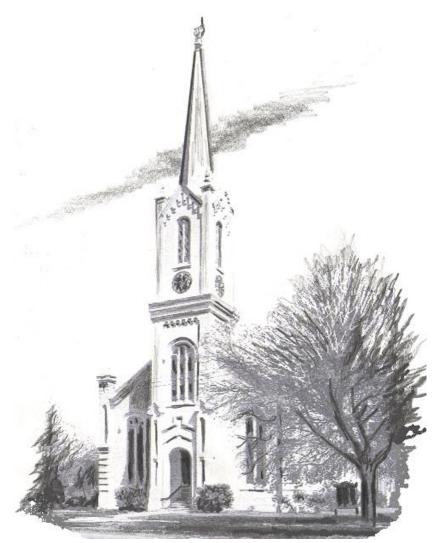
Class of 2018 Mr. Jim Hynum Mr. Mack May

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.

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