

WELCOME!

We are so glad that you chose to worship with us today! If you are visiting, we would love the opportunity to connect with you and answer any questions you may have about FPO. Scan the QR code on the back to complete our visitor form. We know there are many wonderful churches in Auburn-Opelika and we hope that you always feel welcome here!

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 95:1-5

[1] Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! [2] Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! [3] For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. [4] In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. [5] The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. (ESV)

PRAYER OF PRAISE & ADORATION

On Jordan's Stormy Banks*

Christopher Miner and Samuel Stennett

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possession's lie

All o'er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day
There God the Son forever reigns and scatters night away

*I am bound, I am bound
I am bound for the Promised Land
I am bound, I am bound
I am bound for the Promised Land*

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death are felt and feared no more

When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed
When shall I see my Father's face and in His bosom rest

How Deep The Father's Love For Us*

Stuart Townend

How deep the Father's love for us; how vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son; to make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One; bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross; my sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice, call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there, until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything; no gifts, no powr's, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ; His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart; His wounds have paid my ransom

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Questions 27-28

27. What do you understand by the providence of God?

The almighty and ever present power of God by which God upholds, as with his hand, heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty—all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but by his fatherly hand.

28. How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from his love. For all creatures are so completely in God's hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Heavenly Father, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have chosen to follow our own desires rather than your will for our lives. We confess our sins. Help us to turn away from them! Forgive us, cleanse us, and change us, not because of what we have done but for the sake of Jesus your son. By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you and for your glory. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION

PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

Isaiah 53:6

[6] All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (ESV)

God Be Merciful To Me*

Offertory Hymn

Christopher Miner and Richard Redhead

God be merciful to me; on Thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion Thou; blot out my transgressions now
Wash me make me pure within; cleanse, O, cleanse me from my sin

My transgressions I confess; grief and guilt my soul oppress
I have sinned against Thy grace; and provoked Thee to Thy face
I confess Thy judgment just; speechless I Thy mercy trust

Broken humbled to the dust; by Thy wrath and judgement just
Let my contrite heart rejoice; and in gladness hear Thy voice
From my sins O hide Thy face; blot them out in boundless grace

Gracious God my heart renew; make my spirit right and true
Cast me not away from Thee; let Thy Spirit dwell in me
Thy salvation's joy impart; steadfast make my willing heart

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!

MISSIONS MOMENT

Hoffman Rhyne - Christ Our Redeemer Seminary

MESSAGE

WHERE DO YOUR LOYALTIES LIE?

JONAH 1:7-16

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Jonathan Prudhomme

When My Heart Is Torn Asunder*

Phil Wickham

When my heart is torn asunder
And my world just falls apart
Lord You put me back together
And lift me up to where You are

*There is hope beyond the suffering
Joy beyond the tears
Peace in ev'ry tragedy
Love that conquers fear*

*I have found redemption in the blood of Christ
My body might be dying but I'll always be alive*

You have turned mourning to dancing
You have covered me with grace
The struggle here may last a moment
But life with You will last always

When the age of death is over
And this world has been reborn
I'll be there beside my Savior
This is our great and rich reward

CHURCH LIFE UPDATES

BENEDICTION

** Please stand if able*

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Sunday Schedule:

Worship @ 10:30am

Connect @ 9:15am

Adults in the Fellowship Hall, Children ages 3months-5th grade in the FPOkids building, Youth ages 6th-12th grade in The Corner, and College students in the White House

DETAILS

Want text updates? Text "FPO" to (855) 956-4651

Want to make a financial gift? Text "FPO" to 73256. Click the link & complete your gift. (Choose BUILDING FUND to give to campus improvements)

Feeling Social? Follow us on Instagram @firstpresopelika

Want to join a Community Group? Email jonathan@firstpresopelika.org

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CHURCH LIFE

FPO MISSIONS MOMENT

FPO supports Jeff and Veronique Kim serving with Teach Beyond. Jeff and Veronique have three children and live in France. Their mission is equipping Christian leaders to impact churches and schools across France, Congo, and Mayotte through teaching, training, and coaching. <https://www2.teachbeyond.org>

SAVE THE DATES: UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Breakfast - 4.25.24 @ 6:30am

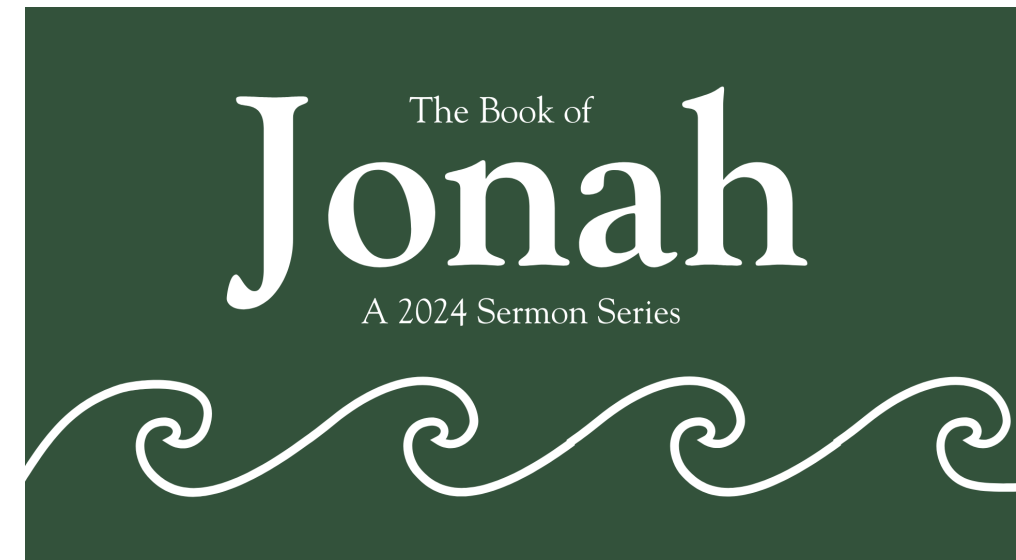
*Meet in the Fellowship Hall from 6:30-7:30AM.
This is a time for men to get to know each other, hear testimonies, grow in wisdom, and pray together.
Invite your friends and enjoy breakfast and great conversation!
The speaker this month is Lamar Phillips.
RSVP to brad7smith@gmail.com if you are able to join.*

DISCOVER FPO - Sunday 5.19.24 from 4-7pm

Are you ready to take steps toward membership at FPO? Curious about the EPC? Register for our next Discover class. Supper will be provided. Childcare by request. Scan to register:



First Presbyterian Opelika exists to multiply and grow disciples of Jesus through Gospel-centered Worship, Gospel-saturated Community, Gospel-shaped Service, and Gospel-motivated Mission.



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