



HOME IMPROVEMENT



FIRST CHURCH
Port Orange

First Church News



Due to the updated CDC guidelines, Masks will be required for both vaccinated and unvaccinated people for all indoor activities.

2022 FIRST CHURCH PLEDGES : Pledge Sunday was Nov 7th, however, you will still have the opportunity during our offering time to come and place your pledge card in the church up front. Remember that your BOTH Card (or 2022 pledge card) goes in the front doors of the church and the AND Card (or the additional 2021 Additional Present) goes in the roof. You can also fill it out online at www.firstchurchpo.org/pledge if you're watching from home. Please remember to give your AND present no later than Dec 31st, 2021.

HANGING OF THE GREENS: Are you interested in helping us prepare for the Advent Season? We will be decorating the week of November 21st. Contact Amberlee 386-589-4596 if you are willing to help.

DONATE TO CHRISTINE'S BLANKETS: Help wrap the homeless in Love one blanket at a time. Bring in new blankets, preferably Christmas themed, now through December 8th. Christine will wrap them up with a Christmas ribbon and give out the week before and during Christmas.

GIVE PLUS APP IS NOW VANCO MOBILE: Vanco, our online giving platform has "Sunset" the Give Plus Giving App. The new app is Vanco Mobile. 1.) Find it in your app store or google play store and download the free app. 2.) Search for your church by typing First United Methodist Church of Port Orange in the search bar. 3.) Enter your banking or credit card info to easily give from the palm of your hands. Check out the video [here](#).

THRIFT BOUTIQUE NEWS: Thrift Boutique in action! We helped a man who had been homeless for 18 months due to a serious accident. We furnished his apartment with reclining living room furniture, an adjustable bed to elevate his injured leg, a TV stand and a small kitchen table. God is good.

SHOP AMAZON SMILES TO BENEFIT FIRST CHURCH: Visit <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-0974343> to earn money for First Church who has earned \$400.55 reported as of August 2021.



SERMON NOTES:

The Mortar That Holds It Together

“This is how everyone will know that you are my followers, when you _____ one another.” John 13:35

“Compassion is the love that recognizes and goes forth to identify with the _____ of all that is lost and broken within ourselves and others.” James Finley

“But you are to _____ as your Father is _____.” Luke 6:36

It is better to be _____ than to be right!!

How to cultivate compassion:

Can't make yourself _____ it

Create the _____ that will allow it to grow.

_____/prayerful silence

Compassion for _____

When the going gets rough, turn to _____

Be _____ to others

_____ is the world's richest energy source!

Offering Page

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.

Contact the Staff—www.firstchurchpo.org/staff

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Contact the:

Senior Pastor—Tom Nelson

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

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for information about the Weekday Preschool Ministry

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For information and videos regarding our staff, please visit

www.firstchurchpo.org/staff

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Building Disciples of Christ through Faith, Fellowship, and Love

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First Church Preschool
M-F, Rooms 3-8
For more information,

Contact Ashley Gonzalez
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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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