Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Ocala

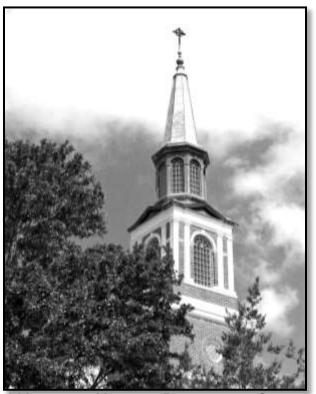
Our Vision

To be a church that shares God's love through Jesus Christ with everyone.



We are an inclusive historic downtown community of Christian faith.

We seek to welcome all people through prayer, meaningful worship, and supportive groups while sharing our talents and resources with those in need.



April 7, 2024

Today's Sermon "Rooted and Grounded in Love" Rev. Dr. Walk Jones

> Rev. Dr. Walk Jones, Transitional Pastor Phyllis Von Ebers, Choir Director Dr. Kosumo Morishita, Organist Leslie Athanason, Vocalist

SUNDAY WORSHIP SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 7, 2024 10:00 a.m.

We Gather with Others in God's House

Words of Welcome

Minute for Mission Carter Ullman

We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

Prelude "Song of Easter (based on the tune "St. Kevin")" John M Rasley

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

Call to Worship Van Akin, Liturgist

Leader: Why do we come to worship God?

People: We come seeking a blessing from our Lord.

Leader: What is the blessing that we seek?

People: We seek an encounter with our God, who washes us in mercy, calls us

to service, and fills us with love.

Leader: Let us worship God together.

*Hymn "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" #232

*Confession of Sin

You are love, O God, and you have loved us from the beginning. Forgive us when we do not share your love with the world: when we choose selfishness over compassion; what feels comfortable rather than what is right; when we strive for success instead of faithfulness; when we value independence over community. Forgive us, O God, of the ways we fall short. Free us to try again, and let your love lead the way. (silent prayer)

*Gloria Patri #581

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.

^{*}Assurance of Pardon

^{*}Passing the Peace

Children's Sermon

Praise Song "You are My King"
Cindy Andrews and Debbie Atchison, soloists

Billy James Foote

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken I'm accepted, you were condemned I'm alive and well, Your spirit is within me Because You died and rose again Amazing love, how can it be
That You my King should die
for me
Amazing love, I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
Amazing love, how can it be
That You my King should die
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Amazing love, I know it's true
it's my joy to honor You

In all I do, I honor you

You are my King You are my King, Jesus You are my King, Jesus You are my King Amazing love, how can it be
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(repeat)

Anthem

Pastoral Prayer

"In Remembrance of Me"
Chancel Choir

Buryl Red

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:14-21 (NT Pg. 236)

Sermon

"Rooted and Grounded in Love"

Dr. Jones

Lord's Supper

Song

"Holy, Holy, Holy" verse 2

#1

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. Amen

We Depart to Live and Love as Christian Disciples

*Hymn "The Day of Resurrection!"

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*Benediction and Offering

(After service, ushers will be standing by the doors with offering plates to receive your tithes and offerings)

Postlude "Alleluia!" Rob Roy Peery

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>We Welcome Visitors</u> - Thanks for worshiping with us! Please complete a yellow card and bring it to an usher in the back after worship.

Men's Breakfast will meet this Tuesday, April 9th at Wolfy's Restaurant on Silver Springs Blvd.

Adult Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. in Room 1 today, starts a six week series: Don't Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table. This series will include a video presentation by Louie Giglio followed by a class discussion. Following is a brief description of the series: Our minds spinning seemingly out of control with thoughts that are not only unproductive, but potentially destructive and harmful. These thoughts are not of God. No, they're from the Enemy lurking, ready to seize any opportunity to lie his way into your mind and claim control over your life. But God has other plans for you.

Children's Sunday School meets in Room 26 during church, after the Children's Sermon.

<u>Middle and High School</u> Youth Group will meet today at 5:00 p.m. in the Youth Room. Youth Group meals are needed. Contact Carter Ullman (863) 651-4863 or sign up on the Meal Train at: www.mealtrain.com/09nwe9

<u>Griefshare</u> continues its series at 3:30 p.m. on Sundays.

<u>Presbyterian Pilgrimage</u> Christian retreat weekend is this weekend at The Retreat, from Thursday at 4:00 p.m. until Sunday at 4:00 p.m., April 11-14. Three days to celebrate and express Christ's love for you. It will be held at: The Retreat, 6455 East Silver Springs Blvd. For more information visit: <u>floridapresbyterianpilgrimage.org</u>

<u>An occasional visitor</u> to our church, Mrs. Terry Kikendall, died last week. Her service will be at Hiers-Baxley Chapel on Sunday, April 7, 2024 at 3:00 pm. Rev. Jones will lead the service. Her husband is Dan.

Former Associate Pastor Rev. David McChesney died recently. Please pray for his family. There will be a service in May.

PRAYER LIST

Pat Bishop

Bill Blackwell (brother of Mary Kauffman)

Tania Blackwell (sister-in-law of Mary Kauffman)

Andy Carlisle

Ella and Ray Charnley

Shirley Cochran

Billy Davis (grandson-in-law of David Demarest,

cancer diagnosis)

Linda Deyton (sister of Annette Pickard)

Mina DiGeronimo

Ruth Fraser

Gabby Gates (friend of Dave Bice)

Joe Glenn (friend of Mary Kauffman)

Dorothy Halliwell (sister-in-law of Pat Interdonato)

Bill and Barbara Harrel

Andrea Mogg Jacque

Victoria Johnson (great-granddaughter of Christine)

Lloyd Kauffman (husband of Mary)

Lanier Lance (sister of Bill Tucker)

John Koch (brother in law of Debbie Koch)
Cordelia Bree McCully (granddaughter of

Mike and Teresa Poteet)

Gloria Miller

Jodi Miller (daughter-in-law of Ginny Miller)

Annette Morris (friend of Mary Kauffman)

Fritz Rain (friend of Marybeth Olson)

Bo Rainbow (injury from a fall)

Ruthanne and John Reiss

Tuesda Debessée

Frank Roberts

Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)

Mike Scalf (loss of his mother, friend of Julia Wirono)

Kim Scalf (fighting cancer, friend of Julia Wirono)

Janie Scott

Rev. Ed Tenhor

Bob and Renee Timmer

Ann VanDenburgh

Robert Webber (brother of Ginny Miller)

William Wright