

**First Presbyterian Church**  
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**Christ the King**

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**Child-friendly Family Worship — Sanctuary - 10:00 a.m.**

**November 24, 2019**

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**\*Please stand if you are able.**

**CCLI #1836693; CRL034941; CVL503735603**

**Welcome to WaumbaLand!**  
**We are so glad you are here.**

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**Our WaumbaLand service is on the screen.**

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**Welcome to WaumbaLand!**  
**God Works Through All Sorts of Folks!**  
**Waumba!**  
**He's the King**  
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**Waumba!**  
**Into the Bible!**  
**God Leads Rahab to Help The Spies!**  
**God Works Through All Sorts of Folks!**  
**Waumba!**  
**It's Time to go Into WaumbaLand!**  
**The Giving Plate**  
**Give It Away!**

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Morning Glory Worship Service — Chapel - 8:30 A.M.  
Classic Worship Service — Sanctuary – 11:00 A.M.

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**WELCOME & (11 a.m. only) CALL TO REFLECTION**

(11 a.m. only) **PRELUDE** – *Morning Has Broken* . . . . . arr. Jason W. Krug  
Handbell Choir

**PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION**

**\*HYMN – Come, Ye Thankful People, Come** . . . . . # 551

**PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS** . . . . . Adapted from Guigo de Castro, 1083-1137

**Lord, how much juice you can squeeze from a single grape. How much water you can draw from a single well. How great a fire you can kindle from a tiny spark. How great a tree you can grow from a tiny seed. Our souls are so dry that by ourselves we cannot pray, yet you can squeeze from them the juice of a thousand prayers. Our souls get so parched that by ourselves we cannot love, yet you can draw from us boundless love for you and for our neighbors. Our souls get so cold that by ourselves we have no joy, yet you can light the fire of heavenly joy within us. Our souls get so feeble that by ourselves, we have no faith, but by your power our faith can grow to a great height. Forgive us for when we doubt what you can do in our lives and in this world. With you, Jesus, all things are possible! In your name we pray. Amen.**

**A TIME OF SILENCE**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*Great Is Thy Faithfulness (# 276, verse 3)**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

(11 a.m. only) **Anthem - A Song of Thanksgiving** ..... Sue Farrar  
Westminster Choir

(11 a.m. only) **A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

**THE NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY**

**SCRIPTURE READING – Philippians 4:10-20 (New Testament, Page 198 in pew Bible)**

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD** ..... Kennedy M. McGowan

**Living in Gratitude,  
The Power of Contentment**

**THIS WE BELIEVE - (IN UNISON)** ..... Matthew 6:31-33, NRSV

**Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’  
or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things;  
and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But  
strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these  
things will be given to you as well.**

(11 a.m. only) **\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT – In Christ Alone** ..... (Please see insert.)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP**

*(Visitors, in the pew rack you will find a Guest Information card.  
Please complete the card, then place it in the offering plate.)*

(11 a.m. only) **Offertory – My Tribute** ..... arr. John Innes

(11 a.m. only) **\*THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE – DOXOLOGY (#592)**

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

**\*OFFERING OF PRAYER (in unison)** ..... Adapted from Thomas A Kempis, 1380-1471

**Our God, our All! What greater blessing can we receive than your love?  
What greater wealth can we possess than your grace? What greater  
pleasure can we enjoy than your presence?...What greater wisdom can we  
know than your gospel? Your wisdom is so simple that even as foolish as  
we often are, we can understand it. Your love is so generously given that**

no matter how we fall short of your call, still we are free to receive it. Your presence is everywhere so we can always find you. Your grace is such a constant source of reassurance that we can trust you completely for all our spiritual and material needs. And the power of your love gives such warmth that no matter how cold or hard our hearts become you can melt them. Our God, our All, may these gifts go forth so that everyone may know and experience the wonder of who you are. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**\*HYMN – Now Thank We All Our God . . . . . # 555**

(8:30 a.m. only) **\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**Congregational Response:**

**God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
With a Shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

(11:00 a.m. only) **\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**Choral Benediction - Go Ye Now in Peace . . . . . Joyce Elaine Eilers**

