



Winter Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 17, 2021



Welcome

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MEDITATIVE THOUGHT

“Taken as a whole, the story of Ruth is one of those signs. It was written to give us encouragement and hope that all the perplexing turns in our lives are going somewhere good. They do not lead off a cliff. In all the setbacks of our lives as believers, God is plotting for our joy.”

— John Piper, *A Sweet and Bitter Providence*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE • *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* - Burton (10:30)

* CALL TO WORSHIP—Psalm 116: 1-2, 5-6

Lord, You give us life and grace.

You give us Scripture. You give us music.

We want to be instruments of Your praise.

You bless us with family.

You give us talents.

Help us to discern creative and imaginative ways to use them.

You give us the church.

Help us extend fellowship to others.

You give us the Gospel.

We want to share the Good News!

O Lord, Giver of all that we call good and perfect, transform our hearts and minds that we would be Your Body upon the earth, as we grow in faith together.

* PRAYER OF ADORATION (10:30)

This world is Yours, planned in eternity, created in a moment of sheer exuberance, permeated with love, well made. This place is Yours, in its simplicity, blue sky and countryside pure creativity, painted with care, well made. This day is Yours, pure generosity, given for moments of gentle reflection, in the bustle of a day, well made. This moment is Yours in its entirety, a drop of time in an ocean of history, gifted with joy, well made. Holy Spirit join us together in worship, praise and ministry, on this, Your well-made day. Amen.

* HYMN 288 • *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* (8:15 verses 1 & 3)

CALL TO CONFESSION

We have been called to follow Christ by obeying His one commandment: that we love one another as He has loved us. Let us confess how we have fallen short of that love. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Awesome and compassionate God, You have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved You. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need wrapped in our own concerns. We tolerate evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, as You come to us in mercy, we turn our hearts to You in spirit and in truth. We admit our sin, and we pray for Your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends hear the good news of the Gospel as expressed by a friend of Jesus, named John.

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.

Because of God's love for us in Christ Jesus, we are forgiven.

* RESPONSE • *Gloria Patri*

PASTORAL PRAYER (10:30)

RESPONSE (10:30) • *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

I will arise and go to Jesus;

He will embrace me in his arms.

In the arms of my dear Savior,

O there are ten thousand charms.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (10:30) *(Children, parents, and other adults may remain seated in their pews.*

Afterward, Pre-K-2nd grade may go to Children's Church in the Library.)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ruth 3:7-13

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Revelation 19:6-8

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Ruth" • The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess

* THE REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH • The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Steal Away* - arr. Howard Helvey (10:30)

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION & THE LORDS PRAYER

**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.**

* HYMN 85 • *What Wondrous Love Is This* (8:15 verses 1 & 3)

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE • Fanfare - Smith (10:30)

☞ SERVING TODAY ☞

OFFICIATING MINISTER

The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor

ASSISTING MINISTER

The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor

LITURGIST

Meg Baldwin

MUSICIANS

Justin Chase, Director of Music

Penny Walsh, Organ

Sarah Thomas, Cello; Daniel Gonzalez, Clarinet

AUDIO/VISUAL

Carole Reece, Doug Reece, and Nelson Roe

☞ WORSHIP MATTERS ☞

ANTHEM TEXT

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus. Steal away, steal away home,
I ain't got long to stay here. My Lord, He calls me, He calls me by the thunder,
the trumpet sounds within a my soul. I ain't got long to stay here.

Music

Our CCLI License number is 11184426, and our Onelicense.net number is 725233.

☞ ANNOUNCEMENTS ☜

Welcome

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today! We will continue to offer our worship services online. Sermons can be found at www.winppc.org/sermons.

Installation Service

The Installation of the Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess will be held on Sunday, October 24 at 3:00 PM. A reception will be held in Fellowship Hall immediately following the service.

Concert Series—Braun/Small Duo

Join us this afternoon for a Braun/Small Duo featuring Matitiahua “Mati” Braun on violin and our own Holly Small on piano. Included will be music by Bach, Brahms, Grieg, and Stephen Foster. The concert will begin at 3:00 PM in the WPPC Sanctuary followed by a meet and greet with refreshments. Come and enjoy an hour of beautiful music in our lovely sanctuary.

