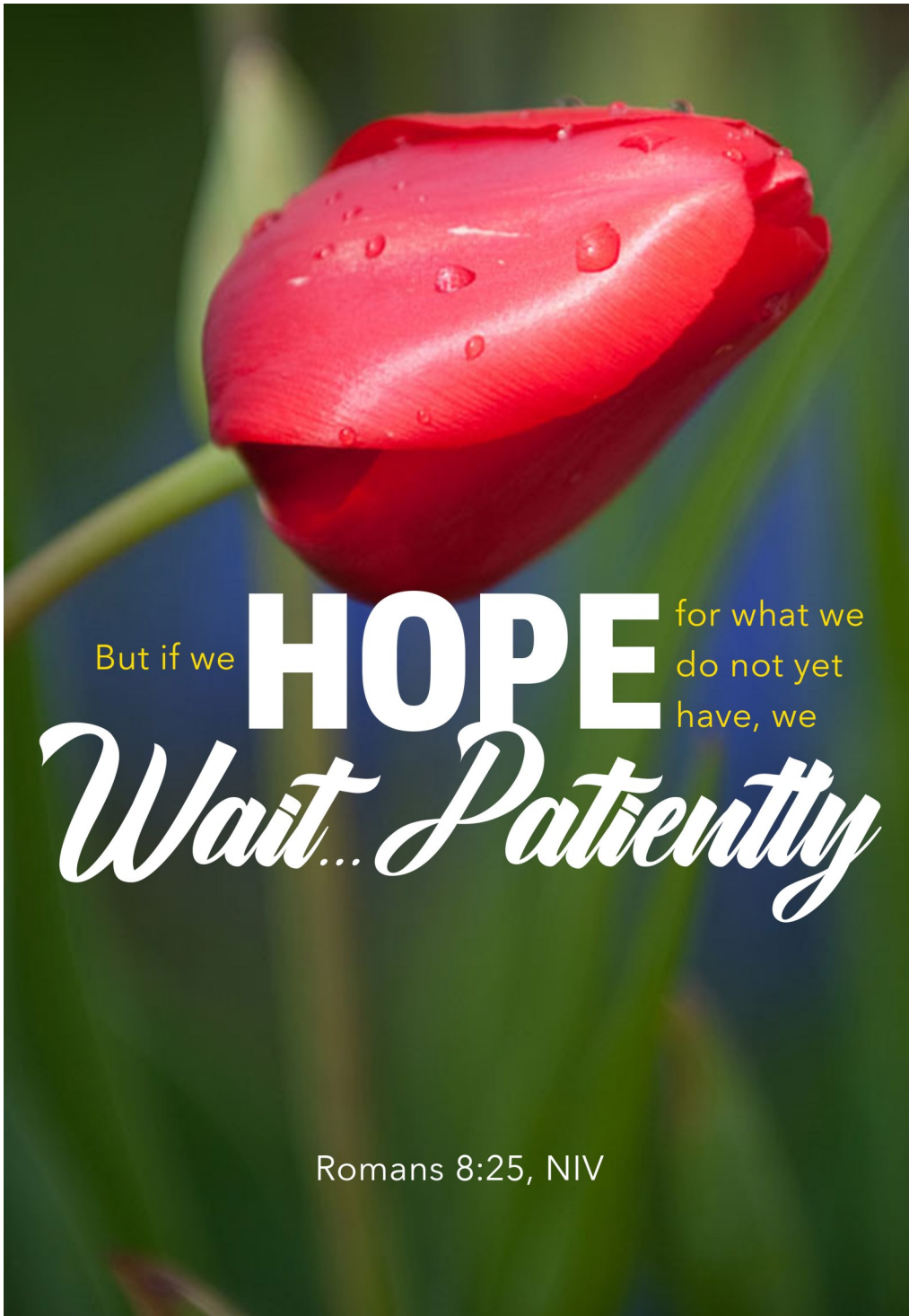




Winter Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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But if we

**HOPE**

for what we  
do not yet  
have, we

*Wait... Patiently*

Romans 8:25, NIV

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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### MEDITATIVE THOUGHT:

“Waiting on God requires the willingness to bear uncertainty, to carry within oneself the unanswered question, lifting the heart to God about it whenever it intrudes upon one's thoughts.”  
- Elizabeth Elliot

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE • *There is a Balm in Gilead* - arr. Wissinger

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP—Exodus 15:1, 2a, 11

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord: “I will sing to the Lord, for He is highly exalted.

**The Lord is my strength and my defense; He has become my salvation.**

He is my God, and I will praise Him, my father's God, and I will exalt Him.

**Who among the gods is like You, Lord? Who is like You— majestic in holiness, awesome in glory, working wonders?”**

There is none other.

