

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

309 East Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32801

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plpc.org



April 12, 2026

Order of Worship

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Dreams

Hugh McAmis

Choral Introit

He Arose Triumphantly

Call to Worship

Great is the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

*Hymn of Praise No. 246

Christ Is Alive!

Scripture Reading

Psalm 23

pew Bible, OT pg. 474

Call to Confession

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Let us confess our sin before God and one another, trusting in God's gracious promise of forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, your Word teaches us that whether we live or whether we die, we are yours. Forgive us for forgetting your gracious promise of life.

We live in fear, thinking death has the final say. We follow our own ways rather than your life-giving path in Jesus Christ. Help us put our trust in you, our God who has the power of life over death.

We believe, Lord, help our unbelief.

In the name of Jesus Christ, risen from the dead never to die again, we pray.

(silent prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

The scriptures teach: "If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

We confess that Jesus is Lord and we believe and celebrate the good news that God raised him from the dead.

Trust in this promise: In Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

*Hymn of Response No. 518 Your Only Son (Lamb of God)

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

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. After the sermon, the Children will return to sit with their families.

Hymn No. 188

Jesus Loves Me

**v.1 Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.
(refrain) Yes Jesus loves me!....**

Scripture Reading

John 20:19-31

pew Bible NT, pg. 108

Sermon

Seeing and Believing
Rev. Dr. Paige McRight

In life and in death we belong to God through the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Joy in the Morning

Natalie Sleeth

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

SENDING

*Hymn No. 254

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Postlude

Toccata

David Hegarty

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

The Sanctuary flowers this day are given to the glory of God by Leesa Bainbridge, in honor of her parents, Martha and John Bainbridge, celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary on April 9th.



Worship Leaders today are:

Guest pastor, Rev. Dr. Paige McRight; **Assisting in worship,** Cindy Schmidt Robb Ross, choir director; Will Benton, organist/pianist.

April ushers: John Rachey, Casey Cox, Andre Davis, Aaron Hull, John Hunter, John Jenkins, Scott Peterson, Cindy Schmidt, Mark Sonderman.

Deacon at the Door: Billie Jo Elliott

Our guest preacher today is Rev. Dr. Paige McRight, retired Executive Presbyter of the Central Florida Presbytery. Paige has been a regular worshiper at Park Lake since 2003.

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.



Celebrations!

Birthdays

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| 08 Virginia Porter | 11 Howard Jaffe |
| 08 Angela Chesser | 12 Rosalyn Russell |
| 11 Julia Downs | 13 Nathan Krasno |
| 11 Casey Cox | 14 Woody Reynolds |



| Pledged Income Y.T.D. Thru March 31, 2026 | | Non Pledged Income Y.T.D. | |
|---|-----------|------------------------------|------------|
| Budget | \$123,705 | Budget | \$20,375 |
| Actual | \$141,219 | Actual | \$13,574 |
| Difference | \$17,514 | Difference | (\$6,791) |
| Park Lake Operating Budget Thru March 31, 2026 | | | |
| | Income | Expenses | Difference |
| Budget | \$182,404 | \$189,898 | (\$7,494) |
| Actual | \$194,056 | \$168,796 | \$25,260 |

Church Staff

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

Church Missionaries

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

FAVO ARTISTS AT CITY HALL

**Faith Arts Village Orlando (FAVO): Motel Studios,
The Acclaimed Exhibition**

Friday, April 10—Sunday, June 7

Terrace Gallery, at Orlando City Hall
400 S. Orange Ave., Orlando

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Come and see the FAVO (Faith Arts Village Orlando) Artists

City of Orlando announces the opening of Faith Arts Village Orlando (FAVO): The Acclaimed Exhibition at the City of Orlando's Terrace Gallery on Friday, showcasing the vibrant work of FAVO's resident and participating local artists. The exhibition will be on view through June 7, 2026.



The GayStraight@ParkLake Group will not be meeting in April after worship for our regular third Sunday meeting so that we may host the **Sunday, April 12 and 19, discussion and lunch, "Presbyterians Read the Bible"**.

Please R.S.V.P. for this event so we can plan for lunch, (R.S.V.P. form is on the back of this bulletin). To learn more about supporting Gay/Straight@ParkLake and the LGBTQ+ community as an ally or LGBTQ+ orientation contact John Jenkins, gaystraightatparklake@gmail.com or use the QR code to view our page on the plpc.org website.



FOR MORE
INFORMATION ABOUT
[GayStraight@Park Lake](mailto:GayStraight@ParkLake)

PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB

Thursday, April 23

10:00 am

Downstairs Koinonia Room, Sanctuary Building.



Our April book is "Daughters of the Bamboo Grove", by Barbara Demick. For more information, email Sherry Riley, sherry27@gmail.com.



**PW BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON
and BIRTHDAY OFFERING
SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026**
after worship
(Struble Fellowship Hall)
Entrée and cake provided,
please bring a side dish to share.

SAVE THE DATE!

2026 PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

*Birthday
Offering*

"May the God of hope
fill you with all joy
and peace in believing,
so that you may
abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit."
—Romans 15:13*



Learn more about the Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women by visiting
presbyterianwomen.org/birthday.

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2026 PERU MISSION TRIP : JUNE 7 - 16, 2026

Thank you all so much for your generous donations for the upcoming Peru Mission trip! As a result, we have enough pens, pencils and glue. Below are items still needed, including items from the missionaries' wish list:

- Pencil sharpeners
- Fiskars Scissors (both right and left handed)
- Colorful beads and bead string
- Toothpaste & floss
- Hairbrushes and combs
- Deodorant (boys & girls or generic)
- Bars of soap & soap containers
- Nail clippers
- Feminine pads



There are still a few spots left if you want to join us on the mission trip.

Contact bsayles@cfpresbytery.org for an info packet.

Thank you in advance, Barbara Sayles,
Hunger Action Advocate, Central Florida Presbytery



Park Lake's Vacation Bible School

Monday, July 13 through
Friday, July 17, 2026

9:00 am - 12noon
(Park Lake Education Building)
Ages PreK- 4
through 5th grade

Music Games Bible Stories
Science
Snacks Crafts

Registration opening soon
online at plpc.org

VBS Decorating Prep
(Struble Fellowship Hall)
Wednesdays, May 13, 20, 27
and June 3, 10, 17
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
(Bring a bag dinner)



All are welcome for fun, fellowship and creativity as we start our VBS decorating prep. No experience necessary, we will be cutting and coloring decorations for VBS. **Please R.S.V.P. Anne Vercheski, at avercheski@cfl.rr.com**

ATTENTION ALL VBS ADULT AND YOUTH VOLUNTEERS!

VBS Volunteer Kick-off Luncheon
Sunday, May 31
(after worship)
(Struble Fellowship Hall)

Please come to share a meal with the VBS team and learn about the VBS theme **"Snowball Mountain Challenge: Find Your Strength in God"**.

Does your Middle school or High school Youth need Volunteer hours for school?



Youth Volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible school! Youth who are rising 6th graders - 12th grade are welcome. Go to plpc.org to find the youth volunteer form to print, fill out the form and return to the church office.

DONATION REQUEST FOR VBS DECORATING

Our VBS theme this year is *Snowball Mountain Challenge - Find Your Strength in God!* We know we live in Florida, but we are looking for snow skis, ski poles, ski boots, snowboards, inner tubes, snowshoes, etc. to use for decorations. If you have such things that we could borrow, that would be terrific! Please let Anne Vercheski know, 407-701-5307. Thank you for your consideration!

PRESBYTERIANS READ THE BIBLE

Discussion and Lunch

Sunday, April 12 and 19

Paige McRight, discussion leader

(After worship, Struble Fellowship Hall)



Presbyterians read the Bible in many ways, for spiritual enrichment, learning and guidance in making decisions. When we make decisions together we read like some Christians have since the Reformation. Come look at the questions Presbyterians use to understand and apply Scripture to important choices we make. Please R.S.V.P. below, tear off and place in the offering plate or contact Paige McRight at pmcright@cfl.rr.com.

R.S.V.P. for **PRESBYTERIANS READ THE BIBLE**

(lunch provided)

I will attend:

Sunday, April 12 _____

and/or

Sunday, April 19 _____

Name _____

Number of Adults Attending _____

Number of Children Attending _____

Email _____

Transportation needed to church for lunch? _____

TEAR OFF AND PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE