



Welcome to
First Presbyterian Church
of Ocala



July 22, 2018

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160 YEARS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OCALA

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 22, 2018

8:15 and 11:00 a.m.

We Gather with Others in God's House

Welcome and Announcements

We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

We Gather Together

Traditional melody
arr. Randall E. Burk

Call to Worship - Psalm 89

Your love, O Lord, forever; I will sing; from age to age my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness.

For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever; you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.

Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones;
for who in the skies can be compared to the Lord?

Yours are the heavens, the earth also is yours; You laid the foundations of the world and all that is in it.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you. I will sing of your love and faithfulness forever.

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

*Hymn of Praise

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

#35
LOBE DEN HERREN

*Prayer of Praise and

*Lord's Prayer (*Unison*)

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.

*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.**

Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(A time for silence for personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you
And also with you

***If able, please stand**

Prayers of the People

Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

#450
SLANE

Call to Offering

Offertory

How Firm a Foundation

Joseph Funk
arr. Cindy Berry

*Doxology

***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
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.***

#606

Offertory Prayer

We Hear God's Word Proclaimed

First Scripture Lesson

2 Samuel 7: 1-14a (O.T. Page 349)

New Testament Lesson

Ephesians 2:11-22 (N.T. Page 235)

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon

Rev. Natasha Sudderth

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith

A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

We Depart to Live and Love as Christian Disciples

*Sending Hymn

Let Us Build a House
All are Welcome

#301
TWO OAKS

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Phillip Keveren



The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God.

Serving Today at First Presbyterian Church of Ocala

Ushers	8:15 a.m.	Howard Behrens, Paralee Johnson, Ann McCoy and Margaret Trump
Usher	9:30 a.m.	Steve Vincent
Greeters	11:00 a.m.	Elaine and Jerry Rost
Ushers	11:00 a.m.	John Reiss, Captain, Savannah Bennett, Pat Bishop, Don Hutto, Ellen Matthews, Don McCormick, Roxanne Schwaller, and Joe Simmons.

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our church welcomes you today, no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here. We are striving to be Christ's people; and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide. If you are passing through, welcome on your journey; if you are looking for a church home, stay here; if you need instruction, learn with us as we learn from you. We invite all newcomers to join us for faithful worship, Christian growth, fellowship, and mission. Speak with our pastor today if you have pastoral concerns, desire prayer, or would like to know more about getting involved in our church family!

First Time Visitor? If this is your first time visiting with us today, we welcome you! Look for the yellow card, fill it out, and take it to the back of the sanctuary or Fellowship Hall to receive your gift.

Vacation Bible School starts tomorrow and continues Tuesday to Friday (July 23-27)! Please pray for our children and volunteers during this week.

The Bereavement Group will hold regular meetings beginning **this Friday, July 27**. We will meet from **9:30 to 11:00 a.m.** The group is open to anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one. We will go out to lunch after we meet. If you would prefer to join us for lunch only, you are most welcome. Lunch location TBA. Contact Rev. Ruth Elswood for more information.

Please pray for the Search Committee for the Director of Children and Youth Ministries: JJ Albright, Scott Andrews, Mary Dingman, Evelyn Longo, Dave Schlenker, Karen Schmidt, and Carrie Waldren.

Blood Drive! The Big Red Bus will be in the parking lot **on Sunday, August 12** from **9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** YES YOU CAN donate if you have High Blood Pressure, are Diabetic, or are one year cancer-free. No upper age limit - most meds and conditions are OK.

Interfaith needs for July are **canned meat, canned fruit, rice, peanut butter, jelly and pasta.** Thank you for placing your donations in the narthex or at the back of Fellowship Hall on Sundays, or by bringing them to the church office during the week.

Our Vision Statement

To spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to our community and the world

Our Mission Statement

To be an inclusive downtown community of faith that seeks to embrace everyone in growing spiritually

Remember This Week in Prayer

Ruth Albright (Brentwood at Fore Ranch, please call before visiting), **Cheri and David Bedenbaugh**, **The family of Harriet Berman, Dave Bice, Andy Boyer** (Fran Gilchrist's son-in-law), **Martha Caro** (friend of Mary Beth Olson), **Elinor Carr** (Dr. Watson's mother, in Hospice), **Ellen Drummond** (Brookdale), **Ruth Fraser**, **Jamii Fuseler** (the Pickards' niece), **Rosie Gee** (Select Specialty Hospital, Gainesville), **Joyce Heenie**, **Maxine Heinbockel** (John Heinbockel's mother, Ocala Health & Rehab), **Mitch and Jazmin Herbert and Jackson Herbert**, **Wells Kilgore** (Dr. Watson's friend), **Biddie Kirk** (The Windsor), **Lois Lance**, **the family of Helen Lawton**, **Nancy Livesay**, **Ron McMillin**, **Celine Mack** (Oakhurst), **Laird Manning**, **Anna Marie Miller**, **Gloria Miller**, **Maria Myers** (Hampton Manor), **Ray Newhouse** (Pat Bishop's brother), **Kim and Charlene Preston and family**, **Dave Proctor** (missionary and Sue Straub's son-in-law), **John Reynolds** (Suzy Heinbockel's brother), **Norma Rivera** (Sarah Overfelt's friend), **Janice Schafer** (Palm Garden), **Martha Sevilla** (Danny Arango's mother-in-law), **Bill Shirley**, **Tom Shurknight** (Ellen Matthews' cousin), **Vincent Devlan Shotwell, Keith Shotwell, and Steve Shotwell**, **Betty Jeanne Spencer** (Lady Lake Specialty Care), **Charlotte Symonds** (Ruth Elswood's daughter serving in Iraq), **Sally Williams, Bob Wilton**, HELPS Ministries in India, our sister church in Playa del Carmen, Mexico, those in the US and other countries recovering from recent natural disasters, first responders and their families, our men and women serving in the armed forces and their families.

