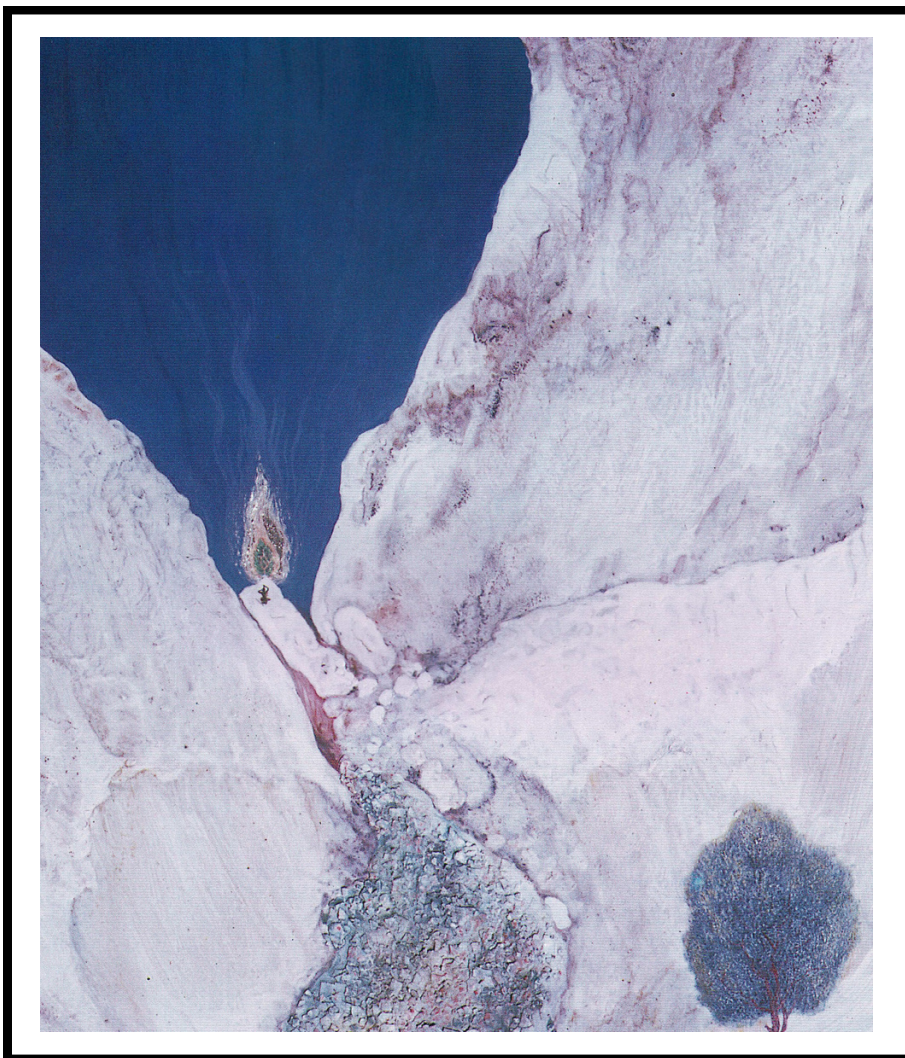




The Burning Bush
Frank Wesley, 1923-2002

August 30, 2026

Park Lake Presbyterian Church

309 East Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32801

407-841-6550 plpc.org

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Order of Worship

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

St. Denio

Michael Burkhardt

Call to Worship (Psalm 105)

O give thanks to the Lord; call on his name; make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

*Hymn of Praise No. 12 Immortal Invisible God Only Wise

Scripture Reading

Exodus 3:1-15

pew Bible, OT pg. 48

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of love and mercy, we have faltered in our service to you.

We create divisions between various people; we judge before we listen;

we condemn before we make any attempt to understand.

Fear and anger surround us and determine our actions.

In our daily rush, we ignore the signs of your presence.

Forgive us for not stopping to see the wonder of your grace.

**Forgive us when we place our way in front of the way of the cross you call us to
in Jesus Christ.**

In Jesus' Name, we pray.

(silent prayers of confession)



Declaration of Forgiveness

Hear the good news!

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed our transgressions from us. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*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. 466

Come and Fill Our Hearts

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are Holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Allelulia!

Come and fill our hearts with your love,

You alone, O Lord are Holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your love. Allelulia!

Scripture Reading

Matthew 16:21-28

pew Bible, NT pg.17

Sermon

Tending the Fire

Rev. Dan DeBevoise

*Affirmation of Faith pg. 17 The Apostle's Creed

**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 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

The Perfect Love

John Rutter

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

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

SENDING

*Hymn No. 726

Will You Come and Follow Me

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Toccata in 7

John Rutter

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

The Sanctuary flowers on this day, are given to the glory of God, in loving memory of Betty L. Reynolds. Given with love by her husband, Woody Reynolds and family.



