

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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May 3, 2026

Order of Worship

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Rise Up, O Church of God

arr. Edward Good

Choral Introit

He Arose Triumphantly

Call to Worship

Christ is a living stone, precious in God's sight, and on him we build our lives.

**We are God's people, and we proclaim God's mighty acts,
for we have been called out of darkness and into the light.**

Once we were not a people, but now we are God's people;
once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy.

With hearts lifted in praise, we come to worship.

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

*Hymn of Praise No. 667 When Morning Gilds the Skies

Scripture Reading

Acts 7:55-60

pew Bible, NT pg. 118

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus, you prayed for the forgiveness of those who put you to death.

You teach us to pray, "forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us."

We confess how we have failed to live accepting your forgiveness and forgiving others. We are anxious to make everything right ourselves, instead of trusting the promise of your grace. We fail to follow your example. We follow our own way, trust our own truth, and hold onto our own life at all costs. Forgive us. Help us to live by your words, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life."

(silent prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness (from 1 Peter 2:19-25)

Beloved, believe the good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Jesus prepares a place for us, Jesus brings us close to him.

Jesus answers us even in our unbelief.

We are God's own people. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Hymn of Response No. 740

Lead Me, Guide Me

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. 525

Let Us Break Bread Together

v.1. Let us break bread together on our knees;

let us break bread together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

v. 2 Let us drink wine together on our knees...

v. 3 Let us praise God together on our knees...

Scripture Reading

John 14:1-14

pew Bible NT, pg. 102

Sermon

No Place for Trouble

Rev. Dan DeBevoise

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

pg. 17, Glory to God, Hymnal

**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;

the third day he rose again from the dead;

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

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Lloyd Larson

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation

**Sharing of Bread and Cup

The Words of Institution

Prayer after Communion

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING

*Hymn No. 538

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Alleluia, Alleluia Give Thanks

Postlude

Toccata

Douglas Wagner

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

**The communion bread being served today, is a Gluten Free Communion Bread from Mila's Gluten Free Bakery which has a dedicated GF kitchen.

The flowers this day are given to the glory of God, by Marc and Angela Chesser in memory of the birthday of Stephen Matthew Chesser, our son.



Worship Leaders today are Rev. Drs. Helen DeBevoise and Dan DeBevoise

Music: Robb Ross, director; Will Benton, organist/pianist

Audio/Visual: Matt Cook, John Bowers, Mike Bookhardt

Ushers: Dewayne Bevil, Aaron Hull, John Jenkins, Jim McEwan, John Rachey, Mark Sonderman.

Deacon at the Door: Billie Jo Elliott



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



Please support the Birthday Offering so that organizations like the ones selected for 2026 will continue to celebrate in God's abounding hope and power in the world.

2026 PW BIRTHDAY OFFERING RECIPIENTS

City Mission of Findlay

Women and Children's Crisis Shelter
Findlay, Ohio

findlaymission.org

Haywood Christian Ministry

Rural Food Assistance Project
Waynesville, North Carolina

hcmnc.org

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

ROOT BEER FLOATS and COOKIES SOCIAL - ALL ARE WELCOME!

Today, SUNDAY, MAY 3, (after worship)

Please join us for a root beer float and cookie social!

Hosted by the Deacons of Park Lake.



Imagine a world without hunger. For half a century, **Bread for the World**, a bipartisan Christian advocacy group, has been working to make this a



reality. Each year thousands of volunteers from churches like our own send letters, call, and email their legislators, urging them to restore, protect, and strengthen domestic and international nutrition and health programs, such as: the **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)**, the **WIC** program for Women, Infants and Children, the **School Lunch** program, **Feed the Future**, and the **GAVI Vaccine Initiative**. Park Lake's own **Offering of Letters** will take place from **May 10 to 17**.

According to Bread for the World, more than 47 million Americans, including nearly 14 million children, struggle to put food on the table. Unfortunately, legislation signed into law last July makes \$186 billion in cuts to SNAP over 10 years, but our voices and prayers can make a difference. Bread is asking us to call on our elected officials in Congress to fully fund and strengthen global food, health and development programs that allow vulnerable people around the world to have the food and nutrition they need and, also, to pass a strong, bipartisan Farm Bill that supports farmers, strengthens communities and helps end hunger at home and overseas. Stay tuned for more information. In the meantime, contact Susan Frith, John Walker, or Nancy Warlick with questions, or visit bread.org.



GayStraight@ParkLake lunch gathering will not be meeting in **May** so that we are able to participate in the PW Birthday Luncheon and offering on Sunday, May 17th.



FOR MORE
INFORMATION ABOUT
GayStraight@Park Lake

Please join us next month in June as an ally or LGBTQ+ person, We meet at Panera Bread at Orlando Fashion Mall. Come break bread with us and learn more about supporting Gay/Straight@ParkLake and the LGBTQ+ community as an ally or LGBTQ+ orientation. To learn more about supporting Gay/Straight@ParkLake and the LGBTQ+ community as an ally or LGBTQ+ orientation contact John Jenkins or use the QR code to view our page on the plpc.org website.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER: Matching Gift Challenge

Donations made to the Christian Service Center for the Homeless **through June 1** will be matched, doubling your generous contributions. The Christian Service Center, a mission partner of Park Lake Presbyterian, serves individuals experiencing homelessness in Central Florida, providing meals, laundry and shower services, medical care and so much more. You can make your donation at ChristianServiceCenter.org.



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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| 01 Noah Krasno | 05 Afuah Baadu |
| 02 Cassandra Mask | 06 John Franklin |
| 02 Elizabeth Siwica | 06 Samantha Gabrielson |
| 03 Matthew Wood | 07 Chris Stalder |
| 03 Shijia Barnabee | 07 Catherine Johnson |
| 05 Juanita Borysewich | 09 Clay Elliott |
| 05 Warren Foley | |

Anniversaries

- 01 Esther & David Gaboriault
- 05 Elaine & Ted Szymankiewicz
- 07 Betty & Forrest Cheek



FAVO ARTISTS AT CITY HALL ALL ARE WELCOME!

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

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.



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

Register 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 contact Anne Vercheski to R.S.V.P.

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 Contact Anne Vercheski. Thank you for your consideration!

