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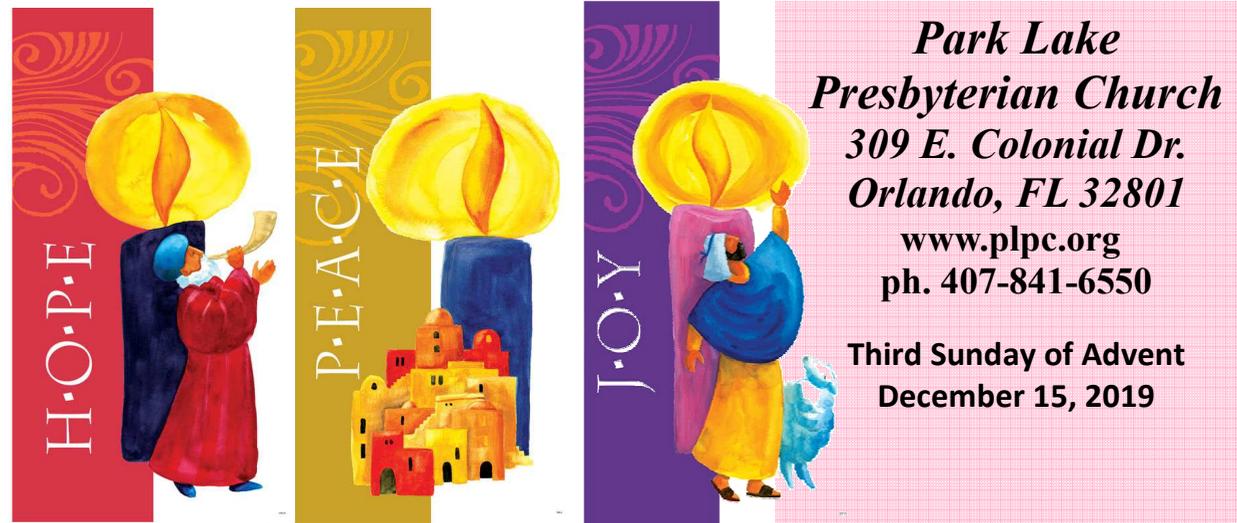
**Church Missionaries**

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

**December Ushers** are Shawn Moloney, Bob Larr, Mike Bookhardt, Larry Welker and Eric Wood.

**Nursery Workers** today is Barbara Boyce and Jan Ellis. **Children’s Church teachers** is Patti Denniston.

**There are Elders who meet for prayer** in the East transept of the sanctuary following worship. You are invited to ask for special prayer by meeting them there or placing a prayer card in the offering plate.



**Park Lake  
 Presbyterian Church**  
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 Orlando, FL 32801  
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**Third Sunday of Advent  
 December 15, 2019**

**Order of Worship**

**10:30 a.m.**

**GATHERING**

Choral Introit Come, Come Emmanuel  
 Chancel Choir Text and music,  
 James J. Chepponis, 1995

Welcome and Announcements  
 Minute for Mission  
 Time of Silence  
 Prelude God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen arr. Noël Goemanne  
 Will Benton, Organist

Call to Worship (Psalm 146:5-10)  
 Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God,  
**who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them;**  
**who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed;**  
**who gives food to the hungry.**  
 The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.  
**The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**  
 The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the  
 way of the wicked he brings to ruin.  
**The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.**  
**Praise the Lord!**

Lighting the Advent Candle Casey and Karen Cox

Hymn No. 93 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Sunday December 15	Monday December 16	Tuesday December 17	Wednesday December 18	Thursday December 19	Friday December 20	Saturday December 21
<b>POINSETTIA SUNDAY</b> 9:00 am Sunday School (SH) 10:00 am Coffee & Fellowship (SH) 10:30 am Worship (S) 11:30 am Congregational Mtg (S)	<b>WORSHIP &amp; WORK deadline</b> 12:00 pm Men’s Bible Study	11:30 am Staff Christmas Luncheon	9:30 am Chapel Time (S)		Church Office Closed	9:30 am Children’s Nativity Rehearsal (S)
11:45 am Choir Rehearsal 11:45 am Youth Group lunch & “Mindful Matter’s” Yoga (SH) 11:45 am Session Meeting (SH)		7:00 pm Scouts (SH)	6:00 pm P.L.O.W. (Park Lake on Wednesdays) Christmas ham dinner, bring dessert to share	6:00 pm GayStraight@ ParkLake, at the home of Melahn Murphy & David Nakagawa		

**Calendar Key**  
 AL - Art Lab at Faith Arts Village Orlando  
 C - Conference Room, church office  
 FAVO - Faith Arts Village Orlando  
 K - Koinonia Sunday School classroom, downstairs Sanctuary building  
 P - Parlor, Education Building  
 S - Park Lake Sanctuary  
 SH - Struble Fellowship Hall, education Building  
 L - Library