(11 a.m. only) **\*POSTLUDE – Improvisation on Now Thank We All Our God . . . . . Karg-Elert**

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**Visitors, following worship, please join us on the patio for refreshments.**

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(11 a.m. only) **Lay Reader – Louise Hardenburg**

(11 a.m. only) **The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Ted Beutner  
in memory of loved ones.**

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**Our love and prayers go out to Barbara Benoit and her sister, Peggy,  
following the passing November 1st of their sister, Norma.**

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**Church office e-mail: [landerson@fpcOH.org](mailto:landerson@fpcOH.org)**

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**WELCOME VISITORS!**

**It is our hope that you will feel invited, welcomed, and loved as you worship with us.** First Presbyterian Church is a family of faith committed to families, peacemaking, and mission. There are educational offerings for all ages, as well as fellowship groups for members and friends of the church. All are welcome. For information, visit us at our **web site at: [fpcOH.org](http://fpcOH.org)**

**CHILD CARE** for infants is provided in the nursery, located in the Lobby of the church. Children's worship kits are also available for younger children. Please ask an usher for assistance. Our children's Sunday school, *WaumbaLand*, gathers at 10am in the sanctuary (September through May). **FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**, in the lobby we have large print hymnals and a limited number of pew cushions available.

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**The church and Learning Center offices will be closed  
Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, and Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.  
for Thanksgiving.**



**CHILDREN AND YOUTH —**

**WaumbaLand** — (Sunday school for ages 4-10), 10:00 a.m., sanctuary/chapel

***God Loves You No Matter What!!***

**CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP —**

**A Time of Prayer, in the chapel**

**Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup>: 9:00 a.m. – Noon**

**HANGING OF THE GREENS —**

**Join us Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m.**, for our annual church decorating and covered-dish dinner. Please bring a side dish to share.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

Ladies, it time to pull out your favorite cookie recipes and cookie sheets! Our **Holiday Bake Sale** is Sunday, **December 15, after the I am service**. Come check out the selection of goodies; I'm sure there will be something to satisfy your sweet tooth!

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**Worship Schedule**

(Now through May 25th)

8:30 a.m.: Morning Glory Service in the Chapel

10:00 a.m.: **WaumbaLand Worship**

10:20 a.m.: Bible Study in the Sanctuary

11:00 a.m.: Classic Service in the Sanctuary

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**LOOKING AHEAD:**

**Hanging of the Greens pot luck, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm**

**Angel Tree deadline: December 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Holiday food deadline: December 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Poinsettia deadline: December 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Presbyterian Women’s Annual Holiday Bake Sale:  
December 15 after the 11am service.**

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**CALENDAR**

**Sunday, November 24 – Christ the King**

Morning Glory Worship Service – Chapel .....	8:30 a.m.
Bell Choir .....	9:30 a.m.
WaumbaLand Worship – Sanctuary .....	10:00 a.m.
Westminster Choir .....	10:00 a.m.
Bible Study – Sanctuary .....	10:20 a.m.
Worship – Sanctuary .....	11:00 a.m.
Word of God Bible Church – Chapel .....	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

**Monday, November 25**

A Time of Prayer – Chapel .....	9:00 a.m. – Noon
LC/ELC Christmas pageant rehearsal .....	9:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, November 26 —**

LC/ELC Christmas pageant rehearsal .....	9:30 a.m.
Cub Scouts - Hollywood Central Elementary .....	6:30 p.m.
Boy Scouts – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor of Education Building .....	7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, November 28 — Thanksgiving Day**

Church and Learning Centers’ offices closed	
Word of God Bible Church – Chapel .....	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

**Friday, November 29**

Church and Learning Centers’ offices closed

**Saturday, November 30 —**

Christ Jesus College and Seminary – Sanctuary & Chapel .....	8:00 – 11:00 a.m.
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**Sunday, December 1 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**

Morning Glory Worship Service – Chapel .....	8:30 a.m.
Bell Choir .....	9:30 a.m.
WaumbaLand Worship – Sanctuary .....	10:00 a.m.
Westminster Choir .....	10:00 a.m.
Bible Study – Sanctuary .....	10:20 a.m.
Worship Communion — Sanctuary .....	11:00 a.m.
Word of God Bible Church – Chapel .....	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

