



First Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)
[Starkville Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)]
Starkville, Mississippi
January 31, 2021
4th Sunday after Epiphany

Order of Worship

Prelude *How Great Thou Art*

Greeting (From Luke 4:18)

One: The Spirit of the Lord has anointed me,

**All: To preach good news to the poor
And release to the captives**

Hymn #15 *All Creatures of Our God and King*

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia! O brother sun with golden beam,
O sister moon with silver gleam, sing praises!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All who for love of God forgive, all who in pain or sorrow grieve,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ bears your burdens and your fears;
So, even in the midst of tears, sing praises!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Opening Prayer (Unison)

Living God, in Christ You make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of Your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Mark 1:21-28

The Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary

and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in on holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon

“Out of our Cage”

Rev. Ron McDougald

Closing Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer

Postlude *Spirit of God*

PRAYER LIST:

Here are the most recent additions: **Rev. Chris Kiepe** (hospitalized); **Family of Rev. Dr. Morris A. Taylor**; **Pam & Pat Salmon** (both have COVID); **Teachers, Students and their families** at all levels of education as they adjust to learning in this time of COVID 19. Please keep these and all those on the list below in your prayers.

If you would like to add a request or removal to our list, please contact Nancy Bryson (324-6320 or nancybryson68@gmail.com) or Rev. Ron McDougald (601-942-8040 or chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com)

David Earnest	Deloris Fratesi	Rev. Wil Howie
Susan Scales Huffman	Jetta Kuykendall	Martha Lancaster
Jason Landry & family	Inez Mathis	Family of Paul Millsaps
Richard Mullenax	Norwood Nuckols	Jeff O'Rourke
Rev. Doug & Laura Pepper	Elizabeth Richardson	Bettye Seepe
Elizabeth Vance	Clyde Williams	Josephine Zitta

Please be in constant prayer for those suffering with COVID 19, and those who care for them, those with addictions, homelessness, loneliness, hunger, mental illness, the unemployed, prisoners and the poor.

SUSPENSION OF 'FACE-TO-FACE' SERVICES. Out of an abundance of caution, and with love and care for our community and congregation, we continue to suspend all face-to-face services (worship, social, choir, etc.) for the immediate future. The Session reviews this decision at each stated meeting. **Our next meeting is Thursday, February 4th.** Please contact any Elder or Ron, if you have questions or comments

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. The Session has called a Zoom Congregational Meeting for Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of presenting the approved 2021 Budget as information and to update the congregation on property, name, and officer election. A copy of the 2021 budget will be emailed to all members prior to the meeting.

It is important for you to log in on Zoom and participate in this meeting as we need as many members as possible for a quorum. We understand Zoom is not everyone's favorite method of meeting, but this is the route we have to take during this unprecedented time. A Zoom invitation will be emailed to you prior to the meeting. Please make every effort to participate on Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

SYMPATHY. We extend our Love and Christian sympathy to the family of Rev. Dr. Morris A. Taylor, who passed away on January 29, 2021.

ZOOM CHECK IN. Our Check-in Zoom meetings will be at 6:30 p.m. **Please note the new time change.**

Session

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