

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.



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161 YEARS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OCALA
December 16, 2018

Christmas Cantata

"One Small Child"

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

 3^{RD} Sunday in Advent - One Small Child

December 16, 2018 11:00 a.m.

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude The Coventry Carol/Away In A Manger Traditional English Carol,

James Murray, Arr. Cindy Berry

Introit When God is a Child John Carter

Opening Sentences

Leader: Jesus says I am coming soon. People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!**

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

Zephaniah 3:14-20 Waldren Family

Advent Candle Response

He Came Down

#137

He came down that we may have joy he came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy; hallelujah forevermore.

*Hymn of Praise Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn

#107

*Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

*Gloria from Angels We Have Heard on High

#113

Gloria in excelsis deo! Gloria in excelsis deo!

Offertory

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

*If able, please stand

Christmas Cantata "One Small Child"

One Small Child Handbell Choir David Meece, Arr. Lloyd Larson

Reading 1 Micah 5:2, 4

Do You Hear What I Hear Chancel Choir, Orchestra Noel Regney & Gloria Shayne Chancel Choir, Arr. Harry Simone

Reading 2 Isaiah 9: 2; 6-7 (OT page 780)

For Unto Us from the Messiah Choir & Orchestra

G.F.Handel

Reading 3 "The Song of Simeon"

Jonathan Gardner

Simeon's Song

Tommy Walker

Cross & Crowns

Reading 4 Luke 2: 8-16 (NT page 71)

All is Well Faith Runyon Soloist, Orchestra Michael W. Smith, Wayne Kirkpatrick Arr. David Bedenbaugh

Oh Little Town of Bethlehem Chancel Choir

Phillips Brooks, Lewis Henry Redner

One Small Child Orchestra

David Meece, Traditional Carols Arr. D. Bedenbaugh

Reading 5

"A Christmas Prayer"

Robert Louis Stevenson Linda Sharps

Beautiful Star of Bethlehem Gospel Ensemble

Adger M. Pace & R. Fischer Boyce

Reading 6 "One Small Child"

Esther S. Buckwalter

One Small Child All Musicians David Meece, Arr. Lloyd Larson

Charge and Benediction

Response Three-Fold Amen Traditional Gospel

PostludeHark! The Herald Angels Sing
Felix Mendelssohn
Arr. Cindy Berry

READERS

Suzy & John Heinbockel

CHOIR

SOPRANO: Vicki Roberts, Nita Williams, Vicki Hutto Esther Palencia-Arango, Chris Schuler, Laura Fowler ALTO: Gera Fleming, Cheri Bedenbaugh, Pat Greaves, Lois Clardy, Debbie Atchison TENOR: Adam Schuler, Jerry Rost BASS: Fred Burgess, Mark Brinker

ORCHESTRA

VIOLIN: Kaylee Asencio, Mary Carstenn,
Emily Palmer⁺, Karina Ortega, Rebecca Nolasco, Malory Hunter
VIOLA: Alex Morin, Isabelle Palmer⁺
CELLO: Amanda Raices⁺, Theresa Fugate, Johnny Couch⁺, Marcus Jones⁺
Double Bass: Nicholas Reeves⁺
FLUTE: Savannah Bennet, Jacob Couch OBOE: Danielle Maciag⁺

CLARINET: Christian Ricketts⁺ BASSOON: Jazmin Skipper⁺
TROMBONE: Jennifer Jenkins⁺ TRUMPET: Kaleb DuBose⁺
FRENCH HORN: Carlos Huerta⁺ PERCUSSION: Christopher Storey, Caleb Couch

CROSS & CROWNS

Cindy Andrews, Elaine Cox, Gwen Petersen, Rod & Linda Reimer Debbie Atchison, Laura Fowler, Phyllis Bon Ebers, Ron Watson, Christopher Storey

HANDBELLS

Trish Mosby, Cheri Bedenbaugh, Mary Carstenn, Gera Fleming, Debbie Atchison Suzy Heinbockel, Jo Ann Brandt, Pat Greaves, Nita Williams, Savannah Bennett

GOSPEL ENSEMBLE

Fred Burgess, Ron Watson, David Bedenbaugh Nicholas Reeves, Debbie Atchison, Laura Fowler

^{*}Student instrumentalists provided by a generous gift from Bill and Shirley Cochran

PRAYER LIST

Ruth Albright (Brentwood at Fore Ranch, please call before visiting)

Kayla Ali (granddaughter of Yvonne Simms)

Brian Baker

Brent Barber (Gera Fleming's son-in-law) **Andy Boyer** (Fran Gilchrist's son-in-law)

The Brown Family (for the death of

Barbara Brown)

Randall & Linda Deyton (Pickard family prayer concerns)

