



Welcome to  
First Presbyterian Church  
of Ocala



PEACEMAKERS WHO GOD PERSECUTED KINGDOM  
WILL BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS OF HEAVEN  
IN SPIRIT THEIRS KINGDOM OF HEAVEN MEEK THE EARTH HUNGER  
IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN WILL INHERIT THE EARTH HUNGER  
BLESSED ARE...  
DO NOT MOURN COMFORTED FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS  
FOR THEY WILL BE FOR WILL BE  
MERCIFUL WILL BE SHOWN PURE HEART THEY WILL SEED  
MERCY PURE HEART THEY WILL SEED  
THEY WILL SEED

November 5, 2017

**This Morning's Sermon**

**"The Beattitudes"**

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**160 YEARS IN THE HEART OF DOWNTOWN OCALA**

# TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

COMMITMENT SUNDAY

November 5, 2017

8:15 and 11:00 a.m.

## We Gather with Others in God's House

The Welcome and Announcements

The Minute for Mission

Stewardship, Kent Adams and John Brawner

The Ritual of Friendship

*(Please greet your neighbors in worship today with the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.)*

## We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

The Chiming of the Hour

The Prelude

*Ave Verum*

W. A. Mozart

The Introit

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

Henry van Dyke,  
Ludwig van Beethoven,  
arr. Donald Moore

The Call to Worship

Psalm 107

We give you thanks, O Lord, for you are good; your steadfast love endures forever.

**We have cried to you in times of trouble; you delivered us from our distress.**

We thank you, O Lord, for your steadfast love; your wonderful works abound about us.

**You know of our needs before we utter your name; you indeed are to be praised!**

Let us worship God!

## We Give Praise and Adoration to God

\*The Hymn of Praise

*We Praise You, O God*

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\*Prayer of Praise and

\*The Lord's Prayer (*Unison*)

**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.**

\*The Gloria Patri

*Glory Be to the Father*

#581

**Glory be to the father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

The Call to Confession

The Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

**You bring justice upon us and give us compassion, have mercy upon us as we make our confession. So often what we preach is not what we practice. We ourselves do not bear the burdens we impose on others. We expect commendation for our acts of benevolence; we like others to see us and how well we behave. Titles and honors are worn with pride, sometimes with envy, when others about us seem to be getting ahead. O God, forgive our craving to be exalted; help us to be humble in the knowledge that we live by grace alone.**

*(Moments of silence for personal reflection.)*

**\*If able, please stand.**

The Assurance of Pardon

The Anthem

**When We Look Into the Wine**

David Lantz III

*I look into the cup when the wine is poured, and see reflecting back the image of my Lord; the likeness of a king bowing down to serve. Lord, I am humble as your passion I observe. Christ, grant us mercy, Christ, give us grace. Help us in purity look on your face. Forgive us our sins as we come to dine and see only you when we look into the wine. As you look into the cup, search within your heart, to see if Christ is Lord of every hidden part. Confess your secret sins; he will make you clean. Yield to him your soul until his image can be seen. Christ, grant us mercy. Christ, give us grace. Help us in purity look on your face. Forgive us our sins as we come to dine and see only you when we look into the wine. Think of you when we look into this wine.*

The Prayers of the People

The Call to Offering

The Offertory

**Just As I am**

R. Lau

\*The Doxology

**Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him, above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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**We Hear God's Word Proclaimed**

The Scripture Lesson

Revelation 7:9-17 (N.T. Page 249)

The Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5:1-12 (N.T. Page 4)

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

The Communion Meditation

"The Beatitudes"

Dr. Ron Watson

The Communion Hymn

**Taste and See**

#520

**Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

(Please hold the bread and the cup until all have been served. Bread is gluten free.)

*The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding. If some of those who come have not yet been baptized, an invitation to baptismal preparation and Baptism should be graciously extended.(Book of Order W-3.0409)*

**We Respond to God's Word**

\*The Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

From A Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in God,  
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.**

**In sovereign love God created the world good  
and makes everyone equally in God's image  
male and female, of every race and people,  
to live as one community.**

**But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.  
Ignoring God's commandments,**

we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,  
 accept lies as truth,  
 exploit neighbor and nature,  
 and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.  
 We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.  
 In everlasting love,  
 the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people  
 to bless all families of the earth.

Hearing their cry,  
 God delivered the children of Israel  
 from the house of bondage.

Loving us still,  
 God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.  
 Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,  
 like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,  
 God is faithful still.

**We Depart to Live and Love as Christian Disciples**

\*The Hymn of Parting ***We Give Thee but Thine Own*** #708  
 (Please bring your pledges forward at this time)

\*The Charge and Benediction

The Response ***Threefold Amen*** Danish

The Postlude ***Postlude in E Minor*** JS Bach

♦  
*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God  
 in loving memory of Lucas Mobley Evans  
 by Jo Ann Brandt  
 and  
 in loving memory of Fred Nazaruk,  
 by Fred's son Gary and his wife Nancy Jo;  
 and Pam and George Valensuela, Fred's daughter and her husband.*  
 ♦

<b>Serving Today at First Presbyterian Church of Ocala</b>		
<b>Ushers</b>	8:15 a.m.	Ann McCoy, Sandy Owens, Mary Beth and H.J. Rivers
<b>Ushers</b>	9:30 a.m.	Carol Carpenter and Lannie Mercer
<b>Greeters</b>	11:00 a.m.	E. B. and Rosie Gee
<b>Ushers</b>	11:00 a.m.	John Reiss, Captain, Pat Bishop, Bill Bowen, Joe Dickmann, Ed Honkus, Ellen Mathews, Don McCormick, Roxanne Schwaller, and Joe Simmons.
<b>Communion Servers</b>	8:15 a.m.	Tom Michael, Ann O'Hart, Howell Winfree I I, and Howell Winfree III
	9:30 a.m.	George Tomy, Barbara Tomy, Lannie Mercer, and John Brawner
	11:00 a.m.	Esther Arango, Fran Gilchrist, Lamar Knepp, Mina Di Geronimo, Larry Sprowles, Mary Carstenn, Pat Bishop and Roxanne Schwaller

## Our Vision Statement

To spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to our community and the world

## Our Mission Statement

To be an inclusive downtown community of faith that seeks to embrace everyone in growing spiritually

## TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our church welcomes you today**, no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here. We are striving to be Christ's people; and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide. If you are passing through, welcome on your journey; if you are looking for a church home, stay here; if you need instruction, learn with us as we learn from you. We invite all newcomers to join us for faithful worship, Christian growth, fellowship, and mission. Speak with our pastor today if you have pastoral concerns, desire prayer, or would like to know more about getting involved in our church family!

Don't forget to proudly wear your First Presbyterian Church of Ocala **name badge** to every church function! If you have lost your badge and need to replace it, please contact the church office.

**The Mission Fair and SERRV Sale is today, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:15 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall. Get to know FPC's benevolent agencies! *SERRV* gifts will be available for purchase with all proceeds going back to the artisans from around the world. Come, shop for Christmas, and discover the benevolences that we support. Refreshments will be provided by Presbyterian Women and the Christian Outreach Committee.

**Thornwell Home in Clinton, SC** is one of our Synod's institutions and also in our church budget. (See insert.) Visit the Thornwell display at the Mission Fair today.

**Dr. Watson is leading a trip to the Holy Land - January 29 to February 8, 2017.** The cost for double occupancy is \$3,899 and occupancy single is \$1,279. Destination Inspiration. The deadline is November 12. There are still spaces available, the price is only guaranteed until November 13, after which the airline fares could go up significantly. Contact Ron (drwatson@fpcocala.org) for more information.

This Christmas, First Presbyterian will be blessing our **Active-duty military with signed Christmas cards**. Today, **NOVEMBER 5**, in the courtyard, you will find Christmas cards to sign, write Christmas greetings, and notes of appreciation to those serving our country. Please encourage children and teens to write cards, too! The cards will be delivered to those serving overseas in...VA Hospitals, submarines, Coast Guard locations, and command posts that must be manned during the holiday. We will provide the cards—YOU provide the love of Christ—and we'll ensure delivery! **GOD BLESS OUR MILITARY!**

## Remember This Week in Prayer

**Ruth Albright** (Brentwood at Fore Ranch), **Harriet Berman** (Brookdale), **Bill Blackwell** (Mary Kauffman's brother), **Elinor Carr** (Dr. Watson's mother), **Bill Cochran**, **Ellen Drummond** (Health South), **Voncile Dudley** (Brookdale), **Jamii Fuseler** (the Pickards' niece), **Mitch and Jazmin Herbert** and newborn, **Jackson, Ruth Hubbard** (Life Care), **Wells Kilgore** (Dr. Watson's friend), **Helen Lawton** (Ocala Oaks Rehab, receiving visitors), **Kyle McElhaney** (Afghanistan), **Ann Marie Miller** (Life Care), **Amy Mumford** (friend of Marilyn Tucker), **Gene Owen**, **Charlene Preston**, **Susan Raffa** (Ocala Regional), **Bill and Carolyn Richardson**, **Norma Rivera** (Sarah Overfelt's friend), **JoAnn Sandy**, **Janice Schafer** (Palm Garden), **Betty Jeanne Spencer** (Lady Lake Specialty Care), **Bob and Renee Timmer** in the death of their daughter **Dawn Sterken**, **Howard VanDenburgh**, **Bob Wilton**, HELPS Ministries in India, our sister church in Playa del Carmen, Mexico, the people of Houston, Puerto Rico and Mexico, first responders and their families, our men and women serving in the armed forces and their families.

