



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Ocala



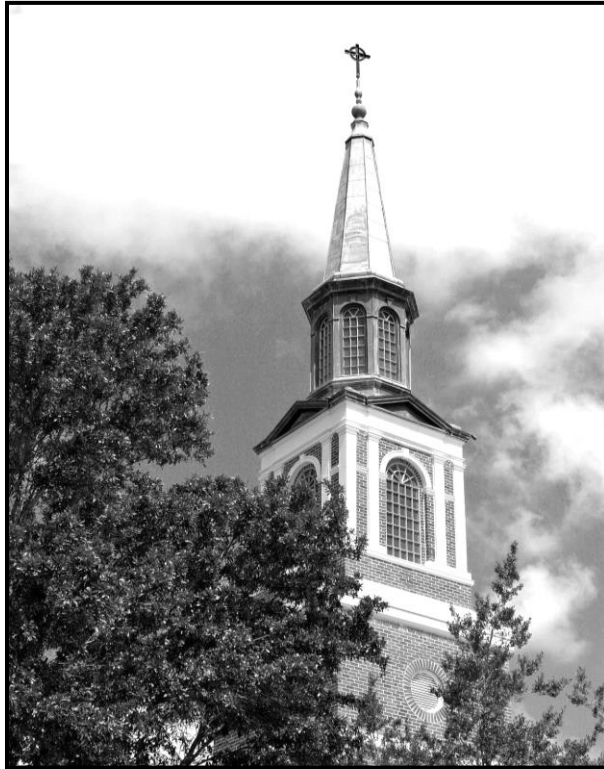
Our Vision

To be a church that shares God's love through Jesus Christ with everyone.

Our Mission

We are an inclusive historic downtown community of Christian faith.

We seek to welcome all people through prayer, meaningful worship, and supportive groups while sharing our talents and resources with those in need.



167 YEARS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OCALA

November 17, 2024

Today's Sermon
"God Calls Us"

Rev. Dr. Walk Jones

Rev. Dr. Walk Jones, Transitional Pastor
Phyllis Von Ebers, Choir Director
Dr. Kosumo Morishita, Organist
Leslie Athanason, Vocalist

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

THE LORD'S DAY

November 17, 2024

10:00 a.m.

We Gather with Others in God's House

Words of Welcome

Special Announcement

Katie White, Giving Tree

We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

Prelude

"I am Thine O Lord"
Dr. Kosumo Morishita

Fanny J Crosby
arr. Greg Howlett

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

Call to Worship

Kathy Kuhns, Liturgist

Leader: We gather in the name of the living Christ to worship God.

People: Surely, God is in this place and calls us to worship in spirit and in truth.

Leader: God's love is for you and for all people everywhere.

People: That we may share God's love and life, may we be renewed in the refreshing Spirit of the living Christ.

Leader: The living Christ is with us.

People: Praise the Lord!

*Hymn

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

*Confession of Sin

In the mystery of creation, O God, you shaped beauty and goodness, yet we damage it by our selfishness and anger. In the mystery of life, Lord Jesus, you became one of us, yet all too often we turn our back on you. In the mystery of peace, Holy Spirit, you would gentle our natures, yet we cling tenaciously to our bitterness and hurt.

Forgive our sins and help us live holy and faithful lives in Jesus' name.
(silent prayer)

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing the Peace

*Gloria Patri

"Glory Be to the Father"

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.

First Reading (see sheet)

Luke 5:8-11

Baptism

Russell Thomas Dingman III and Brock James Dingman
Being baptized this morning are Russell Thomas Dingman III and Brock James Dingman, the sons of Russell and Billie Dingman and grandsons of Russell and Mary Dingman.

