



**Welcome to
First Presbyterian Church
of Ocala**



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.



160 YEARS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OCALA

October 14, 2018

This Morning's Sermon
"Have You Earned Your Way Into Heaven Yet?"

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

THE LORD'S DAY

October 14, 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 *Introduction from Vesper Voluntaries Op. 14* Edward Elgar

Introit *Rejoice, Give thanks and Sing* Edward Plumptre, Arther Messiter

Call to Worship

Leader: Before the Lord no creature is hidden, the one to whom we must render an account.

People: Since, then, we have a great high priest, let us hold fast to our confession.

Leader: For we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

People: Let us approach the throne of grace, that we may find grace to help in every time of need.

Leader: Let us worship God!

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

*Hymn of Praise *For the Beauty of the Earth* #14

*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.

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

(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*

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, thy pardon, Lord. Where there is doubt, let there be faith. Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is despair let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, let there be light, where there is sadness, let there be joy. Oh Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console. To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. For it is in giving that we receive, and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned. And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Amen

Prayers of the People

Hymn	<i>Spirit, Open My Heart</i>	<u>#692</u>
Call to Offering		
Offertory	<i>'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus</i>	<i>William J</i>
*Doxology	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	<u>#606</u>

**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**

We Hear God's Word Proclaimed

First Scripture		Psalm 90:12-17 (OT Pg 673)
Second Scripture		Mark 10:17-31 (NT Pg 58)
	This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God	
Sermon	"Have You Earned Your Way Into Heaven Yet?"	Dr. Watson

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

We Depart to Live and Love as Christian Disciples

*Sending Hymn	<i>O Jesus, I Have Promised</i>	<u>#724</u>
*Charge and Benediction		
Response	<i>Threefold Amen</i>	Danish
Postlude	<i>Christ is Made the Sure Foundation</i>	Henry Purcell Arr. Cindy Berry

Serving Today at First Presbyterian Church of Ocala

Ushers	8:15 a.m.	Howell Winfree, III, Ann O'Hart, Howard Behrens, Mary Kauffman
Usher	9:30 a.m.	Steve Vincent
Greeters	11:00 a.m.	Larry and Elaine Sprowles
Ushers	11:00 a.m.	Don McCormick, Dave Bice, Lamar Knepp, Don Hutto, Pat Bishop, Joe Simmons, Savannah Bennett, Roxanne Schwaller, John Reiss.

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

**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.

First Time Visitor - If this is your first time visiting with us today find someone with a Hospitality ribbon.

We want to meet you and we have a welcoming gift for you today.

PRAYER LIST

Ruth Albright (*Brentwood at Fore Ranch, please call before visiting*)
Kayla Ali (*granddaughter of Yvonne Simms*)
Pat Bald
Brent Barber (*Gera Fleming's son-in-law*)
Gary Blackwell (*Mary Kauffman's brother*)
Andy Boyer (*Fran Gilchrist's son-in-law*)
Randall & Linda Deyton (*Pickard family prayer concerns*)
Kathy and Terry Donovan (*Nita Williams' friends*)
Ellen Drummond (*Brookdale*)
Jamii Fuseler (*the Pickard's niece*)
Mary and Wayne Guest (*parents of David Guest*)
Gary Harward
Maxine Heinbockel (*John Heinbockel's mother*)
Tristan Hunter
Betty Ann Jones (*Margaret Trump's sister*)
Anna Marie Miller
Maria Myers (*Hampton Manor*)

Ray Newhouse (*Pat Bishop's brother*)
Brenda O'Quinn (*Elaine Cox's sister*)
Charlene Preston
Dave Proctor (*Sue Straub's son-in-law*)
John Reynolds (*Suzy Heinbockel's brother*)
Janice Schafer (*Palm Garden*)
Wes & Linda Schultz
Bill Shirley
Tom Shurknight (*Ellen Matthews' cousin*)
Keith Shotwell
Steve Shotwell
Betty Jeanne Spencer (*Lady Lake Specialty Care*)
Charlotte Symonds (*Ruth Elswood's daughter serving in Iraq*)
David and Cathy Taylor
Rich Valvo (*Rusty Juergens' friend*)
Sally Williams
Anne Wilton (*on the death of her husband*)

Please also remember HELPS Ministries in India, our sister church in Playa del Carmen, Mexico and all those who serve you in prayer.

Contemporary Service

9:30 a.m.



