


A hamster is running in a blue exercise wheel. In the background, a carrot-shaped palm tree stands on a sandy surface. The scene is dimly lit, with the wheel and the hamster being the primary focus.

CHASING CARROTS

THE ENDLESS PURSUIT OF MORE

 **FIRST CHURCH**
Port Orange



Order of Worship—7/28/2019

*Altar Flowers are given today by Eileen and John Ledgerwood
in Memory of Kenneth Enright, Eileen's Father.*

9:00 AM

Welcome/Greeting

Tony Sorrell

Hymn Sing

Affirmation of Faith

#883

Morning Prayer

Doxology/Offering+

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:18-23 [NRSV]

Suzanne Eichler

Special Music

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Liz DeWitt, Violin

Sermon

Chasing Comfort

Tom Nelson

Hymn Sing

Benediction+

+Communion at First Church is an open table-and all are welcome at these times

11:00 AM

Announcement Video

Praise and Worship Songs

First Church Worship Band

"This Is Amazing Grace"

"Exalted One"

"You Say"

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:18-23 [NRSV]

Jennifer Kelly

Sermon

Chasing Comfort

Tom Nelson

Praise and Worship Song

"King Of My Heart"

Benediction

*Giving of offering and taking of communion is available at any time the Lord calls you
to do so during the 11am service. Offering Boxes are available in the sanctuary.*

What's Available for the Children?

- Kids K-5th are always welcome in the services but also know they are invited to head over to the ALL NEW KidMin Building (Building A) before services for their own age appropriate worship (they are also welcome to wait until before the sermon).
- Nursery care is provided for the little ones in the Lil'Min Nursery (Building B) You can pick up your children in those buildings at the conclusion of services.
- There is a Sitting Room at the rear of the sanctuary if you need such a place.

[Click Here for the KidMin Facebook Page](#)

First Church News



ADOPT A SCHOOL-SUGARMILL SUPPLY

DRIVE: Please remember to bring in school supplies for our adopt a school program by August 4th. If you would like a list they will be in the lobby.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY IS COMING

BACK: Financial Peace University with Dave Ramsey is a nine week course that will change your life through your finances. Beginning 09/08/2019. Cost is \$129.99 per couple. Visit FPU.com/1093070 register.

COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR: If you are interested in learning more about First Church and its ministries, consider joining the pastor for coffee next Sunday at 2:00p in the church lobby. Childcare is provided.

THE THRIFT BOUTIQUE: We urgently needs strong men over age 18 to help with evening pick-ups/deliveries of furniture. We can work with your schedule. Call Richard at 386-767-6161 to help with this vital ministry.

BUS LABELING: Our new bus is shiny and beautiful and, well, very WHITE! We would love it to be identifiable with First Church Port Orange – an invitation on wheels to join us in the great things we are doing. If interested in helping to outfit our bus with our name and graphics, through a donation or a connection in the vehicle graphics industry, please contact Diane Minshew, at dianes758@bellsouth.net.

CAFÉ IN THE HALL: Cafe In The Hall between the 2 services will be taking the month of July off to give all of our faithful servants a break during the summer. If you would like to be on the baking/serving team please let Diane know at mockd@bellsouth.net

ALPHA COURSE: The fall season for First Church PO is a very busy time for the church and the congregation. We are postponing the fall Alpha Course to the first of January, 2020. Anyone interested in starting the new year by participating in the ALPHA Course, please see or contact Susan or Clint. (407)729-3187 or (407)928-4929

JULY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: CANNED MEATS & CEREAL. Thank you to all who are giving to help stock our food pantry. July needs are canned meats and cereals.

TEXAS ROADHOUSE: Eat at TRH on Sundays and bring a church bulletin with you. If you submit it when you order, they will give 10% of your bill back to the church. Use this for lunch or dinner.

AMAZON SMILE: Do you shop Amazon? Consider making First Church your charity link. Visit <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-0974343>

PUMPKIN PATCH DATES:

Next Planning Meeting 8/11
Pumpkin Patch Rally 9/15
Unloadings 10/5 10a & 10/20 12:30p

Future Family Events:

Church Picnic 9/18 12:30p
Pancake B-fast 9/25 10a
Family Fun Night (Go-Kart City) 9/1 6p

Offering Plate

Click on the offering plate below to be taken to the Online Giving Page at First Church of Port Orange. Weekly tithes/offerings go to the *General Fund Contributions* line.

Check out other opportunities to give above and beyond your regular weekly giving there as well .



Tap the plate above.

2 Corinthians 9:7 Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

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SERMON NOTES:

Comfort

[Romans 8:18-23](#)

We _____ to be comfortable.

The world is in an endless pursuit of _____.

When we go as church it is usually _____.

It is _____ time to take up the cross.

Life in _____ is anything but comfortable.

_____ is unmerited favor.

_____ is being part of unmerited favor.

FURTHER STUDY:

[Romans 8](#)

[John 3](#)

[Matthew 16](#)

[2 Corinthians 1](#)

[Matthew 7](#)

[1 Corinthians](#)

Contact the Staff—www.firstchurchpo.org/staff

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for prayer, questions of faith and details about the church.

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Building Disciples of Christ through Faith, Fellowship, and Love

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M-F, Rooms 3-8
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Here for a Visit? We'd love to meet you!

We're excited to have you in worship with us today, and we hope you feel the friendly warmth of our church family. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to consider First Church Port Orange. Our Pastor would be happy to talk with you on any questions you may have.

For more information or for a staff directory, visit us online at:

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Name: **FUMCPO Guest** Password: maygodbewithyou



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