

CALL TO WORSHIP*		Psalm 18:30-31, 46	
[30] This God—his way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him. [31] For who is God, but the Lord? And who is a rock, except our God? [46] The Lord lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation (ESV)			
PRAYER OF PRAISE & ADORATION			
Blessed Assurance*			
Fanny Jane Crosby and Phoebe Palmer Knapp			
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine O what a foretaste of glory divine Heir of salvation, purchase of God Born in His Spirit, washed in His blood			
This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior, all the day long This is my story, this is my song Praising my Savior, all the day long			
Perfect submission, perfect delight Visions of rapture now burst on my sight Angels descending bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love			
Perfect submission, all is at rest I in my Savior am happy and blest Watching and waiting, looking above Filled with His goodness, lost in His love			
The Lord Almighty Reigns (Psalm 93)			
Bob Kauflin, Jonathan Althoff, and Nathan Stiff			
Behold Him robed in majesty Crowned with strength and glory Holy is our King Behold Him though the waters rage Breakers bow before Him tides rush to obey			
He reigns when oceans roar He reigns above the storm Enthroned on high the Lord Almighty reigns			
Behold Him stronger than the seas God from everlasting Just in His decrees Behold Him worthy of our trust Faithful to His promise ever here with us			
He reigns when oceans roar He reigns above the storm Enthroned on high the Lord Almighty reigns He reigns amidst the flood He reigns with grace and love Enthroned on high the Lord Almighty reigns			
Wind and waves are stilled in reverence Thunder trembles in Your presence You will hold us in the tempest You will not be moved You will not be moved You will not be moved You will not be moved			
SCRIPTURE READING		Isaiah 29:13	
[13] And the Lord said: “Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me...(ESV)			
CONFESSION OF SIN			
Father, we confess that so often we know and say all the right things, but in reality, our hearts are far from you. And as a result, we do not do the right things. Forgive us for making our vices look like virtues by hiding behind mere knowledge and eloquent speech, and fill us with your spirit so that our actions might match what we know and say we believe.			
PRIVATE CONFESSION			
PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL		Romans 8:1–4	
[1] There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. [2] For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. [3] For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, [4] in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. (ESV)			
Jesus Paid It All*		Offertory Hymn	
John Thomas Grape, Elvina M. Hall, and Alex Nifong			
And I hear the Savior say Thy strength indeed is small Child of weakness watch and pray Find in Me thine all in all			
‘Cause Jesus paid it all All to Him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow			
Lord now indeed I find Thy pow’r and Thine alone Can change the leper’s spots And melt the heart of stone			
And when before the throne I stand in Him complete Jesus died my soul to save My lips shall still repeat			
Oh praise the one who paid my debt And raised this life up from the dead			
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. Amen!			
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER ending in THE LORD’S PRAYER			
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.			
MESSAGE	RECEIVING THE WORD	Rev. Andrew Keasling	
	JAMES 1:19-27		
	PAGE 1011		
Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me*			
Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, and Michael Farren			
What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer There is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy my righteousness and freedom My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace To this I hold my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly bound to his Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine Yet not I but through Christ in me			
The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side the Saviour he will stay I labour on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need his power is displayed To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley he will lead Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome Yet not I but through Christ in me			
No fate I dread I know I am forgiven The future sure the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And he was raised to overthrow the grave To this I hold my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free Yet not I but through Christ in me			
With every breath I long to follow Jesus For he has said that he will bring me home And day by day I know he will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne To this I hold my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to him When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat Yet not I but through Christ in me			
CHURCH LIFE UPDATES			
BENEDICTION			* Please stand if able

Are you a guest at FPO? Welcome!

We are so happy you are here today! We would love the opportunity to connect with you and answer any questions you may have about FPO. Scan the QR below to complete our guest form. We know there are many wonderful churches in Auburn-Opelika and we hope that you always feel welcome here.



Sunday Schedule:

Worship @ 8:15am & 10:30am

Equip @ 9:15am

Adults in the Fellowship Hall

Children ages 3months-3rd grade in the FPOkids building

Children ages 4th & 5th grade in the White House

Youth ages 6th-8th grade in The Corner

Youth ages 9th-12th grade in the White House

PRAYER REQUESTS

Life is so often busy and full, and we are constantly dealing with difficult things, frequently doing so alone. We as a church long to be able to truly do life together and come alongside one another. One of the best ways we can do that is to pray for one another. Therefore, we are creating a weekly congregational prayer list to be shared with the staff and officers so they can be in regular prayer for the needs of the people at FPO. We encourage you to let us know about how we can best pray for you by emailing us at prayer@firstpresopelika.org. We would love for you to share day-to-day needs as well as surgeries, illnesses, deaths, births, diagnoses, or other life events so we can lift those to the Lord.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

The functional picture of church life in the Bible is FAMILY. Community Groups at FPO are designed to provide the context for the experience and expression of family. Community Groups are generally groups of 6-14 people that meet in someone’s home throughout the week and are built around pursuing intentional relationships designed to spur one another toward following Jesus. If you are interested in joining a Community Group, or have questions, please contact Jonathan Prudhomme at jonathan@firstpresopelika.org.

CHURCH LIFE

FPO MISSIONS MOMENT

Our Missionaries

Noeun and Tiffany Non - Maelin, Nolan and Selah serve in Central Asia by partnering alongside the local indigenous church body in Central Asia. They desire to make disciples, build communities leading to church growth and planting. We desire to see healthy churches grow and planted in their indigenous context.

Zachary Lightfoot is serving with Onward in Japan building relationships with university students in order to share the Gospel.

FPO also supports Mitchel Dean, serving with FCA of East Alabama. Mitchel works in local school athletics to teach kids and coaches about Christ and offer a Christian community.

SAVE THE DATES: UPCOMING EVENTS

College Lunch TODAY after the 10:30am service

All college students are invited to attend a free lunch immediately following the 10:30am worship service today.

Caring Ministry

We as a church long to care well for each other as we walk through the trials of this life. We now have a Caring Ministry to help us do that well. The best way to do that is to be informed of what is happening in our lives. If you or someone you know at the church is walking through a difficult time, please let us know at caring@firstpresopelika.org.

FPO Worship Night & Dinner - Tuesday, 9.22.26 in the Chapel

Join us for Worship Night in the historic chapel on September 22nd! Worship begins at 6pm. There will be a dinner in the Fellowship Hall prior to the service at 5:15pm. The cost for dinner is \$6 per person (capped at \$30 per family for larger families) to help offset expenses. Use the QR code on the right to register and pay.



Register for the Men’s Bible Study!

We encourage all men to come and gather with other men as we read the book *The Pursuit of Holiness* together. We have 2 groups: 1 on Mondays for lunch and 1 on Thursdays for breakfast. Meals provided. - Men’s Lunch Study 12-1pm (Sept. 14th-Nov. 16th, off Oct. 12th) - Men’s Morning Study 6:30-7:30am (Sept. 17th-Nov. 19th, off Oct. 15th)



Discover FPO - October 2nd & 3rd

A class for folks interested in learning more about First Pres Opelika and the EPC. Completion of this class is required for membership, however not everyone who participates will pursue membership.



You can always find our upcoming events on our website at www.firstpresopelika.org/events & www.firstpresopelika.org/this-month



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