

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF PORT RICHEY  
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – MOTHER’S DAY  
MAY 8, 2016 – MORNING WORSHIP – 10:00 A.M.**

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*O come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into God’s presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise. Psalm 95:1, 2*

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**TRADITIONAL WORSHIP WITHOUT COMMUNION**

PRELUDE: “Prelude in C” – Callahan

WORDS OF WELCOME

***WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME***

\*OPENING HYMN: “Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!” No. 111*P*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: As the Creator and Savior are one,

**All: *may we all be one.***

One: So that the world will see Christ,

**All: *may we all be one.***

One: So that the nations will know the love of God for them,

**All: *may we all be one.***

One: As the body of Christ for the sake of the world,

**All: *may we all be one.***

One: Let us worship God.

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

**Lord Jesus Christ, make us one— one in the gathering of the Church, one in the teaching of the Scriptures; one in the sharing of the Eucharist; one in the sending of the Spirit. Make us one, Lord Jesus Christ, so that the world will believe in you and receive the gift of life you offer; in your holy name we pray.Amen.**

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***WE OPEN OUR LIVES TO GOD’S PRESENCE***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

**All: *God of everlasting life, we confess that we continue in the ways of death. You have set us free to serve you, but we serve our own interests. You have delivered us from captivity, but we remain captive to our fear. Forgive us, God of grace. Pour out your loving-kindness upon this whole family of believers so that we may rejoice in our redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord.***

Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

Congregational Response: “Threefold Amen”(*SEATED*)

***WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD***

HYMN “Jesus Loves Me”(v.1) No. 185 *C*  
*(please sing this hymn as the children come forward)*

***Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.***

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING: Judges 2:6-15

\*SERMON HYMN: “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” No. 387 *P*

THE PSALM: 97 – Responsive Reading *(see insert)*

SECOND READING: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

ANTHEM: “Alabare’ (Sing Allelu)” – Alonso/Pagan*Choir*

THE GOSPEL: John 17:20-26

SERMON: “E-100:26:Israel's Disobedience” Dr. Guild

SILENT MEDITATION

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: “the Apostles Creed” (inside cover of *C* Hymnal)

\*GLORIA PATRI (No. 813C)

*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.*

***WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD***

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Concerns and Celebrations of the Church

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND PETITION

AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (inside cover of *Celebration* Hymnal)

Minute for Mission – Pentecost Sunday *Allan Love*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: “Festive Finale” – Coleman

\*DOXOLOGY (No. 815C)

*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.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***WE GO OUT TO PROCLAIM GOD’S NAME***

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

\*CLOSING HYMN “Go with Us, Lord” No. 535 *P*

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE: “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” – Burkhardt

\*CONGREGATION TO STAND (those who are able) CCLI # 11273863

## WELCOME VISITORS!

We are glad you are here today! Please sign the Attendance Pad so that we will know who you are and where you live. ***Is this your first time here? Please see an usher for your “welcome” gift!*** And if you are in search of a new church home, we cordially invite you to consider joining this community of faith. Ken Webster will be glad to speak with you about church membership.

***\*There is a nursery available for kindergarten and younger age children.  
Ask any usher for information.***

## CHARITABLE ESTATE PLANNING

*Live Forward, Give Forward* is about making a choice to live and give toward making a better future for those we care about—including our church family. And one thing you can do right now to help ensure that better future is to make a Will that provides for your family and blesses your faith community's work. If you would like information on creating a Christian will and other estate planning, there are some simple guidebooks to help you. There are several copies on the desk in the narthex, and more copies can be made if you contact the church office.

*Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. (1 Peter 4:10)*

## RECYCLE BIN

We have a new recycle bin! It is from ***GreenFiber***, and it is located outside on the south side of the Fellowship Hall building. This will be so helpful—you can recycle your paper products, cardboard, cereal boxes, magazines, phone books, etc. (there is a list on the side of the bin). THANK YOU, BOB BIERLY for arranging for the new bin!

## MISS VICKI'S ON THE RIVER

Our next lunch outing will be on Wednesday, May 11, to Miss Vicki's On the River, 1029 Baillies Bluff Road, Holiday 34691, 727-940-7237. Please sign up in the narthex if you would like to join us! The lunch outings have been such a nice time of fellowship—thank you to our Discipleship/Member Care Team for arranging these fun outings! Check the narthex bulletin board for the next few months of scheduled lunch outings, so you can put them on your calendar.

## HELP YOUR FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry envelopes are on the desk in the narthex which may be used to make a monetary donation to our Community Food Pantry. THANK YOU to everyone who continues to bring in food items as well as to those who make monetary donations to our pantry.

***NOTE: Our Food Pantry is open on Fridays, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. If you would like to help in any way, we need volunteers who can pick up food for our pantry or help in the pantry on Fridays; please speak with Diane Griffin or Nomar Otero.***

## SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

***Heidi Brown*** (daughter of the Bierlys)  
***Diana Casey & Family*** (friends of the Bierlys)  
***Ruth Cook*** (mother of Stephen Cook)  
***Stephen Cook***  
***Andrea Grom*** (friend of Lorie Schaefer)  
***Tanya Henery*** (wife of Edward Henery)  
***Grace Himes*** (aunt of Bev Webster)  
***Becky Kovar***  
***Ruth & Tony Leggio***  
***Maria Narvaez*** (mother of Nomar Otero)  
***Nomar Otero***  
***Holly Peet***  
***Keri Petys*** (friend of Michele Salerno)  
***Connie Turkette***  
***John Wheeler*** (friend of the church and the Kovars)  
***Clayton Woodward***  
***Luther & Linda Zerfass***  
***Our Military Servicemen and Women***  
***Our President, Our Nation, Our Church***  
***We are keeping names on the prayer list for 4 weeks. Call Gladys Almgren @727-868-6404 or the church office.***

