

Embodying Jesus' All-Encompassing Hospitality

Florida's first Presbyterians, since 1824

*Please stand as you are able

August 25, 2024 11:00 a.m.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Children's bulletins are available at each door for children to take upon entering the sanctuary and use during worship. Activity bags will be available during the Children's Moment. Please leave the bags in the pews after the service.

GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

The prelude marks a time of preparation for worship. Please be considerate of those who seek to use this time for prayer and reflection through the gift of music.

PRELUDE

"Prelude in A Minor, BWV 543"

I.S. Bach

GREETING (responsive)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us take a moment of silence to center ourselves on God.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

In the beginning, before time, before people, before the world began,

God was.

Here and now among us, beside us, enlisting the people of earth for the purposes of heaven,

God is.

In the future, when we have turned to dust, and all we know has found its fulfillment, **God will be.**

Not denying the world but delighting in it, not condemning the world, but redeeming it through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit,

God was, God is, God will be.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

(words and music follow next page)

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O Father, O Son, O Holy Spirit, forgive us our sins. O God who is one, O God who is true, O God who is loving, O God in three Persons: You who are truly merciful, forgive the world for its cruelty. Forgive us for being complicit in sin, which hurts You, Your creation, other people, and ourselves.

A brief silence for individual confession is kept

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

Titus 3:5

In Jesus Christ God rescued us,

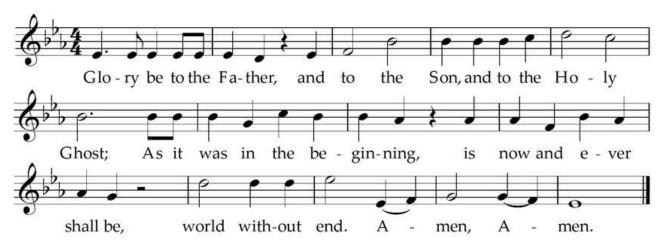
Not because of any good works that we have done,

But according to God's mercy.

People of God, rejoice!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI



*THE PEACE (responsive)

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we also ought to forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please greet those around you with words and signs of God's reconciling peace

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

The children of the church gather at the baptismal font

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY

Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON Psalm 84 O.T. pg. 506

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON Ephesians 6:10-20 N.T. pg. 172

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Being Strong in the Lord" Rev. Amy Lehr Camp

Silent meditation on sermon

*HYMN NO. 724 "O Jesus, I Have Promised" ANGEL'S STORY

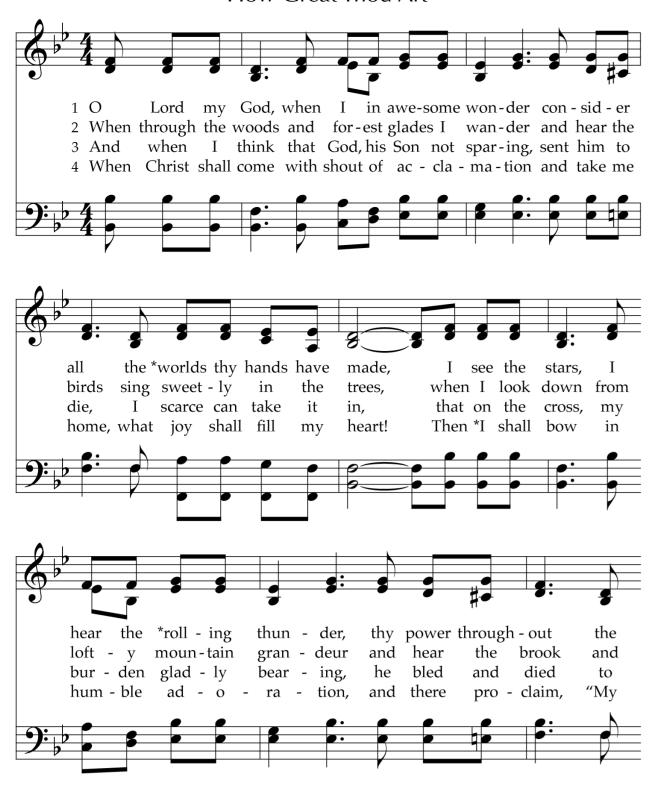
(words and music follow next two pages)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison) Brief Statement of Faith, Excerpt (PCUSA) In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

O Lord My God

How Great Thou Art







THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

Please use this time to reflect on how we might offer ourselves, and our resources, to God

Four ways to give: Please drop a check in the offering plate as you exit the sanctuary, mail a check to the church office, click the GIVE NOW button on our website, or text STAMPC to 73256

OFFERTORY

"Prelude in A Major, BWV 536"

J.S. Bach

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(some substitute "God" for "Him")

*PRAYER OF THANKGSGIVING (responsive)

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of all blessings, source of all life, giver of all grace: For the blessings that fill our lives we give You thanks. For the gift of faith, whether large or small, we give You thanks, through Jesus Christ, Your love incarnate.

Amen.

SENDING

*HYMN

"Here, Composed From Every Nation" (music and lyrics on the next page)

HYMN TO JOY

Here, Composed From Every Nation

Written by John A. Dalles in Celebration of Memorial's Bicentennial Celebration



*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Postlude: Fugue in A Minor, BWV 543"

J.S. Bach

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Children's Worship Activity Bags: Please leave activity bags in the pews at the conclusion of the service

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Called by Jesus Christ to love God, neighbor, and self by the power of the Holy Spirit

VISION STATEMENT

Embodying Jesus' all-encompassing hospitality

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Amy Lehr Camp, Parish Associate: Greeting, Call to Worship, Prayer of the Day, Celebration of Community, Sermon, Charge and Benediction

Anne Reid Broos, Director of Children and Young Family Ministry: Invitation to Confession, Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, The Peace, Children's Moment, Prayer for Illumination, Second Lesson, Affirmation of Faith, Prayers of the People, The Lord's Prayer, Offering, Prayer of Thanksgiving

Matt Daniel, Director of Music and Organist

Lector: Adam Broos

MPC SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

August 25, 2024 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Children's Sunday School: "Jesus is Born"

- Preschool: Room 204 with Lindsey Nix
- K 1st: Room 224 with Judy Robb
- 2nd 4th: Room 209 with Beth Upchurch

Youth Sunday School: "Jesus is Born"

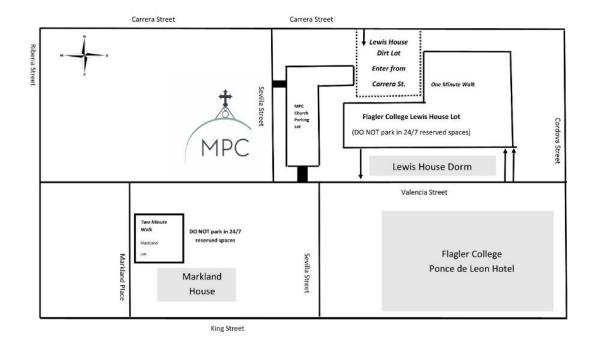
- 5th/6th: Room 207
- 7th/8th: Schmagels (Lock-In)
- 9th 12th: Schmagels (Lock-In)

Adult Sunday School:

- The Friendship Class (Dr. Proctor's Class): "Do You Understand the Bible?", Chapel History Room
- APEX Young(ish) Adults: "Rest and Renewal" with Kyla Salmond, Room 218
- Spiritual Formation: Class is cancelled until September 15th
- New Perspectives: We will attend the Pop-Up class in the Sanctuary. All are invited to watch the video "Where Olive Trees Weep" in 2 parts on September 1st and 8th in Room 205
- Christian Meditation: "Meditation and Contemplative Prayer", Room 215 and via Zoom (hybrid format). Contact Marc Craddock for any questions at marccraddock@mac.com. Join Zoom Meeting:
 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/371289063?pwd=NHdCdFU2THRUbVh4ZFpWTGsyRWV5UT09; Meeting ID: 371 289 063; Passcode: 083593

MPC SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE PARKING:

In addition to the MPC lot and street parking, you may park in the Flagler College Lewis House dorm parking lots and Markland House lot. The Lewis lots are accessed via the Valencia Street and Carrera Street entrances; the Markland House lot is accessed via Markland Place. These lots are only available to Memorial on Sunday mornings. At times, Flagler is charging for public parking. Please let the attendant know you are attending Sunday Services at Memorial and they will not charge you.



