

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.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING-TODAY

Our annual congregational meeting will be held today immediately following the 10:30am service. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the 2024 Church Budget & Committee Reports, to approve the Terms of Call for Pastor Darren Bess, and vote on change of By-Laws to have four Officers in each class instead of five.

CENTRAL FLORIDA SUNSHINE FLUTE CHOIR—TODAY AT 3PM

Join us this afternoon at 3pm for an afternoon of music by the Central Florida Sunshine Flute Choir. The program will include works by Rachmaninoff, Mendelssohn, and Hydn. There will be 23 flutes, including a six-foot high contra flute. A meet and greet reception will follow the concert.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday morning, March 30th from 9:30 - 11:00am. The event will include a light brunch for all, craft activities for the children, a special performance of the Easter Story, and the Easter egg hunt. We ask our congregation to support this by purchasing large empty plastic eggs and sweet or savory snacks (we respectfully request no chocolate) to fill the eggs. Baskets will be available to deposit the eggs and snacks.

EASTER LILIES

You may purchase Easter lilies, which will grace our sanctuary on Easter Sunday morning, in memory, in honor, or in appreciation of beloved family members or of people/events special to you. Cost is \$15 per lily, and the deadline for purchasing is March 25th. Forms are available both in the front office and in the narthex. The lilies will be yours to take after the 10:30 AM Easter service.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS TOGETHER (WNT)

WNT continues 3/13 with a special speaker for the 4:30 session. Iris Whittaker will be joining us and sharing her experiences as a Christian Clown. A few years ago she moved to our area but has a long history as a clown and many great stories about why clowns are so important these days. Please join us in Fellowship Hall for this fun program! Dinner will be a hot dog bar, coleslaw, chips and Texas sheet cake. Suggested donation is \$5. Our small group Bible study will continue their Lenten series for the 6:15 session. Please make reservations (407-647-1467) by Tuesday so our cooks can plan!

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

The Bereavement Group which began in January, has become an open-ended group which will begin meeting on Wednesday, March 20th at 4pm in room 303. All are welcome who want a friend to walk with on the journey of grief. The group will meet weekly. Come for as many weeks as you want. For more information call the church office at 407-647-1467.

NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS

Join us on Thursday, March 21st for our Neighbors and Friends monthly luncheon. We will meet in Fellowship Hall at 11:30am for a meal that will be catered on site. The cost of the meal is \$15 and will include choices of entrees and sides. Please RSVP (407-647-1467) by March 18th to the church office.

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RELATIONSHIPS IN ACTION—SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:15 AM IN ROOM 301

3/17: Denise Riccio-Parramore Kidz Zone

In her capacity as the Planning and Grants Manager for the Families, Parks and Recreation Department, Denise Riccio has been very involved with Orlando's Parramore Kidz Zone. She will update the class on the established programs and latest initiatives that make PKZ a valuable asset to the downtown community.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun, 3/10	3pm	Central FL Sunshine Flutes Concert (Sanctuary)
Mon, 3/11	6pm	Hannah Circle (Room 301)
Wed, 3/13	4:30pm	WNT (4:30-Class, 5:30-Dinner, 6:15-Class)
Wed, 3/20	4pm	Bereavement Group (Room 303)
Wed, 3/20	4:30pm	WNT (4:30-Class, 5:30-Dinner, 6:15-Class)
Thurs, 3/21	11:30am	Neighbors & Friends Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
Thurs, 3/21	7pm	Deacon Meeting
Thurs, 3/21	7pm	Session Meeting
Wed, 2/27	4pm	Bereavement Group (Room 303)
Thurs, 3/28	7pm	Maundy Thursday (Sanctuary)
Sat, 3/30	9:30am	Easter Egg Hunt (Fellowship Hall)
Sun, 3/31	7am	Sunrise Easter Service (Front Lawn)
Sun, 3/31	10:30am	Easter Service (Sanctuary)

The Session

2024	2025	2026
Mike Galyean	Theresa Coker	Syd Davis
John Gehrig	Mary Ferguson	Betty Johnston
Jayne Leach	Cathy House	Shaheed Mohammed
Audrey Santiago	Glenn Riccio	Nelson Roe
Sara Van Arsdel	Ron Thompson	

The Diaconate

2024	2025	2026
Lisa Dreasher	Meg Baldwin	Ernestine Beattie
Jerry Fitzgerald	Anna Caparis	Sue Howard
Nancy Galyean	Lynne McKnight	
Andy Riccio	Debbie Pauzar	
	Debby Roberts	

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

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, Senior 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
 Wendy Stafford, Health Care Coordinator
 Nicole Fye, Director of Preschool Programs
 Adam Davies, Sexton



Winter Park
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARCH 10, 2024



ORDER OF WORSHIP

* Please stand as you are able

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We enter into worship together, reflections of God's glory.

Inspired by God's presence, we gather to join in praise.

In joy, we lift our voices.

With adoration, we express our gratitude.

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

Guided by Your revelation, we are compelled to seek Your wisdom as we continue the Lenten journey. We are filled with awesome wonder that You would love us so, trust us so, and move within us. Now fill our spirits with hope, humility, and resolve, that we might do Your will in the world. Open our hearts to accept this call upon our lives. May our sacred service be pleasing in Your sight. Amen.

* HYMN 451 • *Open My Eyes That I May See*

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we keep silent, our sin will flourish, and we will groan all day long.

Therefore, let all who are faithful acknowledge our sin and hide our transgression no more. In faith and with courage let us confess our sin to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we keep silent when we should speak. We see iniquity and the injustices of the world, yet we are content not to call them out. We withhold kind words, yet are quick to speak in judgment. Forgive us, O God. Direct the way we should go and help us to use our voices to spread Your grace and truth. Amen.

(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Happy are those whose sin is forgiven. Be glad and rejoice, for in Christ, we are a new creation.

Thanks be to God! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* RESPONSE • *Hear the Good News of Salvation* (Hymnal 441, Verse 1)

Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love.

Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.

Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!

How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE • *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* (Hymnal 438, Verse 4)

While I draw this fleeting breath, when my eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Numbers 21:4-9

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 3:1-17

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

SERMON

"THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE" • The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess

* THE REAFFIRMATION 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 *O Sacred Head Now Wounded* (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 362 • *Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers*

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

✠ SERVING TODAY ✠

OFFICIATING MINISTER: The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor

LITURGISTS: Jim Esch (8:15)
Gary Henderson (10:30)

MUSICIANS: Sandra Shafer, Piano (8:15)
Justin Chase, Director of Music (10:30)
Carla Edwards, Organ (10:30)
Scott Beck, Director of WPPC Handbells (10:30)

AUDIO/VISUAL: Carole Reece, Doug Reece, Nelson Roe & Carissa Taylor

✠ WORSHIP MATTERS ✠

MUSIC

Our CCLI License number is 11184426; OneLicense.net number is 725233; Our CVLI License number is 505405959.

WORSHIP AIDS

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

✠ 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.

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