

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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Today we welcome Alexander, Annalise, and Adrian Walker into our worldwide family of faith through the sacrament of baptism. Welcome to the family, Alexander, Annalise, and Adrian!

CUBA PARTNERSHIP TRIP

John Gehrig and Matt Straub are part of the Central Florida Presbytery Cuban Network team visiting Presbyterian churches in Center Cuba February 18-25. Please keep John, Matt and the rest of the team in your prayers. Thank you to everyone who donated OTC medicines that are so desperately needed.

NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS LUNCH—FEBRUARY 20

Neighbors & Friends invites you to join us this Thursday for a special monthly gathering. Sandra Shafer and her "Belles", a women's chorus from Apopka High School will perform. The program will begin at 11:30am, followed by a Chef Scott catered luncheon. The cost is \$15 and if you would like to purchase an extra meal for one of our guests you may do so. Reservations are needed by February 16 and can be made by calling the church (407-647-1467) office or signing up in the front hall. Come and join us as we gather around the tables for intergenerational fellowship. You are all welcome. If you cannot stay for the meal, come and enjoy the program at 11:30am.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Our annual congregational meeting will be held on March 9th immediately following the 10:30am service. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the 2025 Church Budget & Committee Reports, and to approve the Terms of Call for Pastor Darren Bess.

FLOWERS

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 front office hallway by the double doors leading to the sanctuary. When you sign up, please take a form and turn it into the front office with all the information filled in. The cost for the flowers is \$60.

UP NEXT . . .

- Sun, 2/16 11:45am Deacon Meeting, Rm 301
- Mon, 2/17 All Day Office Closed—Presidents' Day
- Tues, 2/18 10am/7pm Bible Study—Gospel of John, Rm 301
- Thurs, 2/20 11am Communion Svc at Westminster WP
- Thurs, 2/20 11:30am Neighbors & Friends Luncheon, Fellowship Hall
- Fri, 2/21 6pm Fellowship Game Night, Fellowship Hall
- Tues, 2/25 10am/7pm Bible Study—Gospel of John, Rm 301
- Thurs, 2/27 7pm Session Meeting, Rm 301
- Fri, 2/28 6pm Bingo Night, Fellowship Hall

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. Please contact Dr. Darren Bess at 407-647-1467 or darrenb@winppc.org. 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/>.



Winter Park
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 16, 2025
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

The Session			The Diaconate		
2025	2026	2027	2025	2026	2027
Theresa Coker	Syd Davis	Maria Garton	Meg Baldwin	Ernestine Beattie	Cynthia Nants
Mary Ferguson	Betty Johnston	Brandon St. John	Anna Caparis	Sue Howard	Robert Nevill
Cathy House	Shaheed Mohammed	Carel Thompson	Lynne McKnight		
Glenn Riccio	Nelson Roe	Phyllis Woods	Debbie Pauzar		
Ron Thompson			Debby Roberts		
			Paula Smathers		

Local Outreach Supported by WPPC

Center for Women & Families, Coalition for Homeless of Central FL
 Christian Service Center | Health Care Center for Homeless
 Coalition for Homeless of Central FL—General (food prepared & served)
 IDignity | Parramore Kidz Zone
 SALT Outreach, Inc. (Serving and Love Together)

Missions Supported by WPPC

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

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. Dr. James A. Capps, Adult Ministry Coordinator
 Justin Chase, Director of Music
 Penny Walsh, Organist
 Sandra Shafer, Pianist
 Scott Beck, Director of Handbells
 Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant
 Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant
 Barbara Hordern, Administrative Assistant
 Valerie Beltrán, Children's Ministry Coordinator
 Nicole Fye, Director of Preschool Programs
 Adam Davies, Sexton



ORDER OF WORSHIP

* Please stand as you are able

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE • *Let All Things Now Living* - Cherwien(10:30)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
Whose confidence is in God.
They will be like a tree planted by the water,
Sending out roots by the stream.
This tree does not fear when heat comes;
Its leaves are green, its fruit endures.
So come, let us place our trust in God!
Let us live in blessed faith together!

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

**God of holy instruction, we thank You that throughout the generations,
You have taught us how to live. You do not leave us without guidance;
You show us the path to life and fruitfulness. Help us this day as we
gather again to delight in Your sacred gift of instruction. Grant us humility
of heart and softness of will, that we might live in the fullness of Your
blessing this day. Amen.**

* HYMN 816 • *If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee*

CALL TO CONFESSION

We wander and stray, but God continues to reach out to us with mercy
and love. Let us make our confession and receive God's welcome.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Sustaining God, You would have us be deeply rooted in You, finding
strength in Your word and nourishment in Your grace. More often,
though, we live as chaff, blown here and there by the winds of
circumstance. Forgive our lack of permanency and our failures to
hold fast to our commitments. Grow in us faith that we might be
firmly planted in Your promises, released from sin, and open to the
life You have shown us in Jesus Christ. Amen.**
(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The waters of grace refresh our lives and bring forth a new creation.
This is good news!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* RESPONSE • *Gloria Patri* (Hymnal 581)

THE BAPTISM OF:

☞ Alexander Christopher Jimenez Walker
☞ Annalise Marie Jimenez Walker
☞ Adrian Angel Jimenez Walker

STATEMENT OF BAPTISM

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

THE BAPTISM

PRAYER OF BLESSING

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE • *Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God* (Hymnal 423, verse 2)

**Cast me not away from Your presence;
cast me not away from Your presence;
cast me not away from Your presence
and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jonah 1
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 3:2
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"TURNING TO GOD" • The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess

* THE REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH - *Adapted from the Presbyterian Church Brief Statement of Faith*

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ, 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.**

COMMISSIONING OF JOHN GEHRIG & MATT STRAUB FOR CUBA TRIP

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Anthem of Gladness* - Martin (10:30)

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Doxology* (Hymnal 606)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION 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.**

* HYMN 852 • *When the Lord Redeems the Very Least*

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE • *Prelude and Fugue in d minor* - Bach (10:30)



☞ SERVING TODAY ☞

OFFICIATING MINISTER

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

LITURGISTS

Debby Roberts (8:15)
Jim Esch (10:30)

MUSICIANS

Penny Walsh, Piano (8:15)
Justin Chase, Director of Music (10:30)
Penny Walsh, Organ (10:30)

AUDIO/VISUAL

Carole Reece, Doug Reece, Nelson Roe & Carissa Taylor (10:30)

☞ WORSHIP MATTERS ☞

FLOWERS

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Jim Esch for all those
Valentine memories.

ANTHEM

I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" I was
glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" This is the
day the Lord has made. I will delight and be glad in it! This is a time designed for
praise! Let every heart reflect God's grace. I was glad when they said unto me
"Let us go into the house, go into the house, let us go into the house of the
Lord." Serve the Lord with gladness. Serve Him all your days. Come into His
presence with your songs of praise. Bring your glad thanksgiving. Bring your
joyful song. Bring your faithful service. Let your light, be strong! Lift your voices
now as one! Tell the world what God has done! Shout the news to every
nation! Go forth with joy, go with light. Go with grace for all creation! I was glad
when they said unto me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" O sing alleluia!
Let us go into the house of the Lord!" This is the day the Lord has made. I will
delight and be glad in it! This is a time designed for praise! Let every heart
reflect God's grace. I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go into the
house, go into the house, let us go into the house of the Lord!" Rejoice!
Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks and sing! Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks
and sing! O sing unto the Lord! O sing unto the Lord! Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice!

MUSIC

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WORSHIP AIDS

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the rear of the sanctuary.