The Steinway Fund to purchase a new Steinway for our sanctuary and a new upright piano for Fellowship Hall has already received **\$56,136** towards our goal of \$88,000. The Session is asking the congregation if they would like to me gifts to the fund. Our current Steinway is nearly 100 years old and needs replacing. If you wish to help us improve our music's sound, please mark your donation "piano." Thank you for your generosity.

This Week's Calendar July 22-28, 2018

SUN.	July 22 8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 8:15 a.m. – Noon 9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Worship Services Traditional Worship – Sanctuary Contemporary Worship – Fellowship Hall Traditional Worship – Sanctuary Children and Youth Ministries Nursery: (Newborns – 3 year olds) – Nursery Children's Church: (3 years – 5th Grade) – Room 26
TUE.	July 24 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	PW Stress Free Book Club – (Conference Room)
THURS.	July 26 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	PW Prayer Shawl Ministry – (Conference Room)
FRI.	July 27 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Bereavement Group - (Conference Room)

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

<i>Growing with God's Word & Being Renewed by the Holy Spirit</i>			Wednesday	July 25	Joel 2:1-17
Sunday	July 22	Hosea 11:1-11	Thursday	July 26	Joel 2:18-32
Monday	July 23	Hosea 14:1-9	Friday	July 27	Joel 3:1-21
Tuesday	July 24	Joel 1:1-20	Saturday	July 28	Jonah 1:1-17

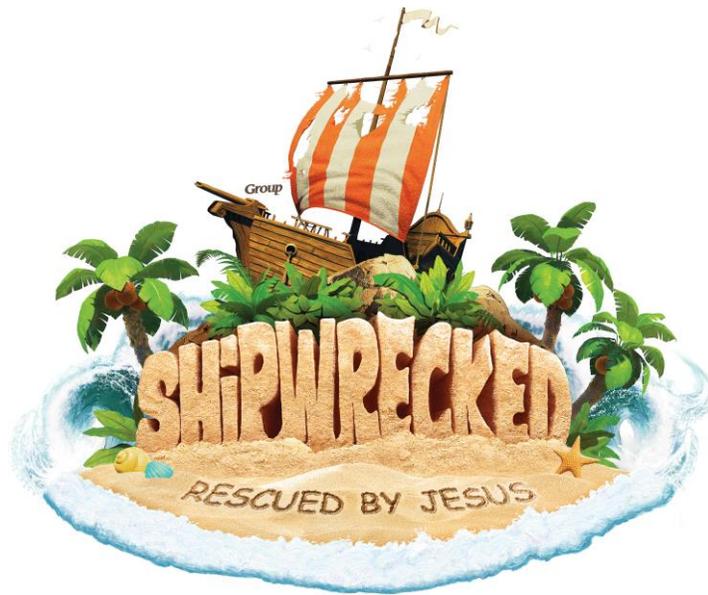
Dear First Presbyterian Church Family,

We, the church staff, understand how important it is to keep you up-to-date on all that is going on within our church and community. We are currently reviewing our e-mail system and trying to make sure everyone who wishes to be on the church e-mail list is actually receiving their emails.

If you are not receiving e-mails from us and wish to be added to the e-mail list, please write your e-mail below and place it in the offering plate today. Thank you!

Name _____ Email _____

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•July 23 - 27, 2018



Dear Church Family,

David Bedenbaugh is finally home from the hospital after his recent surgery. David still has some recovering ahead and to ensure he gets the rest he needs they ask for no visitation for now. Meals and cards are still welcome!

We all will continue to pray for them and praise God for David's continued healing! David and Cheri are both grateful for your prayers and the outpouring of love and support they have received.

David and Cheri Bedenbaugh
1026 SE 9th Avenue
Ocala, FL 34471

If you wish to sign up to provide a meal, please call the church office or go to this web address (be sure to type the entire address in address bar).

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/dw8er4>

Please continue to keep David and Cheri in your prayers.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Natasha Sudderth