



**First Presbyterian Church of Ocean Springs**  
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## **Preparing Your Heart for Worship**

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*Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.*

- Psalm 29:1-2

## WELCOME AND PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### **\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! LORD GOD ALMIGHTY**

*Hymn #538 (stanza 1)*

- 1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

*Words: Reginald Heber, 1827, alt., P.D.*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Psalm 146*

ELDER: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

**PEOPLE: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

ELDER: Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation...

**PEOPLE: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth.**

**\*OF THE FATHER’S LOVE BEGOTTEN**

*Hymn #78 (stanzas 1, 4, 5)*

- 1 **Of the Father’s love begotten  
ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega—  
he the source, the ending he,  
of the things that are, that have been,  
and that future years shall see  
evermore and evermore.**
  
- 4 **Let the heights of heaven adore him;  
angel hosts, his praises sing:  
powers, dominions, bow before him  
and extol our God and King;  
let no tongue on earth be silent,  
every voice in concert ring  
evermore and evermore.**
  
- 5 **Christ, to you, with God the Father  
and the Spirit, there shall be  
hymn and chant and high thanksgiving  
and the shout of jubilee:  
honor, glory, and dominion  
and eternal victory  
evermore and evermore. Amen.**

*Words: Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-413); tr. Composite, P.D.*

**BAPTISM**

Isla Rose Kahlmus and John Knox Kahlmus  
*Children of Wilson and Anna Kahlmus*

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*Take some time to greet those around you in the peace and joy of  
the grace of God.*

**CHILDREN'S LESSON**

## **RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING SENIORS**

*Please see today's bulletin insert to learn more about our graduating seniors and their future plans.*

## **OFFERING**

*Behold the Lamb*

Dottie Rambo / arranged by Lloyd Larson  
FPCOS Chancel Choir

*Giving our tithe is one way we place our trust in the Lord. You may place your offering in the plate as it comes around, scan the QR code on page 13 of your bulletin to give online or text GIVE and the amount you would like to give to 833-444-1577.*

## SCRIPTURE READING

*1 Samuel 8:4-22*

<sup>4</sup> Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah <sup>5</sup> and said to him, “Behold, you are old and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now appoint for us a king to judge us like all the nations.” <sup>6</sup> But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to judge us.” And Samuel prayed to the Lord. <sup>7</sup> And the Lord said to Samuel, “Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. <sup>8</sup> According to all the deeds that they have done, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt even to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so they are also doing to you. <sup>9</sup> Now then, obey their voice; only you shall solemnly warn them and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”

<sup>10</sup> So Samuel told all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking for a king from him. <sup>11</sup> He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen and to run before his chariots. <sup>12</sup> And he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. <sup>13</sup> He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. <sup>14</sup> He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his servants. <sup>15</sup> He will take the tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and to his servants. <sup>16</sup> He will take your male servants and female servants and the best of your young men and your donkeys, and put them to his work.

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<sup>17</sup> He will take the tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves.

<sup>18</sup> And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves, but the Lord will not answer you in that day.”

<sup>19</sup> But the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel. And they said, “No! But there shall be a king over us, <sup>20</sup> that we also may be like all the nations, and that our king may judge us and go out before us and fight our battles.” <sup>21</sup> And when Samuel had heard all the words of the people, he repeated them in the ears of the Lord. <sup>22</sup> And the Lord said to Samuel, “Obey their voice and make them a king.” Samuel then said to the men of Israel, “Go every man to his city.”

**SERMON: A King**

Series: The Heart of Leadership

*1 Samuel 8:4-22*

Rev. Scott Castleman

**NOTES**

A large rectangular area with a light gray background and horizontal lines, intended for taking notes. The lines are evenly spaced and extend across the width of the area.

**\*ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME**

*Hymn #601*

- 1 All hail the power of Jesus' name!  
Let angels prostrate fall.  
Bring forth the royal diadem,  
and crown him Lord of all.  
Bring forth the royal diadem,  
and crown him Lord of all!
  
- 2 O seed of Israel's chosen race  
now ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all.  
Hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all!
  
- 3 Let every tongue and every tribe  
on this terrestrial ball,  
to him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all.  
To him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all!
  
- 4 Oh, that with all the sacred throng  
we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song  
and crown him Lord of all.  
We'll join the everlasting song  
and crown him Lord of all!

*Words: st. 1-3 Edward Perronet, 1780, alt., st. 4 John Rippon, 1787, alt., P.D.*

**\*STATEMENT OF FAITH**

*1 Timothy 1:15-17*

ELDER: Church, how is it that we need to understand the gospel in light of our sinfulness and God's amazing grace?