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

Music: Robb Ross, director; Carla Edwards, guest organist/pianist.

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

Ushers: Dewayne Bevil, Casey Cox, John Jenkins, Frank Kaney, Jim McEwan, Mark Sonderman.

Deacon at the Door: Barbara Martin

Pledged Income Y.T.D. Thru July 31, 2026		Non Pledged Income Y.T.D.	
Budget	\$288, 646	Budget	\$47, 542
Actual	\$277, 811	Actual	\$39, 973
Difference	(\$10,835)	Difference	(\$7,569)
Park Lake Operating Budget Thru July 31, 2026			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Budget	\$425,611	\$443,094	(\$17,483)
Actual	\$410,691	\$420,500	(\$9,809)

Church Staff	
Co-pastors	Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise Rev. Dr. Dan DeBevoise
Choir Director	Robb Ross
Organist, Director FAVO	Will Benton
Child Care Center Interim Director	Kimberly Gibson
Financial Administrator	Linda Castle
Church Secretary	Carol Bookhardt
Maintenance	Keith Bridges
Nursery Staff	Barbara Boyce
Church Missionaries	
Madagascar	Dan and Elizabeth Turk
Mozambique	Sebber Banda Rev. Carlos Faquione

PARK LAKE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN BIBLE STUDY CIRCLES



The Park Lake Presbyterian Women 2026-2027 Horizons Bible Study meetings start in September. This season, our Bible Study is *United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other: Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians*, by Rhonda Mawhood Lee. Circle Members and those interested in participating in a PW Bible Study Circle, please contact a Circle Representative or go to: plpc.org for more information. Circle meetings are on the first Monday, or first Tuesday of each month from September—May.

**Esther: Tuesday, September 1
6:30 pm, Struble Fellowship Hall**
Circle Representative, Erin Cook
Bible Moderator, Anne Vercheski

**Dorcas: Monday, September 14
1:00 pm, Westminster Winter Park**
Circle Representative and
Bible Moderator, Sandy Bogner

**Joanna: Monday, September 14
7:00 pm, Parlor**
Circle Representative, Sherry Riley
Bible Moderator, Helen DeBevoise

**Sarah: Monday, September 14
2:00 pm, Westminster Towers, Town Square**
Circle Representative and
Bible Moderator, Marian Price

DINNER AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING UPDATE

Wednesday, September 16

6:00 pm, dinner, presentation and discussion
(Struble Fellowship Hall)

Come join to hear and discuss what happened at PCUSA General Assembly this Summer!



Representative Commissioners from all around the denomination gather every 2 years to worship, discern and do mission together. This is the gathering of the General Assembly (GA) of the Presbyterian Church USA.

The GA met this summer 2026 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to pray and worship together, seeking God's will for the broader church in areas of mission, public action, and the work of the local and world wide church.

Park Lake has an opportunity to hear from some of our Central Florida Presbytery leadership who had an up close view, serving as commissioners and representatives to the GA. We will have The Rev. Dr. Martin Concepcion, The Rev. Dr. Geoff McLean (new Presbytery Executive) and our own pastors leading the discussion.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK!

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

30 Judy Cook
31 Rodrigo Gaboriault

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

01 Charlotte Branstetter
03 Ruth Fiji
04 Justina Aniapam
05 Josephine Patterson



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

01 Laura and Shawn Moloney - 36 years

FOOD COLLECTION for WASHINGTON SHORES PRESBYTERIAN FOOD PANTRY

The Food Bank at Washington Shores Presbyterian Church continues to be in great need of items. **Updated request:** canned ravioli, spaghetti with meatballs, canned tuna, peanut butter and jelly, saltine crackers, cereal, deodorant and toothpaste.



Cash donations are also appreciated to purchase needed items. Please bring your pantry donations to church on Sundays before or after worship to the West transept of the Sanctuary. Thank you for helping your neighbor!

PERU MISSION PRESENTATIONS In Central Florida September 25-October 12



Phoebe Clark Drew-Bell, Project Manager of the Kusi Village, Peru will be giving a presentation at Park Lake Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, October 7 at 7pm. Please bring a dessert and come hear about the recent mission trip, upcoming mission opportunities, and the exciting things happening in Kusi Village, Peru. If you are unable to attend on October 7, below are some additional dates/churches you are welcome to attend:

Wednesday, September 30 - 5:30pm - Family Night Dinner, Oakland Presbyterian Church.

Sunday, October 4 - 9:30am - Winter Park Presbyterian, room 301; Minute for Mission in the 10:45 Service.

Wednesday, October 7 - 7pm, Park Lake Presbyterian Church, Struble Fellowship Hall (please bring a dessert to share).

Sunday, October 11 - 10am First Presbyterian, DeLand.

Barbara Sayles, Hunger Action Advocate
Central Florida Presbytery
cfpresbytery.org/

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.