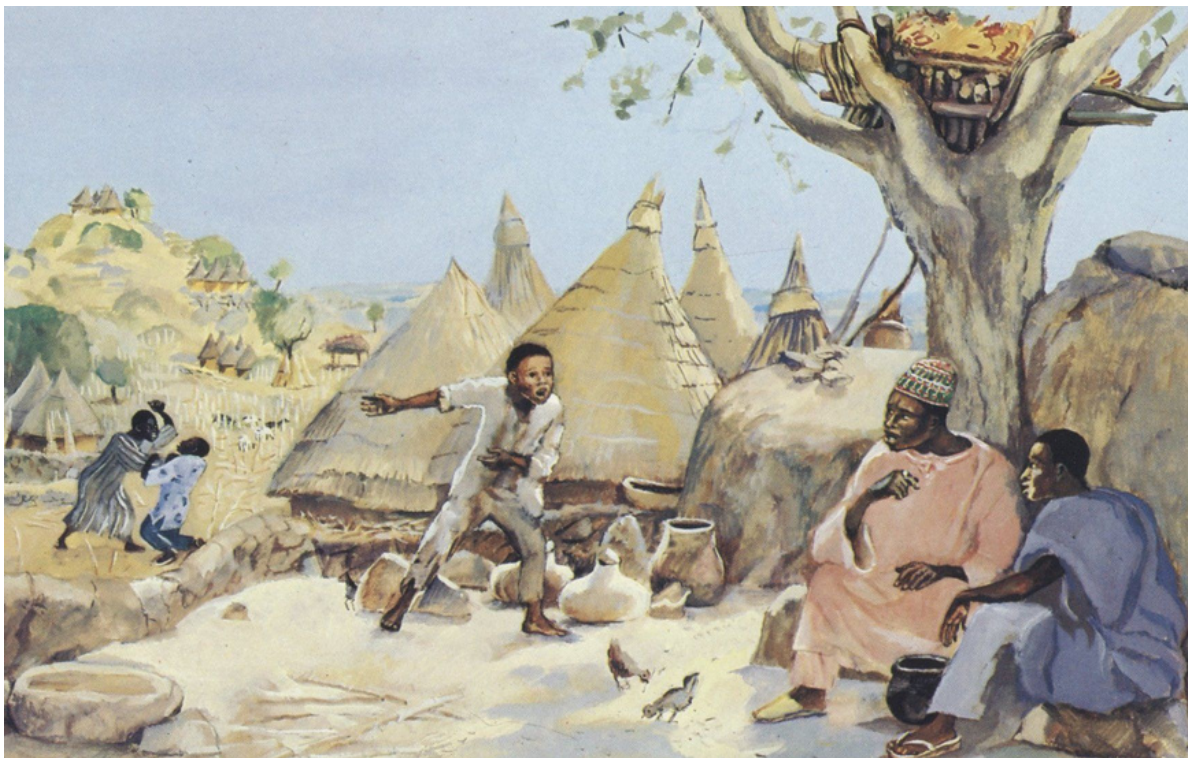




Parable of the Unforgiving Servant  
Jesus Mafa

September 13, 2026

**Park Lake Presbyterian Church**

309 East Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32801

407-841-6550   [plpc.org](http://plpc.org)

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Order of Worship

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Presentation to High school Graduates  
Ali Walker and R.C. Delany

Deacons

Prelude

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

J.S.Bach

Choral Introit

God Welcomes All

(GTG 399)

Call to Worship

(Romans 14:8-11)

Christ Jesus is the Lord of the dead and the living.

**Whether we live or die, we belong to God.**

Here we stand before the Lord of all life.

**Let every knee bow, and every tongue sing praise.**

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

\*Hymn of Praise No. 620

Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

Scripture Reading

Romans 14:1-12

pew Bible, NT pg. 152

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word,  
and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name.**

(silent prayers of confession)



## Declaration of Forgiveness

Hear the good news!

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. We belong to Christ, the Lord of the dead and the living. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God!**

\*Hymn of Response No. 582      Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

\*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. 435

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

***There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.  
There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.  
There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgement given.***

***For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind.  
And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.  
If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's Word,  
and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.***

Scripture Reading

Matthew 18:21-35

pew Bible, NT pg. 19

Sermon

Forgiveness Rules

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

Bless the Lord

Allen Pote

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

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

## **SENDING**

\*Hymn No. 692

Spirit, Open My Heart

Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Bless the Lord

(GTG 544)

Postlude

Toccata

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

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**The Sanctuary flowers on this day** are given to the glory of God, in honor of Ellie Callahan’s 26th birthday (on September 16), given with love from her family. Ellie lives in Manhattan and works on the administrative team for a medical practice located right across from the Metropolitan Museum of Art. She misses seeing her church family here at PLPC!



**Worship Leaders today** are Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise and Rev. Dr. Dan DeBevoise  
**Music:** Robb Ross, director; Will Benton, organist/pianist.  
**Audio/Visual:** Matt Cook, John Bowers, Mike Bookhardt.  
**Ushers:** Justin Ingram, Vicky Nicoll, John Walker, Aaron Hull.  
**Deacon at the Door:** Andy Cale

**CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK!**

**BIRTHDAYS**

- 13 Howard Vincent Kurtz
- 16 Ellie Callahan



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**  
**World Communion Sunday**  
**Sunday, October 4**

| Pledged Income Y.T.D.<br>Thru August 31, 2026      |            | Non Pledged<br>Income Y.T.D. |            |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|
| Budget                                             | \$329,880  | Budget                       | \$54,334   |
| Actual                                             | \$314,393  | Actual                       | \$43,383   |
| Difference                                         | (\$15,487) | Difference                   | (\$10,951) |
| Park Lake Operating Budget<br>Thru August 31, 2026 |            |                              |            |
|                                                    | Income     | Expenses                     | Difference |
| Budget                                             | \$486,414  | \$506,392                    | (\$19,978) |
| Actual                                             | \$462,739  | \$473,827                    | (\$11,088) |

| Church Staff                       |                                                    |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Co-pastors                         | Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise<br>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<br>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.

**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

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### 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.

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## Micah 6:8 Committee

The Office of Public Witness of the PCUSA urges members of the PCUSA to contact their senators and ask them to protect Haitians at risk by supporting Temporary Protective Status (TPS). Senate Bill 4814 is proposed legislation that would extend TPS to 2029.



The US House of Representatives has already passed legislation extending TPS to 2029.

Please see the PCUSA website for other links to contact your senators and other resources. <https://pcusa.org/news-storytelling/news/2026/7/10/urge-us-senate-protect-haitians-risk-supporting-temporary-protective-status-legislation>.

Thank you for your consideration, the Micah 6:8 committee.

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### 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!



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### 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.

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

Barbara Sayles, Hunger Action Advocate

Central Florida Presbytery, [cfpresbytery.org/](http://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)

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### 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)

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