



**Welcome to
First Presbyterian Church
of Ocala**



August 5, 2018

This Morning's Sermon

Bread of Life

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160 YEARS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OCALA

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

THE LORD'S DAY

August 5, 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

The Chiming of the Hour

The Prelude

Hymn Medley

arr. Anderson

JoAnn Brandt, Handbells, Pat Greaves, Piano

Call to Worship

Ephesians 4

I beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called.

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God who is above all and through all and in all.

Each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head.

Let us worship God!

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

*Hymn of Praise

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

#39

*Prayer of Praise and

*The 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.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

God of mercy, be above us to judge us, and be within us to convict us of our sin. Teach us who worship false gods to fear you, the one true God. Teach us who commit evil deeds to obey you and you alone. Teach us who oppress our neighbors the ways of righteousness and truth. Teach us who do not pursue peace the futility of war and the blessing of *shalom*.

(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

Special Music

In the Sweet Bye and Bye
Addison and Fred Burgess

Sanford L. Bennett

***If able, please stand**

Prayers of the People

Call to Offering

Offertory

Day by Day

Oscar Ahnfeldt
arr. Greg Howlett

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

#606

**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.**

Offertory Prayer

We Hear God's Word Proclaimed

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 78:23-29 (O.T. Page 662)

Gospel Lesson

John 6:24-35 (N.T. Page 119)

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Communion Meditation

"Bread of Life"

Rev. Dr. Ron Watson

Communion Hymn

Come to the Table

#508

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding. If some of those who come have not yet been baptized, an invitation to baptismal preparation and Baptism is graciously extended. (Book of Order W-3.0409) (Bread is gluten free.)

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

We Depart to Live and Love as Christian Disciples

*Hymn of Parting

I Need Thee Every Hour

#735

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Andante from Voluntary Op.5 No. 1

John Stanley

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The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Ella Charnley, with a thankful heart on her ninety-first birthday.

Serving Today at First Presbyterian Church of Ocala

Ushers	8:15 a.m.	Crys Bishop, Paralee Johnson, Mary Kaufmann, Margaret Trump and Joyce Williamson
Usher	9:30 a.m.	Steve Vincent
Greeters	11:00 a.m.	Howard and Marilyn Tucker
Ushers	11:00 a.m.	John Reiss, Captain, Savannah Bennett, Pat Bishop, Don Hutto, Ellen Matthews, Don McCormick, Roxanne Schwaller, and Joe Simmons
Communion Servers	8:15 a.m.	Ann McCoy and JoAnn Brandt
	9:30 a.m.	Cathy and Jim Edwards, Elaine Cox and Cindy Andrews
	11:00 a.m.	Tom Weaver and Susie Marta

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.

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 August are deodorant, hand soap, razors, shampoo and conditioner. 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.

The Out to Dinner group will meet on Thursday, **August 16** at **Carmichael's Family Restaurant** 3105 E. Silver Springs Blvd. Newcomers are urged to attend. Make reservations by contacting Evelyn and Tom Weaver (622-6028) by noon Monday, **August 13.**

Presbyterian Women of the St. Augustine Presbytery invite you to their summer event, Saturday, August 18 at Montgomery Presbyterian Conference Center. Registration is \$9:00. If you would like to attend, please contact Pat Greaves (236-0716) or e-mail: bobandpatgreaves@embarqmail.com.

Our Vision – Our Mission

To spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to our community and the world
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), **Kayla Ali** (granddaughter of Yvonne Simms), **Cheri** and **David Bedenbaugh**, **Andy Boyer** (Fran Gilchrist's son-in-law), **Martha Caro** (friend of Mary Beth Olson), **Elinor Carr** (Dr. Watson's mother, in Hospice), **Mina DeGeronimo** (on the death of her brother), **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), **the family of Helen Lawton**, **Ron McMillin**, **Celine Mack** (Oakhurst), **the family of 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 U.S. 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.

This Week's Calendar August 5 – August 11, 2018

SUN.	August 5 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: (4 years – 5th Grade) – Room 26
MON.	August 6 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting – Conference Room Building & Grounds Committee – Room 1
TUE.	August 7 2:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Membership Committee Meeting – Conference Room Search Committee for Children's & Youth Director – Conference Room
WED.	August 8 5:30 p.m.	Children & Youth Committee Meeting – Youth Rooms
FRI.	August 10 9:30 a.m.	Bereavement Group – Conference Room

The Steinway Fund to purchase a new Steinway for our sanctuary and a new upright piano for Fellowship Hall has already received **\$56,993** towards our goal of \$88,000. The Session is asking the congregation if they would like to make 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 Daily Bible Readings

