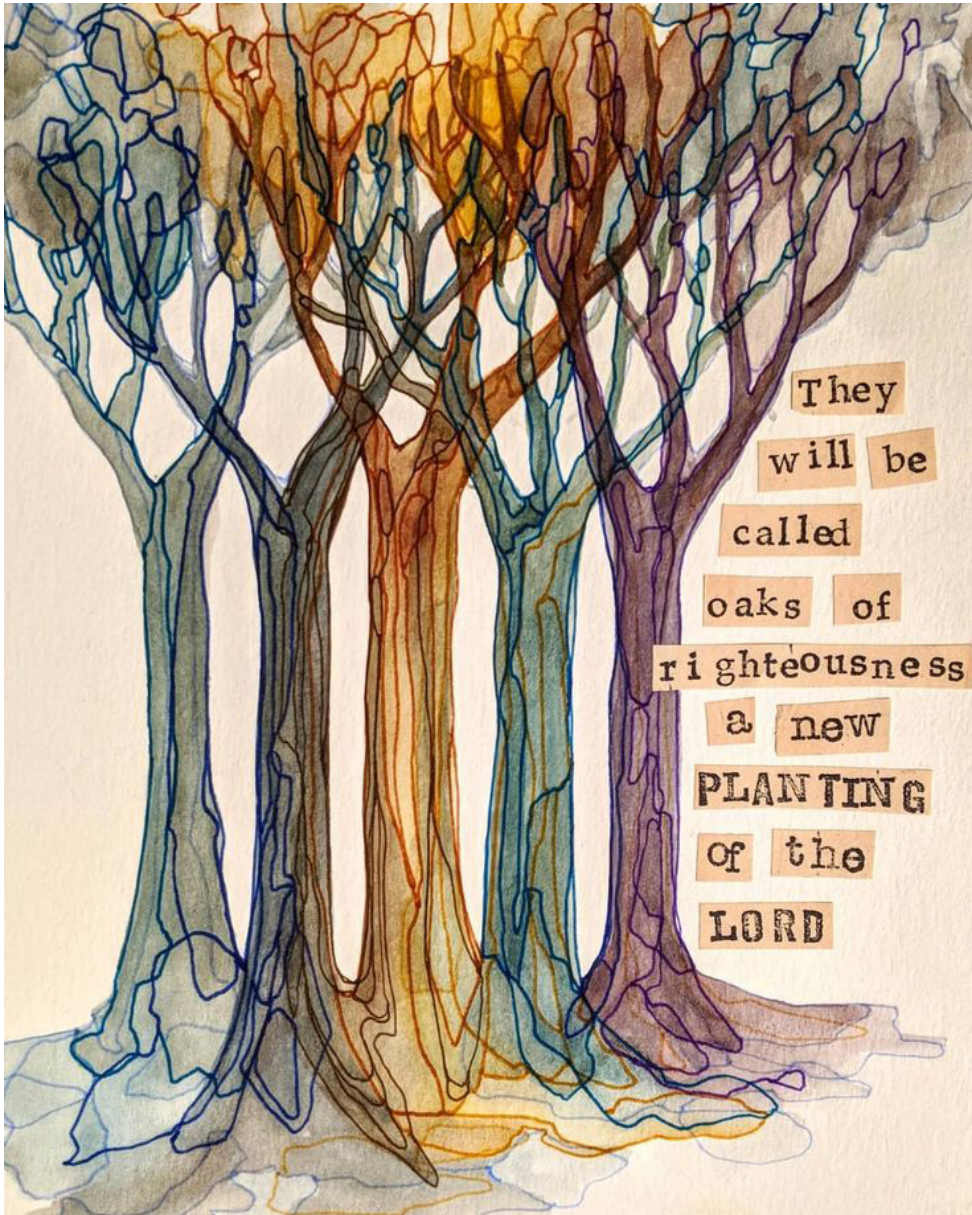




**WEKIVA**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Rooted in Faith, Grounded in Love, Moved to Serve*

January 12, 2025



*"Isaiah 61"*

Pear and Ink, Los Angeles, CA  
watercolor and ink illustration, 2019

SUNDAY WORSHIP  
January 12, 2025 ▪ 10:00 a.m.