MISSION & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS THIS WEEK 8-25-24

Condolences: It is with a heavy heart and in the hope of God's promises that we share that Carl Hoffmann joined the saints eternal on August 15, 2024. Please remember Carl's wife Pat and all his family and friends in your prayers. Funeral services are pending. Condolences can be sent to Pat Hoffmann, 5501 Atlantic View, St Augustine, FL 32080. Jesus said, "Peace I leave you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." – John 14:27

Happy Birthday to our members and friends celebrating birthdays this week, August 25 - 31: Carter Broos, Zee Carner, Simon Dance, Dorothy Davis, Roger Dickson, Greer Edmiston, Trudy English, Elaine Flannelly, Bethany Forbes, Jim Gajewski, Conor Griffin, Henry Hull, Michael Kinaszczuk, Christine Lamkin, Fred Lloyd, Jesse Meyer, Tina Miles, Sara Millard, James Murphy, Pam Proctor, Susan Rippe, Mya Ryan, Paul Sapp

Food Bank Collection: Next week, the first Sunday of the month, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., there will be a donation box in Lewis Fellowship Hall for your gifts of healthy non-perishable food, personal hygiene and home cleaning products for the Homeless Coalition. Be part of the solution! Direct questions or request a flyer with more guidance regarding desired and acceptable donation items via email to clerk@memorialpcusa.org.

Pop-Up Class with Matt Daniel: Join us today as we gather for another pop-up Sunday School class to learn more about our new Director of Music and Organist, Matt Daniel. We will meet in the church sanctuary after the 8:30 a.m. service during the Sunday School hour. Jay Smith will moderate the first half of the class as we learn more about Matt's early interest in music and some of the details of his career thus far. Matt will then share some music with us in the latter half of the class. This will surely be a class you won't want to miss. (also Live-Streamed on Facebook Live and the church

website)

Café: On Sundays, September 8, 15 and 22, Café will be fellowship and breakfast only... no lunch will be available.

FEAST Begins Wednesday, September 11th: Come to the church for dinner at 5:15 p.m. and programs (Children's Choir, Youth Lounge in the Loft, and Adult Program) at 6:00 p.m. It's a great opportunity to get to know your church family with a shared meal. The Nursery is available as well. On September 11th we will have Chick-fil-A sandwiches, salad and a sweet treat.

"A Life Well Lived" Three-Week FEAST Series Starts on September 11th: How should we spend the time we have in this life? What activities should we pursue? What relationships should we cultivate? What sort of person should we endeavor to become? In short, what makes for a life well lived? In this course, we explore questions like these through close reading and discussion of texts from a variety of philosophical, religious, and literary perspectives. Please join us in the sanctuary at 6:00 p.m. on September 11, 18, and 25 for this special Wednesday night series with Rev. Dr. Justin Forbes, Professor of Religion, and Dr. Justin Capes, Professor of Philosophy, at Flagler College. Dinner begins at 5:15 p.m. in Lewis Fellowship Hall prior to the program! Chick-fil-A sandwiches will be served on September 11th and Smokin D's Barbeque on September 18th. \$7/adult and \$4/child.

APEX Family Beach Gathering: Families, bring your kids and teenagers and gather on **Sunday**, **September 22**nd, **at Butler Beach from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m**. Look for the teal blue beach tent. Beth Masters of Salty Sistahs will be there to give surf lessons! Park at Frank Butler County parking lot OR drive on using the Mary Street ramp. We'll be just south of the boardwalk from the parking lot. Bring your beach gear, snacks, and drinks. Publix subs will be provided.

An Evening with Zoughbi: Please join us for an evening with our International Peacemaker, Zoughbi Zoughbi, the founder and director of the Palestinian Conflict Transformation Centre in Bethlehem. Our evening will begin with an authentic Palestinian dinner followed by his presentation. When: Friday, September 27, 2024, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.; Where: Memorial Presbyterian Church, Lewis Fellowship Hall, 32 Sevilla Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084; Cost: \$10.00 per adult (18 and older). Please tell us how many children will attend and their ages.

- Pizza provided free for children
- Nursery Provided for young children
- Activities during presentation provided for school-aged children

Important, to register for this event, please go here https://bit.ly/AnEveningWithZoughbiZoughbi and enter your email to get started. Then choose "Continue as Guest" and follow directions. To add additional adults to your registration, select "+ Add Another Registrant".

