



**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.



World Communion Sunday 2019

162 YEARS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OCALA

October 6, 2019

This Morning's Communion Meditation

"Faith and Obedience"

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WORLD COMMUNION

October 6, 2019

8:15 and 11:00 a.m.

We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

Chiming of the Hour

We Gather with Others in God's House

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Howell Winfree III, Security

Prelude

Prelude in A flat Major

James Tilleard

Introit

This is the Day

Joy. F. Patterson

Call to Worship

Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, with mercies that are new every morning.

People: Great is your faithfulness, O God, and the source of all hope.

Leader: You are good to those who wait upon you, O God, and whose souls seek the Lord.

People: It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

Leader: Let us worship God!

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

*Hymn of Praise

Come, Christians Join to Sing

#267

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 (Unison)

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)

O God, who by your Spirit can rekindle the embers of faith, purge us of all sin and make us obedient servants. We are guilty of pushing you to life's periphery. We serve you only when it seems convenient. We follow the Christ when it is to our benefit. We call on the Spirit when our own efforts fail. Remake us in your image of righteousness, and teach us the meaning of discipleship.

(time for silent confession)

*If able please stand

Baptism of Theresa Floyd (11:00 a.m.)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Amen. "Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord . . . who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace . . . given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began." By that grace we are saved as through Christ we are forgiven.

Passing of the Peace

May the Peace of Christ be with you **And also with you**

Choir Anthem (11:00 a.m.)

A Communion Invitation

Craig Courtney/Pamela Martin

Come, if you are lonely, My door is open wide. All of you are welcome, come and step inside. Enter with My blessing, no one is denied. Come, sit at My table, come, sit by My side. Come, if you are thirsty, I will pour the wine. If you hunger, take this bread, sit with Me and dine. Ev'ry weary trav'ler, ev'ry troubled soul, rest for just a moment and leave the table whole.

Prayers of the People

Offertory

Let Us Break Bread Together

African-American Spiritual

*Doxology (Unison)

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

First Scripture Lesson

Lamentations 3:19-26 (OT Page 937)

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 17:5-10 (NT Page 97)

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Communion Meditation

"Faith and Obedience"

Dr. Watson

Hymn

Taste and See

#520

Celebration of The Lord's Supper (All are welcome and invited to participate. Bread is gluten free.)

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

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

*Sending Hymn Shall We Gather at the River #375

*Charge and Benediction

Response Go Now to Love and Serve the Lord Dolores Hruby

Postlude Take the Name of Jesus with You W. Howard Doane
arr. Cindy Berry

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The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Barbara Parks to the glory of God and in memory of her parents, Arthur and Barbara LeePorp.

Serving Today at First Presbyterian Church of Ocala	
Elder of the Day	Jarl Hagood
Ushers 11:00	Don McCormick, Dave Bice, Lamar Knepp, Don Hutto, Pat Bishop, Joe Simmons, Steve Vincent, Roxanne Schwaller, John Reiss.
Communion Servers 8:15	Garris Graham, Nancy Graham, Donnie Slone, Dave Schlenker
Communion Servers 9:30	Lannie Mercer, Carol Carpenter, Ann VanDenburgh, Elaine Cox
Communion Servers 11:00	Vicki Roberts, Ken MacKay, Cindy MacKay, Jeff Baker, Rusty Juergens, Tom Weaver, Joe Vorwerk, JoAnn Brandt, Roxanne Schwaller

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, please find someone with a Hospitality nametag.

This Week’s Daily Bible Readings					
<i>Sustained by God’s Word of Peace and Justice</i>			Wednesday	October 9	Numbers 28:1-15
Sunday	October 6	Leviticus 26:14-46	Thursday	October 10	Numbers 28:16-31
Monday	October 7	Leviticus 27:1-15	Friday	October 11	Numbers 29:1-11
Tuesday	October 8	Leviticus 27:16-34	Saturday	October 12	Numbers 29:12-40

PRAYER LIST

Jeanette Bryant
Randall & Linda Deyton (Pickard family
 prayer concerns)
Stewart Edwards
Hank Fleming
Maranell Fleming
Barbara Gowie
Shirley Hankinson (Mary Dingman's mother)
Dick Hancock
Darrel Hudson (death of her mother,
 Betty Jeanne Spencer)
Kathy Lance (Lois Lance's daughter-in-law)
Grietje Lewis
Celine Mack
Ellen Matthews (Encompass Rehab)

Earl McNeel (Pat Greaves' brother)
Ray Newhouse (Pat Bishop's brother)
Raul Nieves
 (Mina DiGeronimo's brother)
Ken Petrey
Charlene Preston
John Reynolds (Suzy Heinbockel's brother)
Tania Sayre (Mary Kauffman's daughter)
Janice Schafer (Palm Garden)
Delores Shotwell
Steve and Keith Shotwell
Jill Hester Whitaker
Bo and Sally Williams
Eleanor Willis (Ocala Health & Rehab)
Diane Wirono

Please also remember in prayer all people in need of spiritual renewal.

