

J.J. White Memorial Presbyterian Church  
McComb, Mississippi  
The Service for the Lord's Day  
Sunday, October 16, 2022, 10:30 a.m.  
19th Sunday after Pentecost

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **We Gather in God's Name**

**Prelude**

**"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"**

**Larson**

**Introit**

**"Be Strong in the Lord"**

*Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord, and be of good courage for He is your guide.  
Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord, and rejoice for the victory is yours.*

**\*Call to Worship**

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.

*Ps. 121:2*

**Sisters and brothers,  
Let us worship God.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

**Eternal God,  
you remain constant through all of our striving,  
and patient with our ceaseless prayers.  
We seek your wisdom,  
yearn for your justice,  
and crave your blessing,  
for our own sakes and for the sake of the world.  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and in the name of Christ, who prays with us. Amen.**

**\*Hymn 558**

**"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"**

**verse 1**

## **A Reading from the Psalter (Responsive)**

## **Psalm 16**

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.  
I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;  
I have no good apart from you."  
As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble,  
in whom is all my delight.  
Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;  
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out  
or take their names upon my lips.

**The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;  
you hold my lot.  
The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;  
I have a goodly heritage.  
I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
in the night also my heart instructs me.  
I keep the LORD always before me;  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.**

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;  
my body also rests secure.  
For you do not give me up to Sheol,  
or let your faithful one see the Pit.

**You show me the path of life.  
In your presence there is fullness of joy;  
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

## **Call to Confession**

The new covenant God has made with Israel,  
and with us,  
begins in forgiveness.  
Though we continually break covenant with God,  
God remains faithful.  
We confess our sins to God,  
trusting that God will forgive us and remember  
our sins no more.

*Jer. 31:31-34*

## Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,  
we confess that we do not meditate on your commands and  
teachings all day long.

We do not keep your word before us always  
and in all things.

*Ps. 119*

Instead, we turn away from your demanding truth and wander  
toward easier options.

*2 Tim. 3:3-4*

Forgive us, we pray, for pursuing our own desires rather than  
yours.

Forgive us for growing weary in following you;  
for failing to pray and work tirelessly for justice;

*Luke 18:7*

for losing hope in your power to transform the powers of this  
world.

Tune our ears to the sound of your justice.

Turn our hearts to your commandments and word of grace.

Do not remember our sin,

*Jer. 31:34*

but remember your mercy forever.

We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

## Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Believe the good news of the gospel: our salvation is through faith in  
Christ Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

Now may the peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**

Amen.

## We Hear God's Word

### Anthem

"Lord, Here Am I"

Crosby

*Master, Thou callest, I gladly obey; Only direct me, and I'll find Thy way. Teach me the  
mission Appointed for me, What is my labor And where it shall be.*

*Master, Thou callest, And this I reply, "Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."*

*Willing, my Savior, To take up the cross; Willing to suffer Reproaches and loss;*

*Willing to follow If Thou will but lead; Only support me With grace in my need.*

*Master, Thou callest, And this I reply, "Ready and willing, Lord, Here am I."*

*Living or dying, I still would be Thine. Yet I am mortal While Thou art divine.*

*Pardon, whenever I turn from the right; Pity, and bring me again to the light.*

*Master, Thou callest, And this I reply, "Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."*

## **A Prayer for Guidance as We Hear God's Word**

**Scripture**            Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 31:31-34  
New Testament Reading – Luke 18:1-8

**Sermon**             “Never Lose Heart”  
the Reverend Dr. Catherine Cook

### **\*An Affirmation of Faith**

*The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **\*The Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it  
was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen! Amen!**

### **\*Hymn 622            “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”**

### **Invitation to the Offering**

God is the source of all good gifts. Let us now bring our gifts in joyful response to the many gifts we have been given.

**Offertory**    “Day by Day and With Each Passing Moment”    McDonald

### **\*Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all  
creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

## **\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

### **Prayers of the People and 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 and ever. Amen.**

### **We Go in God's Name**

**\*Hymn 621                    "I Must Tell Jesus All of My Trials"**

### **Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude**

**"We Are the Church"**

**Marsh**



### **This Week at J.J. White Memorial Presbyterian Church**

Sunday	9:00 am	Breakfast in the Ewell Martin Room
	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am	Worship
Tuesday	5:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday	7:15 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast