

**PARK LAKE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

309 East Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32801
407-841-6550



September 22, 2024

Order of Worship

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission 100th Year Kick-off/Stewardship Erin Cook/Jane Callahan

Time of Silence

Prelude

Meditation on Slane
Carla Edwards, guest organist

Smoke/Schelat

Introit

Bless the Lord

Jacques Berthier

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The last are first in the kingdom of God.

the least are welcome in Jesus' name.

Let us worship God.

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

*Hymn No. 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Scripture

James 3:13 – 4:3, 7-8

Pew Bible, NT pg. 216

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

God, we confess that we have not followed your way.

We sow the seeds of conflict while you seek the harvest of peace.

We argue about who is the greatest while you welcome the last and the least.

We watch out for ourselves, rather than trust you to watch over us.

Forgive us, God of grace.

Draw near to us this day with the wisdom of your Word, and teach us how to serve you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(silent prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness (1 John 4:9-10)

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Hymn No. 286

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

THE WORD

Welcoming the Children

Following the time on the steps, children are invited to PRAYground located in the east transept to work on an activity. A PRAYground "host teacher" will be available to help answer questions and provide needed supplies. Children may stay in PRAYground quietly working on their projects or take supplies and return to sit with their families.

Hymn No. 188

Jesus Loves Me

***Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so,
little ones to him belong they are weak but he is strong.***

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Scripture Reading

Mark 9:30-37

Pew Bible, NT pg. 42

Sermon

True Greatness

Rev. Dan DeBevoise

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead;
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Blessed Assurance
Russell Stephens, soloist
Chancel Choir

arr. Joel Ramey

*The Doxology, pg. 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

SENDING

*Hymn No. 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!

Charge and Benediction

Choral Response

Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace
Chancel Choir

James Quinn

Postlude

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Carla Edwards, guest organist

M. Burkhardt

**Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit.*



The Sanctuary flowers this day are given to the glory of God by Anne Vercheski and Dan Johnson. In deep gratitude to the Park Lake family for your continued care and prayers for Anne while she recuperated from surgery and for their family over the past year, and in celebration of their 34th wedding anniversary on September 22nd.

Worship Leaders today are:

Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise and Rev. Dr. Dan DeBevoise, co-pastors.

Robb Ross, choir director; Will Benton, organist/pianist.

September Ushers: Justin Ingram, John Bowers, Vicky Nicoll, John Walker.

Deacon at the door: Anne Vercheski

POST-WORSHIP PRAYER TIME

Come pray with us after worship, all are welcome! Meet in the East Transept from 11:45 am - 12:15 pm.



Pledged Income Y.T.D. Thru July, 2024		Non Pledged Income Y.T.D.	
Budget	\$279,463	Budget	\$26,497
Actual	\$268,997	Actual	\$40,357
Difference	\$ (10,466)	Difference	\$13,860
Park Lake Operating Budget Thru July, 2024			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Budget	\$397,680	\$406,644	(8,964)
Actual	\$390,534	\$356,940	\$33,594

Church Staff

Co-pastors	Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise Rev. Dr. Dan DeBevoise
Parish Associate	Rev. Dr. Linda Wright Simmons
Organist, Director FAVO	Will Benton
Choir Director	Robb Ross
Child Care Center Director	Barbara Twachtman
Financial Administrator	Linda Castle
Church Secretary	Carol Bookhardt
Maintenance	Keith Bridges
Librarian	Alice Schmidt
Nursery Staff	Barbara Boyce

Church Missionaries

Madagascar	Dan and Elizabeth Turk
Mozambique	Sebber Banda Rev. Carlos Faquione

UPCOMING IN  September



ORLANDO SINGS CONCERT AT PARK LAKE

LYYRA IN CONCERT | SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 | 5:00 PM

LYYRA (Voces8 Foundation) | ORLANDO SINGS HARMONIA |

Sandra Shafer, conductor. **Go to orlandosings.org/** for ticket purchase information and season performance schedule.



**CHRISTIAN
SERVICE CENTER**
40 years of faithful hands

**SERVING AT THE CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER , Tuesday, September 24,
10:45 am,** See John Bowers or email jbowers4@cfl.rr.com for details.



PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB

Thursday, September 26, 10:00 am

Meet in the Koinonia room, located downstairs in the Sanctuary building. Our September book is *"Have You Seen Luis Velez?"* by Catherine Hyde. **For more information, email Anne Gardepe at annegard64@gmail.com.**

PCUSA PEACEMAKERS AT PARK LAKE



Friday, September 27, 6:00 pm
Struble Fellowship Hall
Guest Peacemaker,
Marielis Barreto-Hernandez,
Puerto Rico

Sunday, September 29, 9:00 am.
Combined Adult Sunday School
Guest Peacemaker,
Peter Michael Egwudah, Nigeria



PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

Check out the Park Lake Presbyterian Church website at **PLPC.org**. View the Church calendar, upcoming events, online giving, listen to previous worship services, connect to the upcoming worship service and more!



**Park Lake's 100th Anniversary Kick Off
2025 Stewardship Luncheon - "Our Generous Future"**

***Park Lake turns 100 years old in October 2025!
A Century of Community in Christ!***

Please come on **Sunday, October 6**, after worship to a catered luncheon in Struble Fellowship Hall to kick off our year of celebration for our 100th Anniversary and to learn about our 2025 Stewardship theme, "Our Generous Future."



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Sunday, October 6, 2024

**100th Year Kickoff/Stewardship Luncheon
(please print)**

Please R.S.V.P. below to help us plan for the luncheon by filling out and placing this form in the offering plate or R.S.V.P. though the weekly Park Lake Up2Date email.

Name _____ Number of People Attending _____

Children Under 5 years old _____

Email _____

Transportation needed to Worship and Lunch? _____

Celebrations this Week!

Birthdays

20 Scott Trauger
22 Alex Aniapam
23 Julie Krasno
24 Meg Elvis

25 Karen Pinnel
26 Larry Fortunato
27 Donald Palmer
27 Andrea Choquette

Anniversaries

22 Anne Vercheski and Dan Johnson

GUEST SPEAKER, SEBBER BANDA Holistic Evangelism in Tete Province

We are excited to welcome Sebber Banda of Tete Province, Mozambique, back to Park Lake Presbyterian in October.



Wednesday, October 16 at 10:00 am at Westminster Towers, 70 W Lucerne Circle, Orlando: Sebber will attend the weekly chapel service and afterward share lunch. It's open to Westminster residents as well as others. **Please R.S.V.P. to Alice Schmidt at alicerschmidt@aol.com, by Wednesday, October 9.**

Wednesday, October 16 at 6:00 pm in Struble Fellowship Hall: Please join us for a potluck dinner as Sebber catches us up on her work. We will provide the main course of fried chicken and ask that everyone bring a side dish or dessert. Also speaking will be long-time friend of Park Lake, Berry Long of the Outreach Foundation.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

THE OUTREACH FOUNDATION

2024 ADVENT DEVOTIONS

THE WONDER OF CHRISTMAS:

Experiencing Once Again the Mystery of Jesus' Birth



We expect children to hear the Christmas story in fresh ways, but there are a lot of adults for whom the incarnation is unknown. We invite you to dig into wondering this Christmas. Perhaps there is something you always wanted to know about the stories of the incarnation. Perhaps you could learn the story of Jesus' birth from a new perspective or new eyes or in a new language or from a non-Christian. Park Lake members and friends are the writers for our yearly devotions. If you would like to submit a devotion, contact Helen DeBevoise helenparklake@gmail.com

Church Officer Nomination Form Elders and Deacons

You are encouraged to recommend individuals to the Congregational Nominating Committee for the office of Elder and Deacon. **List nominations for Elder and Deacon on the bottom of this form and place in the offering plate or return to the Church Office.**

Any communing member is eligible to serve an Elder or Deacon. Church officers should be people of faith, dedication, and good judgment. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel both within the church and in the world.

Duties of Elders:

1. Strengthen and nurture the faith and life of the congregation through regular attendance at worship.
2. Encourage the people in the worship and service of God.
3. Equip and renew the people for tasks within the church which fulfill the mission of the church.
4. Serve as representatives to the Presbytery and the General Assembly, if appointed.
5. Oversee the governance and life of the congregation.

SUGGESTIONS FOR ELDERS: (PLEASE PRINT NAMES)

Duties of Deacons:

1. Visit, comfort, and care for the people, with special attention to the sick, lonely, poor and any who may be in distress.
2. Deacons shall assume other duties delegated to them by the session.

SUGGESTIONS FOR DEACONS (PLEASE PRINT NAMES)

Please place this form in the offering plate or return to the church office.