# Worship and Work

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#### All are welcome in July!

**Annual Combined Adult Sunday School** 9:00am, Struble Fellowship Hall

- July 3 Hymn Sing
- July 10, July 17, July 24, July 31



Join us in July for a good old fashioned hymn sing on July 3 and then for the following 4 Exitement. Sundays our annual adult classes will be "welcoming" leading

thinkers of the church by way of the TheoEd series. TheoEd is a takeoff on the popular TEDtalks series, thought with a orientation toward matters of faith. TheoEd speakers will help spark conversations about God, religion, and the power of faith to shape lives and communities. Plan to join us!

> **Vision Team Workshop** for Elders and Deacons Saturday, July 23

> > 10:00 am - 12noon

with Dr. Cheryl Carson, **Associate Executive Presbyter Central Florida Presbytery** 



### Ordination John Daniel DeBevoise

Saturday, July 9, 2022 2:00 pm, Sanctuary



Dessert and punch reception following Struble Fellowship Hall

Special Service to Ordain John Daniel DeBevoise to Minister of the Word and Sacrament

You are ALL are invited to join us for this special occasion in the life of the church. The mission of the church is to go out and make disciples for Christ. It is always a joy when a disciple feels a specific call in their lives to serve as a leader in Christ's church.

John Daniel grew up at Park Lake and was nurtured by the Park Lake congregation through nursery, children's ministry, youth ministry, worship, attending the Montreat Youth Conference, Camp Cedarkirk and serving on Presbytery youth council. It takes a village to raise a disciple! John Daniel felt a call to ministry in his college years and began testing out that call by serving the wider church. He found himself in seminary in the midst of a beginning pandemic, wrestling with what that means in a literally changing world.

In May, John Daniel received a call to be an associate pastor at the First Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg, South Carolina. He wanted to be ordained where it all started for him - his home church - you, Park Lake Presbyterian.

He will be installed at a later date at FPC Spartanburg. We hope you will mark your calendar to come celebrate this momentous occasion for the Park Lake Church, and for John Daniel as well.

### **Co-pastor's Corner**

I recently read this quote from Cole Arthur Riley's book, **This Here Flesh:**Spirituality, Liberation, and the Stories that Make Us.



If you go without belonging for long enough, if you've know the sting of betrayal, you can end up manufacturing an identity from your alienation. To protect yourself from the reminder and risk of exclusion, you begin initiating distance on your own calling yourself 'loner' or 'independent.' But a life lived with trust only in the self is exhausting.

I'm thinking about these words about belonging in the context of anticipating the service of ordination to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament for John Daniel DeBevoise, which is scheduled for July 9. The title of this service is a long way of saying to somebody and to the church, "You are now a pastor in this church." It is a point when the church gives someone a particular identity.

There are many other points, and many other layers of belonging, where the church shapes our identity.

There is baptism, where the church acknowledges and affirms you are a child of God, who is claimed and called by God to follow and serve Jesus as his disciple, through the power of the Holy Spirit. There is the Lord's Supper, Communion, where you are invited and welcomed into fellowship at table, sharing in the gifts of God with others who gather with you. There is worship, where you gather to praise, pray, and proclaim God's work in our lives and the world. There are all the activities of ministry and mission that make up the church's life and shape who we are.

I'm sure that each of these points and others, are enfleshed in Park Lake stories that are dear to John Daniel. They are stories that we all share. Remember when..... They are the stories that remind and assure us that our individual stories aren't the full truth about us. We are a part of each other's stories. And most important of all, we are a part of God's story. We belong to God! We are part of the story of God's love. We are embraced and included in Jesus' life and the community Jesus forms by the Holy Spirit.

I give thanks that Park Lake is a church that has given John Daniel the stories and belonging that enable him to say, "I trust the Spirit's leading, I trust the stories and faith you've shared with me, I trust God wants me to serve God with my life this way." I know Park Lake has done this for other people called to the Ministry of the Word and Sacrament from this congregation: Jack Taylor, Beverly White, Debbie Husband, Jeanie Miller Clark, Dan DeBevoise.

I give thanks that Park Lake is a church where everyone is included, given stories of belonging that help us all live as Jesus' disciples. Let's share our stories - all the highs and lows, the joys and concerns, times of laughter and tears, the amazing and ordinary moments of our lives, where the truth that we belong to God is known as the heart of who we are.

With a grateful heart for Park Lake, Dan DeBevoise, Co-pastor

### **Park Lake Family**







### MOMENT WITH MEGAN

Reflections from Montreat by Megan DiSalvo

Montreat is a youth conference in North Carolina that our youth group attends every year. This year, the theme was *More Than Enough* and I have never connected to a message more than i did this year at Montreat.

During the week we have small group, recreation activities, keynote service, energizers and worship in the evening. All these activities allow you to meet different children of Christ, build a bond with your back home group, and be closer with God. The best feeling is being able to disconnect from anything weighing on your mind and enjoying the beautiful mountains or hearing the water from the river. Montreat is a "thin place" that will bring you closer to God and offers a fresh start.

