

🎨 ANNOUNCEMENTS 🎨

WELCOME

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today! Worship services are also available online. Sermons can be found at www.winppc.org/sermons.

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Today we hear from Church Treasurer Ron Thompson about the work being done by Session to prepare for the upcoming budget year and to ensure that we continue to be good stewards of all that God has blessed us with to fulfill God's mission here at Winter Park Presbyterian.

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS – NEXT SUNDAY, OCT 25

Get ready to celebrate our Presbyterian Reformed heritage with our annual Kirkin' o' the Tartans. Families of the church will be represented in the blessing of the tartans; and everyone is invited to be Scottish for a day by wearing kilts and worshipping with Scottish prayers and themed music at both services. (Bagpipes and drums at 10:30.) If you would like to bake or buy some shortbread, please bring it to share with us at fellowship following the 10:30 a.m. service!

5 CENTS A MEAL OFFERING - NEXT SUNDAY, OCT 25

Next Sunday, Oct 25, is our annual 5 Cents a Meal collection. (Special Offerings have been consolidated: One Great Hour of Sharing on Easter Sunday; 5 Cents a Meal in October; and Christmas Joy one week before Christmas. 5 Cents a Meal supports PATH (Presbyterians Answer To Hunger). This offering is sent to Presbytery, which divides the monies among Second Harvest Food Bank (25%); Society of St. Andrew (SOSA) (21%); Alliance for International Reforestation (AIR) in Guatemala (21%); and Dan & Elizabeth Turk, PC (USA) mission workers in Madagascar, with Dan training seminary students and helping Elizabeth implement a community health program and teaching (21%). Twelve percent covers administrative costs. Thank you for your prayerful consideration to support this offering.

STEWARDSHIP

We are called to be stewards of what God has blessed us with throughout the year. During the month of October, we focus on how each of us is being called to support the ministry of the church through our annual pledge campaign. Making a commitment to the church helps Session plan for the upcoming year. If you did not receive a letter and pledge card in the mail, they are available from the ushers during worship on Sundays and from the church office during the week. Please bring your completed pledge card on 10/25 to put in the offering.

PASTORAL SURVEY – SURVEY CLOSES TOMORROW, OCT 19

We invite the congregation to take a survey that will answer the question of what we are looking in our next installed pastor. What pastoral traits and characteristics are important to us here at Winter Park Presbyterian Church? What gifts and skills do we think our next installed pastor will need to help revitalize and grow our church in the years to come? Have a voice in the future of the church! Take the Pastoral Survey. It's easy to do online, takes only a few minutes, and is entirely confidential. The Pastoral Survey will remain open until Oct 19. Go to <https://forms.gle/FuyooySHuBVnwA2b8> and let the PNC know what you think!

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WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY – OCT 20, 27

Phyllis Woods continues her four-week Women’s Bible Study this Tuesday afternoon. They will look at some of the Psalms of David. The class will take place at 2pm in room 301.

PRESCHOOL FAMILY CHAPEL

Preschool Chapel is every Wednesday in the WPPC Sanctuary. Once a month families are invited to join the children for Family Chapel. The Preschool Board is hosting a reception for parents on Wed, Oct 21 at 9:30 a.m. If you are available to help with the reception and fellowship with parents who are coming to Family Chapel, let us know in the church office.

PRESCHOOL HALLOWEEN PARADE

The Halloween Parade will take place on Oct 30 at 9:30 a.m. If you would like to volunteer to pass out treats to the children, please sign up on the sheet located on the bulletin board in the front office

UP NEXT . . .

- Sun, 10/18 11:45am Deacon’s Mtg, Rm 301
- Tues, 10/20 2pm Women’s Bible Study, Rm 301
- Thurs, 10/22 7pm Session Mtg, Rm 301
- Sun, 10/25 1:30pm Line Dancing, FH
- Tues, 10/27 2pm Women’s Bible Study, Rm 301

The Session			The Diaconate		
2026	2027	2028	2026	2027	2028
Syd Davis	Maria Garton	Rusty Baldwin	Meg Baldwin	Marilyn Bryant	Sue Howard
Betty Johnston	Lil Rea	Steve House	Ernestine Beattie	Cynthia Nants	Lynne McKnight
Shaheed Mohammed	Phyllis Woods	Jayne Leach	Debby Roberts	Robert Nevill	Debbie Pauzar
Nelson Roe		Ron Thompson	Jeanne Vinci	Paula Smathers	Frances Swope
Local Outreach Supported by WPPC					
Coalition for Women & Families Coalition for Homeless of Central FL-General Christian Service Center Health Care Center for Homeless Hope CommUnity Center Idignity Parramore Kid Zone SALT Outreach, Inc. (Serving and Love Together)					
International Missions Supported by WPPC					
Audrey Santiago, <i>Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation</i> , Ukraine Dr. Robert Gamble, <i>This Child Here</i> , Ukraine Dr. Anne Hallum, <i>A.I.R. (Alliance for Reforestation)</i> , Guatemala Iglesia de Santa Clara Presbyterian, Santa Clara, Cuba Mark Hare & Jenny Bent, <i>Ecological Sustainability</i> , Costa Rica Dan Turk, <i>Environmental Education</i> , Madagascar Elizabeth Turk, <i>Community Health & HIV/AIDS</i> , Madagascar <i>Scripture Union Mission</i> , Peru					
Staff					
Rev. Melanie Ruta, Interim Pastor			Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant		
Justin Chase, Director of Music			Pattie Lavelle, Bookkeeper		
Penny Walsh, Organist			Jessica Grablewski, Children’s Ministry Coordinator		
Sandra Shafer, Pianist			Nicole Fye, Director of Preschool Programs		
Scott Beck, Director of Handbells			Mark Greenleaf, Property Manager		