Opening Worship

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Meet & Greet

Opening Music

Amazing Grace, Flawless, Amazing Grace

Children's Time

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Spirit, Open My Heart

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Second Reading

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Closing Song

All the People Say Amen

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Calendar October 14 – October 20, 2018		
SUN.	<p><u>October 14</u> 8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>8:15 a.m. – Noon 9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p><u>Worship Services</u> Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall) Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)</p> <p><u>Children and Youth Ministries</u> Nursery: Newborns – 3 year olds (Nursery) Children’s Church: 4 years – 5th Grade (Room 26) KALEO Youth (Youth Room 21)</p> <p>Great Figures of the New Testament (Conference Room) The Blakely Class (Room 2)</p>
MON.	<p><u>October 15</u> 4:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Deacons Meeting (Room 1) String Ensemble (Music Room)</p>
TUES.	<p><u>October 16</u> 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Faith Sisters (Parlor) PW Circle 7 (Choir Room) Cross & Crowns (Fellowship Hall)</p>
WED.	<p><u>October 17</u> 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Nominating Committee Meeting (Conference Room) Disciple XIV The Kingdom Divides (Room 1) Bible Study (Conference Room) Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) Fellowship Dinner (Fellowship Hall – bring a covered dish, meat provided) Handbell Choir (Bell Tower Room)</p>
FRI.	<p><u>October 19</u> 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Griefshare Group (Conference Room)</p>



PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

The needs for the response will be God’s people are once again called on to stand in the “GAP”— Give. Act. Pray.

GIVE: Financial support for relief efforts for Florence and/or Michael can be made online, by phone at (800) 872-3283. You may also give your check on Sunday at church. Checks made payable to First Presbyterian Church of Ocala. Please indicate which hurricane on memo line of check.

This Week’s Daily Bible Readings					
<i>Growing with God’s Word and Pursuing Justice and Peace</i>			Wednesday	October 17	Isaiah 32:1-20
Sunday	October 14	Isaiah 24:1-23	Thursday	October 18	Isaiah 33: 1-24
Monday	October 15	Isaiah 29: 9-24	Friday	October 19	Isaiah 56: 1-12
Tuesday	October 16	Isaiah 30: 8-26	Saturday	October 20	Isaiah 57: 1-21

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

FPC Youth will be hosting the Wednesday night **Fellowship Dinner** on October 17th at 6pm in the fellowship hall. We will enjoy BBQ Ribs and have very special programming planned. We hope you come show your support of the church youth and bring a side dish or donation. Don't forget to invite your friends.

Scholarships Applications for post-secondary education scholarship funds for the January term are available in the church office. The **absolute final deadline** to submit applications to the church office is by the end of the workday on **Thursday, November 1st**. FPC members and their member dependents or children may apply for scholarship assistance. Applicants may apply once in a calendar year. Questions should be directed to Scholarship Committee members—Chair Kay Yancey, Todd Carstenn, Elaine Cox, Nancy Livesay, Paul Vowinkel, Bonnie Vorwerk or Tom Weaver.

Halloween Festival / Trunk or Treat - Sunday, October 28, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Family fun for all! Trunk Contest – Costume Contest – Candy – Games & Prizes! Register your car trunk on Sundays or call the church office at (352) 629-7561. **Candy donations needed.**



Interfaith needs this month are Canned Fruit, Canned Meat, Cereal, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Rice. 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 Griefshare Group continues to meet each Friday from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. We are using a program called *Griefshare* which includes excellent video presentations and discussion time. After our meeting time, the group goes to lunch at *The Egg and I*, arriving there at 12 noon. All who are experiencing the pain of loss are most welcome to attend. If you would prefer to simply join us for lunch, you are welcome to do so. For information please speak with Ruth Elswood.

*Surviving the Holidays - We will offer the Griefshare program **Surviving the Holidays** for all who find this holiday time of year difficult. We will offer the same program twice at the following times:

Friday, November 9, 10am – noon

Conference Room

Friday, December 14, 10 am – noon

Conference Room

Please bring holiday treats to share. All who feel the need for such a program are welcome!

The Steinway Fund to purchase a new Steinway for our sanctuary and a new upright piano for Fellowship Hall has already received **\$68,622.00** towards our goal of \$88,000. The Session is asking the congregation if they would like to make gifts to the fund.

We have raised \$68,622 of the \$88,000 for the pianos for worship.

An anonymous donor has offered dollar for dollar matching gifts for the final \$22,000!

Every dollar we receive for the pianos will be matched by the donor until the goal is reached.

Help us raise \$11,000 to receive the \$11,000 matching gift!

Adult Sunday School Classes

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

The Blakely Class studies the Uniform Bible Lessons. The class meets at 9:45 a.m. in Room 2 in the Education Building and is moderated by Jean Morse with other substitutes.

Adult Weekday Classes

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

Faith Sisters are studying **Being Presbyterian in the Bible Belt**. Classes meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the parlor. For more information about this class, contact the Moderator, Elaine Cox (elaine.grammie.cox@gmail.com).

Bible Classes with Steve Vincent will begin soon. More information to come.

Disciple XIV's 1 KINGS: 12-22 The Kingdom Divides meets on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in Rm 1. Newcomers are welcome to join the group! For information, contact Barbara Parks (854-9269) or Tom Weaver (622-6028).

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