



**Welcome to
First Presbyterian Church
of Ocala**



April 8, 2018

This Morning's Sermon

“And So We Wait”

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160 YEARS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OCALA

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 8, 2018

8:15 and 11:00 a.m.

We Gather with Others in God's House

The Welcome and Announcements

We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

The Chiming of the Hour

The Prelude *All Creatures of Our God and King* H. Hopson

The Introit *O Come Let Us Sing (Psalm 95)* Donald Moore

The Liturgist Tom Weaver

The Call to Worship Psalm 133

Behold, how good it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down over the collar of Aaron's robes.

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.

For there the Lord ordained God's blessing, life forevermore.

Let us worship God!

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

*The Hymn of Praise *The Day of Resurrection!* #233

*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 Litany of Affirmation

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard and seen with our eyes concerning the word of life, we proclaim to you.

God of light, in whom is no darkness, we praise you.

The life was made manifest, and we testify to it.

God of light, in whom is no darkness, we praise you.

If we say we have fellowship with God while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth.

God of light, in whom is no darkness, we praise you.

If we confess our sins, Jesus Christ is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Jesus Christ is the expiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

***If able, please stand.**

Words of Institution

Sharing the Elements

Communion Prayer (*Unison*)

Nourished at this table, O God, may we know Christ's redemptive love and live a new life in him. Help us who recognize our Lord in the breaking of bread to see and serve him in all whose lives are broken. Give us who are fed at his hand, grace to share our bread with the hungry and with the hungry of heart. Keep us faithful in your service until Christ comes in final victory, and we shall feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal realm. Through Christ, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now and forever. Amen.

We Respond to God's Word

*The Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

We Depart to Live and Love as Christian Disciples

*The Hymn of Parting

Precious Lord, Take my Hand

#834

*The Charge and Benediction

The Response

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter Lutkin

The Postlude

Psalm 19

B. Marcello



*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God
by Presbyterian Women's Circle 1.*

The following musicians are provided by the Bill & Shirley Cochran Music Fund:

Choir Interns from UF: Wildlin Pierrevil, Loren Stone, Cali Newman, and Sophia Young.



Serving Today at First Presbyterian Church of Ocala		
Ushers	8:15 a.m.	Nancy and Garris Graham, Debbie Koch, and Joyce Williamson.
Ushers	9:30 a.m.	Carol Carpenter and Lannie Mercer
Greeters	11:00 a.m.	Shirley Cochran and Barbara Parks
Ushers	11:00 a.m.	John Reiss, Captain, Dave Bice, Pat Bishop, Bill Bowen, Ed Honkus, Ellen Matthews, Don McCormick, Roxanne Schwaller, Joe Simmons and Bob Timmer.
Communion Servers	8:15 a.m.	Ann O'Hart, Al Nolan, Howell Winfree III, and Howell Winfree, II.
	9:30 a.m.	Dave Schlenker, Katie Schlenker, Janie Scott, and Jim Yancey.
	11:00 a.m.	Bill Dolin, Ellen Matthews, Mary Carsten, Don McCormick, Fran Gilchrist, Nancy Livesay, Michelle Burgess, Becky Schatt, 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!

1st Time Visitor. If this is your first time visiting with us today, we welcome you! Look for the yellow card, fill it out, and take it to the back of the sanctuary or Fellowship Hall to receive your gift.

Please note: due to Easter being on the first Sunday, **communion is today, Sunday, April 8.**

Please pray for our Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC): Fran Akin, Scott Andrews, Harry Batten, Anna McCurry, Mary Moore and Becky Schatt.

There will be a Congregational meeting Sunday, April 15, at 10:55 a.m. in the sanctuary for the purpose of electing Jarl Hagood and Carrie Waldren as Elders to the class of 2019.

The Out to Dinner group will meet on Thursday, April 19, at Yummy House in the Lowe's Ctr.(3500 SW College Rd./200) at 5:30 p.m. RSVP by Monday, April 16 to Chuck Opitz (237-4749).

These Days Daily Devotions for Living by Faith are now available at the usher's table in the narthex and the church office.

Interfaith needs for April are toiletry items (shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, hand soap, razors). 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.

