Prayer List

The family of Rev. Robert "Bob" Crumpton following his death. (Brother of Bill Crumpton) Janet, Gary & Jay Bardwell, Linda Necaise (Janet's sister) and Lydia Berry (Jay's friend) Wanda Hubbard LeeAnn Joe Rubve Guest Cynthia Ware Nelson Jones & Andy Lawrence David Mote & Family (The Folsoms' nephew) Allen & Barbara Johnson Gloria Gentry Charlie Weatherly Lydia Abraham Glenda & Albert Clark Andrew Whittenton Sylvia & Larry Melton (Kathy Wright's parents) Earline Howell (Wallace Cade's Aunt) Peggy & Levette Johnson Jack Thompson (Alex Adam's Uncle) Judy Packer & John Clark Packer Marybeth Baker (Mara Cox's Mom) Barbara Tindall (Tindall Morrison's Grandmother) Macey & Byron Bell (Marshall Molen's sister & brother-in-law) **Ressie** Carpenter **Rae Nell Crumpton** Hugh Shurden (Sandy Jackson's Father) Gerlene Lifer; and Keitha Scott (Gerlene's friend) Maxie Bruce (Brittney McAfee's father) Delores Irvin (Diane Daniel's sister), Sarah Helen McCloskey & Craig D. Campbell Billy & Bob Forbus (Jack Forbus's brothers); Staci Moak (Jack's daughter) Eliza Jones

Additional Prayer List for Health Care/Assisted Living

Margaret Collins – Montgomery Gardens Martha Wade- Home Dero Ramsey – The Goldton Lou Cross – The Goldton Hilda Scholtes – The Goldton Cattie Taylor – The Beehive, Starkville Marjorie Malone

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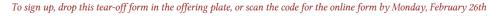
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Wednesday, February 28, Dinner Menu

Adult Plate: BBQ Pork Sandwhich, Pasta Salad, Baked Beans, Peach Cobbler

Kids Plate: Sloppy Joe Sliders, Corn, Cookies

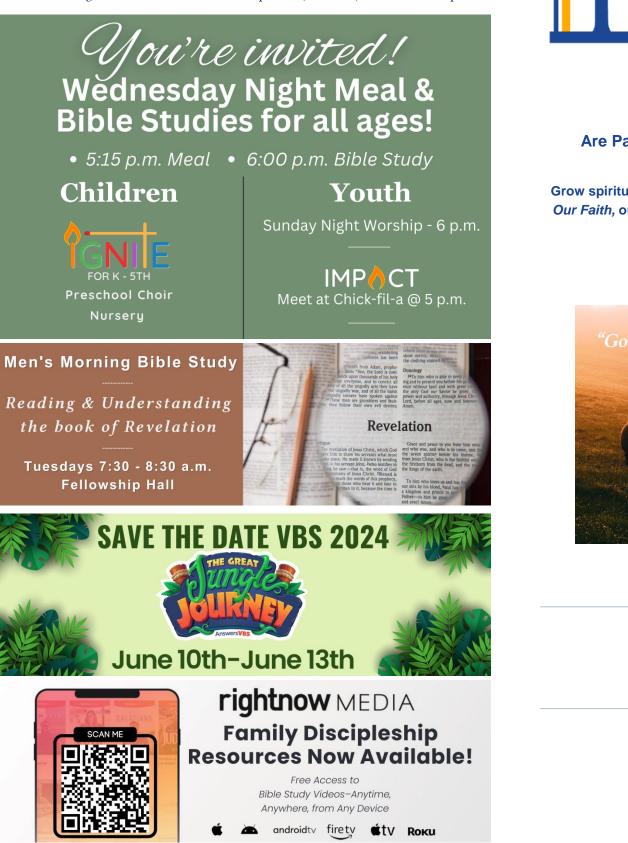
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MINISTRY NEWS & OPPORTUNIES:

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We Preach the *Doctrines of Grace* and Are Part of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church *(EPC)*

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Second Sunday During Lent February 25, 2024

"Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves." -Luke 10:3

Sunday Morning Schedule

Lord's Day Service | 10:30 AM Sunday School | 9:30 AM Fellowship Time | 10:10 AM Chapel Service of the Word | 8:30 AM

Access more information and online resources: **fpcstarkville.org**

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STARKVILLE Second Sunday During Lent, February 25, 2024 Lord's Day Service

Prelude	Chorale on ''Erbarm dich main, o Herre Gott'	Jennifer Blackbourn
Welcome & Announce	ements	Martin Lifer
*Call to Worship	Isaiah 52:7	Dean Franklin
Leader: How beautiful	on the mountains are the feet of him who l	orings good news –

ALL: Who publishes peace, who brings Good News of happiness, who

publishes salvation; Leader: Who says to Zion:

ALL: "Your God reigns!"