PEOPLE: **The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen.**

## **COME TOGETHER IN PRAYER**

### **ILLNESS**

Frank Allison, Van & Ellen Arnold, Alice Duckett, Wendy Duggan, Bryan Fox, Charles Gaines, Cheryl Hammond, Mary Ann Holder, Judy Howell, Heather Jordan, Rosemary Kahlmus, Senneca Lewis, Nanette Lockhart, Wendy Lockhart, Suzie Manuel, Vicki McKay, Kristen Myers, Mark Necaie, Tommy Neff, Tom Nicholson, Dorothy Norris, Patricia O'Neal, Jane Panek, Susan Panek, Jane Parker, David Paul, Janice Pepper, Brent Ramsey, John Schill, Sheila Seymour, Bob Turner, Tom Walton, Rick Webster, Helen Winger

### **STRENGTH THROUGH ADVERSITY**

Trevor Smith and Family

### **SHUT-INS/NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING**

Nancy Alford, Trudy Brundage, Sandra Cain, Ginny Canaga, Bea Colburn, Jim & Mayla Comeaux, Pat Finnegan, Craig Gardner, Hendrikje Gast, Ted & Sherry Gilbert, Dr. Robert Goette, Cheryl Gray, John Luna, Mary Nesbitt, Dorothy Norris, Sheila Seymour, Chris Waldron, Betty Walker, Jean & Gaylon Worch

*Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.  
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly  
in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.*

**- Matthew 11:28-29**

## THE GIFT OF GIVING



Giving our tithe is one way we place our trust in the Lord. You may place your offering in the plate as it comes around, **scan the QR code** to give online or text **GIVE** and the amount you would like to give to **833-444-1577**.

Summer plans are great - but your generosity doesn't need a vacation. Set up **RECURRING GIVING** so even when you're away, your faithfulness keeps showing up right on time. Just **scan the QR code, choose the frequency of your giving** and **follow the prompts**. It's that easy!

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## THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRES May 17-23, 2026

Sunday	10:00 AM	<b>HS Senior Breakfast</b>
Monday	6:30 PM	<b>Woven: Women's Bible Study</b> <i>(off-campus)</i>
Tuesday	TBD	<b>Lighthouse Academy Graduation</b>
Wednesday	10:00 AM	<b>Children's House Graduation</b>
Thursday	6:00 PM	<b>Gulfside Montessori Graduation</b>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*NEW\***

### **UGANDA MISSION PARTNER MEET & GREET - Today @ 10:00 AM**

We are excited to have Waffle Lemilo, our mission partner from Uganda and Dr. Val's husband, with us today. We will be having a **MEET & GREET** with him in the chapel at **10:00 AM** between services. Please drop by, say hello and learn more about our work with them in Uganda.

**\*UPDATED\***

### **LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR VBS 2026 - June 1-5**

**TODAY is the last day to register for VBS 2026!**

This year's VBS is **June 1-5** from **9:00 AM-12:00 PM** and is open for children ages 3 through rising 6th grade! Please note - children must turn 3 by June 1, 2026 and be potty trained. We also still have spots available in our extended-day Arts & Culture Camp.

**Register today before it's too late!**



### **ONE WORSHIP SERVICE - Sun, May 24 @ 10:00 AM**

We will have ONE blended worship service on **Sunday, May 24 at 10:00 AM** for Pentecost/New Member Sunday. Cake and refreshments will be served in The Commons and courtyard following the service.

### **VBS PREP WEEK - May 26-29 (9 AM-12 PM), May 31 (12-4 PM)**

We need YOUR help to make VBS 2026 an awesome week for the kids in our church and our community! Our **VBS PREP WEEK** will be **May 26-29** from **9 AM-12 PM** each day and then our BIG set up of the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall on **May 31** from **12-4 PM**. We will have LOTS to do, so please consider dropping in and lending a hand that week! No need to sign up - just come by and we will find a place where you can help!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *(continued)*

### WOMEN'S SUMMER BOOK CLUB - June 15, 22, 29

This summer, the women of FPCOS will be reading *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi for **SUMMER BOOK CLUB**. We will meet to discuss the book **June 15** (pages 11-140), **June 22** (pages 141-269) and **June 29** (pages 270 to the end) from **6:30-7:30 PM** in the library (room 202). Childcare is provided. **Scan the QR code to purchase the book from Amazon.**



### SUNDAY LUNCHEES WITH OUR SUMMER YOUTH INTERNS

We have the wonderful opportunity to love and care for our summer youth interns, Caroline, Jake and Andrew. They will be working hard to come alongside our students to show them Jesus and love them well. One easy way that we can care for them is through fellowship over a meal (you gotta eat and so do they!). We are asking **COUPLES** and **FAMILIES** (*no individuals at this time*) from the church to host our three interns for a **SUNDAY LUNCH** - either take them out for food at one of your favorite restaurants or have them over for a meal (your choice). Either way, let's love them well! (*Please note - it will be all three interns at once, not hosting each one individually.*)



### PROMISS BABY BOTTLE BLESSINGS - May 10-June 21

PROMISS is a 501(c)(3) faith-based ministry that provides hope to those unprepared for pregnancy and parenting. We are participating in the **PROMISS BABY BOTTLE BLESSINGS CAMPAIGN**, which will run until Father's Day (June 21), to support PROMISS in Gautier and Lucedale. The bottles are available to pick up in the narthex and The Commons. Please take them home and fill with coins, cash or check and return to narthex by Father's Day (or bring it back early and take another bottle to fill up!). Your donation helps PROMISS save lives by ministering to those unprepared for pregnancy. To learn more about PROMISS and the Baby Bottle Blessings Campaign, call PROMISS at 228-297-6477.

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We would love to get to know you better. Scan the QR Code to fill out our brief Connect Card and let us know if you have any questions about FPCOS or would just like to learn more about our ministries and how you can get plugged in.

We look forward to connecting with you!

**TO KNOW CHRIST AND  
TO MAKE CHRIST KNOWN TOGETHER**  
*from the heart of Ocean Springs to the ends of the earth*

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