Winter Park
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 18, 2026
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost



ORDER OF WORSHIP	
* Please stand as you are able	
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	
MOMENT FOR MISSION	
SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST	
PRELUDE • <i>Beautiful Savior</i> - Cherwien (10:30)	
* CALL TO WORSHIP	Worship the Lord in holy splendor. Tremble before God all the earth. Sing to the Lord and bless God’s name. Tell of God’s saving power from day to day. Let us worship the Lord our God!
* PRAYER OF ADORATION	Holy God, you have made us in your image, and we belong to you alone. Therefore we offer ourselves to you, in service, love, and praise. Use us for the glory of your realm and the good of your people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
* HYMN 401 • <i>Here in This Place</i>	
CALL TO CONFESSION	God does not regard with partiality, but with the grace of Christ Jesus deals with each of us according to our need.
PRAYER OF CONFESSION	What a debt we owe to you, O God. You have given us all things in Christ and yet we withhold from you the honor and glory that are yours. Instead, we pay tribute to empire, plot to entrap the innocent, mock your truth with empty praise, and put your patience to the test. Forgive us, Lord, and by your grace restore us so that we might walk in your ways and do your will. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Continue with silent confession <i>and reflection</i> .)
ASSURANCE OF PARDON	God’s mercy is from everlasting to everlasting. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
* RESPONSE • <i>Gloria Patri</i> (Hymnal 581)	
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (10:30)	
All children and youth are invited forward for a special message before heading to Children’s Church.	

FIRST READING
Deuteronomy 8:10-18
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING
2 Timothy 1:1-14
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON
“FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION” • Rev. Melanie Ruta

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S 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.

RESPONSE • *Jesus, We Are Here* (Hymnal 392)
**Jesus, we are here; Jesus, we are here;
Jesus, we are here; we are here for you.**

* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — *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.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Arms Opened Wide* - Helvey (10:30)

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Doxology* (Hymnal 606)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN 708 • *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

* The Charge and Benediction

* POSTLUDE • *Toccata in d minor* - Bach (10:30)

 SERVING TODAY 	
OFFICIATING MINISTER Rev. Melanie Ruta, Interim Pastor	
LITURGIST Ron Thompson (10:30)	
MUSICIANS Sandra Shafer, Piano (8:15) Justin Chase, Director of Music (10:30) Penny Walsh, Organ (10:30) Sarah Thomas, Cello (10:30)	
AUDIO/VISUAL Carole Reece, Doug Reece, Nelson Roe & Chase Finch (10:30)	
 WORSHIP MATTERS 	
FLOWERS The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Frances Swope in remembrance of Donald E. Swope (July 5,1937 – October 16, 2021), husband, father, grandpop, pastor.	
ANTHEM TEXT Arms opened wide to the needs of the neighbor; eyes opened wide by the wonders of God’s will; daring to venture on pathways uncharted, we move in faith that our God is speaking still. Doors opened wide as a bold sign of welcome; minds opened wide to the meanings of God’s call: “No longer alien or stranger or outcast my holy house is a house of prayer for all.” Hopes opened wide toward the light of the future, hearts opened wide by the blessings of our past, we pledge our lives to God’s promise unfolding that love and justice shall fill the earth at last! Love and justice shall fill the earth at last!	
MUSIC Our CCLI License number is 11184426; OneLicense.net number is 725233;	
WORSHIP AIDS Assistive hearing devices are available from an audio/visual technician at the rear of the sanctuary.	
NEW LARGE PRINT BULLETINS If you would like a large print bulletin, please let an usher know.	
 COMMUNICATION INFORMATION 	
PASTORAL CARE If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, please reach out to us. Our Deacons and pastoral care staff are available for support, home and hospital visits, and prayer.	
PUBLICITY If you have a church event that needs to be publicized in the church bulletin, newsletter, etc., please send an email to cindym@winppc.org .	
WI-FI Wi-Fi is available for everyone. You’re welcome to connect during your time with us. Network: WPPC_Guest / Password: Welcome2Home!	