Remember This Week in Prayer

Ruth Albright (Brentwood at Fore Ranch, please call before visiting), **Harriet Berman** (Brookdale), **Andy Boyer** (Fran Gilchrist's son-in-law), **Martha Caro** (friend of Mary Beth Olson), **Elinor Carr** (Dr. Watson's mother, in Hospice), **Renie Clark**, **Ellen Drummond** (Brookdale), **Jamii Fuseler** (the Pickards' niece), **Bettie and Paul Haupt**, **Joyce Heenie** (Oakhurst), **Mitch and Jazmin Herbert** and **Jackson Herbert**, **Charles Hutcheson** (Hawthorne), **Trent Hutcheson**, **Wells Kilgore** (Dr. Watson's friend), **Biddie Kirk** (The Windsor), **Helen Lawton** (Ocala Oaks Rehab, receiving visitors), **David Lossing** (friend of Mary Kauffman), **Kyle McElhaney** (Afghanistan), **Ron McMillin**, **Anna Marie Miller**, **Maria Myers** (Hampton Manor), **John Peterson** (please no visitors) **Charlene Preston**, **Dave Proctor** (missionary and Sue and Jim Straub's son-in-law), **Norma Rivera** (Sarah Overfelt's friend), **Janice Schafer** (Palm Garden), **Dave and Amy Schlenker** and family in the death of Amy's mom **Betty Jane Rowan**, **Martha Sevilla** (Danny Arango's mother-in-law), **Vincent Devlan Shotwell**, **Keith Shotwell**, and **Steve Shotwell**, **Betty Jeanne Spencer** (Lady Lake Specialty Care), **Jim Straub**, (Brookdale), **David Tipper** and family in the death of **Ken Tipper**, **Sally Williams**, **Bob Wilton**, HELPS Ministries in India, our sister church in Playa del Carmen, Mexico, those in the US and other countries recovering from recent natural disasters, first responders and their families, our men and women serving in the armed forces and their families.

This Week's Calendar

April 8-14, 2018

SUN.	<u>April 8</u> 8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 8:15 a.m. – Noon 9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	<u>Worship Services</u> Traditional Worship – Sanctuary Contemporary Worship – Fellowship Hall Traditional Worship – Sanctuary <u>Children and Youth Ministries</u> Nursery: (Newborns – 3 year olds) – Nursery Children's Church: (3 years – 5th Grade) – Room 26 Kaleo Youth (6 th – 12 th Grade) – Youth Rooms 20-22 <u>Adult Christian Education</u> The Dead Sea Scrolls by Prof. Gary A. Rendsburg – Conference Room (Nita Williams, 237-6789) The Blakely Class uses the Uniform Bible Lessons – Room 2 (David Arango-Palencia 786-385-4980 and others as substitutes)
	9:30 a.m.	(Nita Williams, 237-6789)
	9:45 a.m.	The Blakely Class uses the Uniform Bible Lessons – Room 2 (David Arango-Palencia 786-385-4980 and others as substitutes)
MON.	<u>April 9</u> 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Art Class (supplies provided, Phyllis Craggs, 816-1030) – Conference Room Circle 9 meeting (3515 SE 41 st Place, Kristen Crawford, 804-0247)
TUE.	<u>April 10</u> 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Faith Sisters Class (Elaine Cox) – Parlor PW Circle 7 meeting (Susie Marta, 304-5416) – Choir Room PW Circle 1 meeting (Esther Arango-Palencia, 732-6626) – Conference Room PW Circle 8 meeting (Lois Clardy, 622-3053) – Room 1 Membership Committee meeting - Parlor Cross & Crowns Rehearsal – Fellowship Hall PW Circle 4 meeting (Mary Beth Rivers, 625-3372) – Conference Room
WED.	<u>April 11</u> 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Bible study class (Steve Vincent) – Conference Room Disciple XIII class (Barbara Parks) – Room 1 Disciple Sisters class (Jeanne Vincent) – Room 2 Chancel Choir Practice – Choir Room APNC meeting – Conference Room Hand Bell Choir Practice – Bell Tower String Ensemble – Choir Room
THUR.	<u>April 12</u> 5:00 p.m.	Youth Band Rehearsal – Fellowship Hall

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

<i>Growing with God's Word in Hope</i>			Wednesday	April 11	1 Peter 4:1-19
Sunday	April 8	1 Peter 1:1-25	Thursday	April 12	1 Peter 5:1-14
Monday	April 9	1 Peter 2:1-25	Friday	April 13	2 Peter 1:1-21
Tuesday	April 10	1 Peter 3:1-22	Saturday	April 14	2 Peter 2:1-22

Diaconate Ruth Elswood, Moderator Lannie Mercer, Chair Vicky Honkus, Secretary			Session Ron Watson, Moderator Elaine Cox, Clerk		
Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2020
Pat Bishop Lannie Mercer Marty Smith	Ella Charnley Grietje Lewis Roxanne Schwaller Elaine Sprowles Julia Wirono	Austin Albright Debbie Atchison Cheri Bedenbaugh Sue Brawner Michelle Burgess Carol Carpenter Cathy Edwards Laura Fowler Vicky Honkus Vicki Hutto Evelyn Longo Trish Mosby Barbara Tomy	Van Akin Bill Dolin Sheryll Goedert John Hagood Nancy Livesay Don Slone Jim Yancey	John Brawner Walter Laseter John Reiss Tom Weaver	David Albright J.J. Albright (Youth) Mary Dingman Randy Friese E.B. Gee, Jr. John Heinbockel Rusty Juergens Karen Schmidt

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