

# February 9, 2025



"Hannah Prays" Sefira Lightstone-Ross, Jerusalem, Israel watercolor, gouache, and colored pencils, 2014

## SUNDAY WORSHIP February 9, 2025 • 10:00 a.m.

Prelude — "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" arr. by Camil van Hulse Anton Faynberg, organ				
Welcome & Announcements Rev. Oscar Clav				
Boy Scout Presentation			Jason Sandberg	
Passing of the Peace				
*Gathering Song "Gathered in the Love of Christ" by Marty Haugen [see page 3] Choir & Congregation *Call to Worship				
	Leader:			
	People:	He is also with us.		
	Leader:	Through His suffering, death, and resurrection,		
	People:	God's Son, Jesus Christ, has secured our home in eternity.		
	Leader:	The same Holy Spirit works within us, to transform us into believers		
		who not only know about salvation,		
	People:	but also turns us into believers who have this salvation in our hearts,		
		transforming our beliefs and actions into lives that glorify God.		
	All:	Amen! Come, let us worship God!		

\*Opening Hymn 619 "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"

Lauda Anima

Prayer of Confession —

Stephanie Hebert

Lord, sometimes it is difficult to place our trust in You. You make incredible promises to us in Your Word. You say that through Your power, we'll be able to do even greater things than Jesus did in His ministry. And yet we doubt. Almighty God, creator of all things, renew our faith in You and Your power as we silently confess our sins to You now.

Silent Confession

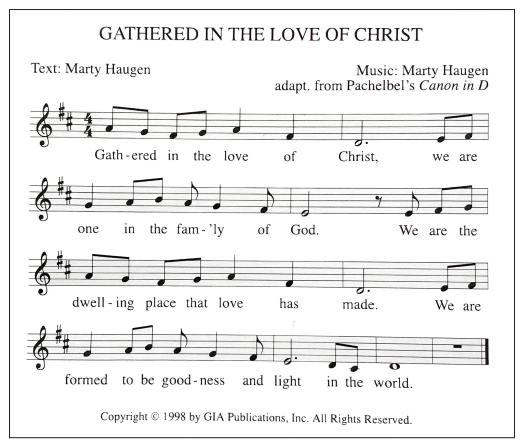
Welcome!

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.



# Sunday School

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

Need more info? Contact: 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:** starting Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, we will be studying *From This Day Forward: Five Commitments to Fail-Proof Your Marriage* by Craig and Amy Groeshel.

Everyone dreams of a fairytale marriage--the perfect spouse, the perfect home, the perfect family. But reality tells us that these expectations don't hold up very long.

Craig and Amy open their hearts, share personal experiences, and walk you through five powerful commitments you can make to fail-proof your marriage:

- Seek God
- Fight fair
- Have fun
- Stay pure
- Never give up

If you earnestly choose to do all five of these things, you will discover a richer, deeper, more authentic marriage. Starting right now--from this day forward.

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: <u>tndalles@gmail.com</u>

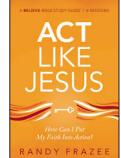
**JOY Class:** exploring a unique and different approach in the study of Bible Scripture called *The Serendipity Bible*.

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 is studying of the book of Acts. D Group is a weekly Discipleship Group that meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in the Wekiva Heritage Room.

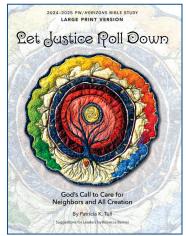
If you are interested in joining, email **Tara Dalle**s at: tndalles@gmail.com



## 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.

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** has been scheduled for **TODAY** after worship to present the **2025 Budget**, the **Annual Report**, and vote on the Pastor's **Terms of Call**.

# 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.

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

### ✤ LUNCH BUNCH ❖

Today's Lunch Bunch are going to Outback Steakhouse, 140 N State Rd 434, Altamonte Springs.

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

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OUTBACK

STEAKHOUSE

The Flowers on the Chancel are given by Marilyn Wolffbrandt in loving memory of her husband, James Wolffbrandt.



"You Raise Me Up" by Brendan Graham

**Dedication of Tithes and Offerings** 

A Time for Children

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lessons — 1 Samuel 1:3-20 and 1 Samuel 1:21-28

Rev. Oscar Clavel "As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, so that he may appear in the presence of the LORD and dwell there forever."

\*Closing Hymn 653 "Give Thanks to God Who Hears Our Cries" verses 1,2,3,5,6 MORNING SONG

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

Anton Faynberg, piano

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Lisa Prewitt

Stephanie Hebert

Leader: Even during times of uncertainty, when faith wanes, and we are unable to perceive God's presence among us, God is still at work. God is still healing. God is still forgiving. Even when you fail to see God, God still sees you and still loves you. Sisters and brothers, your sins are forgiven. Go in peace and give praise to God! Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

\*Gloria Patri 581 "Glory Be to the Father"

\*Affirmation of Faith — Heidelberg Catechism, 4.001

Our only comfort, in life and death, is that we belong-body and soul, in life and in death-not to ourselves but to our faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all our sins and has completely freed us from the dominion of the devil; that he protects us so well that without the will of our Father in heaven not a hair can fall from our heads; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for our salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures us of eternal life, and makes us wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Message — "Does God Care?"

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

## Assurance of Pardon —

GLORIA PATRI(GREATOREX)

Stephanie Hebert



**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.

The deadline for MEDICATIONS is **Sunday, February 16th**.

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 <u>40</u> people lunch<u>3</u> times a week and breakfast <u>2</u> times a week. They are getting some help from the *Bread for the World*<sup>®</sup> organization.



The CUBA Mission Team is also looking for a wheelchair donation [in good condition] to take to Remedios with them. Please call or email the church office if you have one: 407-869-1608, office@wekivapresbyterian.org



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