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*Prelude* — “*Flute Piece in G Minor*” by Thomas Thorley Anton Faynberg, organ  
“*Largo*” by John Travers

*Welcome & Announcements* Rev. Oscar Clavel

*Passing of the Peace*

\**Gathering Song* “*Gathered in God’s Name*” by Michael Burkhardt Choir & Congregation

\**Call to Worship* — based on Psalm 95

**Leader:** O come, let us sing unto the Lord, let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation

**People:** Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving and show ourselves glad in Him with psalms.

**Leader:** For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods.

**People:** In His hands are all the depths of the earth, and the heights of the hills are His also. The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands prepared the dry land.

**All:** O come, let us worship and kneel before our Lord, our Maker. For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture.

\**Opening Hymn* 772 “*Live Into Hope*” TRURO

*Prayer of Confession* — Heidi Beavers

O, God, You’ve given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to guide us on life’s journey. You offer us Your Holy Spirit, so we can be born anew as Your children. But, O God, we admit that the ways of death have a strong pull, and we often fall for their temptations. Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture life, so we can receive Your blessing. We pray this together and in the silence of our hearts, in Jesus’ name.

*Silent Confession*

# Welcome!

May you truly sense God's Spirit at work in this place and in your life.

Guests, we invite you to take a white folder from the Visitor Information Center table at the front entrance of the church as you leave today.

If you need assistance at any time, please feel free to ask someone seated next to you or one of our ushers.

Children are welcome to sit with their families during worship or attend Children's Worship in Room 107 following the Time for Children message. Coloring sheets and activities are available for the children to pick up in the back of the Sanctuary. The Nursery is available in room 122.



## CUBA NEWS

Martha Newhart, Kim Freeman, Melonie Hall, Dara Burgess, Eric Saegebarth, and Ken Lasseter will be visiting our partner church in Remedios, Cuba **February 18 through 25**. With your help we will carry with us over-the-counter medications, as in previous visits. These common medications are very scarce and expensive in Cuba, when they can be found. There will be a collection box in Reception Hall. Please, no gummies. Some Sunday School supplies (crayons, glue sticks etc.) are also very much desired.

Thanks to you, Ken made a shipment of food to the Church in Remedios in December and will make another one in January. Ken was told on my trip in December that many people only get one meal a day. The Remedios church serves about 40 people lunch 3 times a week and breakfast 2 times a week. They are getting some help from the Bread for the World organization.

Attendance is up in many churches in Cuba. They know that some people are coming for the food, but they also know that many people are coming to church seeking HOPE.



Your sharing is greatly appreciated by our partner church in Remedios.

# Sunday School

Christian Education Programs Sunday mornings from 9:00 – 9:45am

Need more info? Contact: [lisap@wekivapresbyterian.org](mailto:lisap@wekivapresbyterian.org)

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

**Nursery** is available from **9:00 – 11:00am** every Sunday morning for children **birth to 4 years old**.

**Children's Sunday School** *PreK - 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders* are in Room 110. *Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>* are upstairs in Crow's Nest room. Both are following the curriculum *Follow Me* from PC (USA).

## ADULTS

**FOUNDATIONS Class:** from Jan. 5th - Feb. 9th we will be studying *The Rock, the Road, and the Rabbi* by Kathie Lee Gifford with Rabbi Jason Sobel.

As a lifelong student of Scripture, Kathie Lee Gifford has always desired a deeper understanding of God's Word and a deeper knowledge of God Himself. But it wasn't until she began studying the biblical texts in their original Hebrew and Greek—along with actually hiking the ancient paths of Israel—that she found the fulfillment of those desires.

Now you can walk with Kathie on a journey through the spiritual foundations of her faith:

- **The Rock** (Jesus Christ): Hear directly from Kathie about her life-changing and ever-deepening connection with Jesus, the Lover of her soul.
- **The Road** (Israel): Explore dozens of ancient landmarks and historical sites from Israel, the promised land of God's covenant.
- **The Rabbi** (God's Word): Go beyond a Sunday-school approach to the Bible by digging into the original languages and deeper meanings of the Holy Scriptures.

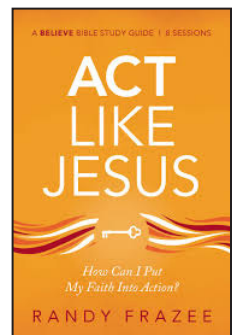
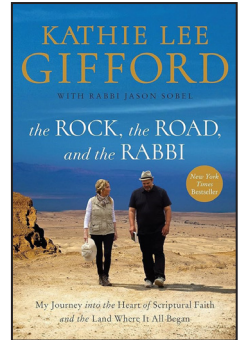
Join us upstairs in the **Wekiva Heritage Room** on Sunday mornings. Contact information for the leader and registration information if necessary: **John & Tara Dalles** at: [tndalles@gmail.com](mailto:tndalles@gmail.com)

**JOY Class:** exploring a unique and different approach in the study of Bible Scripture called *The Serendipity Bible*.

This group meets in the **Reformation Room** led by **Don Beavers**.

**SEEKERS Class:** is studying *Act Like Jesus* by Randy Frazee. There is a difference between believing something and allowing those beliefs to shape your actions. It is the practice of reaching up to God and out to others that will drive beliefs from your head to your heart so you can act like Jesus. Learn the life-giving spiritual disciplines that will lead you in fulfilling your mission to love God and love your neighbor.

This group meets in **Pioneers of Faith Room** at 9:00 am, led by **Jack & Jenny Perry**.



## = Other Study Opportunities =

### WEEKLY

#### **BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR OSCAR**

Meets weekly on **Wednesdays** from **9:30 - 10:30 a.m.** in Reception Hall.  
This study allows a deeper dive into the upcoming Sunday's scripture verses.

*The class is conversational in nature and you can pop in at any time.*

**D Group** will be starting a study of the **book of Acts** on **January 7th**. D Group is a weekly Discipleship Group that meets on **Tuesdays at 6:30 pm** in the **Wekiva Heritage Room**.

If you are interested in joining, email **Tara Dalles** at: [tndalles@gmail.com](mailto:tndalles@gmail.com)

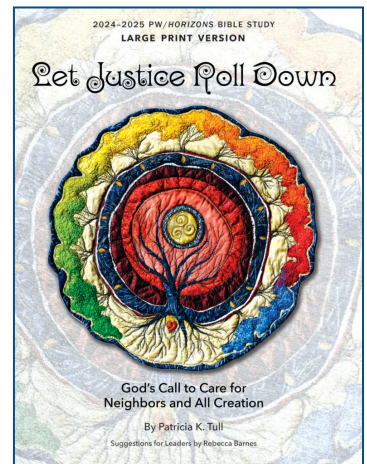


### MONTHLY

#### **2023-2024 PW Bible Study Circles → Sept. 2024 - May 2025**

This year's Horizon's Bible study book ***Let Justice Roll Down: God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation*** by Patricia K. Tull; with Suggestions for Leaders by Rebecca Barnes.

According to Scripture, the earth and its members belong to God. We are called to care for creation not only because God loves it, but also because a healthy creation supports human well-being. This PW Horizons Bible study is an invitation to explore and to act, with all our hearts, in responding to an issue that impacts all life on God's earth. Readers will learn about ecological systems, the challenges we face in this time of accelerated climate change, and the possibilities available to address or counter the impact of human-made stress on our environment.



