

**PARK LAKE  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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

December 22, 2024

**Order of Worship  
GATHERING**

10:30



Welcome and Announcements

Time of Silence

Prelude

We Three Kings  
Will Benton, organist

arr. Diane Bish

Choral Prelude

The Advent Introit

Call to Worship (John 3:16, 17)

Advent Candle Lighting - The Love Candle

The Trauger Family

\*Hymn No. 110

Love Has Come

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 9:2-7

pew Bible, O.T. page 600

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, long ago you sent Your Son Jesus to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, and to proclaim liberty to the captives. You then asked us to go and do the same for we are the church of Jesus Christ. Forgive us, we pray, for we have not continued to share the good news. We have focused on ourselves and neglected to help others. Help us to continue to share the healing and loving words of Christ to all the world and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We ask this in His name.**

(Moment for silent prayer)

Declaration of forgiveness

The angel told Joseph that the child forming in Mary's womb is to be named Jesus. "Call him Jesus," the angel says, "For he will save the people from their sins." From his birth through his resurrection, from age to age, Jesus's life is about the salvation of the world.

**This is the good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

Passing of the Peace and Collection of "Prayer Straw"

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Special Music	It Came Upon A Midnight Clear Robb Ross, tenor	arr. David Foster and Sarah Michael Foster
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A Meditation		Dr. Dan DeBevoise
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### **THE STORY OF THE NATIVITY**

Scripture Reading	Luke 1:26-38 <i>(The Angel greets Mary)</i>	pew Bible, N.T. page 53
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Special Music	Song of Mary Ali Molinar, soprano Chancel Choir section leaders	Faye Lopez, arr.
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Scripture Reading	Matthew 1:18-25 <i>(The Angel visits Joseph)</i>	pew Bible, N.T. page 1
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Scripture Reading	Luke 2:1-7 <i>(The Census)</i>	pew Bible, N.T. page 54
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Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory	The Inn at the End of the World Chancel Choir	Heather Sorenson
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Scripture Reading	Luke 2:8-20 <i>(The Angels greet the Shepherds)</i>	pew Bible, N.T. page 54
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*Hymn No. 120	Where Shepherds Lately Knelt	
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Placing Prayers and "Strawing the Manger"

Prayers for the People and the Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-12  
*(The Coming of the Magi)*

pew Bible, N.T. page 1

Solo

Who Would Imagine A King/The First Noel arr. Russell Stephens  
Russell Stephens, baritone

\*Christmas Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in God,  
the creator and giver of life,  
who brought all creation to birth,  
who mothers us and fathers us,  
protecting, nurturing,  
and cherishing us.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ:  
God born among us as a fragile baby,  
embodying both love and the need for  
love, and calling us to rest in God  
as trustingly as a tiny child.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
breathed into us at our birth,  
always drawing us on to be born again,  
encouraging, exhorting, comforting,  
nourishing our growth  
and inspiring our living.**

**We believe in the reconciliation  
of the world to God, through Christ.  
Hunted at birth  
and humiliated at death,  
Christ entered our fearful darkness  
so that we might enter his glorious light  
and share the life of his resurrection.**

**And we believe that each new child  
is a glimpse of the face of God,  
a sign of the life to come,  
and a call to live in peace  
and celebrate living together.  
Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.  
Amen.**

**SENDING**

\*Hymn No. 134

Joy to the World!

Charge and Benediction

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

## Special Thanks

**Director**- Robb Ross  
**Organist** - Will Benton

### Advent Candle

Finley, Grayson,  
 and Amanda Trauger

### Nativity Readers

Tatumn Bertram Connolly  
 Daetwyler Bertram  
 Shenley Bertram  
 James Ingram  
 Thomas Poore  
 Grayson Trauger  
 Megan DiSalvo

### Nativity Players

**Mary** - Finley Trauger  
**Joseph** - James Ingram

**Gabriel** - Piper Bertram Connolly

**Angelic Host** - Eva Hampton, Claire Ingram,  
 Gwyneth Ingram, Mila Jones, Arya Jones,  
 Sydney Patterson

**Shepherds** - Tucker Hampton, Jeremiah Call,  
 Murphy Bertram

**Magi** - Knox Bertram, Jensen Bertram Connolly,  
 Grayson Trauger

**Star** - Campbell Bertram Connolly

### Worship Leaders today are:

Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise and Rev. Dr. Dan DeBevoise, co-pastors.  
 Robb Ross, choir director; Will Benton, organist/pianist.