Kathy and Terry Donovan (Nita Williams' friends)

Ellen Drummond (Brookdale)

The Durning Family Maranell Fleming

Jamii Fuseler (the Pickards' niece)

David Guest Gary Harward

Maxine Heinbockel (John Heinbockel's mother)

Betty Ann Jones (Margaret Trump's sister)

Gisela Lehner

Anna Marie Miller (Hawthorne)
Gloria Miller (Hawthorne)

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 Schultz Bill Shirley

Betty Jeanne Spencer (Lady Lake Specialty Care)

VonHayes Switzer (deployed with the Navy)

Rich Valvo (Rusty Juergens' friend)

Jeannie Vincent Sally Williams

Please also remember in prayer all of the missions we support.

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.

Serving Today at First Presbyterian Church of Ocala					
Ushers	11:00 a.m.	Don McCormick, Dave Bice, Lamar Knepp, Don Hutto, Pat Bishop, Joe Simmons, Savannah Bennett, Roxanne Schwaller, John Reiss.			

This Week's Daily Bible Readings							
Growing with God's Word in Love and Joy			Wednesday	December 19	Isaiah 8:1-20		
Sunday	December 16	Malachi 3:1-18	Thursday	December 20	Isaiah 8:21-9:7		
Monday	December 17	Malachi 4:1=6	Friday	December 21	Luke 1:1-25		
Tuesday	December 18	Isaiah 7:10-25	Saturday	December 22	Luke 1:26-56		

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Calendar December 16 – December 22, 2018					
SUN.	December 16 11:00 a.m.	Worship Services Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)			
	8:15 a.m. – Noon 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Children and Youth Ministries Nursery: Newborns – 3 year olds (Nursery) KALEO Youth (Youth Room 21)			
	9:30 a.m.	Great Figures of the New Testament (Conference Room)			
MON.	December 17 4:00 p.m.	Deacon's meeting (Room I)			
TUES.	December 18 6:30 p.m.	Cross & Crowns (Fellowship Hall)			
WED.	December 19 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Bible Study (Conference Room) Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) Advent Study Group I (Conference Room)			
THURS.	December 20 10:00 a.m.	Advent Study Group II (Conference Room)			
FRI.	December 21 10:00 a.m.	Griefshare (Conference Room)			

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Children's sermon and Sunday School</u> will be postponed today due to the Christmas Cantata. The nursery will be open today.

<u>Advent Study Classes</u> meet once weekly for four weeks. Ron leads the Wednesday evening study at 5:00 p.m. Natasha leads the 10:00 a.m. class on Thursday mornings.

<u>The beautiful archway and window greens</u> decorating our sanctuary, were donated, in the spirit of Christmas, by William Russell, Donnie Slone, William Rainbow, John Hagood and John Peterson families.

<u>Grinchmas -</u> Youth and Children's Christmas Celebration is on Thursday, December 20th at Islands of Adventure for Grinchmas! All youth are invited, as well as children who will be accompanied by an adult. \$75 per person, \$65 for children (under 10 yrs.). Please contact Hannah Batten at hbatten@fpcocala.org to RSVP by December 16th, or for more information.

<u>Interfaith</u> needs this month are bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, razors and deodorant. 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.

<u>Pledges</u> Thank you to the many of you who brought your pledges forward on Dedication Sunday. Our totals so far are \$633,423.00. If you were away or somehow missed that opportunity, we would still like to hear from you. You may place your pledge in the offering plate today or send it to the office. Receiving pledges is a vital step in our budgeting process. Thank you to all who have already pledged!

<u>Directories Update!</u> If you would like a paper copy, please email hquinlan@fpcocala.org to order yours. Please give three days to process.

Adult Sunday School Classes

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

<u>The Blakely Class</u> 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 as substitutes. The class resumes next week.

Adult Weekday Classes

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

<u>Faith Sisters</u> are studying *Being Presbyterian in the Bible Belt*. Classes meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the parlor. This class will resume January 8, 2019. For more information about this class, contact the Moderator, Elaine Cox (<u>elaine.grammie.cox@gmail.com</u>).

<u>Bible Classes</u> with Steve Vincent meets on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room. <u>Disciple XIV's</u> 1 *KINGS: 12-22 The Kingdom Divides* meets on Wednesdays 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). This class will resume on January 16th.

Important information regarding 2018 giving. Please note: Only contributions received by December 31st will be included on your annual statement.

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Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

5:00 pm Worship in Fellowship Kall

-hear the Christmas Story

-Christmas music

-light candles -come as you are -special message for children (Nursery provided)

7:00 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight in Sanctuary



-traditional worship
-special music
-Christmas hymns
-hear the Christmas Story
-service of lights -communion
-a surprise from our youth
(970 Nursery provided)