## **IN CHRIST ALONE**

Stuart Townend    Keith Getty

**In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My comforter, my all in all  
Here, in the love of Christ, I stand**

**In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones he came to save  
'Til on that cross, as Jesus died  
The love of God was magnified,  
For every sin, on him, was laid  
Here, in the death of Christ, I live**

**There in the ground, his body lay  
Light of the world, by darkness, slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious day  
Up from the grave, he rose again  
And as he stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am his and he is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no human plan  
Can ever pluck me from his hand  
'Til he returns or calls me home  
Here, in the power of Christ, I stand.**

**It is much easier to fix blame than to fix problems.**

*Kathleen Parker*

**Those are happy whose circumstances suit their temper; but these who are more excellent are those who can suit their temper to any circumstances.**

*David Hume, Philosopher*

**What is the test of human character? It is probably this:  
that a person will know how to be patient in the midst of hard circumstance  
and can continue to be personally effective while living through whatever discouragements  
beset him and his companions.**

*Samuel Lyman Atwood Marshall (1900-1977)*

*Military Historian*

**Our limited perspective, our hopes and fears become our measure of life, and  
when circumstances don't fit our ideas, they become our difficulties.**

*Benjamin Franklin*

**So often we try to alter circumstance to suit ourselves, instead of  
letting them alter us, which is what they are meant to do.**

*Mother Maribel, Anglican Nun*

**Great tranquility of heart belongs to those who care for neither praise nor blame.**

*Thomas A'Kempis, Christian Mystic*

**We must accept the circumstances we constantly find ourselves in  
as the place of God's kingdom and blessing. God has yet to bless  
anyone except where they actually are.**

*Dallas Willard, The Divine Conspiracy*

**Contentment is not the fulfillment of what you want,  
but the realization of what you already have.**

*Anonymous*

**I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy,  
the most profitable explanation is that I was made for another world.**

*C.S. Lewis*



## A WORD FROM KENNEDY

### POLAR EXPRESS IS COMING!

Over the last six months, a team of our WaumbaLand leaders has been working on reaching out like never before to the families in our community. Over the summer, we held our first WaumbaLand Pajama movie night, where we had over 80% unchurched attend! Then we did a terrific Men and Kids event behind the church office that reached even more unchurch kids. Together with our Learning Center, we hosted a free picnic in August, and staffed a WaumbaLand booth with special gifts for all the kids. In September, we did an Art Night where again we connected with over 20 unchurched families, putting many of them on our WaumbaLand text message list. In October, we hosted our first outreach tent on the Pumpkin Patch, during our Fall Festival, complete with a special WaumbaLand gift and craft and a photo booth, too! Within two weeks, we saw two new families from that outreach check out WaumbaLand. And just last weekend, we had a great Men and Kids event at 3 Sons Brewing Company, connecting with not only our folks but preschool and cub scout families, too! And now on December 13th, we're doing another WaumbaLand Pajama movie night featuring *Polar Express*! We'll provide dinner, have folks playing characters from the movie, even serve cookies and hot chocolate like they do in the film — and all at a price that families can afford. As this Christmas movie has a subtle-but-unmistakable message about faith and belief at its core, it's a perfect vehicle to share the message of God's love at Christmas. And we'll use it to encourage kids and families to participate in our Christmas Eve service, too. Most importantly, unchurched families get to connect with people of faith, including our terrific WaumbaLand volunteers, increasing their openness to explore faith further. See the **Polar Express flyer for details on the evening (there is limited space, so hurry and make your reservation)**, and also our **Holiday Schedule of events**.

Thanks to a special gift given for children and youth a number of years ago, we've been able to underwrite most of the costs for these events not covered by admission fees. And many times, our volunteers have contributed their own funds to support these events as well. In fact, a WaumbaLand parent, still new to our church and not yet a member, not only volunteered to help with Polar Express but told us: "I want to donate \$75.00 to support this event!"