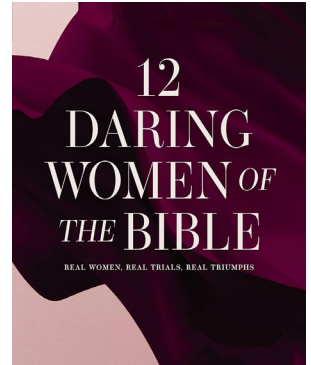
Circles meet once a month every third Tuesday. There are three Circles; a Morning Circle, an Afternoon Circle, and an Evening Circle. Check the Church Calendar on our website for exact meeting times and places.

## LOFT BIBLE STUDY for 2025

In this twelve-session video Bible study, some of today's best-loved Christian authors and speakers look at the spiritual lessons learned from twelve daring women in the Bible and what they mean for you today.

As you look at each of these women's lives, you will discover how to:

- Apply biblical lessons to your own modern-day struggles.
- Live through your failures as well as your successes.
- Draw near to God in a world filled with trials.
- Find lasting contentment in every situation.
- Overcome rejection and insecurity . . . and much more.



We meet every other Thursday in Reception Hall

**Mornings 9:30-11:30am and**

**Evenings 6:30-8:30pm on these dates:**

**Jan 9 & 23, Feb 6 & 20, Mar 6 & 20, Apr 3 & 17, May 1 & 15**

Need more Info? Email Lisa Prewitt at: [lisap@wekivapresbyterian.org](mailto:lisap@wekivapresbyterian.org)

### ❖ LUNCH BUNCH ❖

Today's Lunch Bunch are going to **Bahama Breeze, 499 E Altamonte Dr, Altamonte Springs.**

Please see **Cheryl Richards** in Reception Hall after Worship so that she can make reservations.



**Crazy Ate**  
Share a Meal Program

CNC Committee is  
signing up folks after  
worship each Sunday

**Crazy Ate** for 2025 has begun.  
Check in Reception Hall after worship to sign-up.

*Assurance of Pardon* — based on John 3:16-17

Heidi Beavers

**Leader:** The apostle John writes, *“For God loved the world in this way: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.”*

**All:** Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

*\*Gloria Patri 581 “Glory Be to the Father”*

GLORIA PATRI(GREATOREX)

*\*Affirmation of Faith* — The Great Ends of the Church

Heidi Beavers

**The great ends of the church are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world. Amen**

*Dedication of Tithes and Offerings*

*Special Music “By Faith”* by Getty/Townend, setting by Lloyd Larson

Chancel Choir

*A Time for Children*

Lisa Prewitt

*Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer*

*Scripture Lessons* — Isaiah 61:1-4 and 1 Peter 1:6-9

*Message* — **“Rooted in Faith”**

Rev. Oscar Clavel

*“They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of his splendor.”*

*\*Closing Hymn 463 “How Firm a Foundation”*

FOUNDATION

*\*Benediction*

*\*Postlude*

Anton Faynberg, organ



*A Stephen Minister will be available in the North Transept Room following worship to pray with anyone who would appreciate personal prayer.*

## **SESSION 2025**

**Moderator:** Oscar Clavel  
**Clerk of Session:** Melinda Stahl

### **Class of 2025**

Tara Dalles, CE Chair  
Susan Melitshka, Worship Chair  
Jack Perry, Finance Co-Chair  
Scott Wesley, HR Co-Chair

### **Class of 2026**

Kimm Brunk, Communications Chair  
Kevin Gray, Youth Co-Chair  
Jerry Phillips, HR Co-Chair  
Peter Zimmermann, Finance Co-Chair

### **Class of 2027**

Don Beavers, M & B Chair  
Eric Saegebarth, CNC Chair  
Jason Sandberg, Property Chair

## **DEACONS 2025**

**Co-Chairs:** Gary Smith  
Becki Markoff  
**Staff Liaison:** Oscar Clavel

### **Class of 2025**

Bim Arowolo  
Kim Freeman  
Gary Smith

### **Class of 2026**

Sylvia Ballerstein  
Lynn Favero  
Carolyn Halvorsen  
Becki Markoff

### **Class of 2027**

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Stephanie Hebert



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