

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 Rev. Emily Wasser at emilyw@winppc.org or 407-647-1467 x 122. 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>		
2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020
Hal Eastburn	Will Lawrence	Doris Anguish	Peggy Bargar	Nancy Appich	Ardyth Austin
Reta Jackson	Will McCurdy	Marilyn Bryant	Almeda Dean	Barbara Edwards	Caroline James
Don McCarter	Rachel Myers	Rick Davis	Carol Howell	Bonnie Gaughan	Jim McKinney
Debby Roberts	Dail Pribil	Steve House	Betty Johnston	Fran Morrissey	Ellenorr Osterhaus
Sara Van Arsdel	Doug Reece	Larry Seel	Sevilla Morse	Cynthia Nants	Matt Straub
Phyllis Woods	Debby Tallungan		Ginny Seel	Eileen Silvers	

Missions Supported by WPPC

Audrey Ball, *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

Rev. Gordon & Dorothy Gartrell, Brazil; Jenny Bent, Dominican Republic;
Mark Hare, Haiti; Dan & Elizabeth Turk, Madagascar

Staff

The Rev. Dr. Robert Eckard, Interim 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
Kenny Lovelace, Sexton
Jorge Barrios, Sunday Assistant Sexton
Tricia Wilson, Director of Preschool Programs

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Winter Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 30, 2018 • 8:15 & 10:30 A.M.
FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS



WELCOME TO WINTER PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Hello! Welcome home to worship at Winter Park Presbyterian Church. Whether this is your first time here or your hundredth, we're glad that you've chosen to join us today!

Here at Winter Park Presbyterian Church we strive to be a community of members joined together through new life by the grace of God in Jesus Christ, through the Holy Spirit. Our goal is to be a people who live out of God's redeeming grace, witnessing to the new life given by God by engaging in ministries of compassion and justice.

Whether you are interested in finding education classes, a group who shares your interests, or looking to connect with our community, there is something for everyone here. It is our hope that you will find this church to be a place where you feel welcomed and will join in on our activities as we all seek to grow in our faith. Welcome!



Emily Wasser
Associate Pastor

If You Are New Here

We invite you to write your name(s) in the red registration pad when it is passed down the pew. If you would like information on the ministries of this church, please include your contact information. Also, greeters and ushers at the entrances can provide you with information about our programs and volunteer opportunities. Please join us for refreshments and conversation in fellowship hall following the service.

Worship Aids

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

Worshipping with Children

Children are welcome to stay in the sanctuary for the entire worship service. They are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment, following which they may return to sit with their families, or (Pre-K—3rd grade) leave for Children's Church on non-communion Sundays. In addition, childcare for preschool-age children is available in our nursery, room 608, during all services.

If You Are in Need of Prayer

Elders are available to pray with you after the service, at the front of the sanctuary. Your prayers are confidential unless you request they be shared with our Pastoral Care staff. You may also complete a prayer request card (available in the pews and at the back of the sanctuary) and give it to an usher.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, December 30

8:15 – 9am
9:15 – 10:15am
9:30am – 12pm
10:30 – 11:30am

Worship Service, Chapel
Sunday School
Library Open
Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, December 31

Noon

Church Office Closes

Tue

Jan 1, 2019

All Day

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, January 2

Noon
3 – 4pm

Bulletin Materials Due
Worship Planning, Room 303

Thursday, January 3

9am – 12pm
10 – 11:30am

Library Open
Caregiver Support/Networking Group, Room 301

Friday, January 4

All Day

No Activities Planned

Sunday, January 6

8:15 – 9am
9:15 – 10:15am
9:30am – 12pm
10:30 – 11:30am
5 – 7pm

Worship Service with Communion, Chapel
Sunday School
Library Open
Worship Service with Communion, Sanctuary
Youth Group (Grades 6-12), Room 204

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers for 2019

If you would like to donate flowers for the weekly worship service in honor of/in memory of someone special or of a special occasion, please pick a date and put your name on the sign-up chart located in the hallway of the front office. When you sign up, please take a form and turn it into the front office with all the information filled in. You may also complete a flower dedication form on the church website.