This year was my last time at Montreat as a high schooler and it was by far the most memorable. The positive atmosphere that surrounds the area of Montreat is contagious and I recommend that everyone experiences it at least once in their lifetime.















Happy 107th
Birthday to
Helen Potter!
July 3, 2022



Park Lake High School Youth, Megan DiSalvo, Sarah Walker, Alison Walker and leaders, Tony Boada Davila, Meredith and Brett Hampton, (Tucker and baby Eva) and Young Adult chaperone-Delaney Bookhardt, traveled to the Montreat Youth Conference the week of June 11—June 18 to re-energize and grow in their faith. Special thanks to Youth leaders for their love and commitment to the youth.





Park Lake Church Office and Child Care Center closed on

Monday, July 4th



### **Park Lake Family News**



Youth and leaders singing "My Lighthouse": Tony Boada Davila, Grayson Trauger, Daetwyler Bertram (guitar), Caden Mullins (guitar), John Walker (guitar), Megan DiSalvo, Sarah Walker and Alison Walker.











The Annual Youth Sunday worship service was a success!

Leaders and Park Lake Youth led us in worship. The Middle school and High school youth along with the youth leaders planned and prepared all aspects of the worship service. Graduating High school Senior, Megan DiSalvo shared Sermon message. We never know when we will need a helping hand and just how much it will mean.



Thanks to our
Deacons and friends for meals and support. Life is much better at our house!

Thank you, Linda and Gary Castle

Dear Park Lake Family,



Thank you for your generous contribution during our recent matching gift campaign.

Overall, including your support, we have raised over \$188,000.

Thank you for your continued blessings.

Eric Gray, Executive Director Christian Service Center for Central Florida



**Thank you** to the Park Lake youth and youth leaders for planning the Youth Sunday worship service and leading us in worship.

- Park Lake Youth: Megan DiSalvo, Alison Walker, Sarah Walker. Tatumn Bertram-Connolly, Daetwyler Bertram, Grayson Trauger and Caden Mullins.
- Youth Leaders: Tony Boada Davila, Meredith and Brett Hampton.
- Thank you to our Park Lake family and friends who love, pray for, support and encourage the Park Lake Middle and High school youth. Thank you to our pastors, Dr. Dan DeBevoise and Dr. Helen DeBevoise, Robb Ross, choir

director; Will Benton, organist and John Walker, on guitar.

Thank you to the Church Life Committee for planning a lovely reception to

 Thank you to the Church Life Committee for planning a lovely reception to celebrate our graduates. The reception was after worship following Youth Sunday worship in Struble Fellowship hall.



and Present..
L to R: Alison Walker,
Sarah Walker, Delaney
Bookhardt, Megan DiSalvo
and Will DiSalvo.

**Park Lake Youth Past** 



Norman Schneider, Ben Nicoll, Julie Estill, Peggy Nicoll, Bob McKnight, Emma McDonald, Barbara Morris, David Nakagawa, Helen Potter, Bettye Highsmith Miller, Kathy Dowless, Jenny Knight, Matilda Peasah, Mary (Bookhardt) Sikes, those suffering from Covid. We invite you to join us in prayer through the email prayer chain. To be added, please contact Helen DeBevoise at helenparklake@gmail.com.

WHAT: USHERS LUNCH

WHEN: After Church July 17 th WHERE: Struble Fellowship Hall

**WHO:** You! Anyone who has served as an usher at Park Lake, or is interested in learning about the work. Please join us after worship for pizza lunch to discuss ushering at Park Lake; how we have been doing it, and how we may improve for the future. We would like to make usher service a meaningful way for more church members to serve their congregation and are eager to share what we have been discussing, and hear your ideas.





# BREAD FOR THE WORLD OFFERING OF LETTERS July 3-10, 2022

Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. Our congregation is a Bread Covenant Church. We have participated in numerous Offering of Letters campaigns over the years and been part of inspiring our leaders in Washington, D.C., to pass legislative victories in the past that have helped reduce hunger in the U.S. and around the world. As Christians, we are called to seek justice, love kindness and care for those experiencing hunger and poverty. As we write personal letters, we are called to embody our Christian witness as we care about those who are vulnerable because of the inequities that drive hunger and poverty in the U.S. and around the world.

Hunger is reaching historic levels at this time. The COVID-19 pandemic has had a disproportionate impact on Black, Latino, and Native American families, and immigrants, and worsening the effects of hunger and poverty around the globe.

Our Offering of Letters event at PLPC will be held July 3-10, 2022. Our hand-written letters are a strong witness of our community and personal concerns. May we be willing to participate in this letter-writing campaign in the days ahead in order to follow Christ's words ...to feed the hungry and care for "the least of these" in our nation and worldwide. *Nancy Warlick, Mission Committee* 



This is a reminder to the entire community of faith that is Park Lake PC that the deacons are charged with developing and implementing four areas of ministry: Congregational Care, Bereavement, Hospitality, and Emergency Assistance.