Calendar October 6 – October 12, 2019		
SUN.	October 6 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. 9:45 a.m. 12:00 Noon	Worship Services Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall) Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Children and Youth Ministries Nursery: <i>Newborns – 3 year olds</i> (Nursery) Children's Church: <i>4 years – 5th Grade</i> (Room 26) Education The Blakely Class (Parlor) Session Meeting (Room 1)
MON.	October 7 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Art Class (Conference Room) Building and Grounds Committee meeting (Room 1)
TUES.	October 8 7:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Finance Committee meeting (Conference Room) Faith Sisters Disciples Group (Parlor) PW Circle 7 (Choir Room) PW Circle 1 (Conference Room) PW Circle 8 (Room 1) Membership Committee meeting (Mini Conference Room) Christian Education meeting (Conference Room) Cross and Crown Praise Band Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall) PW Circle 4 (Conference Room)
WED.	October 9 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Disciples XV (Room 1) Giving Tree meeting (Conference Room) Fellowship Committee meeting (Conference Room) Children's Choir (Choir Room) Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) Fellowship Dinner (Fellowship Hall) Handbells Rehearsal (Bell Room)
FRI.	October 11 5:00 p.m.	Kids' Night Out (Youth Room 21)

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Montreat Pool Party REMINDER that our youth's big Montreat pool party is today! If you went with us to Montreat this year we want YOU to join us for swimming, food, fun, and fellowship. The party is being held at Scott and Kathy Andrews' house from 3 – 6 p.m. Wear your bathing suit and bring a towel! Please contact Hannah Batten (hbatten@fpcocala.org) with any questions. See you there!

Kids' Night Out! Join us Friday, October 11th from 5-9 p.m. in the Youth Room 21, for an evening of games, crafts, tricks and treats at our Happy Halloween Celebration! Middle and high schoolers are welcome to share dinner and to earn community service hours. Contact Carly Albright at 352-362-7120 or email carlyalbright55@gmail.com.

Everyone's invited to join the Out-to-Dinner group at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 17, at Craft Cuisine, 2237 SW 19th Avenue Road (right off Easy Street.) Newcomers are welcome and are encouraged to join the group for excellent food and warm Christian fellowship. The registration deadline is noon on Monday, October 14 and can be made by contacting **Evelyn** and **Tom Weaver** at 622-6028.

Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat Come out to FPC's Fall Festival Sunday, October 27th from 4-6 p.m. **Please register your vehicle to be in the Trunk or Treat activity! If we don't have folks sign up, we don't have a Trunk or Treat!** To register, please contact Hannah Batten hbatten@fpcocala.org or at (352) 629-7561. Not only will we have a Truck or Treat and bounce houses for the kids, but we'll also have great bluegrass music! BBQ will be provided. Bring your chairs and picnic blankets and come hang out with us!

Save the Date – Jazz Vespers will be on Wednesday, October 30th. Come for an evening worship service at 7:00 p.m. with the reflective music that is jazz, America's unique musical form. Many sacred pieces will be presented as well as a few instrumental standards to the glory of God. The FPC Jazz Trio will perform.

The weekly fellowship dinner meets at 6:00 p.m. this Wednesday, October 9th. Each week a meat dish is provided and church members are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. If that is not convenient, a small donation would be appreciated. It's a great time to catch up with friends and to make some new friends! All ages are encouraged to attend!

FPC Scholarship applications 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 Friday, 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 Vonwinkel, Bonnie Vorwerk or Tom Weaver.

Christian Education is Back

Blakely Adult Sunday Please join **Jean Morse** as she leads the Blakely Adult Sunday School Class each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Parlor. "God is faithful," is the current study topic. It focuses on His care for the Israelites as they prepared to enter Canaan.

Disciples XV **Barbara Parks** and **Tom Weaver** lead the study of the Book of Mark each Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until noon in Room 1.

The Faith Sisters Class meets in the Parlor each Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

Join the Choirs! Our three choirs meet for rehearsals on Wednesdays: **Children's Choir** (4 p.m.), **Chancel Choir** (5 p.m.), **Handbell Choir** (6:30 p.m.). No previous experience is necessary. If you have not yet joined us, then come on in! Bring a friend! We are in need of tenors and basses. Contact the Church Office or you can email me at piatnekc@gmail.com for more information.

Christmas Blessings for our Active Military - This Christmas, First Presbyterian will be blessing our active-duty military with signed Christmas cards.



On **OCTOBER 13** AND **OCTOBER 20** in the courtyard, before and after middle service, you will find Christmas cards to sign, write Christmas greetings, and notes of appreciation to those serving our country. Please encourage the children and teens to write cards, too! The cards will be delivered to those serving overseas in VA Hospitals, submarines, Coast Guard locations, and command posts that must be manned during the holiday.

We will provide the cards—YOU provide the love of Christ—and we'll ensure delivery!

GOD BLESS OUR MILITARY!

Mission Trip to Puerto Rico with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Hurricane Maria was a deadly Category 5 hurricane that devastated Dominica, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico in September 2017. It is regarded as the worst natural disaster in recorded history to affect those islands. FPC is in the planning stages of a mission trip to Puerto Rico from (tentatively) May 26-June 3, 2020. We will provide non-skilled and semi-skilled labor (though skilled is great too!) and work out of El Guacio, a Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center in San Sebastian, Puerto Rico. If you are interested in taking this journey, email the pastor or call the church office. We hope to have up to 15 workers and may partner with other local PCUSA congregations to achieve this. The minimum age to take the trip is 15. There is no maximum age! We need people to sign up by calling the church office. We also need a lay leader who will make the journey.

Interfaith's needs this month are rice, pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, canned fruit and toiletries for men and women. Thank you for placing your donations in the narthex or at the back of Fellowship Hall on Sundays, or to the church office during the week. They are also looking for volunteers..... call Tina at 352-629-8868.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is organized to provide aid to survivors of Hurricane Dorian in both the Bahamas and the U.S. Money is the major need at this time rather than shipping goods and supplies. To make a financial contribution please make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church of Ocala. In the memo section of the check write: "Hurricane Dorian Relief." You may specify US or Bahamas.

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