**December Ushers:** John Bowers, Aaron Hull, John Hunter, Dan Johnson, Thomas Poore  
 Cindy Schmidt, Mark Sonderman.

**Deacon at the Door:** Cheryl Woods

Pledged Income Y.T.D. Thru November 30, 2024		Non Pledged Income Y.T.D.	
Budget	\$439,156	Budget	\$41,638
Actual	\$427,574	Actual	\$68,471
Difference	(\$11,582)	Difference	\$26,833
Park Lake Operating Budget Thru November 30, 2024			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Budget	\$624,923	\$639,475	(\$14,552)
Actual	\$643,991	\$582,212	\$61,779

### 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

**Christmas Eve  
Carols, Communion and Candlelight Service**

(Sanctuary)

**Tuesday, December 24 , 5:30 pm**

*Christmas Eve Candlelight Service*



**Birthdays**

**Celebrating  
this Week!**

24 Delaney Bookhardt  
26 Larry Welker  
26 Madison Cox  
27 Phyllis Dotherow  
27 Florence Baadu



**END OF THE YEAR GIVING**

We are grateful for any year end gifts you are able to make to Park Lake Presbyterian Church. Many people make special year end gifts as a part of their financial plans.



- If you would like to make an end of the year contribution, please place it in the offering plate by **Sunday, December 29, 2024**.
- Or mail to **Park Lake Presbyterian Church, 309 E. Colonial Dr., Orlando, 32801** and postmarked by **Tuesday, January 31, 2024**.
- Or in person, must be received in the church office **between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm on Tuesday, January 31, 2024**.
- You may also donate through **Tuesday, January 31, 2024** via "Online Giving" on our website, [plpc.org](http://plpc.org).



**Holiday Office Hours**

**Open:** Monday, December 23, 9am - 2pm  
Tuesday December 24, 9am -12noon - Christmas Eve  
Monday, December 30, 9am-2pm  
Tuesday, December 31, 9am -12noon - New Years Eve  
Thursday, January 2, 9am - 2pm

**Closed:** Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day  
Thursday, December 26  
Wednesday, January 1 - New Year's Day

## *2024 Poinsettia Dedications*

### *In Loving Memory of:*

Andrew Shaw  
Shirley and Alfred Bowers

### *Donor:*

John Bowers

Herbert Dunlap,  
Pat's sister, Eileen and Lloyd Johnson,  
Our aunt and uncle, Joe and Lural Dunlap

His loving wife, Pat Dunlap and daughters,  
Mary Joe Dunlap and Jane Callahan,  
Anne Gray Dunlap

B.J. Cook, sister

Judy and Stix Cook

All our family and loved ones that have passed  
on to their eternal home

Mary Daly

Emma McDonald, our shining star

With love, mommy, R.C. , Aunt Erin, Uncle Matt,  
Grandma and Grandpa  
Dorcas Circle

Barbara Morris

David W. Foley, Sr. and Lisa Foley

Warren Foley

Jack B. Hanson  
Eugene "Gene" Gribble

Grant Gribble and  
Alice Gribble

Our parents, Sissy and Walk Jones  
Ted Neiman

Nancy and Walk Jones

Mildred VonBehren, mother

Jean Kasotakis

Mabel and Richard Lawton  
Martha and Captain Ernest Madsen  
Taylor Harbison

John Rogers and Doug Lawton

Bill Below

Laura and Shawn Moloney

Ben Nicoll

Vicky Nicoll

Will Park  
Bryan Park

Evie Park

Shirley and Warren Sparks, Helen and Lou Goodman

Sherry Riley

Joyce and John Shrieves, Sanna Beaty

Linda Shrieves

***Honor of:***

Our mothers, Ruth P. Rogers  
and Mary Bookhardt Sikes

Lois and Harvey Nesmith

***Donor:***

Carol and Mike Bookhardt

Vicky Nicoll

***Gifts in Lieu of Plants***

***In Loving Memory of:***

Our fathers, Arthur W. Heath and  
Jesse (Jack) Bookhardt (Music Fund)

Randall L. Engar (Building Fund)

Betty L. Reynolds and Susan L. Reynolds

Glenn Cizek

***Donor:***

Carol and Mike Bookhardt

Barbara L. Martin

Woody Reynolds

Renee Riegler

***In Honor of:***

Our grandchildren, Eleanor, Mila, Arya,  
Mary Margaret and Charlotte  
(Building Fund)

Our family, Katherine and Glynn Kelley,  
Phillip and Elyse Kelley, Susan Kaney  
and dear friend Helen Potter  
(Building Fund)

Marguerite Reid, Hazel Weitzel  
Sceney Jackson, Rosalind Yarbrough (Building Fund)

***Donor:***

Nancy and Walk Jones

Eleanore and Frank Kaney

Woody Reynolds

***Special thanks to contributors to Poinsettia Sunday.***



Offertory

The Inn at the End of the World  
Words by G. K. Chesterton Music by Heather Sorenson

There is heard a hymn when the panes are dim,  
and never before, never again, when the nights are strong  
with a darkness long,  
and the dark is alive with rain.

And our hope lies dead where the leaves lie red  
for the flame of the sun is flown,  
and our hearts lie cold where the leaves are gold,  
then a Child comes forth alone.

And at night we win to the ancient inn,  
where the Child in the frost is furled,  
and we follow the feet where all souls meet  
at the inn at the end of the world.

O come to my heart, Lord Jesus,  
there's room in my heart, Lord Jesus.

Then all earth, rejoice, matching heaven's voice  
When the dark and the cold are cured.  
And we follow the feet where all souls meet  
at the inn at the end of the world.