**If you haven't signed up to have your picture taken for the 2017 directory...** please sign up soon, before or after the service. Dave Schlenker has the schedule which has 15-minute openings in November. Dave will be happy to meet with you. Photo sessions start **AT 9:00 A.M. EACH SUNDAY.**

**2017 Christmas Giving Tree Project** is again an ambitious one! There are so many needs in so many parts of our community and indeed the world, but we have decided to donate to the following three: relief efforts in Puerto Rico, Project Hope, and Ocala/Marion County Domestic Violence/ Sexual Assault Center. This year's project will start on Sunday, November 26 and the deadline for turning in gifts will be December 10. As always, there will be two Christmas trees, one in Fellowship Hall and one in the Narthex, full of beautiful ornaments made by our children and youth and several volunteers. As always, you keep the ornament(s) and fulfill the gift request on each ornament. Please take as many as you wish. Each gift item should be UNWRAPPED and each check made out to First Presbyterian Church earmarked "2017 Giving Tree". Thank you! We look forward to working together to help make this year's Giving Tree as generous as those in the past. Please let us know if you have any questions: Sue Brawner, Carol Carpenter, Brenda Dauner, Cathy Edwards, Cheryl Fante, Cathy Hancock, Lannie Mercer, Becky Schatt, Ann VanDenburgh, Jarl Hagood.

**FPC's own Jason Joseph will present an organ recital** on Saturday, November 18 at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Please note: the date and time have been changed. This is part of the continuing 2017 FPC Concert Series.

**Our church-wide Thanksgiving Dinner will be Wednesday, November 15 at 6:00 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall. Turkey and all the trimmings will be provided. There will be no charge for this meal. Please sign up by noon on Monday, November 13.

**Salvation Army Bell Ringers needed.** Save the date! We will be ringing the bells for Salvation Army at Churchill Square December 21, 22, and 23, from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. There will be a sign-up sheet in the courtyard on December 3. Contact Nancy Winfree at 236-2061.

**We have storage for yard sale items.** Cleaning out closets? Moving/downsizing or know someone who is? We have storage space for our spring yard sale. If you'd like to donate / have items picked up. Call Lannie Mercer (629-3354) or Carol Carpenter (816-3065).

**Interfaith needs for November** are **hygiene items (toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, bar soap)**. Thank you for placing your donations in the narthex or at the back of Fellowship Hall on Sundays, or by bringing them to the church office during the week.

**Wednesday Night: Family, Food, and Fellowship Together  
November 8, 2017 – 6:00 p.m. – Please make your reservation by Monday.**

**Menu:** **Chicken Pilaf** with one side, salad, and dessert. Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. and is served until 6:45 p.m. The dinner costs are adults and youth **\$6, \$3** per child (**10 and under**) and **\$15** maximum per family.

**Instruction:** Complete this form and place it in the offering plate today, make a reservation on the friendship pad, or call the church office (629-7561). **The reservation deadline is tomorrow, Monday, November 6.** If you need to cancel your reservation, please call the church office by Tuesday to cancel.

**Program: A free talk on Health Wellness plus Tips to Prevent Falls.**

(Tear Off)

**Wednesday Night: Family, Food, and Fellowship Together– November 8, 2017**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending: Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes, I can volunteer on Wednesday nights to help with the supper** \_\_\_\_\_.