In order to be successful in these ministries, we need help 2 prayers, support, guidance, and a willingness to be on call when the need arises. In his sermon on June 19, Pastor Dan reminded us that God is not finished with us; there is more work to do. Won't you please consider the talents you have to offer this loving and caring community?

Park Lake Board of Deacons
Nancy Clark, Pam Coburn, Howard
Vincent Kurtz, Doug Lawton,
Evie Park and Cheryl Woods

## The next food collection days will be:

Tuesday, July 12 and Tuesday, July 26



Please bring non-perishable donations to the circle drive at the West side entrance of the Sanctuary, off of Highland. in the West transept, in the Sanctuary.

#### Hygiene items:

Soap Deodorant Disposable razors

Socks (especially women's)
Toilet paper
Toothbrushes
Toothpaste
Dental floss
Shampoo
Sanitary supplies

Women's Incontinence items

(low stock items in **bold**)

Food items:
Food with pop tops
Rice
Canned corn
Crackers
Peanut butter

**Jelly** Cereal

\*please check expiration dates on food items before donating.

### **Upcoming Events**



# The Potter's Hand: Combining Art and Faith

**Thank you** to the Potter's Hand Faith and Art group who created a very thought provoking installation for our Pentecost Sunday worship. Taking foam board, matte knives and a little paint, they created "flames of Pentecost."



Thank you to Nancy Jones for such a creative idea, and our other artists Erin Cook, Carol Bookhardt, John Franklin, Dan DeBevoise, John Rachey and Helen DeBevoise. Hand models included Meredith Hampton, Eva Hampton, Alice Schmidt, Will Benton, Walk Jones.



Look for upcoming opportunities to come do art with Potter's Hand!

Contact Helen DeBevoise for more information, helenparklake@gmail.com.



## Park Lake's Vacation Bible School

Monday, July 11 through Friday, July 15, 2022

9:00 am - 12noon

Ages PreK-4 through 5th grade

Discovery on Adventure

Island: Quest for God's Great Light

Registration forms online at plpc.org

# **VBS Decorating Prep Volunteers Needed!**

Wednesday, July 6 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

We meet in Struble Fellowship Hall and will be working mostly on the 3rd floor decorating. Bring a bag dinner.

Sunday, July 10
Struble Fellowship Hall
(after worship)
Pizza Lunch provided!
All are welcome to help
put the finishing touches
on our VBS set and
decorations!



#### GayStraight@Park Lake



Gay/Straight @ Park Lake is meeting a week later than usual in July. We will gather on **Thursday, July 28th, at 6:00 pm** at the home of Howard Vincent Kurtz and Howard Jaffe. Our hosts will provide a "southern picnic" that evening, including southern fried chicken, corn bread, potato salad, baked beans, etc.

The Howards live at 370 White Oak Circle in Maitland 32751. Please come enjoy our hosts' hospitality and an evening of fellowship. For more information please contact Tony Boada Davila at luis.boadadavila@ @gmail.com or Sue Thompson at <a href="mailto:sthompson">sthompson</a> at <a hre



### **Page Turners Book Club**

Page Turners will meet on July 28, 10 AM in the Koinonia room, as usual. July book is Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman.

Contact Anne Gardepe annegard64@gmail.com for meeting details.

### **Upcoming Events**



Brent Trauger	2
Helen Potter	3
Sharon McCatty	3
Sydney Park	3
Alison Heittman	4
Martin Peasah	4
Susan Gantt	7
Kitty Osburn	7
Daniel DeBevoise	8
Martha Baadu	9
Ben Nicoll	9
Anne Louise Jones	9
Hannah Patterson	10
Erin Cook	11
Nancy and Bill Warlick	11
Mary Trescot	12
Fernando and Jenny Sanchez	12
Sarah Trauger	14
Meredith Hampton	14
William Abel	14
Barbara Martin	16
Edmund Gantt	17
Eleanore Kaney	18
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# Online Church Directory Coming Soon!

Watch for details in upcoming Park Lake Up2Date emails!



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#### **Devotions and Meditations**

We have books of devotions and meditations in section 242. In section 242.1, are daily meditations, such as for a whole year. We have collections of prayers, in section 243. and Church Library poetry in section 245.1.



The authors of the prayers and mediations are some of the most beloved Christians. For example, Each New Day, (242.1 TEN) by Corrie Ten Boom. She was an inspiring Christian who suffered in a concentration camp. We also have her biography, The Hiding Place, B ten.

My personal favorite when I was a young woman was Simple Abundance: A Daybook of Comfort and Joy, by Sarah Breachnach, (242.1 BRE). See July, The Hungry Soul which begins, "I cannot count the good people I know who to my mind would be even better if they beat their spirits to the study of their own hunger, MFK Fisher. When Eve bit into the apple, she gave us the world as we know the world—beautiful, flawed, dangerous, fully of being...

You can see our library database on ploc.org. Please let me know if you need assistance.

Alice Schmidt, Park Lake Church Librarian

Please visit Park Lake's Little Free Library, take a book and leave a book!