



# Kafakumba



# ONLINE BULLETIN



**Order of Worship—11/24/2024  
Commitment Sunday**

**9:00 AM**

Welcome/Greeting+		
Hymn	<b>“We Gather Together”</b>	#131
Affirmation of Faith		#887
Morning Prayer		Tony Sorrell
Offering/Doxology+		Melissa Cargile
Scripture Reading:	Psalms 62:5-6 [NRSV]	Peggy Bozworth
Anthem	<b>A Thanksgiving Garden</b>	Choir
Sermon	<u>Where There is Despair...Hope</u>	Rev Nate Steury
Commitment Time		
Hymn	<b>“Be Thou My Vision”</b>	#451
Benediction+		Tom Nelson

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

**11:00 AM**

Welcome		
Praise and Worship Songs		First Church Band <b>“Move Of God”</b> <b>“Lord I Need You”</b>
Commitment Time		<b>“Faithful Still”</b>
Scripture Reading:	Psalms 62:5-6 [NRSV]	Ezra Dutton
Sermon	<u>Where There is Despair...Hope</u>	Rev Nate Steury
Closing Song		<b>“Firm Foundation (He Won’t)”</b>
Benediction		Tom Nelson

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

**What’s Available for the Children?**

- Kids K-5th are always welcome in the services but also know they are now invited to head over to the KidMin Bld. where they will have a time of worship geared for them.
- Nursery care is available for children 0-4 years. Check with the ushers for directions. Please know the mother’s room is also available if necessary in the glass lobby.

# First Church News



**HOLD YOUR PLEDGE CARD:** In case you forgot your pledge cards, we have some blanks in the lobby for you to fill out. Please hold your cards until Pastor Tom calls you to make your 2025 pledge towards the end of the service today. You may also pledge online at [firstchurchpo.org/pledge](http://firstchurchpo.org/pledge).

**HELP US DECORATE FOR ADVENT AT NOON TODAY:** We need help decorating for Christmas! Plan on staying after church today to make our sanctuary festive with Christmas Decorations. A pizza lunch is provided. It takes only about an hour or two if we have a good turnout.

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA:** Rehearsals have begun for this year's Christmas Production. We need singers to join us Thursdays at 7p to practice. The performance for First Church will be on Sunday, Dec. 15th at 7p.

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA; DECEMBER 15th at 7:00p:** Come and experience Once Upon a Night, a musical story presented in collaboration with our friends from Coronado UMC that follows closely the first two chapters of Luke. From the struggle and unbelief of Zechariah to the innocent faith of Mary, Luke reveals the real human emotions of the story.

**NEW ADVENT STUDY:** Pastor Tom is hosting a study, "On the Way to Bethlehem." There will be two weekly options: Tuesdays (11/26) at 6pm or Wednesdays (11/27) at Noon in the Sanctuary Lobby. The Cost for the materials is \$12.00. It is the perfect study for first time participants and seasoned group study people. Books available after worship or in the office.

**CHURCH FAMILY THANKSGIVING:** If you don't already have plans for Thanksgiving Day with family or friends, please join your church family for a traditional Thanksgiving meal, hosted by Ellen and Steven Mayberry and John and Julie Dougherty. We will serve it in Hanstine Hall at 1p and you're welcome to bring a dish to share, but not mandatory. RSVP by 11/21 to 386-285-7551.

**NOW RECEIVING BLANKETS FOR CHRISTMAS:** Let's wrap the homeless in Love, one blanket at a time. First Church will be collecting new Christmas themed or colored blankets for families and individuals suffering from homelessness. From now till December 5, you can bring a new blanket to the office (Mo-Th 9a-3p) or the box in church lobby.

**CAMPFIRE CAROLING on DEC 22nd:** We would like to invite you to bring a chair and join us around the fire pit for some singing, cookies, cocoa and fellowship. We will be in the parking lot where the Pumpkin Patch was. If you play an instrument and would like to play please bring it. Invite your friends, family and neighbors. All are welcome to join us. We are excited to see you there at 6p.

**LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS:** Lions clubs youth exchange scholarship is available to any Volusia county graduating senior. \$1000 scholarships are awarded with emphasis on need. Contact Hank Lunsford for more information: 941-284-3241 or go to the Florida Lions Youth Exchange Scholarship website.

## SAVE THE DATES:

**HANGING OF THE GREENS:** Sunday, November 24, 2024

**APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT MISSIONS TRIP:** June 8-14, 2025

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** June 16-20, 2025

**WARREN WILLIS SUMMER CAMP 2025:** June 23-28, 2025

# Tap on the Pledge Card Below to Fill Out Your 2025 Financial Pledge to First UMC Online!

**2025 Pledge Card** My estimateed financial support of First Church for January 2025 through December 2025

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per  Month  Year  Week (for how many weeks?) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (Please Explain) \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_ (Please Print)

**My preferred method of financial contribution is:**

Cash/Check  Online/Vanco App  
 Direct Deposit/ACH

**Other Commitments:**

I'm ready to serve as a volunteer! \_\_\_\_\_ (area of interest)  
 I would like information on Retirement Account Giving (RMD)  
 I cannot commit financially at this time.



Thank you for your support!



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If you'd like to sign up, the church access code is: **RXMKWJ**.

You can enter it when the site prompts you to log in with an access code.



# 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.*

# FIRST CHURCH

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

Contact Tiffany Prince at  
386.767.2689

## 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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