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 35:1-10

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Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**God you are the giver of joy. Forgive us for living joyless lives.  
 We aren't opposed to joy. In fact, we long for joy.  
 We long for joy to break the weight of sadness that we put on like familiar clothes every day.  
 We long for joy to burst open our eyes and hearts to the wonder and glory your creation holds.  
 Forgive us for the choices we make that deaden our lives to joy:  
 We choose to dwell on resentments and disappointments.  
 We choose to judge others against our own self-righteousness.  
 We choose to listen only to our side and silence the other.  
 We choose to doubt your call to empty ourselves in order to be filled and transformed by the gift of your love.  
 Forgive our joyless choices. Give us your good news of great joy.**  
 (moment for silent prayer)

Declaration of Forgiveness

This is the good news proclaimed so long ago and needed so much today: the Lord is near, the One who is our salvation.

**We give thanks to God, who has come bringing peace, bringing hope, and bringing joy into our lives.**

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Hymn No. 100 My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

### THE WORD

Welcoming the Children

Following Welcoming the Children, age 3 yrs - 3rd Grade, will proceed downstairs for a Bible lesson. The children will return after the sermon.

Blessing of Children No. 115 Away in the Manger

Scripture Reading

Luke 1:46-55

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Sermon

"Sing for Joy"

Dr. Dan DeBevoise



### Gay Straight@Park Lake 2019 Holiday Gift Card collection for Zebra Coalition

The Gay Straight@Park Lake group will be collecting monetary contributions and gift cards this holiday season for the Zebra Coalition. Please consider helping our youth in the Orlando area this holiday season. Needed are gift cards of \$5 and \$10 for economical meals (McDonald's, Wendy's, Subway, etc.) and/or somewhat larger amounts (\$15, \$20, \$25) for clothing, school supplies, and other goods (Walgreens, CVS, Target, Walmart, etc.). We can also convert your gifts of cash or checks to gift cards. Please give your gift cards or cash to any member of Gay Straight@Park Lake between **Sunday, November 10 and Sunday, December 15.**



### Be An Angel...

Remember to drop off your unwrapped Angel Tree gift by

**Today, Sunday, December 15** in Struble Fellowship Hall.

The Angel Tree is sponsored annually by Park Lake's Presbyterian Women

**Park Lake Church Office and  
 Child Care Center  
 Holiday Hours**

**Park Lake Office Hours  
 Tuesday, December 24 and  
 Tuesday, December 31  
 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**Park Lake Office Closed  
 Wednesday & Thursday  
 December 25-26 and  
 Wednesday, January 1**

**Child Care Center Closed  
 Monday, December 24 -  
 Tuesday, January 1  
 (returning January 2)**

### 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. Gifts must be postmarked by Tuesday, December 31, 2019 or received in the church office by 12:00 noon on December 31, 2019. The church office will be open Tuesday, December 31, from 9:00am - 12:00 pm, if you would like to drop off an end of the year contribution.**

**Park Lake Youth: Mindfulness Matters Yoga**

**Today after worship!**

Exams. Essays. SATS. ACTS. Practices. Homework. College Applications. College decisions. When it time to quiet the world to care for ourselves so we can give to others, how do we do it? How does God call us to be mindful? Join us to explore these questions!

When: Today, December 15th, after worship, 11:45 am—1:45 pm

Where: Struble Fellowship Hall

Lunch: A “mindful” lunch will be provided.

Park Lake member, Susan Smey, will lead us in yoga as a part of the afternoon.

Please bring a mat if you have one. RSVP to Meredith at merewalker@gmail.com

**December 18, PLOW (Park Lake on Wednesdays)**, Struble Fellowship Hall, **6:00 pm**, Russell Home Residents special performance and musical offerings from Robb Ross and members of the Park Lake Chancel Choir.

**Entrée:** Christmas ham dinner, please bring a holiday dessert to share.

**GayStraight@ParkLake**, the **December 19th** GayStraight@ParkLake Meeting will be hosted by Melahn Murphy and David Nakagawa at their home in College Park. Their address is 3526 Lake Sarah, Orlando, 32804. We invite all who would like to enjoy our fellowship and learn more about the group's work in our church and Orlando. For more information, please contact Sue Thompson at [sthomp0708@aol.com](mailto:sthomp0708@aol.com)

**Page Turners Book Club**, We will not meet in December, see you all in January! Contact Anne Gardepe for more information, [annegard64@gmail.com](mailto:annegard64@gmail.com).

**Sunday, December 22**

**5:30 pm - Pizza and Caroling** - Join us for Pizza in Struble Hall, then we will caravan by church bus and cars to carol to homebound members. All are welcome!

