



First
Presbyterian
Church

GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI

The Seven Deadly Sins

January 14 Anger

January 21 Gluttony

January 28 Greed

February 4 Envy

February 11 Lust

February 18 Sloth

February 25 Pride

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 25, 2024

Second Sunday in Lent

11:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

The time to begin preparing for worship is no later than the sounding of the chimes.

*The congregation is invited to stand.

**Seating of those arriving after worship has begun.

CHIMING

PRELUDE

Prelude in E-minor

J. S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 22:23-31

Dr. Andrew Chaney

One: "You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify Him; stand in awe of Him, all you offspring of Israel!

All: For He did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; He did not hide His face from me, but heard when I cried to Him.

One: From You comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

All: The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever!

One: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before Him. For dominion belongs to the LORD, and He rules over the nations.

All: To Him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before Him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for Him."

**HYMN 49

The God of Abraham Praise

LEONI

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESSION OF SIN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We humbly confess and repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, and forgive us that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name ...

A TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVEN

*GLORY BE TO GOD (No. 394, stz. 4)

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

**Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one:
One in might and one in glory while unending ages run!**

PROCLAIM THE WORD

EXPRESSIONS OF FELLOWSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP

♦Minutes for Kirkin'

Rev. Ray Smithee

A TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Elder Wade Litton, Sr.

ANTHEM

The Lord Be Near Us

Hal H. Hopson

The Lord be near us as we pray and help us, through the darkest day, to find our spirits' strength and stay in His most holy Name. To Him be heartfelt homage paid and sacrifice of prayer be made; in Him we trust, and undismayed His promised presence claim. May God our dearest hopes fulfill, and move our hearts to seek His will, rejoicing in His triumph still and His prevailing Name; who hears and answers all our prayers, who knows the weight of human cares, and in His Son our nature shares, forevermore the same. Let others trust in wealth and pow'r to save them in the evil hour, we find our refuge and our tow'r in God's eternal Name; in Him we stand, secure and strong, believers who to Christ belong, and with His saints in ceaseless song His faithfulness proclaim. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 13:1-17

SERMON

Dr. Andrew Chaney

"Defeating Pride – Be Humble"

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN 727

THE SERVANT SONG

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Adagio in C

Humperdinck/arr. Bish

*Doxology

OLD 100TH

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

*Prayer of Dedication and The Lord's Prayer Deacon Emmie Daugherty

*HYMN 738

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

MARYTON

*CHARGE, BENEDICTION, AND CHORAL AMEN

*POSTLUDE

Fugue in E-minor

J. S. Bach

49 The God of Abraham Praise



1 The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove,
 2 Your spir - it still flows free, high surg - ing where it will.
 3 Your good - ly land we seek, with peace and plen - ty blest,
 4 You have e - ter - nal life im - plant - ed in the soul;



the An - cient of E - ter - nal Days, the God of love!
 In proph-et's word you spoke of old and you speak still.
 a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty and Sab - bath rest.
 your love shall be our strength and stay, while a - ges roll.



The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con-fessed,
 Es - tab - lished is your law, and change-less it shall stand,
 There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,
 We praise you, liv - ing God! We praise your ho - ly name:



we bow be - fore your ho - ly name, for - ev - er blest.
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart by your strong hand.
 and trees of life for - ev - er grow with mer - cy crowned.
 the first, the last, be - yond all thought, and still the same!



Shaped by its traditional Jewish tune, this selection of English stanzas conveys the essence of the *Yigdal*, a canticle based on a medieval Hebrew statement of faith about the nature of God and often used in synagogue worship, alternately chanted by cantor and congregation.

727 Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

The Servant Song



1, 6 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me
2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney; we're to -
3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the
4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you
5 When we sing to God in heav - en, we shall



be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the
geth - er on the road. We are here to help each
night - time of your fear. I will hold my hand out
laugh I'll laugh with you. I will share your joy and
find such har - mo - ny, born of all we've known to -



grace to let you be my ser - vant too.
oth - er walk the mile and bear the load.
to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
sor - row till we've seen this jour - ney through.
geth - er of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.
(repeat stanza 1)

The opening and closing stanza expresses the essence of this folk-style song about the mutuality of servant ministry: those who serve must also be willing to be served. This is what Christ intended when he commanded the disciples to "wash one another's feet" (John 13:14).

738 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move
 3 Teach me thy pa - tience, still with thee
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray

in low - ly paths of ser - vice free;
 by some clear, win - ning word of love;
 in clos - er, dear - er com - pa - ny,
 far down the fu - ture's broad - ening way;

tell me thy se - cret; help me bear the
 teach me the way - ward feet to stay, and
 in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in
 in peace that on - ly thou canst give, with

strain of toil, the fret of care.
 guide them in the home - ward way.
 trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.
 thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

In honestly admitting the limits of human ability, this prayerful hymn does not seek a sense of God's presence for self-comfort but for strength and companionship in pursuing the tasks that God sets before us. The author specifically chose this tune to accompany his words.

