



**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.



162 YEARS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OCALA

September 1, 2019

This Morning's Communion Meditation
"Saved Seats"

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

THE LORD'S DAY

September 1, 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

Prelude	Be Thou My Vision	Traditional Irish Melody arr. Gail Smith
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Introit	Jesus, Lord, Hear our Prayer	J. Brahms, 1833-1897
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Call to Worship

Leader: Let mutual love continue.

People: Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.

All: Let us worship God!

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

*Hymn of Praise	Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty	#35
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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
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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.

*If able please stand

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Eternal Judge, cleanse our hearts of any ill will we may hold against neighbors. When they do not think as we do, we often judge them unenlightened. If they behave differently, we pin labels on them. We choose as our guests those we deem worthy of places of honor within our households. Yet through Christ you opened heaven to all without regard to their status in society. Forgive our inability to do the same, and save us from all pride and prejudice in our dealings with your children. (time for silent confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Sisters and brothers, recall the words of Scripture.

People: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."

Leader: It is Christ who said, "I will never fail you nor forsake you." So, come to Christ and there find the assurance that in confessing our sin, we are forgiven.

Time with Children (11:00 a.m.)

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

Choir Anthem (11:00 a.m.) Show Me Thy Ways
Show me Thy ways O Lord, teach me Thy paths; Lead me in Thy truth and teach me: For Thou art the God of my salvation and on Thee do I wait all day.

Prayers of the People

Offertory There is a Fountain Traditional American Melody
arr. Cindy Berry

*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 Psalm 81:11-16 (OT Page 666)

Second Scripture Lesson Luke 14:1-14 (NT Page 94)

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Communion Meditation "Saved Seats" Rev. Graham

Hymn Though I May Speak #693

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise. (The prayer continues.)

Therefore with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, we worship and adore your glorious name, praising you forevermore:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. (The prayer continues.)

Gracious God, as we offer you our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we commemorate Jesus, your Son. Death could not bind him, for you raised him up in the Spirit of holiness and exalted him as Lord of creation.

According to his commandment:

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory. (The prayer continues.)

Then, at last, all peoples will be free, all divisions healed, and with your whole creation, we will sing your praise, through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Elements

Prayer after Communion* (unison)

Loving God, you have given us a share in the one bread and the one cup and made us one with Christ. Help us to bring your salvation and joy to all the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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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 O for a World #372
- *Charge and Benediction
- Response Lord, Deliver Us with Thy Blessing Sicilian Mariners, (1792)
- Postlude How Firm a Foundation Joseph Funk, arr. Cindy Berry

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*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of
 Jerry and Elaine Rost's 68th wedding anniversary.*

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	Van Akin, Ann O'Hart, Sandy Owen, Howell Winfree
Communion Servers 9:30	Donna Claus, Cindy Andrews, Cathy Edwards, Jim Edwards
Communion Servers 11:00	Derek White, Pat Bishop, Peggy Wiechman, 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 Forgiveness and Mercy</i>		Wednesday	September 4	Luke 11:24-36	
Sunday	September 1	Luke 8:4-21	Thursday	September 5	Luke 11:37-54
Monday	September 2	Luke 11:1-13	Friday	September 6	Luke 12:1-21
Tuesday	September 3	Luke 11:14-23	Saturday	September 7	Luke 12:22-40

PRAYER LIST

Brent Barber (Gera Fleming's son-in-law)
Bill Blackwell (Mary Kauffman's brother)
Jeanette Bryant
Randall & Linda Deyton (Pickard family prayer concerns)
Noemi DiGeronimo (granddaughter of Mina)
Kathy and Terry Donovan (Nita Williams' friends)
Stewart Edwards
Debbie Fenner (Chris and Evelyn Longo's daughter)
Hank Fleming
Maranell Fleming
John Gilkes
Jennifer and Danny Gilman and family (death of Jennifer's father, Jim Stoneman)
Barbara Gowie
Richard Grosso
Bill Harrel and family (death of his sister, Nancy)
Tola Hass
Betty Ann Jones (Margaret Trump's sister)
Kathy Lance (Lois Lance's daughter-in-law)
Grietje Lewis