**Tuesday, December 24, Christmas Eve Services**

**5:30 pm** Carols and Candles - Sanctuary

**11:00 pm** Communion, Carols and Candles - Sanctuary

\*The Affirmation of Faith                      Philippians 4:4-7

**Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

My Heart, Your Bethlehem

Ruth Elaine Schram

Chancel Choir

and David Gaines, 2002

Will you have a place to lay your head on the night of your holy birth, a crown, or a robe of royal thread, as you life begins on earth?

Refrain: Though some will not receive you, or know just who you are, I will prepare a place for you, a home within my heart.

I'll make my heart your Bethlehem, where you, O Lord, can enter in.

Shine your light, let your life in me begin,

and make my heart your Bethlehem.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray.

Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today!

Though some will not believe you are the Savior born for them,

I will prepare a place for you, my heart your Bethlehem.

How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given.

So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven. (Refrain)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**SENDING**

\*Hymn No. 104

O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

Charge and Benediction

Choral Response

Wait for the Lord (Psalm 27)

Jacques Berthier,

Chancel Choir

Postlude

God Rest You Merry, Gentleman (reprise) arr. Noël Goemanne

Will Benton, Organist

\*All who are able may stand

**There will be a Congregational Meeting, today, Sunday, December 15**, immediately following worship for the purpose of electing church officers.

# 2019 Poinsettia Sunday



## *In loving memory of:*

My nephew, Andrew Shaw  
My parents, Shirley and Alfred

Ted Mischuk and George Borysewich

Our daughter, Lori Anne Butler  
Our parents, Buford and Geneva Byrd,  
Russell and Bobbie Butler and Dick's sister, Merrily Cunningham

Our beloved parents, Harry and Luetta Carls and  
Richard and Doris Gardiner

Our parents Don and Joyce DeBevoise

Our fathers, Bob Ellis and Jack Hansley

Mary Ruth and Harold Corbett, Jan and Ed Fisher

Dave Foley, Sr.

Lisa Kay Foley

Alvin and Marie Gantt

James S.M. Gray

Our parents

Bill P. Bellow, our pawpaw

Bryan Park, our precious son

Bob Ragans

John and Joyce Schrieves

## *Donor:*

John Bowers

Juanita Borysewich

Dick and Marie Butler

Mary and Harry Carls

Their children,  
Andy DeBevoise, John DeBevoise,  
Dan DeBevoise and Julie Krasno

Gary and Jan Ellis

Carol and Larry Fisher

Lynne Foley and children, David,  
Warren, Leslie and Kenneth

Warren Foley and children,  
Shane, Camden, Michael,  
Rachel and Trevor

Susan and Edmund Gantt

Valerie E.F. Austin Gray

Howard Vincent Kurtz and  
Howard Jaffe

Emily Moloney  
and Katelyn Moloney

Evie and Will Park

Carolyn Ragans

Linda Schrieves

## *Poinsettias (cont.)*

### *In Honor of:*

Our mothers/grandmothers, Mary (Bookhardt) Sikes  
and Ruth Alice Rogers

Park Lake's many amazing musicians

Our mothers, Jean Ellis and Jo Hansley

Lynne Foley

Betty Jean Patton

Cyril and Elizabeth Calley

### *Gifts in Lieu of Plants*

#### *In loving Memory of:*

Our fathers/grandfathers, Jesse (Jack) Bookhardt,  
Arthur W. Heath (Building Fund)

Lois and Harvey Nesmith  
Mary and Benjamin Nicoll (PATH)

Betty L. Reynolds  
Marguerite Reid, Sceney Jackson, Hazel Weitzel,  
and Rosalind Yarbrough (Building Fund)

Frances Wooddell and Peggy Emmons (PATH)

### *In Honor of:*

Our family, Katherine and Glynn Kelley  
Susan Kaney, Phillip Kelley and Elyse Cosslo (Building Fund)

Our Dan and Helen DeBevoise, for their faithful service  
To Park Lake Presbyterian Church (Building Fund)

The writers of the Park Lake Advent Devotions

### *Donor:*

Mike and Carol Bookhardt  
Kaley and Delaney

Harry and Mary Carls

Gary and Jan Ellis

Her children, David, Warren, Leslie  
and Kenneth

Jean Heatwole

Susan and Edmund Gantt

### *Donor:*

Mike and Carol Bookhardt,  
Kaley and Delaney

Ben and Vicky Nicoll

Woody Reynolds

Bill and Nancy Warlick

### *Donor:*

Frank and Eleanore Kaney

Christa Hyatt

Elsie Oberst



***Special thanks to contributors to Poinsettia Sunday, December 15, 2019***