Dr. Jones

Children's Sermon Dr. Jones

Songs "How Can I keep from Singing" "In Christ Alone" (see sheet)
Leslie Athanason, vocalist

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Anthem "It Is Well With My Soul" arr. Linda R. Lamb
Handbell Choir

Second Reading Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Sermon "God Calls Us" Dr. Jones

Affirmation of faith From A Brief Statement of Faith of the PCUSA

We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

We Depart to Live and Love as Christian Disciples

*Hymn "Fight the Good Fight"

*Benediction and Offering
(After service, ushers will be standing by the doors to receive your tithes and offerings.)

Postlude "All Hail the Power" James Ellor, arr. Greg Howlett



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

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

A Congregational Meeting will take place on Sunday, November 24, 2024 in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. The purpose of this meeting is to elect Elders and Deacons and conduct other business.

We Welcome Visitors - Thanks for worshipping with us! Please complete a yellow card and bring it to an usher in the back after worship.

The Bible Study "Everywhere Is Jerusalem" is held Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. in the youth room with the nursery open and staffed for little ones. It will also be the curriculum for adult Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. in room 1.

Men's Breakfast will meet this Tuesday, Nov. 19th this month. 7:30 a.m. at Wolfy's Restaurant.

Surviving the Holidays: A Special GriefShare session will be held Sunday afternoon, November 24 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 1. Please invite anyone who is grieving.

Children's Sunday School Students kindergarten thru 5th grade are invited to join our weekly lessons where we will travel through the stories of the Bible! A nursery is available for infants up to 4 years of age. Class starts after the children's sermon.

Middle and High School Youth Group will meet today at 5:00 p.m. in the Youth Room. Youth Group meals are needed. Contact Carter Ullman (863) 651-4863 or sign up on the Meal Train at: www.mealtrain.com/09nwe9.

Student Internship Program

First Presbyterian Church of Ocala 511 SE Third Street, Ocala FL 34471 352-629-7561

Seeking singers to enhance small choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass)

2 days per week for 2.5 hours (Up to 3.5 hours) per week

Includes Wednesday night rehearsal for 1 - 1.5 hours (6:30 pm)

Sunday morning worship (1.5 hours for warmup and service) (9:30 am) Internship pays \$75.00 per week

Additional rehearsals and programming will be held at Christmas and Easter.

Intern will receive extra compensation for extra rehearsals.

Each candidate must be enrolled in school to participate. Each student must have singing ability and music reading ability is a plus. Intern must have own transportation and must be on time to rehearsals, warm-ups, and worship.

Please contact Phyllis Von Ebers, Director of Choirs, for audition and interview:

509-998-6039. Phone calls or text messages are appropriate.

PRAYER LIST

Esther Arango-Palencia

Pat Bishop

Bill Blackwell (brother of Mary Kauffman)

The Byrd family (on the death of Tim)

Martin Cook

Patty Cook

Billy Davis (grandson-in-law of David Demarest)

Linda and Randall Deyton

(sister and brother-in-law of Annette Pickard)

Mina DiGeronimo

Ruth Fraser

Gabby Gates (friend of Dave Bice)

Joe Glenn (friend of Mary Kauffman)

Dorothy Halliwell (sister-in-law of Pat Interdonato)

Betty Hamilton (neighbor of Evelyn Yorlano)

Bill and Barbara Harrel

Lloyd Kauffman (husband of Mary)

Jose Kornmann (friend of Julia Wirono)

Lanier Lance (sister of Bill Tucker)

Lukas Martin (grandson of Judith Martin)

Gloria Miller

Jodi Miller (daughter-in-law of Ginny Miller)

Bruce Moore (hip surgery)

Susan Mulligan (friend of Mary Kauffman)

Barbara Parks

Anna Phelan (granddaughter of

Dude & Stephanie Phelan)

Tony Porter

Fritz Rain (friend of Marybeth Olson)

Ruthanne and John Reiss

Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)

Rosalie Scettini (sister of Chris Longo)

Debra Tomkins (sister of Rusty Juergens)

Ann VanDenburgh

Jeanne Vincent

Judy Weese (chemo treatments)



FPC gives thanks for the life of **Tim Byrd** who passed away November 6, 2024.

With believers of every time and every place, we rejoice that nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.