

ORDER OF WORSHIP

* Please stand as you are able

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We observe this day as the Lord's Day, giving thanks to God,
Who gives justice to the oppressed,
Who forgives us and redeems us,
and crowns us with steadfast love and mercy.
Let us worship the One who is worthy of our praise!

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

God of grace and mercy, we are grateful for Your everlasting love.
Cleanse us from the things that separate us from You, that we may
fully live out Your ways in the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen

* HYMN 342 • *Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor*

CALL TO CONFESSION

We are not here to pass judgment on each other: all of us have sinned
and fallen short of the glory of God. Therefore, let us go before God as
we offer our confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Judge, we admit we have double standards. We seek forgiveness
for ourselves, but fail to forgive others. We seek relief for ourselves,
but fail to seek relief for others. We seek leniency for ourselves, but
fail to show that mercy to others. Forgive us, mighty God, and help us
to forgive, showing others the same grace and mercy that You have
generously shown to us. Amen.
(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

People of God, hear and believe: God does not deal with us according to
our sins, but according to God's own steadfast love for us.
As far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our sins from us.
Thanks be to God!

* RESPONSE • *Gloria Patri* (Hymnal 581)

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE • *Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God* (Hymnal 423, verse 1)

Create in me a clean heart, O God;
create in me a clean heart, O God;
create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Nehemiah 1:1-4
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 4:14-30
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Today" • 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 *Heavenly Light* - Kopylow/arr. Wilhousky (10:30)

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Doxology* (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 545 • *Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace*

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

☞ SERVING TODAY ☞

OFFICIATING MINISTER: The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess

LITURGIST: Glenn Riccio (8:15)
Dawn Sumrall (10:30)

MUSICIANS: Sandra Shafer, Piano (8:15)
Justin Chase, Director of Music (10:30)
Julie Lushetsky, Organ (10:30)

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

☞ WORSHIP MATTERS ☞

ANTHEM TEXT

Sent from heaven, thy rays were given on great and small to shine, O Light
Divine! May each soul in sorrow's night see the heavenly light! Thou blessing
to all creation, lead us to our salvation! All those whose feet may falter, lead
unto the sacred altar! Oh, shine from above, Divine Light of love! Show us the
way unto our God, we pray! Thou our beacon and guide shalt be! Light Divine,
we praise Thee!

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/>.

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.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS TOGETHER (WNT)

➤Wednesday, September 20th is our official kickoff for our Fall Wednesday Night Together Series. Our first session will start at 4:30. Frank Jamison will be speaking about a trip to the Holy Land that he and Wendy took. This program will be in Room 301.

➤Our first dinner is a Potluck! Please bring a dish to share and join us for some fellowship! Please RSVP to the church office (407-647-1467) so we can set up the right number of tables. Dishes can be dropped in Fellowship Hall before the first session.

➤Following dinner, small group discussions will begin in the CE Building Parlor. The groups will be led by Marilyn Bryant, Dennis Salmon, and Jim Capps. We can't wait to see everybody!

RAISE SOME DOUGH!

If you can't make it to WNT this Wednesday, September 20th, stop by Blaze Pizza (501 N Orlando Ave., Winter Park) from 4-8pm and support the Preschool with a special fundraising event. Mention that you are supporting the Winter Park Presbyterian Preschool Fundraiser and they will donate 25% of the proceeds from your meal back to WPPP. You can also use promo code 1189 A when ordering online. Thank you!

GLOBAL CHRISTMAS MARKET | 11/4, 9AM-1PM & 11/5, 11:30AM-12:30PM

You have the opportunity to pre-order three products: Equal Exchange Coffee, etc., Women's Bean Project (simple food mixes, etc.), and Olive Oil. The payment system has changed from pre-pay to payment at pick-up on Market days: Saturday, November 4th and Sunday, November 5th. Pre-order forms are available in the Narthex. Please get orders in before Friday, October 6th so we know how much product to order. Thank you! For more information about the Global Christmas Market, go to www.winppc.org/global-christmas-market/.

CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Please complete a nomination form and place it in the offering plate or return it to the front office. Forms are available in the narthex and in the front office.

RIP MEDICAL DEBT

All Saints Episcopal Church, First Congregational Church, and Winter Park Presbyterian Church have launched a fundraising campaign with *RIP Medical Debt*. We are all dedicated to following Christ's teachings by helping our neighbors in need. RIP Medical Debt empowers us to forgive millions in debt for our neighbors in Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties. For every \$100 donated \$10,000 in debt is relieved. Please take a few minutes to look over their website - <http://ripmedicaldebt.org>. While you are on their website you can look at our Campaign page "Three Churches Debt Relief Campaign". Please make your check payable to RIP Medical Debt and put "3 Churches Campaign" on the memo line.

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

September 24th - July Mission Trip to Peru

Join Barbara Sayles, group leader to Peru, for an opportunity to learn about our mission trip to visit Kusi, a home for abandoned boys in the northern Andes. Marty and Paul Clark began this mission over twenty-five years ago when they saw a need for these very young abandoned "street boys" in Lima. Our church has supported them on countless mission trips over the years. Those who have participated in these trips in the past will be amazed at what they have accomplished. Barbara and Fran Morrissey, participants, will share their experience on the life these young boys now have at Kusi.

NOTES



Winter Park
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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 Pauzar
Jyme Smith		Debby Roberts

Missions Supported by WPPC
Audrey Santiago, <i>Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation</i> , Ukraine
Dr. Robert Gamble, <i>This Child Here</i> , Ukraine
Dennis & Susan Walters, <i>SL</i> , Asia
Steve & Sonia Dettweiler, <i>Wycliffe</i> , Nigeria
Dr. Anne Hallum, <i>A.I.R. (Alliance for Reforestation)</i> , 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
Nicole Fye, Director of Preschool Programs
Anthony Gileno, Sexton