

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Session is pleased to have received **Gordon and Lisa Haydel** as members of NCPC last Sunday. Gordon and Lisa join NCPC by transferring their membership from the United Methodist Church of Jefferson, Georgia. Welcome!

The annual **Congregational Meeting** will be held next Sunday, convening after the morning worship service and then recessing until 5:30 p.m.

The **Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study** begins a study of Ecclesiastes this week. The group meets from 7:15 - 8:00 a.m. each Tuesday for informal Bible study and discussion led by Pat Parker.

## ON THE CALENDAR

**Installation of Deacons and Elders** Sunday, January 22  
**Mid-South Men's Rally** Friday Evening January 27  
*First Presbyterian Church of Jackson*  
**Missions Conference** Friday-Sunday, February 3-5

## THIS WEEK AT NCPC

### TODAY, JANUARY 8

Sunday School Classes	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:45 a.m.
Evening Fellowship	5:30 p.m.
Children's Choir and Catechism	5:30 p.m.

### MONDAY, JANUARY 9

Monthly Officers' Meeting	5:30 p.m.
WIC Evening Circle	6:30 p.m.

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

WIC Morning Circle	9:30 p.m.
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### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

Covenant Kids	4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Covenant Youth	6:00 p.m.
Choir Practice	6:15 p.m.

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

Fellowship for Moms	8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
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*"Shepherding a Child's Heart" video series*

## THE LORD'S SUPPER AND THE REFORMATION

The Reformation that came about through the rediscovery of the gospel in the 1500's resulted in reforms in worship and in how the sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administered.

### SCRIPTURE ALONE

Worship must be conducted according to Scripture and is to focus on the ministry of the Word. The only reliable guide for what pleases God in worship is His revealed will, given in Scripture.

In 1543 John Calvin wrote in a tract, "I know how difficult it is to persuade the world that God disapproves of all modes of worship not expressly sanctioned by His Word."

### FAITH ALONE

Since faith in Christ is required of those who participate, and since faith comes by hearing the word of Christ preached, the service is to be conducted in the language spoken by the people, with Scriptural exhortation and preaching, and with simplicity rather than ritual.

A historian has noted that while John Calvin agreed to a service of preaching without the sacraments, "he would never have agreed to the sacraments without the word in preaching and teaching."

### CHRIST ALONE

The Lord's Supper is a meal not a mass, a supper not a sacrifice, it is administered by a pastor not a priest, given on a table not an altar, and it is served to the congregation as those who are seated for a meal.

Martin Luther termed the "most dangerous of all" of Rome's errors "the common belief that the mass is a sacrifice which is offered to God." The finality of Christ's atonement is central to the sacrament.

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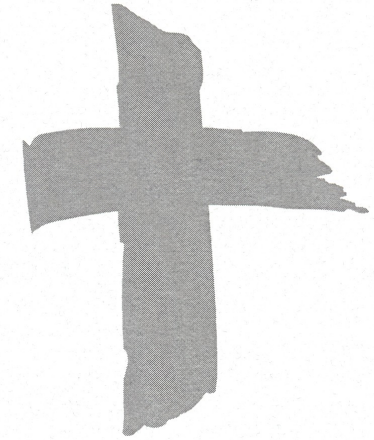
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## NEW COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Growing kingdom disciples  
through nurturing a right relationship  
with God's Word, God's Son, and God's Church*

The Order of Worship and Announcements  
for the Lord's Day  
January 8, 2012

Worship bulletins for the children  
are available at the front door or from Jennifer Charles.

*"Often church is the first thing we remove from our schedule rather than the last. Christians are by definition people who hope to spend eternity in the corporate worship of the Lord, and we need to begin living now as we mean to continue forever afterwards. Remember, we can suffer from a lack of grace, but it is impossible to suffer from having gotten too much of it."*

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## THE LORD'S DAY

The Eighth day of January, Two Thousand Twelve

### MORNING WORSHIP

The Welcome and Announcements (10:40 a.m.)  
*Please sign the attendance pad found on each row of seats  
so that we may have a record of your presence.*

### WE PREPARE TO MEET WITH GOD

The Prelude (10:45 a.m.)  
*At the time of the Welcome and Announcements,  
and during the Prelude, the congregation is called to a  
time of preparation for corporate worship.*

### GOD CALLS US

The Call to Worship Matthew 11:28-30  
Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened,  
and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,  
for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.

For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

- The Hymn of Praise No. 101  
*Come, Thou Almighty King*
- The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation
- The Confession of Truth

*The First Catechism Question 140*

**Pastor:** Who may rightly partake of the Lord's Supper?

**All:** Those who repent of their sins, trust in Christ,  
live a godly life, and profess their faith before the  
Church.

*The Westminster Larger Catechism Question 171*

**Pastor:** How are they that receive the sacrament  
of the Lord's Supper to prepare themselves before  
they come to it?

**All:** They that receive the Lord's Supper are,  
before they come, to prepare themselves thereunto,  
by examining themselves of their being in Christ,  
of their sins and wants; of the truth and measure of  
their knowledge, faith, and repentance; love to God  
and the brethren, charity to all men, forgiving those  
that have done them wrong; of their desire for  
Christ, and of their new obedience; and by  
renewing the exercise of these graces, by serious  
meditation, and fervent prayer.

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.

The Hymn of Prayer No. 585 (verses 1,2,5,6)

*Take My Life, and Let It Be*

### GOD CLAIMS US

The Morning Prayer

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory

- The Doxology

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.

- The Prayer of Dedication

The Anthem

*Jeremiah 29:13*

### GOD CONSECRATES US

Time with the Children Linda Young  
*Children ages five and under may be dismissed  
to the upstairs class*

The Reading of God's Word *John 4:27-42*

The Prayer of Illumination

The Sermon: "*The Savior of the World*"

**Series:** "*We Have Seen His Glory*" - the Gospel of John

The Prayer of Commitment

### GOD COMMUNES WITH US

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Words of Institution *1 Corinthians 11:23-26*

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

The Sharing of the Elements of the Lord's Supper  
*(You may partake of the elements as they are served)*

The Prayer of Commitment

All who repent of their sins, who trust in Jesus alone as  
their Savior, and who seek to walk faithfully with Him  
as members of His body, the church, are invited to share  
in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Children do not  
take part until they become communing members of  
Christ's church through public profession of their faith  
in Christ. By means of this sacrament, believers profess  
their faith as they proclaim Christ, and all are called to  
see and embrace Christ as Savior.

### GOD COMMISSIONS AND BLESSES US

- The Hymn No. 642 (v. 2) *Be Thou My Vision*
- The Benediction Revelation 22:21  
*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with God's  
people. Amen.*

The Postlude

- Please stand as able