## This Week's Calendar November 5-11, 2017

<b>SUN.</b>	<p><b><u>November 5</u></b> 8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>8:15 a.m. – Noon 9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p><b><u>Worship Services</u></b> Traditional Worship – Sanctuary Contemporary Worship – Fellowship Hall Traditional Worship – Sanctuary</p> <p><b><u>Children and Youth Ministries</u></b> <b>Nursery:</b> (Newborns – 3 year olds) – Nursery <b>Children's Church:</b> (3 years – 5th Grade) – Room 26 <b>Kaleo Youth:</b> (6th – 12th Grade) – Youth Rooms, 20-22</p> <p><b><u>Adult Christian Education</u></b> <b>The Dead Sea Scrolls</b> by Prof. Gary A. Rendsburg – Conference Room (Nita Williams, 237-6789) <b>The Blakely Class</b> uses the Uniform Bible Lessons – Room 2 (David Arango-Palencia 786-385-4980 and others as substitutes)</p>
<b>MON.</b>	<p><b><u>November 6</u></b> 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Fellowship Committee meeting</b> – Parlor <b>Art Class</b> (Supplies are provided, Phyllis Craggs 816-1030) - Conference Room <b>Youth Band Rehearsal</b> – Fellowship Hall <b>Building and Grounds meeting</b> – Conference Room <b>Worship Committee meeting</b> – Choir Room</p>
<b>TUE.</b>	<p><b><u>November 7</u></b> 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Faith Sisters Class</b> (Elaine Cox) - Parlor <b>Melody of the Psalms Class</b> (Cheryl Gans) – Conference Room <b>PW Bible Mentoring</b> – Room 1 <b>Cross &amp; Crowns Rehearsal</b> – Fellowship Hall <b>String Ensemble</b> – Choir Room <b>PW Coordinating Team</b> – Room 1</p>
<b>WED.</b>	<p><b><u>November 8</u></b> 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. <b>4:30 p.m.</b> 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Nominating Committee</b> – Conference Room <b>Disciple Sisters Class</b> (Jeanne Vincent) – Room 2 <b>Disciple XIII Class</b> (Barbara Parks or Tom Weaver) – Room 1 <b>Chancel Choir Practice</b> – Choir Room <b>Hand Bell Choir Practice</b> – Bell Tower <b>Wednesday Night: Family, Food, and Fellowship</b> – Fellowship Hall <b>Program: Health and Wellness plus tips to Prevent Falls</b> <b>Melody of the Psalms Class</b> (Cheryl Gans)</p>
<b>THU.</b>	<p><b><u>November 9</u></b> 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Koinoia Class</b> (Fran Gilchrist) – Conference Room</p>
<b>SAT.</b>	<p><b><u>November 11</u></b> 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Ultreya – Florida Presbyterian Pilgrimage</b> - Fellowship Hall</p>

### This Week's Daily Bible Readings

<i>God's Faithful Word of Praise and Thanksgiving</i>			Wednesday	November	I Chronicles 15:25-16:7
Sunday	November	I Chronicles 13:1-14	Thursday	November	I Chronicles 16:8-43
Monday	November	I Chronicles 14:1-17	Friday	November	I Chronicles 17:1-27
Tuesday	November	I Chronicles 15:1-24	Saturday	November	Ezra 7:1-10



## **The 9:30 Service Music**

### Give A Little Bit

Give a little bit, give a little bit  
of your love to me  
Give a little bit, I'll give a little bit  
of my love to you  
See the man with the lonely eyes,  
take his hand, you'll be surprised

So I'll give a little bit, I'll give a little bit  
of my life for you  
So give a little bit, give a little bit  
of your time to me  
Now's the time that we need to share  
So send a smile, we're on our way back home

*Don't you need, don't you need  
Don't you need, don't you need to feel at home*

So give a little bit, give a little bit  
of your love to me  
I'll give a little bit, I'll give a little bit  
of my life for you  
Now's the time that we need to share  
So send a smile, we're on our way back home

*Don't you need, don't you need  
Don't you need, don't you need to feel at home*

### Giving It All To You

You are the Author of life,  
just one word and I am free  
You are the Savior and I need Your grace  
to rescue me, I surrender

*We're giving it all to You,  
We're giving it all to You  
Our hearts cry out, we need  
You now, we're giving it all to You*

You are the fountain of life,  
just one drop and I am filled  
You are my joy and desire,  
I resign to Your will, I surrender

I surrender, I surrender, I surrender all.

### Beautiful

I see Your face in every sunrise  
The colors of the morning are inside Your eyes  
The world awakens in the light of the day  
I look up to the sky and say  
You're beautiful

I see Your power in the moonlit night  
Where planets are in motion  
and galaxies are bright  
We are amazed in the light of the stars,  
it's all proclaiming who You are,  
You're beautiful

I see you there hanging on a tree  
You bled and then you died and  
then you rose again for me  
Now you are sitting on Your heavenly throne,  
soon we will be coming home  
You're beautiful

When we arrive at eternity's shore  
Where death is just a memory and  
tears are no more  
We'll enter in as the wedding bells ring  
Your bride will come together and we'll sing  
You're beautiful

I see Your face, You're beautiful,  
You're beautiful, You're beautiful

### Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.