Celine Mack
Gloria and Rita Miller (death of their mother, Anna Marie)
Ray Newhouse (Pat Bishop's brother)
Raul Nieves (Mina DiGeronimo's brother)
Charlene Preston
Dave Proctor (Sue Straub's son-in-law)
Richard and Fritz Rain (Mary Beth Olson's friends)
John Reynolds (Suzy Heinbockel's brother)
Tania Sayre (Mary Kauffman's daughter)
Janice Schafer (Palm Garden)
Wes Schultz
Delores Shotwell
Steve and Keith Shotwell
Betty Jeanne Spencer (Lady Lake Specialty Care)
Shirley Wells
Jill Hester Whitaker
Bo and Sally Williams
Diane Wirono

Please also remember in prayer all people effected by hurricanes or natural disasters

Calendar September 1 – September 7, 2019		
SUN.	<u>September 1</u> 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.	<u>Worship Services</u> Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall) Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) <u>Children and Youth Ministries</u> Nursery: <i>Newborns – 3 year olds</i> (Nursery) Children's Church: <i>4 years – 5th Grade</i> (Room 26)
TUES.	<u>September 3</u> 2:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Membership Committee meeting (Mini Conference Room) PW Bible Moderator Mentoring (Room 1)
WED.	<u>September 4</u> 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Children's Choir rehearsal (Choir Room) Choir rehearsal (Choir Room) Fellowship Dinner (Fellowship Hall) Handbell rehearsal (Bell Room)
THURS.	<u>September 5</u> 8:00 a.m.	Nominating Committee meeting (Conference Room)

We are happy to welcome as our guest pastor this morning the Rev. Dan Graham, who was born in Jacksonville, Florida. He graduated from Englewood High School; Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tennessee; Jacksonville University in Jacksonville, Florida; and Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. While a student and in full time parish ministry, Dan has served churches in Kingston, Jamaica; Jefferson, Georgia; Lincoln, England; Lexington, South Carolina; West Point, Georgia; and Columbus, Georgia.

Dan is married to the former Judith Ann Wells of Norton, Virginia. They met at Carson-Newman. Judith Ann has taught school and worked in the insurance industry. She has recently fully retired from serving as a substitute teacher for the St. Johns County School system. Judith Ann and Dan have been married 46 years and have two daughters, Rebekah and Ann.

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fellowship Dinners begin this Wednesday, September 4th at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall! Each week a meat will be 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 make some new ones! All ages are encouraged to come!

Next Sunday Christian Education classes start! Join Jean Morse at the Blakely Class (9:30 a.m. in the Room 2) and Nita Williams at the "Death, Dying, and the Afterlife: Lessons from World Cultures" (in Conference Room). To see more details, consult the Spire.

Join the Choirs! Welcome to a new church year! I am looking forward to ringing and singing with you as we live our faith through worship together. Three choirs are starting up in the next few weeks: **Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir** and **Children's Choir**. No previous experience is necessary. If you have not yet joined us, then come on in! If you are returning, welcome back and bring a friend! Contact the Church Office or you can email me at piatnekc@gmail.com for more information.

Donate Flowers for a Sunday Service! You can donate a lovely flower arrangement for many different occasions—birthdays, anniversaries, births, memorials, to the Glory of God, special events—or almost anything! Complete an envelope located in the narthex or Fellowship Hall and put it in the offering plate or take it to the church office. You also can make arrangements by calling the church office at 629-7561 to arrange details and dates.

Interfaith's needs this month are rice, beans, pasta, pasta sauce 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 by bringing them to the church office during the week. They are also looking for volunteers..... call Tina at 352-629-8868.

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