Lunch and Learn with Zoughbi Zoughbi: Please join us for a lunch and learn with our International Peacemaker, Zoughbi Zoughbi, the founder and director of the Palestinian Conflict Transformation

Centre in Bethlehem. When: Sunday, September 29, 2024, 12:15 – 2:30 p.m.; Where: Memorial Presbyterian Church, Lewis Fellowship Hall, 32 Sevilla Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084; Cost: \$10.00 per person. To register for this event, please go here https://bit.ly/LunchLearnZoughbiZoughbi.

UKirk College-Aged Ministry – 4:00 p.m. Wednesdays: Every Wednesday throughout the semester, our College Group (Ukirk) meets as a small group at 4:00 p.m. followed by a free dinner at 5:15 p.m. Find us in the Lewis Fellowship Hall Parlor (through the big white door off of the courtyard). We'd love to have you join us! Mary Scine can answer your questions and give you more details @ 410-271-4363.

Culinary Ministry: Culinary Ministry is seeking a few new volunteers to join our team in the fall as we resume Feast on Wednesdays and Café picks up the pace on Sundays. It's a fun way to enjoy fellowship (and eats!), meet new people and serve in a ministry you may not have considered! Contact Jill Holder at 678-488-5179.

PDS Annual Fall Festival: On Sunday, October 6th, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. PDS will have our annual fall festival with all sorts of fun activities for the entire family. We are in need of volunteers to staff our activity booths. We are also in need of baked goods for our bake sale. If you're interested in volunteering or baking goodies for PDS please reach out to Beth Richards at 904-669-1346 or email at brichards@memorialpcusa.org.

Dine with Nine: Registration ends on September 1, 2024. Each group determines when, how, and where monthly dinners will take place. Four dinners will be held, one each month, starting in September and ending in December. Contact Judy Thomas, judyaathomas@gmail.com, 770-906-7619 for more details. You can sign up here https://bit.ly/MPCDineNineSeptthruDec2024. Groups are forming now. We hope you will join us! Please note, you will need to re-register every time new groups form, i.e. three times a year.

MPC Children's Choir Registration: Four-Year-Olds to 5th Grade students in the church and community are invited to register for the '24 – '25 season of Children's Choir! Choir begins on Wednesday, September 4th and rehearsals take place on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. throughout the school year. Register on the church website or by using the QR code. Our Co-Directors, Molly and Dustin Vaughn, are excited for an exciting year ahead! Please contact Molly with any questions at molly.clukey@gmail.com.

ARE YOU STRUGGLING? You are not alone. Call the church office 904-829-6451 and make an appointment with one of our pastors.

Al-Anon at MPC: Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. and Saturdays 9:30 a.m. in Room 205. You will find love, understanding, and a lot of hope from the Al-Anon family groups, where we share our experience, strength and hope. This helps us focus on ourselves and our recovery from the effects of the disease of alcoholism. It's a safe place, the right place to be. Your anonymity is protected at all times.

Need Prayer? Prayer Request Cards are in the pews. Feel free to fill one out and place in the offering plate as you leave Sunday services, or you can email amycamp@memorialpcusa.org for private prayer or krissings@yahoo.com for MPC's public prayer chain.

We are a Matthew 25 Congregation: For more information about what that means for MPC, contact Julie Reffel, Chairperson of our Session's Peacemaking Committee <u>jreffel@valdosta.edu</u> or Tom Eyerly, Matthew 25 Point Person: <u>tom@eyerly.org</u>. Visit this website for more information: https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/.

Please Remember in Prayer or Correspondence:

Bayview: Bill and Verna Bacon; Riverside Cottages: Carolyn Smith and Bette Upchurch Wellington Place of Brentwood, Brentwood, TN: Sue Holder

Recovering at Home:

Vickie Gard, Betsy Haynes, Bob Mullen

Our Military Personnel Serving Overseas and at Home:

Private 1st Class, Jackson Arthur Sharpe, serving at Ft. Hood, TX; Air National Guardsman Medic, John David Sessums, serving on the Medical Team with the National Guard; Sgt. Max Worthington deployed to Washington DC with his FL National Guard Unit