RIP Medical Debt

As of Saturday, October 9 we have met our goal of raising \$10,000 to forgive medical debt for those in need in Orange and Seminole Counties. Our campaign will remain open for another two weeks, through October 23rd to allow any outstanding donations to be received, including that of our anonymous donor who is matching the first \$5,000 donated by you the congregation. At that time, we will receive a final total on our donations. RIP Medical Debt will purchase the debt to be forgiven in an amount in excess of \$1,500,000. Letters will then be sent to those who receive this forgiveness. I can't begin to tell you all how wonderful you have been in doing God's work to help our neighbors in need. God bless you all. ~Syd Davis

5 Cents A Meal - Sunday, October 24

On Sunday, October 24 we will take the fourth quarterly collection for 5 Cents A Meal this year. Please continue your support for P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer To Hunger). Your contributions support the Second Harvest Food Bank; Society of St. Andrew (SOSA); Alliance for International Reforestation (AIR) in Guatemala; and Madagascar Project (Dan and Elizabeth Turk, PC(USA) missionaries).

Thank You!

Thank you for the flowers and prayers. It was such a nice surprise from the WPPC Deacons and I really appreciate it! ~Yvonne Manking

CommUnity Toy Drive

It's time to be generous to those in need. Our annual Toy Drive is Sunday, December 5. Contact Rachel Myers at 407-484-7290 if you would like to help box the toys on Sunday after the service and/or deliver them on Tuesday, December 12. Suggested gifts are: bicycles; skateboards; scooters; helmets; tricycles; dolls of all colors; arts and crafts kits; play 'pretend' kits, jewelry & makeup; sports balls of all kinds; educational games & books; NEW socks, pajamas, play clothes, underwear for boys & girls; cars & trucks (especially medium/large vehicles); board games for children of all ages; toys, clothing & blankets for infants & toddlers; baby diapers (newborn to size 5). You can also help by ordering through Amazon and sending your order to Hope Community Center, Christmas Toy Sale, 1016 N Park Ave., Apopka, FL 32712.

Relationships in Action - Sunday Mornings at 9:15 AM in Room 301

October 24 - *Alliance for Reforestation*

Anne Hallum, founder of Alliance for Reforestation Guatemala (AIR), will describe current activities to improve the lives of people in Guatemala. WPPC has been one of the early sponsors of AIR and several members have participated in service trips to Guatemala.

Worship Aids

Assistive hearing devices are available from an audio/visual technician at the rear of the sanctuary.

Pastoral Care

If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, please contact us. Our Deacons and pastoral care staff are available for support, home and hospital visits, and prayer. Please contact Dr. Darren Bess at darrenb@winppc.org or 407-647-1467 x 103. For pastoral emergencies when the church office is closed, call 407-647-1467 x 112.

Publicity

If you have a church event that needs to be publicized in the church bulletin, newsletter, etc., please fill out the form located at <http://winppc.org/publicity-request/>.

Transportation for Church Events

If you are in need of transportation to a church event, please contact the church office at least 24 hours in advance, and every effort will be made to accommodate your need.

<i>The Session</i>			<i>The Diaconate</i>		
<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Phillip Anderson III	Theresa Coker	Syd Davis	Mike Galyean	Susan Davis	Ron Ellman
Lisa Dreasher	Bonnie Gaughan	Fred Kittinger	Reta Jackson	Jane Munns	Betty Johnston
Jayne Leach	Fran Morrissey	Malcolm MacDiarmid	Julie Kent	Rachel Myers	Sevilla Morse
Shaheed Mohammed	Michelle Trahan	Jim McKinney	Curtis Koon	Christine Rich	Cynthia Nants
Nelson Roe	Jay Van Hook	Dawn Sumrall	Sara Van Arsdel	Dennis Schmalstig	Jyme Smith
			Jeanne Vinci	Meg Ball Thomas	

Missions Supported by WPPC

Audrey Santiago, *Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation*, Ukraine
Dr. Robert Gamble, *This Child Here*, Ukraine
Dennis & Susan Walters, *SIL*, East Asia
Steve & Sonia Dettweiler, *Wycliffe*, Nigeria
Dr. Anne Hallum, *A.I.R. (Alliance for Reforestation)*, Guatemala

PC(USA) World Missions

Mark Hare & Jenny Bent, Costa Rica
Dan & Elizabeth Turk, Madagascar

Staff

The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor
Justin Chase, Director of Music
Penny Walsh, Organist
Susan Davis, Director of Handbells & Children's Music

Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant
Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant
Barbara Hordern, Administrative Assistant
Tricia Wilson, Director of Preschool Programs
Kenny Lovelace, Sexton

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