*Hymn #136	O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing	
*Invocation		

Anthem

Introducing New Members of First Presbyterian Church, Starkville

*Hymn #668	Doxology	OLD HUNDRETH
Call to Give God	His Tithe and Our Offerings	Martin Lifer
Offertory	He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word `	Jennifer Blackbourn

*Prayers of Confession, Supplication & Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Grace	Isaiah 53:11	Martin Lifer
Pastor: Out of the anguish of his so	ul He shall see light a	nd be satisfied; by his knowledge
shall the Righteous One, My Servar	nt.	

ALL: make many to be accounted righteous, and He shall bear their iniquities.

*Greeting Our Neighbors in the Grace of Christ

Good News for Children		Boston Hampton
*Confession of Faith	from The Essentials of Our Faith	Dean Franklin

The Lord Jesus Christ commands all believers to proclaim the gospel throughout the world and to make disciples of all nations. Obedience to the Great Commission requires total commitment to "Him who loved us and gave Himself for us." He calls us to a life of self-denying love and service. "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them."

* Hymn #589 (1,2 & 4)	Take My Life (Holiness)	
Scripture	Luke 10:1-9	
Sermon	Lambs Among Wolves: Our Mission	Martin Lifer
*Hymn #440	Here I Am, Lord	
*Benediction		Martin Lifer
*Congregational Resp	onse Three-fold Amen	
Postlude		Jennifer Blackbourn



Dean Franklin

Chancel Choir

If you are interested in providing flowers for an upcoming Sunday, please reach out to Olivia in the Church Office at 662-323-1994

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Lambs Among Wolves: Our Mission Martin Lifer/ FPC Starkville/ February 25, 2024/ Luke 10:1-9
Jesus' Life, Mission & Kingdom → Every True Christian's Life, Mission & Kingdom 1) All-in Urgency, understanding that Time is Short 2) Prayer-based
 a) Lamblike – Dependent & Prophetic Ambassadors of Peace
There are wolves in WG prison, but Jesus' transformed witnesses stand out as
Christians: decisively & actively, because our Lord is the Lamb.
Romans 12:1-2 <i>Therefore</i> , by God's mercies, offer YOUR bodies as a living & holy sacrifice, Don't be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind,
God's Gospel upends World's ways & wisdom: Shepherd = lamb, Self-sacrificial?! Gospel Mission: God sends His Son (King) to serve & die for sinners; is that Good?!
Jesus' Life, Mission & Kingdom \rightarrow OUR Life, Mission & Kingdom

The Good Shepherd sends his sheep out as lambs among wolves; is that Good?!

Rome = Wolves: Military Conquest & Power; Religion of Patriotism, Success & Wealth

There are Wolves Outside and Inside Judaism ... and Outside & Inside the Visible Church

Lk. 10:1 - After these thinas....

Isaiah 53:7;11 - like a lamb led to the slaughter; He shall see light and be satisfied

- spoke of his exodus, which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Lk. 9:31 - days were being fulfilled for his ascension, He set His Face to go to Jerusalem Lk. 9:51 - "Because the LORD God helps me, therefore, I have set his face like flint" Is. 50:7

- beautiful on mountains are the feet of him who brings good news:... "Your God reigns!" Is. 51:7

10:3 - "Go! Behold! I am sending you as lambs in the midst of wolves" & following verses

*The congregation is invited to stand.

"It is necessary for the Son of Man to suffer many things and to be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and to be killed, and on the third day to be raised." Lk. 9:22

"If anyone wants to [follow] Me, deny himself, take up his cross daily & follow Me." Lk. 9:23

- three would-be disciples fail at the appointed time to join Jesus' advance-party. Lk. 9:57-62

Every Christian's Response to the Mission of Witnessing for Christ & His Kingdom: 1) All-in Urgency, understanding that Time is Short

Lk. 10:1 - After these things, the Lord also appointed 72 others and sent them two-by- two, before His Face, to every town and place where He Himself was about to go. Lk. 10:9 - "Heal the sick in it & say to them, 'The Kingdom of God has come near to you.'"

2) Prayer-based (believing in & praying to Christ as the Lord of the Harvest Who sends us)

10:2 - And He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

3) Lamblike – Dependent & Prophetic Ambassadors of Peace