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

*May*

11 Dr. Jeffrey G. Guild  
11 Mildred Pizzuto  
12 Vi & Jim McDonald  
14 Vi McDonald  
14 Pat & Clayton Woodward  
17 Neomi Appenzeller  
18 Charles Shaw  
20 Keith Conley  
31 Michele Salerno

## June

8 Roslyn Linnen  
13 Ted & Priscilla Ortoski

## UPCOMING EVENTS

5/8 – 11:00 Officer Ordination/Installation  
5/9 – 1:00 Choir Practice  
5/11 – 12:00 Miss Vicki's on the River  
5/11 – 6:00 Bible Study  
5/15 – 10:00 Wear **RED** for Pentecost  
5/16 – 10:00 Session  
5/18 – 6:00 Spiritual Healing Service  
5/22 – 11:00 Breakfast Fundraiser  
5/25 – 6:00 Bible Study

**CEDARKIRK**

**WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS SUMMER?**  
With summer fast approaching, camp is just around the corner! Another exciting summer of ministry is about to begin and we want you to be part of the fun! Camp programs offer a variety of activities and adventures: swimming, archery, canoeing, large-group games, high ropes, climbing the rock wall, and forging new friendships. All of these, combined with energetic worship and engaging Bible studies focused on our curriculum, **FEARLESS FAITH**, make for an exciting and life-changing week. There is still time to register your child for a summer they will always remember. Pick up a camp brochure in the church office or visit Cedarkirk online at [www.cedarkirk.org](http://www.cedarkirk.org). Online registration is fast, easy, and provides instant confirmation of your child's registration. We look forward to seeing you at camp this summer!

**GRANDPARENT:**  
Something so simple, a  
child can operate it.

**Church Staff**

Pastor:  
**Dr. Jeffrey G. Guild**

Clerk of Session:  
**Michele Salerno**

Treasurer(s):  
**Ken Webster/ Becky Kovar**

Church Secretary:  
**Robin Stiles**

Minister of Music:  
**Priscilla Ortoski**

Sound Technician:  
**Leonard Kovar**

Custodian:  
**Julie Kovar**

Office Hours  
**9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**  
**Monday - Thursday**  
**727-849-1898 – Office**  
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**Port Richey, FL 34668**

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Call the office for an  
appointment with the pastor.

**SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES: 5/8-5/14**

**Sunday**  
9:30 a.m. Elders Prayer Time  
9:50 a.m. ANNOUNCEMENTS  
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

**Monday**  
1:00 p.m. Last Choir Practice

**Tuesday**  
8:00 p.m. N.A. Meeting

**Wednesday**  
12:00 p.m. Lunch at Miss Vicki's  
1:00 p.m. Tai Chi  
6:00 p.m. Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts

**Thursday**  
12:00 p.m. Game Day  
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts

**Friday**  
11:00 a.m. Community Worship Service  
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry  
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Community Meal  
10:00 p.m. N.A. Meeting

**LITURGIST ~ Ken Webster**

**STATISTICS FOR 5/1:**

General Fund \$2106.00 Loose Offering 93.00  
Food Pantry 165.00  
Attendance: Sun. 5/1: 58; Fri. 4/29:  
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**WEAR RED ON**  
**PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 15**

The Christian Church observes Pentecost as a solemn feast 50 days after Easter, to commemorate the coming of the Holy Spirit. Please wear red to church on Pentecost Sunday!



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**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

We wish ALL the women in the church a very happy Mother's Day! We hope you enjoy your very special day. Thank you to the Worship Committee for providing the carnations for our ladies!

**OFFICER ORDINATION**  
**& INSTALLATION**

Our newly elected Elder, Diane Griffin(Class of 2017), will be ordained and installed on Sunday. Elders elected for the Class of 2019 will be installed at a later date. **We thank all of our Elders for their direction and care for the life and work of the church.**

**MAY 9 LAST CHOIR REHEARSAL**  
**THIS SEASON&SUMMER SINGERS**

Monday, May 9, will be our last Choir rehearsal for the season. On the FIRST Sunday of our summer months (***June 5, July 3, August 7, September 4***), we will have our "Summer Singers" sing during worship. ANYONE who would like to sing is welcome to sing in this group—you can sing on one of the Sundays or all four! We plan to practice in the Sanctuary at 9:15 a.m. on those first Sundays (and we will sing something fairly easy for that day). Everyone is welcome!

~Priscilla Ortoski, Minister of Music

**ATTENTION DEPARTMENT HEADS**

Motions and reports for inclusion in the agenda for the May Session Meeting are due in the church office by Wednesday, May 11. Session is scheduled to meet on Monday, May 16, 10 a.m.

**EXPANDED WEDNESDAY**  
**PROGRAM REMINDER**

Plan to be at the ***Church Sanctuary***every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. for the following discipleship growth opportunities:

First Wednesday: CALL TO PRAYER SERVICE  
Second Wednesday: BIBLE STUDY  
Third Wednesday: HEALING SERVICE  
Fourth Wednesday: BIBLE STUDY

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Plan to join our Teaching Elder, Dr. Jeff Guild, for a Bible Study each Second and Fourth Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. He will be using ***Making Sense of the Bible*** by Adam Hamilton, which can be purchased at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com). You will want to get this book in advance of the first class to be held **May 11**.