

**PARK LAKE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

309 East Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32801

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July 30, 2023

Order of Worship

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Silence

Prelude

Wie Melodien Zieht es
Tom Tavasci, trumpet
Will Benton, organ

Johannes Brahms

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 No. 620

Praise, My Soul the King of Heaven

Scripture Reading

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Pew Bible, NT pg. 13

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God, we confess that we do not reflect your glory.

We think the most important things are always the biggest and most powerful.

We ignore your way of choosing the smallest and least powerful to work your will.

We focus on daily annoyances; we get frustrated and short tempered with others.

We seek your will and your kingdom, only when it is convenient for us.

Forgive us for choosing to follow the world's way instead of yours.

Forgive us; restore and reorder our lives by the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

(silent prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Apostle Paul assures us that "the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words..." Friends this is the good news in Jesus Christ: God's love is always at work to reconcile us to himself.

Thanks be to God in Christ whose love for us is immeasurable and unending!

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE WORD

Welcoming the Children

***During Worship**, following the time on the steps, children are invited to PRAYground located in the east transept. In Prayground, children will be provided a lap desk, a children's bulletin, coloring and activity pages, allowing them to continue exploring today's gospel message. A PRAYground "host teacher" will be available to help answer questions and provide needed supplies. Children may stay in PRAYground quietly working on their projects or take supplies and return to sit with their families.*

Hymn No. 175

Seek Ye First

***Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!
Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find;
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!
You shall not live by the bread alone, but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia!***

Scripture Reading

Genesis 29:15-28

pew Bible OT, pg. 25

Sermon

The Things We Do For Love

Rev. Dan DeBevoise

**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 Offering

Offertory

Prayer of St. Francis
Russell Stephens, soloist

Text by St. Francis of Assisi
Music by Allen Pote
Adapted by Russell G. Stephens

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

SENDING

*Hymn No. 703

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

The Heavens Declare The Glory Of God
Tom Tavasci, trumpet
Will Benton, organ

Benedetto Marcella

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



The Sanctuary Flowers this day, are given to the glory of God, in memory of Nell and Sam Sanborn, given by their loving family.

Worship Leaders today are Revs. Dr. Helen and Dan DeBevoise, co-pastors; Robb Ross, choir director; Will Benton, organist.

July Ushers: Erin Cook, Clay Elliott, John Rogers, Lee Bessonette
Greeter: Doug Lawton

Pledged Income Y.T.D. Thru June - 2023		Non Pledged Income Y.T.D.	
Budget	\$234,124	Budget	\$29,286
Actual	\$232,108	Actual	\$25,650
Difference	(\$2,016)	Difference	(\$3,636)
Park Lake Operating Budget Thru June- 2023			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Budget	\$326,050	\$326,110	(\$60)
Actual	\$298,755	\$318,032	(\$19,277)

Church Staff	
Co-pastors	Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise Rev. Dr. Dan DeBevoise
Parish Associate	Rev. Dr. Linda Wright Simmons
Organist, Director FAVO	Will Benton
Choir Director	Robb Ross
Child Care Center Director	Barbara Twachtman
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



The **GayStraight@Park Lake** group will have our **August** meeting at the Howard's house in Maitland. This is an open invitation for anyone in the Park Lake congregation to join us for our monthly meeting. Everyone is invited for a buffet dinner at 5:00 pm on **Saturday, August 19**. After dinner, we will provide details about joining the group and discuss our plans for 2023-2024.

For more information, please email Howard Jaffe at roses41usa@gmail.com.



**CHRISTIAN
SERVICE CENTER**
40 years of faithful hands

Serving at Daily Bread at Christian Service Center

Tuesday: August 22

Park Lake continues to help serve lunch the 4th Tuesday each month at Daily Bread at the Christian Service Center. We fill about 250 or so Styrofoam clamshells with the food that is already prepared. It takes about an hour and a half, 11:00am to 12:30. Please consider helping a few times a year. See John Bowers or email me at jbowers4@cfl.rr.com for all the details.



Page Turners Book Club, In August, we will meet on **Thursday, August 24**. Our book is The Last Green Valley by Mark Sullivan, meeting at the Orlando Public Library, downtown Orlando, 10:15 AM. Please contact Anne Gardepe at annegard64@gmail.com for more information.