CHURCH CALENDAR		
Sun. 8-25-24	8:30 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	MPC Youth Lock-In – LFH, Rooms 205 and 218 Worship Service Sunday School (Dr. Proctor's Class starts at 9:40) Pop-Up Class with Matt Daniel – Sanctuary (also Live-Streamed on Facebook Live and the church website) Membership Ministry – Upper Landing Worship Service (also Live-Streamed on Facebook Live and the church website) Sanctuary Open for Tours
Mon. 8-26-24	5:30 pm 3:30 – 8:00 pm	Seekers Group Study – Zoom Summer Sacred Music Academy – Rooms 204, 205, 207, 215, 218, Nursery, Choir Room, Sanctuary, LFH
	6:00 pm 6:45 pm	Session Supper – Upper Landing Session Meeting – LFH Parlor & Zoon
Tues. 8-27-24	10:00 am 3:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting – Room 205 Christ, Conversation & Connection - Zoom
Wed. 8-28-24	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	Ukirk – LFH Parlor Adult Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
Thurs. 8-29-24	8:30 am 7:30 pm	Sew & Sow – Upper Landing St. Johns Classical Guitar Ensemble Rehearsal - LFH
Fri. 8-30-24	11:00 - 3:30	Sanctuary Open for Tours
Sat. 8-31-24	9:00 am 9:30 am	Beginners Al-Anon – Room 205 Al-Anon – Room 205





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Memorial Presbyterian Church 32 Sevilla Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084 Memorialpcusa.org



"A LIFE WELL LIVED"

WEDNESDAYS
6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 11, 18, & 25
SANCTUARY

Join us for this 3-week series with Dr. Justin Forbes, Professor of Religion, & Dr. Justin Capes, Professor of Philosophy, at Flagler College

What is the good life?
What can add meaning to my life?
What would my best friend say
about me when I died?

Livestream Available



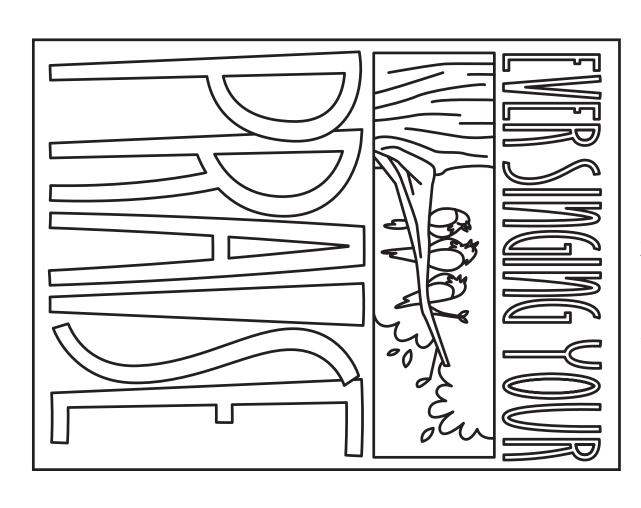






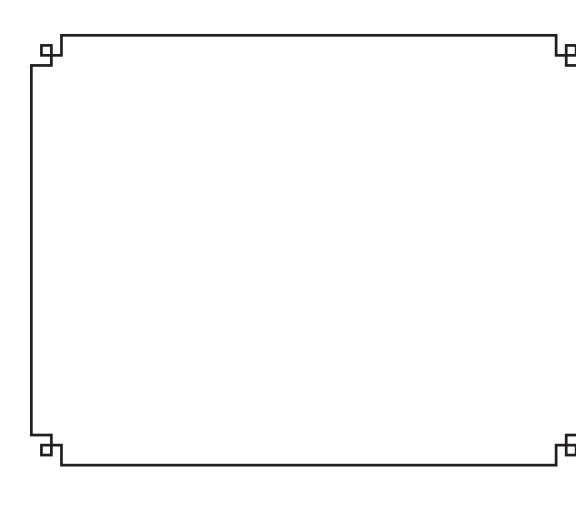
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Activities based on Psalm 84, Ephesians 6: 10-20, John 6:56-69.



DRAW IT

"How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts." says Psalm 84. Even though the person who wrote this was thinking of the temple, "dwelling place" can be a variety of things. Draw what you picture when you think of "God's dwelling place."



WORD)SEARCH

Try to find the words from Ephesians 6 in the word search below. Words may go diagonal, up OR down and forward OR backward.