<i>Growing with God's Word & Building up the Body of Christ</i>			Wednesday	August 8	1 Corinthians 10:1-11:1
Sunday	August 5	1 Corinthians 7:1-24	Thursday	August 9	1 Corinthians 12:1-11
Monday	August 6	1 Corinthians 8:1-13	Friday	August 10	1 Corinthians 12:12-31
Tuesday	August 7	1 Corinthians 9:1-27	Saturday	August 11	1 Corinthians 13:1-13



August 26, 2017

So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. 10 So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. – Galatians 6:9-10



Like you, I am constantly looking to scripture for divine guidance. God's word is alive and speaks to God's people. These words from Paul have provided good guidance in what has been a great and yet challenging summer. I am grateful to all who have come to join our ministry team, and to all who have stepped up in David's absence to keep things moving here at First Church.

In the last 60 days, we have welcomed 4 new people to our ministry team! Let me name them and thank them here so that you will know how we are all working diligently for the harvest.

Natasha Sudderth, our new Associate Pastor, you have known the longest. (Two whole months!) Not only are the fruits of her labor very visible on our new church website, but she did an admirable job of bringing everyone together while I was away, especially in showing love and support to David and Cheri during his illness. She is a fine leader, a fine preacher, and to those who were in church last Sunday now know, an amazing singer!

Kosumo Morashita, our new Organist/Pianist/Accompanist/Keyboardist, has been here for two weeks. What talents God has given her! She is a very accomplished musician, a joy to work with, and a new Mom! The next time we pass the peace, I urge you to walk up to the chancel and introduce yourself. One of the things that I like about Kosumo is that when she plays, it is very much an act of worship. She truly glorifies God with her gifts.

Christopher Storey, our new Sound Technician, has been here for most of a month, working the board at the 8:15 & 11:00 services, but those who have come at 9:30 know that he is also a guitarist and piano player. God sent Christopher when we needed him most, and he has many times "filled the gaps" left from David's absence. I enjoyed making music with him this Sunday, and for his fine work during services, including a wedding last Saturday.

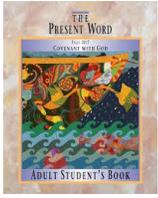
Helen Quinlan, our new Communications Specialist has been here for three weeks. She is in charge of publications like the newsletter, the Spire, the Inspire, bulletins, and that sort of thing. She is so talented, capable, and she has a sunny disposition that makes all of us smile here in the office. Like the others, Helen's presence here is truly "God sent," and I am so grateful that she is here.

I don't know that I would have planned to bring in 4 new employees in 60 days. I certainly wouldn't have planned on losing David, even temporarily! But none of us have given up the idea that we do what is right, working for the good of all, and especially for our readers who are the "family of faith." What I'm trying to say is, that this time might look like upheaval to some. But that is not what has happened. Natasha, Kosumo, Christopher, and Helen, have come together with the rest of the staff to make our church vibrant and alive. We are still getting to know each other as a staff as in turn we all get to know the congregation. Pray for your staff. Pray for each other. And let us work for the good of all, especially the family of faith.

Blessings,

Ron

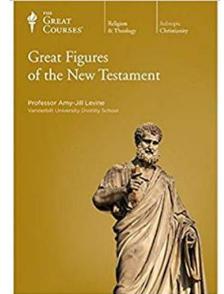
FPC'S 2018 Adult Christian Education Classes



Adult Sunday School Classes

The Blakely Class studies the Uniform Bible Lessons, The class will be held at 9:45 a.m. in Room 2 in the Education Building and is moderated by Jean Morse with other substitutes. This class starts September 9.

Great Figures of the New Testament by Amy-Jill Levine. The class is held at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room beginning September 9. The moderator is Nita Williams.



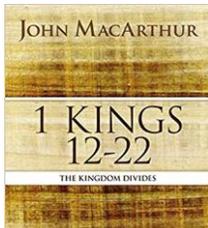
Adult Christian Education Classes

All study books are available in the church office at no cost.

Why Evil Exists study with Jeanne Vincent beginning Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room starting September 12.

Faith Sisters will begin studying ***The Present Word: Covenant with God*** a Uniform Bible Lesson. This class, held Tuesday 10:00 a.m. in the parlor, begins on September 11, and is moderated by Elaine Cox (elaine.grammie.cox@gmail.com).

Bible Classes with Steve Vincent will start in late September. More information to come.



Disciple XIV the study book is — **1 KINGS: 12-22 *The Kingdom Divides***, This class begins its fall meetings on Wednesday, September 13, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 1. Newcomers are welcome to join the group! For information, contact Barbara Parks (854-9269) or Tom Weaver (622-6028).



BE PREPARED.

DONATE BLOOD

Sunday, August 12, 2018

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

First Presbyterian Church of Ocala

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