God is at work in these outreaches, enabling us to invite, welcome and love our neighbors with the love of Jesus! And this Christmas, one third of your Christmas gift will help us continue to do not only these outreaches to families, but even more outreaches to invite, welcome and love our community. Please let us know if you'd like to volunteer for our Polar Express night; and please take a flyer to post at your local Publix or at other local businesses. We want as many folks as possible to know that at First Church, Hollywood, everyone is invited and welcomed into God's amazing love!

**DROP BY FOR COFFEE OR TEA WITH KENNEDY THIS WEEK**

Here are the unscheduled times this week where I am available for y'all to come by for a visit!

**Sunday** – Beyond worship, this day focuses on Patrick's BD party; and that evening, blog and audio editing and video posting of our worship gatherings

**Monday – 10:30 to 5:30 PM** (free on this day, but working on worship, columns and sermon preparation)

**Tuesday – 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM** (Rotary meeting; sermon writing and Bible Study prep. take up the rest of the day)

**Wednesday** – (traveling to Atlanta for the Thanksgiving Holiday)

**Friday** – (with Family for the Thanksgiving Holiday returning Saturday)

Please try to call beforehand so I can put the kettle on, and to make sure that the schedule hasn't unexpectedly changed for a hospital visit or some other concern.

## **Angel Tree**

**Please consider sharing Christmas  
with a child in need.**

**Gift tags are available on the bulletin board in the lobby.**

The price per gift per child should be around/at least \$25.00.

**Please return your UNWRAPPED GIFTS  
to the church by December 8th.**



***Helping provide food to families in need  
at Hollywood Central Elementary.***

***You may also give a gift certificate  
to purchase a turkey or ham.***

**NO CASH PLEASE**





## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to decorate the church with poinsettias for our Christmas Eve worship service, here is your chance.

What a wonderful tribute to remember or honor a loved one, and an excellent way for us to express the meaning and joy of Christmas.

Contributions will be received now through **December 1<sup>st</sup>**, and all contributors will be listed in our Christmas Eve bulletin. However, **orders RECEIVED after the 1<sup>st</sup> are not guaranteed inclusion in the Christmas Eve bulletin.**

Number of plants: \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 per plant

*In Loving Memory of*

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*In Honor of*

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**Given by** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to  
**AFirst Presbyterian Church@ & mark it APoinsettias@**

**Deadline for all orders is Sunday, December 1, 2019.**

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**Please fill in your name and phone number and RETURN THE ENTIRE FORM intact by placing it in the offering plate. You may also mail it directly to the church office (1530 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, FL 33020-5240).**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

9 Yes, I=ll take the plant home      9 No, please use it where needed

## 2019 Holiday Schedule

December 1<sup>st</sup> — Worship - Communion - 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
WaumbaLand Worship - 10:00 a.m.

December 1<sup>st</sup> — Deadline for Poinsettia orders

December 6<sup>th</sup> — Hanging of the Greens/Pot Luck dinner - 6:00 p.m.

December 8<sup>th</sup> — Deadline for Angel Tree and Christmas Food donations

December 8<sup>th</sup> — Worship - 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
WaumbaLand Worship - 10:00 a.m.

December 11<sup>th</sup> — Learning Centers' Christmas Show - 7:00 p.m.  
(call 954-922-8558 for details.)

December 13<sup>th</sup> — Pajama Movie Night (Polar Express) - 6:00 p.m.

December 15<sup>th</sup> — Worship - 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
WaumbaLand Worship - 10:00 a.m.  
Presbyterian Women's Holiday Bake Sale, Noon

December 22<sup>nd</sup> — Worship - 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
WaumbaLand Worship - 10:00 a.m.

December 24<sup>th</sup> — Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 5:30 p.m.

December 25<sup>th</sup> — Merry Christmas!!

*And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. Luke 2:7*

Church and Learning Center offices closed

December 29<sup>th</sup> — Worship - 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

December 31, 2019, & January 1, 2020 — Church and Learning Center offices closed

January 5<sup>th</sup> — Worship - Communion - 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
WaumbaLand Worship - 10:00 a.m.

Take down Christmas decorations /Pot Luck lunch following worship