Sunday School

Children: Nursery for ages 1 month-3 years (608), Ages 3 years-Grade 2 (101), Grades 3-5 (201)

At Winter Park Presbyterian Church we are blessed to host Sunday School classes for young and elementary aged children. Both classes use a curriculum called Deep Blue, which invites children to explore the stories of the Bible through video, crafts, games, and mission. In Sunday School they will begin to form the building blocks for a lifelong, deep faith in Christ.

Adults & Youth: Relations in Action (301), Seekers (315)

Relationships in Action (R in A) - Relationships in Action is adult Sunday School class that studies issues "with the Bible in one hand and the newspaper in the other." Each week features a different theme and a different speaker to present each topic. They are interested in social issues that affect their lives and the lives of others and how we as followers of Christ can be a factor in positive change.

Seekers: The Seekers is a discussion based adult Sunday school class that studies a wide variety of topics ranging from Books of the Bible to Theology to Current Events. They are a support group that spends time on fellowship as well as discussion and they are able to disagree, yet move in a positive direction during their discussions.

Red Registration Pads

Please remember to sign the red registration pads at the beginning of worship. We use this information to help us become aware of people who have not been in worship for some time (perhaps because of a hospitalization or illness) so we can check in on them and see if the church can be of help. This is another way that we are trying to deepen our care for our church members, and your help is appreciated.

Electronic Giving Option

We are pleased to have an electronic option for making regular offerings. Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. An authorization form is available from the church office and can be returned to Carolyn Achenbach. You can also securely set up one-time and recurring giving on our website at winppc.org/give and clicking "Member Giving."

SERVING TODAY

OFFICIATING MINISTER: The Rev. Dr. Robert Eckard, Interim Pastor

ASSISTING MINISTER: The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor

LITURGISTS: Sara Van Arsdel (8:15)
Michelle Trahan and Jennifer Fields (10:30)

MUSICIANS: Penny Walsh, Pianist (8:15)
Penny Walsh, Organist; Lauren Langa, Soprano (10:30)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT: Pastor Emily

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Nathan Angov and Griffin Seel (10:30)

GREETERS: Cameron White (8:15)
Doris Anguish, Gary Henderson, Curtis Koon, Debby Roberts, Ann Tebbetts (10:30)

USHERS: Margie Meliza and Kim Vogt (8:15)
Wade Edwards, Allen Shaw, Hilda Shaw, Stephen Smith, Bob White,
Tracy White (10:30)

ELDERS: Jayne Leach and Rachel Myers (10:30)

AUDIO/VISUAL: Carole Reece, Doug Reece, Nelson Roe, Stephen Smith, Pierce Barger,
Ethan Thomas (10:30)

WORSHIP MATTERS

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Sara Van Arsdel in loving memory of her mother, Rosemary Sue Hoffman.

The rosebud today is given to the glory of God by grandparents, Rusty and Meg Baldwin in celebration of the birth of Wade Russell Hicks, born December 19th to Anne and Andrew Hicks.

Worship Resources Online

You will find bulletins for upcoming and past worship services at winppc.org/bulletins.

Music Notes

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

When the prelude begins, all are invited to enter a period of quiet reflection so that those wishing to prepare for worship through prayer and meditation may so do. Please silence all electronic devices.

* Please stand as you are able

† **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD** †

PRELUDE *Noel Joyeux* • Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** We are brought together by the call of God,
the One who has loved us from the beginning.
 We are bound together by the presence of the Spirit,
the One who has challenged us to love more deeply.
 We worship together in the name of Christ,
the One who was Love made flesh.
 Let us worship God.

