



All are welcome, because God is Welcome!

We hope you feel the warmth of God's presence and a genuine welcome here. If this is your first time with us, we are honored to have you and look forward to seeing you again soon!

Connect with First Church by scanning the QR code or visiting our website. There are wonderful things happening here, and we would love for you to find your place in our community of faith!

ABOUT THE SERVICE

Worship services are recorded and available on Facebook and our church website.

*Indicates that the congregation may stand. **Words we all say are in bold print.**

We celebrate Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month and on special occasions. **All are welcome at the table of our Lord.**

Offering plates are available in the Narthex (sanctuary entrance) before and after worship, or you can give online by scanning the QR code. Your support enables FPC to make a meaningful impact within our community and beyond. As we often say, we are truly **"blessed to be a blessing!"**

CONNECTION, LEADERSHIP AND STAFF

WE ARE A CONGREGATION IN CONNECTION WITH

The Presbytery of Florida
The Synod of South Atlantic
The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

THE SESSION

The Rev. Lisa Martin, Moderator, **Rosa Stanley**, Clerk of Session

Elected spiritual leaders of this congregation:

John Deegins ('25), **Ann Fyfe** ('26), **Jennifer Hodges** ('27),
Rich Kangas ('25), **Bob Plank** ('26), **Kathy Welsh** ('27)

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GOD WELCOMES US

For those who wish to participate, we will gather outside on the front lawn of the church to process in with palm branches.

Prelude 'Palm Sunday Procession' VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN
arr. Phil Lehenbauer

Chiming the Hour (using the original church bell)

Procession of Palms 'Sing Hosanna, Sing Hosanna!' Traditional

9 D G A' D G D
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King of kings!

13 G A⁷ D
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King!

Words of Welcome

***We Rejoice in God's Welcome** Psalm 118

Open the gates of righteousness, that all may enter and sing hosanna to the King!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

The Lord is God; divine light shines on us.

The festival procession is made with branches that we will carry all the way to the altar of God!

○ give thanks to the Lord, for God is good!

God's steadfast love endures forever!

***Hymn 196** 'All Glory, Laud, and Honor' VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

***Prayer of the Day**

We praise you, O God, with waving palms and joyous shouts of "Hosanna!" As we worship you this holy day, call forth from us not only praise, but hearts made new in your love through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lenten Devotion, Palm Sunday Steve McPherson

Call to Confession

The Lord sees our hearts and knows our innermost thoughts. As we confess our sins, let us do so knowing that we say nothing that is not already known to God, who loves us enough to save us. Let us pray:

Prayer of Confession

Lord God, how well you know our hearts, and still you love us. We are not deserving of such grace, for we have sinned. We have denied your image in others; we have betrayed your commandment to love one another; we have resisted your call to serve. Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us once more and forgive us. Teach us to love and serve you faithfully, and to love and serve one another, seeing your divine image in all people. Through Christ we pray, Amen.

Kyrie Traditional liturgical text; LAND OF REST, arr. Richard Proulx

Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.
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Declaration of Forgiveness

It is the Lord who helps and saves us; who will declare us guilty? Because of the grace we receive from God, we have nothing to fear. Brothers and sisters, let us believe and celebrate the good news:

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

***Gloria Patri, Hymn 581** GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:

World without end. Amen, amen.

Anthem 'There's No Rock Gonna Shout for Me' CHANCEL CHOIR
Michael Barrett

GOD INVITES US TO LISTEN

Gospel Luke 19:28-40 NT p. 113, softback; NT p. 850, hardback

Message 'Shouting Rocks' The Reverend Lisa Martin

GOD CALLS US TO RESPOND

***Hymn 319** 'Shout to the North' SMITH

***Lenten Declaration of Faith** from First United Methodist Church, Oviedo, FL

We believe in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; who gives us steadfast love and shares with us our joy. God sustains us in our weakness and empowers us with divine strength.

We follow Jesus Christ, God's Son. His death is our victory, his resurrection is our hope; in him we find forgiveness and release from despair. We are saved through Christ.

We are guided by the Holy Spirit, God's presence in the world. That same Spirit calls us to be the church: to celebrate unity, to seek justice, and resist evil together.

We are disciples, pilgrim people. We joyfully covenant to walk together in love. Thanks be to God!

Prayers of the People & 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.

GOD SENDS US TO LIVE THE LOVE OF CHRIST

*Hymn 197 'Hosanna, Loud Hosanna'

ELLACOMBE

*Benediction and Three-fold Amen

*Postlude 'Ride On, Ride on in Majesty'

WINCHESTER NEW



Let's stay in touch! Sign up to receive **This Week @ First Church**, the **e-Alert**, **Worship Online**, and prayer concerns emails! Simply scan the QR code with your phone's camera. We promise, it's just a few emails each week.

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GOD CALLS US TO COMMUNITY

Welcome to worship! This Lent, we have focused on God's love calling us to reflect on our spiritual lives. Are we spiritually strong? How can we grow to glorify God and love our neighbors? Our theme this season is **Renew, Remember, Rejoice**.

Today is Palm Sunday! Lent's journey to Jerusalem ends as Jesus enters the holy city. Today is the beginning of Holy Week, that sacred time of Jesus' final week with his disciples and followers before his arrest.

Please join us for Maundy Thursday worship this Thursday at **5:30 pm**. This meaningful service guides us through the final meal that Jesus shared with his disciples and anticipates his crucifixion the next day - Good Friday. Maundy Thursday is a worship experience not to be missed. The Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

Next Sunday is Easter, the Resurrection of the Lord! Join us at **6 am** in the Pole Barn for our Easter Sunrise Service, followed by celebration worship at 10. Bring a fresh flower to decorate the sanctuary cross!

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is received next Sunday. This offering provides relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed both here and abroad. Please read the insert to learn more. Offering envelopes will be in next Sunday's worship bulletin.

Special Food Drive Next Sunday! As a part of the Church's outreach, we would like to support our local Salvation Army re-fill their grocery pantry. The Salvation Army has communicated a need for help as they continue to provide groceries to over 50 families in our area on a weekly basis. If you wish, please bring non-perishable canned meats, veggies, and fruits; pasta and jar pasta sauce; or boxed breakfast foods and put them on the table in the sanctuary by the Mowat Fellowship Hall door (up front). Let's bless our hungry neighbors by blessing the Salvation Army.



LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Chancel Choir

Bradley Thoreson, Music Director, Organist

The Reverend Lisa W. Martin, Pastor

ASSISTING TODAY 4/13

Rich and Janet Walker, Greeters

Chris Stanley, Church Safety Volunteer

ASSISTING NEXT WEEK 4/20

Carol Oakley and Larry Hammond, Greeters

Lloyd Stanley, Church Safety Volunteer



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Entry into the City, John August Swanson

MORNING WORSHIP

April 13, 2025

10 AM

Palm Sunday

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY
LENT | EASTER | PENTECOST