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DECEMBER

December 4

"Children's Choir Christmas Concert", Dustin and Molly Vaughn, Co-Directors of Children's Choirs, Lewis Fellowship Hall

December 11

"Gingerbread House Decorating Fellowship", Judy Robb, Dorothy Dornblaser, Anne Reid Broos, Director of Children and Young Family Ministry, Lewis Fellowship Hall

* This event requires pre-registration

December 18

"SPECIAL FEAST", Christmas Carols with Matt Daniel, Director of Music and Organist, Sanctuary, Christmas Charcuterie for Feast Dinner, \$7 Adults, \$4 Children

Faith Energized And Spirits Transformed

FEAST ends on December 18 and will resume in January 2025.







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Sept—Dec 2024 Wednesday Night FEAST Schedule

Dinner 5:15 p.m.

\$4 Children's Meal: Chick-fil-A with side, sweet treat & bread; \$7 Adult Meal

Programs 6-7 p.m.

Nursery Open (Infant to 3YO); Children's Choir (4YO-5th Grade); Youth Lounge in the Loft (6th-12th Grade); Adult Program (offerings listed below)

SEPTEMBER

September 11

"A Life Well Lived: What is Essential for the Good Life?", Dr. Justin Capes, Flagler Associate Professor of Philosophy and Rev. Dr. Justin Forbes, Flagler Director of the Center for Religion and Culture, Sanctuary

September 18 (two options)

"A Life Well Lived: Judaism & Sabbath", Dr. Justin Capes, Flagler Associate Professor of Philosophy and Rev. Dr. Justin Forbes, Flagler Director of the Center for Religion and Culture, Sanctuary

"Peacemaking with Blood Brothers Book Discussion", In preparation for the visit of International Peacemaker, Zoughbi Zoughbi, Room 205

September 25

"A Life Well Lived: Aristotle—Virtue & Friendship",
Dr. Justin Capes, Flagler Associate Professor of Philosophy
and Rev. Dr. Justin Forbes, Flagler Director of the Center for
Religion and Culture, Sanctuary

OCTOBER

October 2

"Around the World in 90 Days: Photos and Stories from Hunter's Sabbatical", Rev. Dr. Hunter Camp, Pastor and Head of Staff, Lewis Fellowship Hall

October 9 (two options)

"New Members Class: Fall 2024, Part 1", Marie Mercready, Membership Elder, Chapel

"Prepare and Pack 'Love in a Box': Care Packages For Our College Community", Mary Scine, Director of College Ministry, Lewis Fellowship Hall

October 16 (two options)

"Bible Study, Philippians Chapter 1: I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion.", Rev. Dr. Hunter Camp, Pastor and Head of Staff, Chapel

"Parenting Adult Children Small Group: Explore strategies for maintaining strong relationships with your grown kids; navigate the joys & challenges of this evolving stage of parenthood." Based on the book, Doing Life with Your Adult Children: Keep Your Mouth Shut & the Welcome Mat Out., Terri Bailey, Room 218

October 23 (two options)

"Bible Study, Philippians Chapter 2: For it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for His good pleasure.", Rev. Dr. Hunter Camp, Pastor and Head of Staff, Chapel

"Parenting Adult Children Small Group: Explore strategies for maintaining strong relationships with your grown kids; navigate the joys & challenges of this evolving stage of parenthood." Based on the book, Doing Life with Your Adult Children: Keep Your Mouth Shut & the Welcome Mat Out., Terri Bailey, Room 218

October 30 (two options)

"Bible Study, Philippians Chapter 3: Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is not troublesome to Me, and for you it is a safeguard.", Rev. Amy Lehr Camp, Parish Associate, Chapel "Parenting Adult Children Small Group: Explore strategies for maintaining strong relationships with your grown kids; navigate the joys & challenges of this evolving stage of parenthood." Based on the book, Doing Life with Your Adult Children: Keep Your Mouth Shut & the Welcome Mat Out., Terri Bailey, Room 218

NOVEMBER

November 6

"Bible Study, Philippians Chapter 4: Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.", Rev. Amy Lehr Camp, Parish Associate, Chapel

November 13

"Testimonies From the Border: Hear About God's Movement and Activity", Our Peacemakers at Frontero de Christo, Chapel

November 20

"Creative Worship", Rev. Rachael McNeal, Associate Pastor of Youth and Outreach and the Creative Worship Team, Chapel

November 27

No FEAST

Happy Thanksgiving!