



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Ocala

Our Mission

To create a community where all people can experience the love of God,
learn to follow Jesus together
and selflessly love our neighbors, our city and our world.



full
meaningless

THE LIFE WE ARE ALL LOOKING FOR

Ecclesiastes

May 4, 2025

“Meaningful: Eternal Legacy”

Pastor Kenneth Ellis
Dr. Kosumo Morishita, Organist
Phyllis Von Ebers, Choir Director
Leslie Athanason, Vocalist

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 4, 2025

10:00 a.m.

We Gather to Offer God our Wholehearted Worship

Words of Welcome

Pastor Kenny

We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

Prelude

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

arr. Mark Hayes
and Douglas E. Wagner

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

Call to Worship

Kathy Kuhns, Liturgist

*Hymn

“Come to the Table of Grace”

#507

Infant Baptism

Sadia Corral Benkhalek’s grandson, Quinten A.B. Corral,
Robin Danielle’ Corral (mother) and Andre’ Quintez Corral (uncle)

*Extending the Welcome and Love of God to One Another

*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

#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.**

At this time, the children can be dismissed to nursery and Sunday School.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Anthem

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”
Chancel Choir

arr. Austin C. Lovelace

Bible Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:1-11 (OT Page 754)

Sermon

“Meaningful: Eternal Legacy”

Pastor Kenny

Communion

Song

“His Mercy Is More”

Leslie Athanason, vocalist and Kosumo Morishita

What love could remember no
wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing He
counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without
bottom or shore
Our sins they are many His
mercy is more

What patience would wait as
we constantly roam
What Father so tender is
calling us home
He welcomes the weakest
the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many His
mercy is more

What riches of kindness He
lavished on us
His blood was the payment
His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we
could never afford
Our sins they are many His
mercy is more

Chorus:

*Praise the Lord His mercy is
more*

*Stronger than darkness new
every morn*

*Our sins they are many His
mercy is more*

Chorus

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We Depart to Live and Love as Followers of Jesus

Closing Prayer

Postlude

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”
(Based on “Ein’ Feste Burg” by Martin Luther)

John Purifoy



*The flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
James John Nemeth from Eileen and David Demarest*

*If able, please stand

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Here? We are so thrilled that you have joined us today for worship. Please review the information below and our website for other ways to connect to the FPC family. If you have tiny ones (birth-4yrs), we have a Nursery in Room 23 of the Education Building with an amazing staff ready to care for them before or at any time during the service. If you have older children (K-5th) they will be invited down for a Children's Sermon in the service and then invited to Sunday School (Room 26). We love little ones and they are always welcome in worship, but we want to provide options that might benefit you and them. If your little one gets a little "wiggly" during the service, we have a room down the hall past the bathrooms that has a changing table and a TV so you can still experience the service. Children can be picked up after the service from Rooms 23 and 26. Welcome!

Celebrate Mom with a FREE Family Portrait: Jennie Ellis and Dave Schlenker will take free professional portraits before and after the Mother's Day service in the Fellowship Hall on May 11. They will provide the 5x7s on site that morning. You can also use these photos to update your Directory pictures. Single portraits available. Doors open at 9 a.m., and then photo sessions will resume after the service until the last person is photographed.

The Power of Our Stories All women (including teens) are invited! We will be building friendships, sharing a meal and exploring the ways in which God uses the stories of our lives to demonstrate His power and love. May 17th, 10-1 PM, \$10 per person at the door. Write "Women's Lunch" and your name on the Connect Cards in the pews to RSVP.

Advent Health Stroke Seminar Advent Health Ocala will answer all of your questions on Tuesday, May 20th, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. in Room 1. Please call the church office to register (352) 629-7561.

Newcomer's Luncheon. If you are "new" to FPC, please join us, May 18th immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall for an informal luncheon. This is an opportunity to meet some new friends, learn more about the mission and life of our church and ask any questions you may have.



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PRAYER LIST

Esther Arango-Palencia
Sadia Corral Benkhalek
Danny Bice (grandson of Pat Interdonato)
Pat Bishop
Bobby Blackwell (brother of Mary Kauffman)
The Dolin family (on the death of Bill's sister June)
Jo Ann Brandt
Billy Davis (grandson-in-law of David Demarest)
Linda Deyton (sister of Annette Pickard)
Mina DiGeronimo
Jim Ferguson (friend of Mary Kauffman)
Terry and Rhonda Fowler (brother and sister-in-law of Teresa Poteet)
Ruth Fraser
Gabby Gates (friend of Dave Bice)
Joe Glenn (friend of Mary Kauffman)
Dorothy Halliwell (sister-in-law of Pat Interdonato)
The Harrel family (on the death of Barbara)
Mark Jank
Lloyd Kauffman (husband of Mary)
Chris Longo (cardiac issues)
Lukas Martin (grandson of Judith Martin)
Ann McCoy
Gloria Miller

Jodi Miller (daughter-in-law of Ginny Miller)
Bruce Moore (surgery)
Kathy Mortenson (sister of Sharon Shirley)
Anna Phelan (granddaughter of the Phelans)
Tony Porter
Bill Ratliff (cousin of John Brawner)
Ruthanne and John Reiss
Roger Roddy
Raul Roman, Jr. (son of Raul)
Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)
Tania Sayre
(daughter of Mary Kauffman)
Linda Schupp (friend of Evelyn Longo)
Lisa Sherman (daughter of Donna and Nathan Sherman)
Sophie (friend of Mary Kauffman)
Mike and Rhonda Thrailkill
(friends of Dennis Engelhardt)
Bill Tucker and family (on the death of his sister Lanier Lance)
Ann VanDenburgh
Jeanne Vincent
Judy Weese (friend of Lannie Mercer)