

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.

RECEPTION FOR PASTOR DARREN & CAROL BESS

Sunday, March 30, will be an important day for all of us here at WPPC. Pastor Darren will be in the pulpit here for the last time. Following the 10:30am service there will be a reception in Fellowship Hall for him, Carol and their family. Please join us as we celebrate their time here and wish them well. If you would like to participate in a Love Offering for Pastor Darren, you can leave it in the offering plate or the front office (please make sure "Love Offering" is on your check).

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

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

NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS

Come and join us this Thursday, March 20, to celebrate our partnership and mission outreach with our Cuban brothers and sisters. John Gehrig will present the program from his recent trip to Central Cuba. This trip continues the tradition of showing solidarity with our Cuban friends. Many of you may have contributed medical or craft supplies for this trip, so come and learn about the mission outreach. We will meet in Fellowship Hall at 11:30am for a catered meal. The cost is \$15 and reservations can be made by calling the church office (407-647-1467) or signing up in the front hall. Reservations must be made by Monday, March 17. As always, you are welcome to bring your own meal or just come for the program.

EASTER EGG HUNT

This beloved event will be held on Saturday morning, April 19 from 10-11:30am. Families are encouraged to gather in the sanctuary for a short Easter program that will begin promptly at 10am followed by a light brunch for all, craft activities for the children and of course, the Easter Egg Hunt for youngsters through age 8. We ask our congregation to support this outreach by purchasing large empty plastic eggs as well as individually wrapped sweet or savory snacks (we respectfully request no chocolate) to fill the eggs. Eggs and treats can be left in baskets located in the front office and fellowship hall.

UP NEXT . . .

- Sun, 3/16 11:45am Deacon Meeting, Rm 301
- Tues, 3/18 10am/7pm Bible Study—Gospel of John, Rm 301
- Thurs, 3/20 11am Communion Service at Westminster WP
- Thurs, 3/20 11:30am Neighbors & Friends, Fellowship Hall
- Tues, 3/25 10am/7pm Bible Study—Gospel of John, Rm 301
- Thurs, 3/27 7pm Session Meeting, Rm 301
- Sun, 3/30 11:30am Reception for Pastor Darren & Family

NOTES



Winter Park
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARCH 16, 2025



SECOND SUNDAY
in
LENT

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			Debbie 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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is our light,
light no darkness can overcome.
Jesus Christ is our salvation.
Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

Holy God, though we continue to stumble, You have made us citizens of heaven. Through Christ You have claimed us and transformed us by Your glory. How wonderful You are, O God! By the power of Your Spirit, empower us to steadfast faithfulness as Your beloved children. Amen.

* HYMN 49 • *The God of Abraham Praise*

CALL TO CONFESSION

From generation to generation, God has extended mercy and love.
Trusting in God's faithfulness, let us make our confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, You have formed a covenant with us, committing Yourself to us and inviting us to walk with You. Yet we have resisted, seeking other companions, going in different ways, thinking that we know best. Now we find ourselves far from life, further still from You. Have mercy on our waywardness. Help us find our way back. Give us faith so that we can hold the hand You have extended to us in Jesus Christ. Amen.
(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

From generation to generation, God's love overcomes human sinfulness. God is committed to fresh starts and new creations. This is good news!
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 • *Sign Us with Ashes* (Hymnal 433, refrain)

**Sign us with ashes, merciful God,
children of dust, as to dust we return.
Sign us with ashes, merciful God.
Mark us and make us your own.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jonah 3
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"JONAH PART 3" • 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.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *God So Loved the World* - Larson (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 223 • *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

✠ SERVING TODAY ✠

OFFICIATING MINISTER

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

LITURGISTS

Glenn Riccio (8:15)
Meg Baldwin (10:30)

MUSICIANS

Sandra Shafer, Piano (8:15)
Justin Chase, Director of Music (10:30)
Lynn Peghiny Mells, Piano (10:30)

AUDIO/VISUAL

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

✠ WORSHIP MATTERS ✠

ANTHEM TEXT

God so loved the world that He gave His only Son that all who believe in Him should not perish, should not perish. God so loved the world, God so loved the world that He gave His Son, His one and only Son. God so loved the world that He gave His only Son that all who believe in Him should not perish, should not perish. God so loved the world, God so loved the world that He gave His Son, His one and only Son. God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world, God sent not His Son into the world to condemn world, but to save the world, and grant eternal life. God so loved the world that He gave His only Son that all who believe in Him should not perish, should not perish. God so loved the world, God so loved the world that He gave His Son, His one and only Son. God so loved the world.

MUSIC

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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.

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/>.