Stories to Tell, a new writing/story group, will be taking a break through the summer months, we will resume in September after Labor day. Please email Meg Elvis at meglelvis@yahoo.com or Nancy Warlick at dadab12@att.net for further information.

The Potter's Hand: Combining Art and Faith

6:00 pm -8:00 pm, Struble Fellowship Hall

All are welcome!



In September the date is tba- we'll have a "Reprise of Kintsugi" (because it's been requested!) If you are interested in participating, contact Helen DeBevoise, helenparklake@gmail.com.

**WASHINGTON SHORES
PRESBYTERIAN FOOD PANTRY**

Next donation day:
Tuesday, August 8 and August 22

Please bring non-perishable donations to the circle drive at the West side entrance of the Sanctuary, off Highland. Donations may also be dropped off on Sundays before or after worship, in the West transept, in the Sanctuary.

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

Hygiene items:

Soap
Deodorant
Disposable razors
Socks (men's socks)
Toilet paper
Toothbrushes
Toothpaste
Dental floss
Shampoo
Sanitary supplies
Women's incontinence items

Food items:

Fruits and vegetables with
pop tops:
canned corn, peas,
carrots, peaches,
beans, etc.
Rice
Crackers,
Peanut butter& Jelly
Cereal



One day = 15 cents
One week = \$1.05
One month = \$4.20

Each month, Park Lake participates in an offering to support the **Presbyterians' Answer to Hunger Program (PATH)**. The offering is collected on the 1st Sunday of each month on Communion Sundays, as a reminder that as we have been fed at the Lord's table we are called to feed others. We encourage you to continue to send your 5 cents per meal offering to the church during this time. The next 5 Cents a meal collection will be on **Sunday, August 6**.

- ♦ **Child Care** is available during the Sunday School hour (9:00 - 10:00 am) in the Education building, located on 2nd floor (left at the 2nd floor landing) in the nursery. During the Worship service (10:30- 11:30 am) the nursery is located downstairs in the Sanctuary building for infants - age 3. Please see an Usher if you need assistance.



- ♦ **Pre-school Sunday School** for children, ages 3 - 4, is on the 2nd floor of the Education Building (9-10 am)



Celebrating this Week!

Birthdays

Claire Ingram 1st
Renee Roche 1st
Samilia Peasah 3rd
Mary Ella Simmons 5th

Anniversaries

Pamela Coburn & Carla Edwards 1st

PLEASE DONATE

GIVE HOPE
in a
BACKPACK

for The Parramore School of Excellence
(check the supplies list)

FAVO Art Stroll AUGUST 4 & 5 2023
5PM-9PM

221 E Colonial Dr Orlando, FL 32801 . (407) 222-1231

SCHOOL SUPPLIES LIST

- pencils and mechanical pencils
- pencil sharpeners
- pens
- erasers
- rulers
- pencil cases
- glue
- safety scissors
- highlighters
- notebooks
- folders
- graph papers
- post-it notes
- 3 ring binder
- loose leaf paper
- dividers
- plastic folders
- book covers
- calculator
- laptop sleeves
- headphones
- USB flash drive
- hand sanitizer
- lunch bags / boxes
- water bottle
- thermos
- compact umbrella
- pocket tissue
- hand wipes
- labels
- organizer/planner
- notecards
- crayons
- colored pencils
- markers

MONETARY DONATIONS ARE ALSO VERY MUCH APPRECIATED!

FAVO

SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

FAVO First Friday, August 4, and FAVO First Saturday, August 5
(Faith Arts Village Orlando)

To benefit the OCPS Academic School of Excellence (The Parramore School of Excellence, ocpspace.ocps.net). **Backpacks and school supplies may be delivered to FAVO** Faith Arts Village Orlando) 221 E. Colonial Dr., **or brought to church**, (from now until FAVO's First Friday, **August 4**, and FAVO's First Saturday, **August 5**. Contact Will Benton at willbenton@faithartsvillage.com for more information.

Genesis 29:15-28

15 Then Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" 16 Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. 17 Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. 18 Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel."

19 Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." 20 So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. 21 Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed."

22 So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast.

23 But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. 24 (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.)

25 When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?"

26 Laban said, "This is not done in our country--giving the younger before the firstborn.

27 Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years."

28 Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

31 He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; 32 it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." 33 He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

44 "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. 45 "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; 46 on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. 47 "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind;

48 when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. 49 So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous 50 and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 51 "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." 52 And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."