WELCOME TO THIS HOUR OF WORSHIP

We hope that you will be made to feel welcome here and that you will find this service helpful to you in your Christian life. If you are a visitor, please know that we are glad for your presence here. Please help us to know you better by filling out the Friendship Register and then pass it to the person seated next to you. Take note with whom you are worshipping with and greet them warmly! Welcome one another to the Lord's House! Should you be interested in joining this congregation, please check the appropriate box on the Friendship Register and we will be in touch with you, or you may call the church office at (662) 453-4680. The Session meets periodically at 10:35 a.m. on Sunday to receive new members into our congregation.

A Nursery Is Available for children 3 years and younger in Room 103 in the Van Arnold Education Building located directly across the street from the Sanctuary.

Accessibility: Large print Bibles, hymnals, and hearing devices are available in the back of the Sanctuary. At the end of the service, please return these to the back tables.

Cell Phones and Photography: In order to maintain reverence during the service, please silence all cell phones and other communication devices and refrain from unauthorized photography or recordings.

Internet Broadcast: To watch the service live on a computer, tablet, or smart phone, go to www.firstgreenwood.net/video. Worship bulletins are available under the "Worship" tab on the website, as are archived services. You may also access the worship service live by going to the church's Facebook page.

Community Food Pantry: Please bring canned food and place it in the Food Pantry Collection Box near the handicap entrance.

Hospital Visitation: Please call the church office to let us know whether you are in the hospital or know of any church member in the hospital, since the hospital here no longer lists names of hospitalized persons on a public register.

Elder Reese Pillow is the visitation elder for **February**.

Ushers for Today: Chuck Conditt, Emmie Daugherty, Alan Ellis, Randy Tackett, Sam Pigott, and Wilson Moses

Security Detail: Justin Braswell and Jim Quinn

Children's Church for 4- & 5-year-olds with Alston and Whitney Avritt

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 25, 2024

10:00 am Sunday School
10:30 am Fellowship Time
11:00 am Worship
4:00 pm PW to Indywood

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

8:30 am Women's Bible Study
5:15 pm Nominating Committee

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

11:00 am Wednesday Bible Study
2:30 pm Liturgy
5:30 pm Youth Dinner
6:00 pm Youth Bible Study
6:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 29, 2024

6:45 am Men's Bible Study/Breakfast

Saturday, March 2, 2024

9:00 am Kirkin' Golf Tournament
Greenwood Country Club

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Presbyterian Women will go to Indywood Glen today at 4:00 p.m. for a wine and cheese fellowship with residents.

Women's Bible Study meets Tuesday, February 27 at 8:30 a.m. in the Jim and Ina Barrett Memorial Library. All women of the church are invited to attend.

The Nominating Committee meets Tuesday, February 27, at 5:15 p.m. in the Session Room.

Wednesday Bible Study meets Wednesday, February 28, at 11:00 a.m. in the Church Parlor. Dr. Chaney will lead the study and discussion.

Youth Bible Study, Wednesday, February 28, in the Parish Youth Building. Dinner for all youth at 5:30 p.m. followed by Bible Study at 6:00 p.m.

Men's Bible Study and Breakfast, Thursday, February 29, at 6:45 a.m. in the Church Parlor. Dr. Chaney will be teaching. All men of the congregation are invited to attend.

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS SCHEDULE

Kirkin' Golf Tournament – Greenwood Country Club
Saturday, March 2 at 9:00 a.m.

Schedule for Sunday, March 3rd

9:30 a.m. – Children's Activity (Ed. Bldg/Playground)

9:30 a.m. – Kirkin' Lecture in Church Parlor
Dr. J. Ligon Duncan III, speaking
(light breakfast foods and beverages available)

10:15 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. – Memphis Pipes and Drums
Concert on Main Street

11:00 a.m. – Kirkin' O' the Tartans Service

Procession of Flags to the Pipes & Drums

Blessing of the Tartans

(bring a piece of tartan cloth to place on the communion table)

Dr. J. Ligon Duncan III, preaching

12:15 p.m. – Kirkin' Luncheon in Shuler Hall

Kirkin' Cup Presentation

Kilt Election between Miller Arant and Barrett Daugherty

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered next Sunday, March 10, as part of worship. You are encouraged to prepare yourself through prayer, confession, repentance, and meditation. Elder Dallas Baker will bring the message and Rev. Ray Smithee will preside over communion.

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SESSION

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