



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Ocala



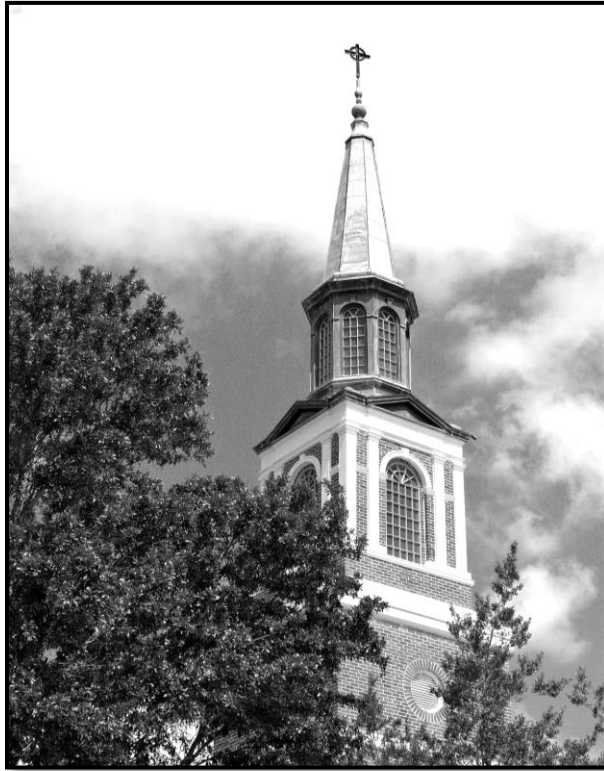
Our Vision

To be a church that shares God's love through Jesus Christ with everyone.

Our Mission

We are an inclusive historic downtown community of Christian faith.

We seek to welcome all people through prayer, meaningful worship, and supportive groups while sharing our talents and resources with those in need.



166 YEARS IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OCALA

June 16, 2024

Today's Sermon
"Peter, a Man who Changed, Grew"
Rev. Dr. Walk Jones

Rev. Dr. Walk Jones, Transitional Pastor
Phyllis Von Ebers, Choir Director
Dr. Kosumo Morishita, Organist
Leslie Athanason, Vocalist

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

FATHER'S DAY

June 16, 2024

10:00 a.m.

We Gather with Others in God's House

Words of Welcome

We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

Prelude

"Andante in F Major from Voluntary VI"

John Stanley

We Give Praise and Adoration to God

Call to Worship

Bill Tucker, Liturgist

Leader: Welcome, beloved family of God! Today, we gather to celebrate and honor our Heavenly Father, whose love for us is beyond measure. We also take this time to appreciate the earthly fathers and father figures in our lives, reflecting on their love, guidance, and sacrifices.

People: We come with grateful hearts, ready to worship our God and celebrate His fatherly love. We honor our fathers and seek to follow the example of our Heavenly Father.

Leader: As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him. Let us remember the steadfast love of the Lord, His mercy and grace that guide us daily.

People: We give thanks to the Lord, for His love endures forever. He is our strength and our refuge.

Leader: Fathers, today we celebrate you. May God bless you with wisdom, patience, and love. As you lead your families, may you always seek the Lord's guidance and reflect His character.

People: We pray for our fathers, that they may be filled with God's strength and grace. May they be blessed and be a blessing to their families.

Leader: Let us worship our Heavenly Father together, lifting our voices in praise and thanksgiving. For He is good, His love is eternal, and His faithfulness endures through all generations.

People: Amen. Let us worship the Lord with joy and gratitude!

*Hymn

"God of the Fertile Fields"

#714

*Confession of Sin

Holy Lord, it is easy to stand and praise you, it is easy to ask for your blessing or intercession, but it is much harder for us to stand and confess our sins. Be with us now and help us pray our silent prayers of confession for we are all guilty and in need of your grace. Help me pray, O Lord. (silent prayer)

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing the Peace

*Doxology

#606

**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.**

First Reading

Acts 10:9-16(NT pg 156)

Children's Sermon

Songs

"King of My Heart"
"Jesus Paid It All"
See Insert

Leslie Athanason

Pastoral Prayer and 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

Anthem

"The Lord's Prayer"
Helen Quinlan, soloist

Albert Hay Malotte

Second Reading

Acts 10:24-33 (NT Pg 157)

Sermon

"Peter, a Man who Changed, Grew"

Dr. Jones

Affirmation of Faith

from the Confession of Belhar

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; We believe that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells; We believe that God's life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God's life-giving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities.

We Depart to Live and Love as Christian Disciples

*Hymn

"There Is Now a New Creation"

#774

*Benediction and Offering

(After service, ushers will be standing by the doors with offering plates
to receive your tithes and offerings)

Postlude

"Faith of Our Fathers"

Arr. Carol Tornquist



*Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and
in honor of Mike and Janet Morehouse's 50th golden wedding anniversary.*

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Welcome Visitors - Thanks for worshipping with us! Please complete a yellow card and bring it to an usher in the back after worship.

Happy Father's Day to all our Dads with us today.

Adult Sunday School has taken a break for the summer. See you September 8th.

Children's Sunday School will not be held during June and July. We will pick back up August 18, the Sunday after school starts.

Middle and High School Youth Group will be meeting on selected dates during the summer. Please check bulletin and Inspire.

Rev. Jones will be away for the next two weeks as he attends the Worship and Music Conference in Montreat then conducts his niece's wedding. If you have need of a pastor please call the church office or your Deacon. We have two great preachers coming while he is away.

Upcoming holiday, the church office will be closed Wednesday June 19th for Juneteenth, the federal holiday.

The Spire newsletter will not be published in July. Watch for it in August; articles will be due July 17, 2024.

Vacation Bible School will start next Monday, June 24th and go through Friday, June 28th. Please pray for all the children and leaders who will be with us.

PRAYER LIST

Pat Bishop

Bill Blackwell (brother of Mary Kauffman)

Tania Blackwell (sister-in-law of Mary Kauffman)

Linda Blount (cousin of Janice Kelly, broken hip)

Andy Carlisle

Ella and Ray Charnley

Billy Davis (grandson-in-law of David Demarest, cancer diagnosis)

Linda and Randall Deyton

(sister and brother-in-law of Annette Pickard)

Mina DiGeronimo

Ruth Fraser (broken hip)

Gabby Gates (friend of Dave Bice)

EB Gee (recently hospitalized)

Joe Glenn (friend of Mary Kauffman)

Dorothy Halliwell (sister-in-law of Pat Interdonato)

Bill and Barbara Harrel

Hope Hasselkus (on the death of her husband Chris)

Andrea Mogg Jacques

Victoria Johnson (great-granddaughter of Christine)

CJ Jones (nephew of Margaret Trump)

Lloyd Kauffman (husband of Mary)

Janice Kelly

Kim and Kyle (on mission service, Kim is the daughter of Doug and Paula Brown)

Jose Kornmann (cancer, friend of Julia Wirono)

Lanier Lance (sister of Bill Tucker)

Judith Martin (Advent)

Ellen Merg (friend of Nita Williams)

Gloria Miller

Jodi Miller (daughter-in-law of Ginny Miller)

Bruce Moore

Donna Palagano (friend of Helen Quinlan)

Barbara Parks

Theresa Poteet (broken hip)

Fritz Rain (friend of Marybeth Olson)

Ruthanne and John Reiss

Vicki Roberts (broken femur)

The Rost family (on the death of Elaine)

Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)

Shelly (cancer diagnosis, friend of Evelyn Longo)

Ann VanDenburgh

Robert Webber (brother of Ginny Miller)

William Wright