**Let us worship God!**

### \* PRAYER OF ADORATION

**My Lord and Creator, Your goodness encourages me to converse with You. Your mercy abolishes the chasm which separates the Creator from the creature. To converse with You, O Lord, is the delight of my heart. Lord, in Your presence, I find everything that my heart could desire. Here, Your light illumines my mind, enabling it to know You more and more deeply. Here, streams of graces flow down upon my heart. Here, my soul draws eternal life. Thank You, I long to worship, Amen.**

### \* HYMN 147 • *Blessing and Honor*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

When the Lord comes, He will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Therefore, in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty Father; we enter Your presence confessing the things we try to conceal from You and the things we try to conceal from others. We confess the heartbreak, worry, and sorrow we have caused, that make it difficult for others to forgive us. We admit to the times we have made it easy for others to do wrong and for the harm we have done. We confess it's so bad, that sometimes it is hard for us to forgive even ourselves. Lord, have mercy. Remind us that indeed we are forgiven, because of Your love expressed to us through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

- Adapted from Paul E. Engle, *Baker's Worship Handbook*, Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 1998

*(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON—Ephesians 1:3, 7-8a

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us.

\* RESPONSE • ***Gloria Patri***

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (*Children, parents, and other adults may remain seated in their pews.*)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 16:1-6

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 8:18-26

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

RESPONSE • ***O Savior, in This Quiet Place***

**O Savior, in this quiet place,  
where anyone may kneel,  
I also come to ask for grace,  
believing You can heal.**

SERMON

"Sarah" • 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      *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* - arr. A. K. Organ

\* OFFERTORY RESPONSE      Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION & THE LORDS 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 • ***Standing on the Promises***

Standing on the promises of Christ my king,  
through eternal ages let his praises ring;  
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,  
standing on the promises of God.

Refrain:

Standing, standing,  
standing on the promises of God my Savior;  
standing, standing,  
I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail,  
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,  
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,  
standing on the promises of God. (Refrain)

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,  
bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,  
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,  
standing on the promises of God. (Refrain)

Standing on the promises I cannot fall,  
listening every moment to the Spirit's call,  
resting in my Savior as my all in all,  
standing on the promises of God. (Refrain)

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE • *Menuet Gothique* - Boellmann

**☞ SERVING TODAY ☞**

**OFFICIATING MINISTER**

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

**ASSISTING MINISTER**

The Rev. Emily Wasser

**LITURGIST**

Phyllis Woods

**MUSICIANS**

Director of Music: Justin Chase

Organist: Penny Walsh

Handbell Quartet: Ardyth Austin, Lynne McKnight,  
Cynthia Nants, Annette Weidner

**AUDIO/VISUAL**

Carole Reece, Doug Reece, Nelson Roe

**☞ WORSHIP MATTERS ☞**

**FLOWERS**

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by  
Bob & Tracy White in honor of their parents.

**MUSIC**

Our CCLI License number is 11184426, and our OneLicense.net number is 725233.

**☞ ANNOUNCEMENTS ☞**

**Welcome**

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today! We will continue to offer our worship services online. Sermons can be found at [www.winppc.org/sermons](http://www.winppc.org/sermons).

**RIP Medical Debt**

*RIP Medical Debt* empowers donors to forgive billions in oppressive medical debt. To date they have forgiven nearly 5 billion dollars for 2.8 million Americans and their families. It is now our time to try and help our neighbors by relieving medical debt in Orange and Seminole counties. Donations can be made by check payable to RIP Medical Debt with a note on the memo line that the check is for the Winter Park Presbyterian Church Campaign. Checks may be dropped in the collection plate, given to Carolyn in the church office or mailed to RIP Medical Debt at 80 Theodore Fremd Avenue, Rye, New York 10580. We also have the following Crowdfunding page where you can make a donation directly on line.

<https://ripmedicaldebt.org/campaign/orange-and-seminole-county-florida/>

**Elder & Deacon Nominations**

If you are interested in serving our church as an Elder or Deacon, please contact the church office, Lisa Dreasher ([lisa.dreasher@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.dreasher@gmail.com)), or Jay Van Hook ([vanhookjay90@gmail.com](mailto:vanhookjay90@gmail.com)).

## Worship Aids

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

## 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](mailto: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/>.

## Transportation for Church Events

If you are in need of transportation to a church event, please contact the church office at least 24 hours in advance, and every effort will be made to accommodate your need.

<i>The Session</i>			<i>The Diaconate</i>		
<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Phillip Anderson III	Theresa Coker	Syd Davis	Mike Galyean	Susan Davis	Ron Ellman
Lisa Dreasher	Bonnie Gaughan	Fred Kittinger	Reta Jackson	Jane Munns	Betty Johnston
Jayne Leach	Fran Morrissey	Malcolm MacDiarmid	Julie Kent	Rachel Myers	Sevilla Morse
Shaheed Mohammed	Michelle Trahan	Jim McKinney	Curtis Koon	Christine Rich	Cynthia Nants
Nelson Roe	Jay Van Hook	Dawn Sumrall	Sara Van Arsdel	Dennis Schmalstig	Jyme Smith
			Jeanne Vinci	Meg Ball Thomas	

### *Missions Supported by WPPC*

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

### PC(USA) World Missions

Rev. Gordon & Dorothy Gartrell, Brazil  
Mark Hare & Jenny Bent, Costa Rica  
Dan & Elizabeth Turk, Madagascar

### *Staff*

The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor  
The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor  
Justin Chase, Director of Music  
Penny Walsh, Organist  
Susan Davis, Director of Handbells & Children's Music

Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant  
Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant  
Barbara Hordern, Administrative Assistant  
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