

First Presbyterian Church

Lake City, Florida

October 4, 2026

World Communion Sunday

10:30am Service

PRELUDE

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love (Ghana Folk Song)

John Carter

TRINITY CHIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

People will come from east and west,

from north and south,

and will eat in the kingdom of God.

Thanks be to God for welcoming us to the table.

Let us worship God together!

* PUBLIC DOMAIN HYMN

Only Trust Him

STOCKTON

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jesus bore our sins in his body on the cross,

so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness. *(1 Peter 2:24)*

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe . . . all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. *(Romans 3:21-25)*

In Jesus, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

* GLORIA PATRI #581

Glory Be to the Father

GREATOREX

CHORAL ANTHEM

I Am the Bread of Life

Sister Suzanne Toolan, RSM

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 3:1-14

God's word for God's children.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Saved by Grace Through Faith and Striving to Grow"

Rev. Dr. Vaughan Smith

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God, the Almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come.**

**Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor
and power and strength be to our God forever and ever! (Rev. 4:8; 7:12)**

PRAYER

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Gracious God, pour out the Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, and through them, do in us whatever you desire to do. Work in us so that we may be for the world the body of Christ redeemed by his blood. By the Holy Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. With your Son, Jesus Christ, and with the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

music from Korea and Mexico

** In celebration of your individual relationship with Jesus, please eat your bread as soon as you are ready.*

** In celebration of our union in Christ, please hold your cup, and we shall all drink together.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy, loving God, you have united us with Christ, and with all your people. Send us forth in the power of the Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim your truth, share your redeeming love, and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Many and Great (Native American melody)

John Carter

* DOXOLOGY #606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Sovereign, saving God, as you teach us through your spokespersons Paul and Peter, we do not belong to ourselves because we were bought, bought with the blood of Jesus, shed for us. Lord, please cause our living and our giving to always be in joyful response to your redeeming love. Amen.

* HYMN #769

For Everyone Born

FOR EVERYONE BORN

* BENEDICTION

* SENDING SONG

Our Church's Mission

Goodrich & Redding

* POSTLUDE

Shalom Chaverim (Hebrew melody)

John Carter

Announcements

Presbyterians celebrate an open communion. All professing Christians who have been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit are encouraged to partake of this Holy Sacrament.

Sunday School - (9:30am) Montgomery SS Class: RM106

Jay Fraser & Jennifer Renfroe

(9:30am) Ligonier Adult Class: RM112 – James Robinson

Children – 1st to 5th grade: RM104 – Lisa Smith Youth 6th to 12th grade: RM202 – Johnny Brown

Prayer Group – Monday: (11am) RM106

Life Group – Monday - Joy Seekers: (4pm) Grande Cypress

Mission – Tuesday: (10am) RM104

Bible Study – Men's Power Lunch – Wednesdays: (12noon) FH

Fellowship Dinner – Wednesday: (5:45pm) FH: **Potluck – No charge, bring something to share!**

Life Groups – Wednesday: (6:30pm) Heinz57 – RM104 & Salt & Light – RM106

Youth Group – Wednesday: (6:30pm) RM202

Choir Rehearsal – Wednesday: (6:30pm)

Garden Club – Thursday: (9am) FH

Men's Breakfast – Friday: (8am) IHOP (see Larry Elshoff)

Scouts – Monday (6:30pm) EB: **Scouts Den Mtg**

(7pm) Scout Hut: **Scout Troop 85**

– Tuesday (6pm) EB: **Girls Troop 9085**

Stewardship Kick-Off – Sunday, October 18 Commitment Sunday – November 15

Staff & Support

Pastor – Rev. Dr. Vaughan Smith 814-564-2083

Music Director/Worship Coordinator – Tim Redding

Youth Director – Johnny Brown

Office & Financial Administrator – Nikki Hubler

Administrative Assistant – Jazmin Halley

Sexton – Luke Stanziani

Musicians – Sharon Christensen, Dalton Weatherford & Joel St. John

The Session Elders & Committee Chairs

Clerk of Session – Janie Killian 386-984-5742

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Stewardship – Mike Millikin 386-623-0901

Youth – Beverly Schulz 386-965-0224

Worship – Anne Carroll 386-365-2771

Prayer List

1. **Bereaved family & friends of Graham Anthony**
2. Don Baggett & Julia Baggett
3. Debbie Baugh
4. Judy Benvenuti
5. Erik Brown (Sharon Persons's son)
6. Tonya Calie & family (George & Jill Maroney's friend)
7. Doris Clark
8. Candi Dobson
9. Marion Dooley
10. Larry Elshoff
11. Bereaved family & friends of Edgar Allen Emmelhainz, Jr.
12. Anne Graves
13. Art Graves
14. Art Grover
15. **Bereaved family & friends of Pat Guerry (Cheryl Whigham's sister)**
16. Rodger Hadley
17. Bereaved family & friends of Carol Hendrix (Bev Anthony's sister)
18. Rita Hetrick
19. Janie Hollis
20. Joanne Hudson
21. Tom Hudson
22. Joyce Lentes (Kitty March's sister)
23. Dr. Don McGarity & family
24. Gene McNeill
25. **Susan Martin (Denise Kelii's neighbor)**
26. Minesh Patel (Bev Anthony's friend)
27. Peace in the world
28. Debra Raulerson
29. Debbie Redding (Denise Kelii's friend)
30. Bruce Robinson
31. Bereaved family & friends of Marylynn Skeen (Judy MacGrath's friend)
32. Phyllis Skinner
33. Pattie Smith (Janie Hollis's friend)
34. Peter Thomas (Jill Maroney's brother)
35. Blaine Walker (former FPCLC Associate Pastor)
36. Pat Wells (Charlyne Walker's friend)
37. Nick & Mary Brown Whitehurst

God of Comfort, God of Grace, and God of Love, we pray for your mercy, healing, and comfort for those above, as you hold them and their loved ones close to you. We pray that in your presence their hearts may know and feel your love, hope and kindness in the midst of their troubles. In Jesus Christ, we pray. AMEN. Thank you for keeping them in your daily prayers.

Birthdays:

Joanne Zamesnik 10/4 Art Grover 10/6 Gage Logan 10/7
Gene McNeill 10/7 Ashley Williams 10/8 Kitty March 10/10
James Robinson 10/10

Anniversaries:

Gene & Nan McNeill 10/4 Geoff & Laurie Casner 10/6 Jim & Tere Free 10/6

We warmly welcome you to our worship service. Your presence is a great joy and we hope that you will have a wonderful experience of God's grace and love. If you are interested in becoming a member of the church or exploring becoming a member, please speak to the minister after worship today. We would love to have you as a member!