

First Presbyterian Church of Ocala January 17, 2019

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Friends,

We served a delicious dinner (donated anonymously) to 75 people on Wednesday night, and over 150 came to hear an amazing concert with a Gospel message from The King's Brass. I hope you will put this on your calendar next year as soon as the date is announced. They are amazing performers, excellent musicians, and just good Christians. They took us from sacred music to Dixieland Jazz to Christmas selections from their new album, then finished in encore with Glenn Miller's amazing "In The Mood." Hearing that song played live is like no recording you have ever heard.

As we prepare ourselves to visit Cana in Galilee for a wedding this Sunday as we do every three years in the lectionary, we are reminded that we have much to celebrate in Jesus Christ. Everyone doesn't drink wine, but we know that wine is rich in symbolism as God's amazing gift of plenty. The wine making process takes years and an extraordinary amount of human labor, and yet, it is God that brings the grapes that make the wine. We can build better wine presses, find better fermentation systems, work the soil with the latest techniques, but God brings the rain and sun that turn the grapes into amazing wine.

O taste and see that the Lord is good. Amen.

Yours in Christ, Ron

This Week's Daily Bible Readings					
Sustained by God's Word and Following Jesus			Wednesday	January 16	Luke 7:1-17
Sunday	January 13	Luke 5:33-6:11	Thursday	January 17	Luke 7:18-35
Monday	January 14	Luke 6:12-26	Friday	January 18	Luke 7:36-8:3
Tuesday	January 15	Luke 27-49	Saturday	January 19	Luke 8:22-39