* **HYMN 22** *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

* **OPENING PRAYER**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF
 CONFESSION **Holy God, we have seen the Christ child in the manger,
 and we know that you are a light to all people.**
**Forgive us when our lives are not shaped by the Christmas story,
 when our hearts are not open to the leading of your spirit,
 when our hands are not open to help a neighbor in need.**
**Speak your good news to us once more,
 forgive us, and bring us peace.**
(Continue with silent confession and reflection until response is introduced)

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

January 6: Spiritual Conversation Series

Continuing with the new *Spiritual Conversation Series* of the Relationships in Action Sunday School Class, Dennis Schmalstig will present his take on life. The *Conversation Series* invites people to share formative ideas and events which have helped shape their beliefs. In Dennis' case, he will discuss his experience as an organ donor. Matt Straub will guide our discussion.

Host Families Needed

On Sunday, January 13 the *Millikin University Choir* will be singing in our 10:30 worship service. This choir has gained international acclaim, having performed nationally for several American Choral Directors Conventions and on tour throughout the United States and Europe. It will be a very special service. The choir will be arriving on Saturday, January 12 by 8:30 PM and are in need of host families. You would need to pick up students at WPPC that evening, bring them home with you, and give them a place to sleep (an air mattress or couch would work – they are college students), provide some food that night, breakfast in the morning, and bring them back to WPPC the next morning by 9:45 AM. If you are interested and available the evening of January 12th to host these students who will bless our service the next day, please email Justin at Justin.Chase@ocps.net as soon as possible. Thank you in advance for your help!

Cuba Trip Donations

Peter & Melanie Rice, Reta Peterson, Kathy Peterson, Kathy Masatelli and Fran Morrissey plan to visit Santa Clara, Cuba. WPPC now has a relationship with Santa Clara Presbyterian Church, where they will be staying. They will experience the church activities and continue to build a friendship/relationship with them. It is customary to take our Cuban church hosts small, practical gifts of items often lacking in their environment. Among the items on the list are Included the following over-the-counter medications: Antibiotic Ointment; Aspirin; Ibuprofen; Tylenol; Allergy Relief (Benadryl) Ointment, Tablets, Capsules; Children's Ibuprofen; Infant & Children's Tylenol; Diaper Rash Cream; Glucosamine; Hemorrhoidal Ointment; Hydrocortisone Ointment; Lubricant Eye Drops; Mucus Relief Chest Congestion (Vapo-Rub); Multivitamins for Older Adults & Children; Omega 3 Fish Oil; Vitamin C; Vitamin E; Vitamin B-6; Alka-Seltzer; Band-Aids. Craft supplies have also been requested: Yarn, especially cotton; Embroidery Floss; Thread (for sewing machines); Needles; Pins, Sewing Scissors, Crochet Hooks, Knitting Needles; Pens; Pencils; Scissors; Glue Sticks; Crayons; Colored Marker Pens; Coloring Pages. Donations can be dropped off in the front office during the week and on Sundays donations can be placed in the pink tub labeled "Cuba" located in Fellowship Hall.

Moment of Kindness

We want to highlight the many ways you make our church a home by acknowledging moments of kindness—a way to inspire, grow, and connect. If you would like to share a moment of kindness please email Cindy Mitchum - cindym@winppc.org.

RESPONSE **Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us** - Hymnal 574

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE **Refrain from *Angels We Have Heard on High*** (Hymnal 23)
Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

* PEACE The peace of our Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE CONCLUDING WITH 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.**

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE (8:15) • **Doxology** -- Hymnal 592 (*To the tune of Veni Emmanuel*)
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, oh Israel!**

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

HYMN 37 ***Infant Holy, Infant Lowly***

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SERMON CHURCH CLOTHES • The Rev. Dr. Robert Eckard

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH • *Adapted from the Presbyterian Church Statement of Faith*
In life and in death we belong to God.
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the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.
We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.
We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

† FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD †

* HYMN 50 ***Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow***

BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **Refrain of *Adeste Fidelis***
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

* POSTLUDE ***The Three Kings*** • Black

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