ORDER OF WORSHIP

* Please stand as you are able

"The heaviest of burdens crushes us, we sink beneath it, it pins us to the ground.... The heaviest of burdens is therefore simultaneously an image of life's most intense fulfillment.

The heavier the burden, the closer our lives come to the earth, the more real and truthful they become."

Milan Kundera, The Unbearable Lightness of Being

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE • Be Still, My Soul - Finlandia (10:30)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Thirsty, our hearts crave living water.

Hungry, our souls ache to be satisfied.

Weary, our minds are tired by thoughts

that do not come from God.

Thirsty, hungry, and weary,

let us worship the God of love.

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

Creator of all, Sustainer of all, Savior of all, Your glory and majesty are beyond our understanding, Your power too awesome to behold. Still, Your love enfolds us as a gentle breeze. Savior of all, Sustainer of all, Creator of all, We bless Your holy name. Amen.

* HYMN 84 • In the Cross of Christ I Glory

CALL TO CONFESSION

When the time comes to repent, let us not accuse our neighbor, but face the truth within us, and not to belittle or shame, but to seek grace, that we can turn our lives around with God's help.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, though You lovingly tend us, we have not put forth the good fruits of Your Spirit. Our consumption poisons the earth. Our violence threatens our neighbors. Our greed exploits the poor. We must seem a waste of time, but don't give up on us yet, O God. In Your power to abundantly pardon, forgive us for the sake of Christ, and imbue us with love, peace, goodness, and faithfulness. Amen.

(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Incline your ear and listen, so that you may live! God makes with us an everlasting covenant, the sure, steadfast love known to Moses, David, and the ancestors and revealed in Jesus upon the cross. Trust in the good news.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* RESPONSE • I've Got Peace Like a River (Hymnal 368, Verse 3)

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE • O Lamb of God Most Holy! (Hymnal 82, Verse 1)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ecclesiastes 3:1-9

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

I Corinthians 13:1-13

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"IN A TIME OF WAR" • Dr. Robert Gamble

*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 Dust I Am - Mark Miller (10:30)

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE Doxology

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 282 • If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE • Ukrainian National Anthem - Traditional (10:30)

⊗ SERVING TODAY 𝐼

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

GUEST PREACHER: Dr. Robert Gamble

LITURGIST: Nancy Galyean (10:30)

MUSICIANS: Justin Chase, Director of Music (10:30)

Penny Walsh, Piano (8:15) / Organ (10:30) WPPC Ringers: Ardyth Austin, Carol Bess,

Lynne McKnight, Cynthia Nants, Bethanne Seel,

Griffin Seel, Larry Seel, Meg Thomas, Annette Weidner.

Dana Irwin, Director (10:30)

AUDIO/VISUAL: Carole Reece, Doug Reece, and Nelson Roe (10:30)

WORSHIP MATTERS

FLOWERS

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Jim McKinney in loving memory of his dear wife, Betty.

ANTHEM TEXT

Dust I am, to dust I shall return, have mercy, O Lord. Renew my spirit God, in Your presence, keep me safe, according to Your love; teach me wisdom, God, deep within my heart, according to Your love. Wash me in Your truth, speak to me of joy, according to Your love. Pull me from the depths, restore to me Your light, according to Your love.

Music

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

Worship Aids

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

EXECUTION INFORMATION (3)

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 Dr. Darren Bess at darrenb@winppc.org or 407-647-1467 x 103. 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.

Welcome Dr. Robert Gamble

Today we welcome to the pulpit Dr. Robert Gamble, Executive Director of *This Child Here*. Please join us following the 10:30 AM service for a reception in Fellowship Hall.

This Child Here is a registered non-profit and validated ministry in the Presbyterian Church USA at work in the country of Ukraine. Currently, they are focused on aid for refugees and supplies for those who have decided to stay in their cities and homes. Over the past 15 years, their people have run programs for street kids and children in orphanages. They have trained foster parents, offered camps for families displaced by the war, taught peacemaking techniques to teens, and led group therapy for the children of soldiers. They are already looking ahead to programs they will design to help people cope with life following the end of this conflict. http://www.thischildhere.org

Robert Gamble is a graduate of the US Coast Guard Academy, and served five years as an officer. He graduated from Columbia Seminary in Atlanta, GA and Princeton Seminary, Princeton NJ. He has served churches in Florida, Georgia, New Jersey, New Mexico, Western Maryland and Tennessee. He began to work in Peacemaking in the 1980's during the conflict in Central America, chairing the Peacemaking Committee of Memphis Presbytery, traveling to Nicaragua and helping coordinate Peacemaking Conferences in Montreat NC. He has been at work in Ukraine with *This Child Here* since 2006.

Special Offering for Relief for Those Fleeing Violence in Ukraine—March 27th In light of the disastrous situation unfolding in Ukraine, the Compassion Committee of WPPC has received Session approval to hold a Special Offering to accept your donations for this most worthy cause. This special offering will be taken on next Sunday, March 27. Please make your donation payable to:

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), PO Box 743700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264 with "DR000156-Ukraine" on the memo line.

Thank you to all who are able to participate in this Special Offering.

Donations can also be sent directly to:

Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation, Inc. (founded by WPPC long-time member Audrey Ball Santiago), 3530 Diamond Leaf Lane, Oviedo, FL 32766.

This Child Here (founded by former Assoc. Pastor at WPPC, Rev. Dr. Robert Gamble), P.O. Box 2531, Ormond Beach, FL 32175.

Faster 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 12th. 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.

TNT Continues

Join us this Tuesday, March 22 at 5:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. This week we will be serving pizza for dinner. If you would like to enjoy pizza with us, please RSVP to the church office by Tuesday at noon. Pastor Darren will conclude his discussion based class featuring the book *Why Jesus* written by David Nasser dealing with faith, culture, and the uniqueness found in Jesus Christ.

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Easter Egg Hunt

Community Life seeks your help once again in providing candy for the April 16th Egg Hunt! Your generosity in the past has contributed to making this a successful, much-anticipated event that celebrates the Easter holiday! No chocolate, please, except M&Ms, because the Florida sun can be brutal and cause enormous messes! All candies should be delivered to the church front office by April 3rd. Candies should be individually wrapped or packaged. Community Life thanks you in advance!

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

March 27 - Odessa, Ukraine: Faith, Homes, and Love

Audrey Santiago, WPPC member and director of Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation, will provide an update on the work of the organization that she established in Odessa, Ukraine. The goal of the foundation is to help newly emancipated orphans as they navigate the challenges associated with their independence. She will discuss how recent developments in that region have impacted the work of the organization and its staff.

The Session				
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Theresa Coker	Syd Davis	Mike Galyean		
Bonnie Gaughan	Fred Kittinger	John Gehrig		
Fran Morrissey	Malcolm MacDiarmid	Jayne Leach		
Michelle Trahan	Jim McKinney	Audrey Santiago		
Jay Van Hook	Dawn Sumrall	Sara Van Arsdel		

The Diaconate				
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