

ORDER OF WORSHIP
* Please stand as you are able
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
PRELUDE • <i>Steal Away</i> - Kim (10:30)
* CALL TO WORSHIP
We come to sanctify ourselves.
We come seeking to be worthy of our call.
The Lord looks not at our outward selves,
but seeks to know what is in our hearts.
Let us learn what is pleasing to the Lord,
that we might live as children of the Most High.
* PRAYER OF ADORATION
Faithful God, we profess that You are the light of the world. Empower us through our worship of You today, that we may live as children of the light and be faithful witnesses to Your love in the world. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
* HYMN 377 (GTG Hymnal) • <i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>
CALL TO CONFESSION
How do we know when our actions are right? When the fruits of our labors are good and true. Christ is the light that exposes all we keep hidden, while offering us healing and renewal. Therefore, let us pray.
PRAYER OF CONFESSION
God of compassion and mercy, we sometimes fail to see what You are doing in the world. We want You to act in ways we predict, but we forget: You do what is good, not what is expected. Forgive us when we do not recognize Your miracles. Forgive us when we doubt the wisdom of Your actions. Most of all, forgive us when we do not respond to Your call, ignoring what we need to do to show the world Your love and grace. Amen.
<i>(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)</i>
ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Jesus restores our souls and leads us in right paths for His name’s sake.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives, and we will dwell in the house of the Lord our whole lives long.
* RESPONSE • <i>I Love to Tell the Story</i> (GTG Hymnal 462, refrain only)
I love to tell the story; ‘twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

PASTORAL PRAYER
RESPONSE • <i>There Is a Redeemer</i> (GTG Hymnal 443, verse 1)
There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son;
precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank you, O my Father, forgiving us Your Son, and
leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.
OLD TESTAMENT READING
Genesis 12:1-5
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.
NEW TESTAMENT READING
Matthew 9:9-13
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.
SERMON
“Matthew” • The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess
* THE REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH - <i>Adapted from the Presbyterian Church Brief Statement of Faith</i>
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 <i>City Called Heaven</i> - arr. Poelinitz (10:30)
* OFFERTORY RESPONSE <i>Doxology</i> (GTG 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 (GTG HYMNAL) • <i>Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers</i>
THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE • <i>Psalms XX</i> - Marcello (10:30)

⌘ SERVING TODAY ⌘

OFFICIATING MINISTER:	The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor
LITURGIST:	Jim Esch (8:15) John Gehrig (10:30)
MUSICIANS:	Sandra Shafer, 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

⌘ WORSHIP MATTERS ⌘
ANTHEM TEXT
I am a pilgrim of sorrow, I’m left in this wide world alone. Ain’t got no hope for tomorrow. Trying to make heaven my home. Sometimes I’m tossed and I’m driven, Lord. Sometimes I just don’t know which way to turn. I heard of a city called heaven. Trying to make heaven my home.

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.

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/ .

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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.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS TOGETHER (WNT)

Wednesday Nights Together continues this week. Sara Van Arsdel will present *5 Wishes* for the program. Dinner will be subs, chips, pickles and Texas sheet cake. Meal donation is \$5. Please RSVP to the office (barbarah@winppc.org or 407-647-1467) by Monday at 5:00 PM, and please let them know if you request gluten free or vegetarian options.

The final Wednesday Night Together will be March 29th. We are having an old-fashioned potluck dinner. Bring your favorite dish to share. Pastor Darren will be giving the program. There is no charge but please RSVP so we have an idea of table number and drinks. Thank you to all who have supported the return of this event! Have a suggestion for our next series in the fall? Please share with Lisa Dreasher or any member of Christian Education.

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 April 3rd. 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.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The WPPC annual Easter Egg Hunt until will take place on Saturday, April 8th from 9:30 - 11:00 AM. All children and preschool children are invited, along with their parents and grandparents. The activities will begin with a light brunch for all, craft activities will be available for the children, the Easter story will be told, and it will conclude with the gathering of the Easter eggs. Not only is this a wonderful gathering for our children, but is a great time for parents and grandparents to have fellowship time around the table. We are asking for members of the congregation to bring in plastic eggs (medium & large size), and candy. The candy should be individually wrapped and we request no chocolate or gum. Eggs and candy can be deposited in marked tubs or left in the front office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Christian Education is busy making plans for Vacation Bible School. The dates are being confirmed, and we will keep you posted! If you are interested in volunteering, please let Lisa Dreasher know at lisa.dreasher@gmail.com.

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP

We are asking for families or small groups to “host” a couple Sundays each year. All supplies are provided, including donuts. You would make the coffee prior to the service, be there to serve after the 10:30 service, and then provide basic cleanup. There will be written instructions for the coffee pots in the kitchen. Please click on the link below to look at the available Sundays. Thank you so much!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C49A8A92FA1F49-fellowship>

Questions? You can email Lisa Dreasher (lisa.dreasher@gmail.com) or Syd Davis (susieydavis@gmail.com) or catch us after church. There is also a paper sign-up available.

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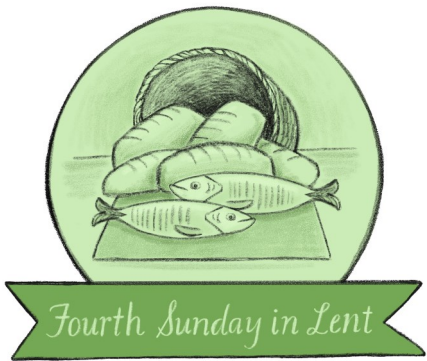
GREETERS NEEDED

We have a real need for greeters for the 10:30 AM worship service to welcome our members and visitors as they arrive at the front entrance (portico). Greeters are requested to be “on duty” from 10-10:30 AM. If you would like to volunteer for this (even if it’s for one Sunday a month) please email Deanna Spangler at dmspangler@cfl.rr.com or call the church office at 407-647-1467.

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

3/26: Anne Hallum—AIR

Ann Hallum, Founding President of the Alliance for International Reforestation, will update us on AIR’s ongoing work in Guatemala. To date, AIR has planted over 7 million trees, built 880 fuel-efficient stoves and trained 5,000 farm families in agroforestry. Come and find out if you are an aspirant for a mission trip to aid AIR.



The Session		
2023	2024	2025
Syd Davis	Mike Galyean	Theresa Coker
Fred Kittinger	John Gehrig	Mary Ferguson
Malcolm MacDiarmid	Jayne Leach	Cathy House
Jim McKinney	Audrey Santiago	Glenn Riccio
Dawn Sumrall	Sara Van Arsdel	Ron Thompson

The Diaconate		
2023	2024	2025
Ron Ellman	Lisa Dreasher	Meg Baldwin
Betty Johnston	Jerry Fitzgerald	Anna Caparis
Sevilla Morse	Nancy Galyean	Lynne McKnight
Cynthia Nants	Andy Riccio	Debbie Pazuar
Jyme Smith		Debby Roberts

Missions Supported by WPPC

Audrey Santiago, *Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation*, Ukraine
Dr. Robert Gamble, *This Child Here*, Ukraine
Dennis & Susan Walters, *SLI*, 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	Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant
Justin Chase, Director of Music	Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant
Penny Walsh, Organist	Barbara Hordern, Administrative Assistant
Sandra Shafer, Pianist	Tricia Wilson, Director of Preschool Programs



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