

**PARK LAKE  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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August 20, 2023

**Order of Worship**

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Silence

Prelude

Psalm XIX

Benedetto Marcello

Introit

The Lord is My Light

(Hymn No. 842)

Call to Worship (Psalm 67)

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us

**that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and  
guide the nations upon earth.**

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

\*Hymn No. 327

From All That Dwells Below the Skies

Scripture Reading

Matthew 15:21-28

Pew Bible, NT pg. 16

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess how easily our patience wears thin and our tempers  
grow short, in the midst of life's demands.**

**As a result we judge others harshly without trying to understand their need.**

**We lump people into groups and categories that we can dismiss as not worth our  
time and attention.**

**We fail to treat others as people, like us, that you have died for and love today.**

**We forget the depth of our own sin and the wonder of your mercy for us.**

**Lord, forgive us.**

**Renew us by your grace to be messengers of your grace to others.**

**In Jesus' name, we pray.**

(silent prayers of confession)

## Declaration of Forgiveness (1 John 4:10-11)

This is love: not that we loved God, but that God loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God! Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.**

\*Response No. 441

Hear the Good News of Salvation

## 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. 451

Open My Eyes, That I May See

***(1)Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou has for me.***

***Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.***

***Silently now I wait for thee, ready my God, thy will to see.***

***Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine.***

***(2)Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear.***

***And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false shall disappear.....***

***(3) Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere***

***Open my heart, and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share...***

Scripture Reading

Genesis 45:1-15

pew Bible OT, pg. 40

Sermon

Facing the Past

Rev. Dan DeBevoise

\*Affirmation of Faith

A Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in God,  
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.  
In sovereign love God created the world good  
and makes everyone equally in God's image  
male and female, of every race and people,  
to live as one community.  
But we rebel against God;  
we hide from our Creator.  
Ignoring God's commandments,  
we violate the image of God  
in others and ourselves,  
accept lies as truth,  
exploit neighbor and nature,  
and threaten death to the planet  
entrusted to our care.  
We deserve God's condemnation.**

**Yet God acts with justice and mercy  
to redeem creation.  
In everlasting love,  
the God of Abraham and Sarah  
chose a covenant people  
to bless all families of the earth.  
Hearing their cry,  
God delivered the children of Israel  
from the house of bondage.  
Loving us still,  
God makes us heirs with Christ  
of the covenant.  
Like a mother who will not forsake  
her nursing child,  
like a father who runs to welcome  
the prodigal home,  
God is faithful still.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Offertory

Wonderful Grace of Jesus  
Chancel Choir

arr. by Larry Shackley

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

## **SENDING**

\*Hymn No. 318

In Christ There Is No East or West

Charge and Benediction

Choral Response

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

(Hymn No. 542)

Postlude

Rondeau  
Will Benton, organ

Jean Joseph Mouret

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



**The Sanctuary Flowers this day**, are given to the glory of God, in honor of Eleanore and Frank Kaney, celebrating their 64th wedding anniversary on August 22, given with love, from their family, Susan Kaney, Katherine and Glynn Kelley and Phillip and Elyse Kelley.

- ♦ **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)
- ♦ **Sunday School for Children and Youth**, ages K - 5th grade, and Middle and High School Youth is located on the 3rd floor of the Education Building. (9:00-10:00 am)



**Worship Leaders today are** Revs. Dr. Helen and Dan DeBevoise, co-pastors; Robb Ross, choir director; Will Benton, organist.  
**August Ushers:** John Gardepe, Anne Gardepe, John Bowers, Marie Butler, Casey Cox, Frank Kaney and John Rachey.  
**Greeter:** Evie Park

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



## 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](mailto: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. We will be meeting at the Orlando Public Library, downtown Orlando, 10:15 AM. Please contact Anne Gardepe at [annegard64@gmail.com](mailto:annegard64@gmail.com) for more information.



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**Come to Rally Day!**

**All ages welcome!**

**Sunday, August 27**

(Struble Fellowship Hall)

- **8:30 am - 9:00 am**  
**Light Breakfast**

- **9:00 am - 10:00 am**

**Multi-generational Activities and Bible study**

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**STORIES TO TELL**, will resume our meetings, on **Monday, September 11, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm**, in the church conference room. The October meeting is tbd. Please email Meg Lelvis at [meglelvis@yahoo.com](mailto:meglelvis@yahoo.com) or Nancy Warlick at [dadab12@att.net](mailto:dadab12@att.net) for further information.



## Celebrating this Week!

### Birthdays

Maria Larr 08/25  
Madison Wray 08/25

### Anniversaries

Eleanore and Frank Kaney 8/22 64 years  
Marian and Tom Price 8/22 58 years

### WASHINGTON SHORES PRESBYTERIAN FOOD PANTRY

**Next donation days: Tuesday, August 22nd**  
**Tuesday, September 5th and Tuesday, September 19th**

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 peas,  
carrots, peaches,  
beans, etc.  
Rice  
Crackers,  
Peanut butter & Jelly

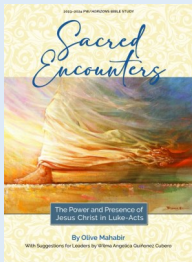
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### Chancel Choir Rehearsals

Come, join the Chancel Choir!



The choir meets on Sunday mornings at **9:30 am** in the choir room prior to singing in **10:30 am** worship and after worship rehearsal for the following Sunday. If you are interested in singing in the choir, please contact Robb Ross for more information at [Robbparklake@gmail.com](mailto:Robbparklake@gmail.com).



## Park Lake Presbyterian Woman (PW) Bible study begins in **September 2023**



Circle meetings are held on the first Monday, or first Tuesday of each month from September through May. Please contact your Circle Representative to order the 2023-2024 Horizons Bible Study book or if you would like to join a PW Circle Bible study group.

### Park Lake PW Circle Meeting Schedule

- ♦ **Esther: Tuesday, September 5**  
**7:00 pm**  
Circle Representative -Erin Cook,  
erincook987@gmail.com
- ♦ **Dorcas: Monday, September 11**  
**1:30 pm**  
Circle Representative-Anne Gardepe,  
annegard64@gmail.com
- ♦ **Sarah: Monday, September 11**  
**2:00 pm**  
Circle Representative & Bible Moderator  
Marian Price, marian@tompricearchitects.com
- ♦ **Joanna: Monday, September 11**  
**7:00 pm**  
Circle Representative -Sherry Riley,  
sheray27@gmail.com

### FISH 2.0 CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AND EDUCATORS WORKSHOP

**September 22-23, 2023**

#### **Camp Montgomery for Leadership Development**

A collaborative effort of the Central Florida Presbytery, the Presbytery of St. Augustine, and SOAP APCE. ***FISH 2.0 is for Sunday School teachers, Bible Study Leaders, Pastors, Deacons, Elders, Youth Leaders, Christian Educators... all are welcome!***



With keynotes by Michelle Thomas-Bush, workshops offering tactical tools to bring back to your ministries, and a time to fellowship with other leaders from regional presbyteries, FISH 2.0 will be a great opportunity for all volunteers and professionals in church ministry and leadership!

**To register, go to: <https://montgomerycenter.net/fish-2-0/>**

#### Genesis 45:1-15

45:1 Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. 2 And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. 3 Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. 4 Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. 5 And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. 6 For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. 7 God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8 So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. 9 Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. 10 You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. 11 I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty. 12 And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. 13 You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." 14 Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. 15 And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

#### Matthew 15:21-28

15:21 Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22 Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." 25 But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." 26 He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." 27 She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." 28 Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.