

**PARK LAKE  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
309 East Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL 32801  
PLPC.org 407-841-6550  
*A Century of Community in Christ  
1925-2025*



September 21, 2025

**Order of Worship**

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Silence

Prelude

Adagio in G Minor  
Will Benton, organist

Tomaso Albinoni

Choral Introit

Holy, Holy, Holy  
Chancel Choir

(GTG #595)

Call to Worship

Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord.

**Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.**

Who is like the Lord our God, who is seated on high?

**God raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash heap.**

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

**from this time on and forevermore.**

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Hymn of Praise No. 327 From All That Dwells Below the Skies

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 8:19-9:1

O.T. page 667

Call to Confession

## Unison Prayer of Confession

**Lord we confess that we ignore all the ways we turn away from you.  
You call us to be filled with love for you.**

**We fill our lives with everything the world says will make us happy -  
possessions, work, attention, acclaim, money, information, power -  
and we are just more and more overwhelmed and discontent.**

**Forgive us for loving everything else more than we love you.**

**Help us see the things we put in your place.**

**Help us repent.**

**Fill us with the healing balm of Jesus Christ.**

(time of silent prayer)

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and live to all that is good.

**Thanks be to God! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## Lighting of the Peace Candle and Prayer for Peace

\*Response No. 792                      There is a Balm in Gilead

\*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. Children may stay in PRAYground quietly working on their projects or take supplies and return to sit with their families.*

Hymn

Go With Them Lord

Tune Tallis Canon

***Go with them Lord, and guide their way,  
through this and every coming day,  
that in your Spirit strong and true  
their lives may be a gift to you.***

|                              |                     |                      |
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| Scripture Reading            | Luke 16:1-13        | pew Bible NT, pg. 74 |
| Sermon                       | Cagey Christians    | 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

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| Offertory | The King of Love My Shepherd Is | Edward C. Bairstow |
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\*The Doxology, pg. 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

## **SENDING**

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| *Hymn No. 738 | O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee |
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Charge and Benediction

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| Choral Benediction | Bless the Lord | (GTG #544) |
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| Postlude | Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | Jason Payne |
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*\*Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit.*



**The Sanctuary flowers today** are given to the glory of God, in loving memory of Clay Sherrod, given by his wife Gayle Sherrod and daughter Carolyn Hudson.



**The single rose** on the communion table is given to the glory of God, celebrating the birth of Sarah Montgomery DeBevoise (Sadie) September 9, 2025. Baby "Sadie" is the daughter of Eliza and John Daniel DeBevoise. Happy grandparents are Pastors Helen and Dan DeBevoise.

### Worship Leaders today are:

Rev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise and Rev. Dr. Dan DeBevoise, co-pastors  
Robb Ross, choir director; Will Benton, organ/piano

**September Ushers:** Justin Ingram, Vicky Nicoll, John Walker, Aaron Hull.

**Deacon at the Door:** Angela Chesser



### SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK!

22 Alex Aniapam  
23 Julie Krasno  
25 Karen Pinnel

26 Larry Fortunato  
27 Donald Palmer  
27 Andrea Choquette

| Pledged Income Y.T.D.<br>Thru July 31, 2025   |            | Non Pledged<br>Income Y.T.D. |            |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|
| Budget                                        | \$279,463  | Budget                       | \$34,869   |
| Actual                                        | \$275,804  | Actual                       | \$51,402   |
| Difference                                    | (\$3,659)) | Difference                   | \$16,533   |
| Park Lake Operating Budget Thru July 31, 2025 |            |                              |            |
|                                               | Income     | Expenses                     | Difference |
| Budget                                        | \$447,416  | \$472,588                    | (\$25,172) |
| Actual                                        | \$492,833  | \$461,021                    | \$31,812   |

### 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   |

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### 2026 PARK LAKE STEWARDSHIP

*"A Second Century of Community in Christ"*

Stewardship Dedication Sunday

November 16



2026 Stewardship pledge cards information and materials will be distributed in October.

### The GAYSTRAIGHT@PARK LAKE Group Luncheon

Sunday, September 21, 12:30-1:30 pm

Panera Bread, 3643 East Colonial Drive, in the Orlando Fashion Square Mall. **We will not have a meeting in October because of our participation in the Pride Festival.** We hope to see you there!



GAYSTRAIGHT@PARK LAKE will have two booths at the **2025 Orlando PRIDE Festival** on **Saturday, October 18th**. volunteers are needed. One booth we will share rainbow colored bracelets and info about Park Lake. The second booth will be for the Blessing of the Pets. Please consider joining others in a fun and invigorating celebration. Look for upcoming details how to volunteer at the end of September in the Park Lake Up2date and Sunday bulletins. **For more information, please email John Jenkins at GayStraight@Park Lake@gmail.com.**

### PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB

10:00 am

Downstairs Koinonia Room, Sanctuary Building.

Our September 25 book is:

"Blue Marlin" by Lee Smith



For more information please contact Sherry Riley at sheray27@gmail.com

**100th Anniversary Celebration**  
**Upcoming Events**  
***A CENTURY OF COMMUNITY IN CHRIST!***  
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**PARK LAKE'S 100th ANNIVERSARY ART SHOW**

**Wednesday, October 8**

**6:00 pm - 7:30 pm**

**Open House (Sanctuary)**



***LET'S CELEBRATE!***  
***JOIN US FOR OUR FINAL***  
***100TH YEAR CELEBRATION!***

**Sunday, October 12**  
**10:30 am**  
**Celebration Worship Service**  
**(Sanctuary)**  
**and**  
**Celebration Reception**  
**after worship**  
**(Struble Fellowship Hall)**



***A Century of***  
***Community in Christ!***



**VISIT OUR WEBSITE**

Check out the Park Lake Presbyterian Church website at **PLPC.org**. View the Church calendar, upcoming events, online giving, listen to previous worship services, connect to the upcoming worship service and more!



## FROM THE DEACONS' DESK



Recently, the media has been talking a lot about AI (artificial intelligence) and how AI is being used. One use is for companionship and community.

As you know, Park Lake is celebrating a Century of Community in Christ. The Deacons want to remind the congregation that Park Lake is a community and that the Deacons are here for you, for companionship and for community. If you are unsure of who your Deacon is, the Church Directory has their name by your Directory entry. Of course, our wonderful Co-pastors, Dan and Helen, are always available to the congregation for whatever your needs, as are the Elders.

And God is available 24-7! As we learned in Vacation Bible School this summer, from Joshua 1:9, "... do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

You are a beloved child of God, and your Co-pastors, Deacons, Elders and the Lord are here for you. We want to be in community with you.

## **UPCOMING AT THE CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER**



### **ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET IN OCTOBER**

The Christian Service Center's Awards and Annual Breakfast will be on **Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>** at First Baptist Church in Faith Hall (3000 South John Young Pkwy Orlando, FL 32805) at **8:15-**

**10:00am**. This annual event is the primary fundraising event for the Christian Service Center for the Homeless.

Park Lake's two CSC Board members, Leesa Bainbridge and John Bowers, invite PLPC members, friends of PLPC members, acquaintances of PLPC members, everyone really, to come for the breakfast, the awards, and to hear a meaningful story or three from our fellow citizens who have been rescued from homelessness thanks to the Center.

If you would like to attend the Awards and Annual Breakfast on Friday, **October 10** please contact John Bowers at [johnbowers4@cfl.rr.com](mailto:johnbowers4@cfl.rr.com) or Leesa Bainbridge [leesabainbridge1@gmail.com](mailto:leesabainbridge1@gmail.com)

