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 28, 2025 Order of Worship

10:30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission GayStraight@Park Lake John Jenkins

100th Anniversary Art Show Susan Frith

Time of Silence

Prelude Great is Thy Faithfulness setting by Dan Miller

Choral Introit Holy, Holy, Holy (GTG #595)

Chancel Choir

Call to worship (Psalm 146)

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

When their breath departs, they return to the earth.

Happy are those whose help is in the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the Lord their God,

who made heavens 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.

Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Hymn of Praise No. 12 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Scripture Reading 1 Timothy 6:6-19 N.T. page 198

Call to Confession

Here in this community of those who seek God, we know we are not saints.

We are wrapped in those strips of words, of thoughts, of actions which bind us to sin, rather than to God. But our God has promised us new hope, new life, fresh mercy, if we will but lay down our sin and turn to God.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Loving and merciful God, we confess that our lives do not always measure up. We are so good at putting off until tomorrow what we should do today. Our love for others often fails in times of testing.

We confuse happiness with genuine joy. Forgive us for being unkind to one another, for exploiting those we love, for being too busy to be attentive to the needs of others. Forgive us and give us another chance to show your love through the way we live. In the name of Jesus, who died and rose, so that we too could live life that really is life. (moment for silent prayer)

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, lift your heads, your sin is gone. In Christ, new life has begun.

Thanks be to God! In Christ we are forgiven and made new!

Lighting of the Peace Candle and Prayer for Peace

*Response No. 425 Son of God, Whose Heart Is Peace

*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 No. 487

These Treasured Children

(v.1) These treasured children present now are bound to us by sacred vow; with love, we make a heartfelt claim to welcome them in Jesus' name.
(v.5) Then, tender God, each child embrace; God give them blessings, grant them grace. Surprise them, God, with wonders still, and gently guide them to your will.

Scripture Reading

Luke 16:19-31

pew Bible NT, pg. 75

Sermon

Crossing Boundaries

Rev. Helen 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;

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

Offertory Be Thou My Vision arr. By Larry Shackley

*The Doxology, pg. 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

SENDING

*Hymn No. 432 How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord

Charge and Benediction (from Iona)

For all that God can do within us, for all that God can do without us -

for all in whom Christ lives beside us -

Thanks be to God!

For all the Spirit wants to bring us, for where the Spirit wants to send us - Thanks be to God!

For all in whom Christ lived before,

Thanks be to God!

Choral Benediction Bless the Lord (GTG #544)

Postlude Festive Toccata on "St. Anne" arr. Fred Swann

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

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: Anne Vercheski



5 CENTS A MEAL OFFERING, Sunday, October 5

Each month, Park Lake participates in an offering to support the **Presbyterians' Answer to Hunger Program (PATH).** To learn more about 5 Cents a meal go to: cfpresbytery.org.

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



CELEBRATONS!

9/24 Meg Lelvis

9/28 Billie Jo Elliott 9/29 Lauren Poore

10/04 Becky Burris 10/04 Linda Eure

Anniversaries

9/22 Anne Vercheski & Dan Johnson - 35 years

10/4 Carol & Mike Bookhardt - 39 years

Madagascar

Mozambique

Pledged Income Y.T.D. Thru July 31, 2025		Non Pledged 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 F		ev. Dr. Helen DeBevoise		
	R	ev. 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 Adminis	Linda Castle			
Church Secretary		Carol Bookhardt		
Maintenance		Keith Bridges		
Librarian		Alice Schmidt		
Nursery Staff	Barbara Boyce			

Church Missionaries

Dan and Elizabeth Turk

Sebber Banda Rev. Carlos Faquione



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

2026 PARK LAKE STEWARDSHIP

"A Second Century of Community in Christ"
Stewardship Dedication Sunday
November 16

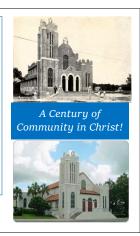


2026 Stewardship pledge cards information and materials will be distributed in **October.**



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)





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. Sign up . **For more information, please email John**

Jenkins at gaystraightatparklake@gmail.com.



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, and even for talking to God.

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 to you personally 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. Please turn to your church community for companionship and spiritual guidance instead of AI. We care about you. We want to be in community with you.

WASHINGTON SHORES FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Please bring non-perishable donations to the West transept entrance of the Sanctuary on Sundays before or after worship.



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!



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**th 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 or Leesa Bainbridge leesabainbridge1@gmail.com

Have you recently moved? Do we have your updated mailing address and contact information? Please check your address in the online Church Directory at InstantChurchDirectory.com and notify the church office at carolparklake@gmail.com.





OCTOBER 8, 2025

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

ALL ARE WELCOME Art Show

PARK LAKE IS CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF FAITHFUL PRESENCE IN ORLANDO!

JOIN PLPC, FAVO ARTISTS, FRIENDS AND MEMBERS WHO HAVE HONORED THIS ANNIVERSARY MOMENT OF CELEBRATION, REFLECTION, AND LOOKING AHEAD THROUGH PAINT, GLASS AND SCULPTURE.

ART PIECES ARE NOT FOR PURCHASE DURING THE INSTALLATION. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THE AVAILABILITY OF A PIECE FOLLOWING THIS EVENT, WE INVITE YOU TO CONTACT THE ARTIST DIRECTLY.



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