







Order of Worship—12/29/2024

9:00 AM

Welcome/Greeting+

Hymn "The First Noel" #245 Affirmation of Faith #888

Morning Prayer Tony Sorrell
Offering/Doxology+ Melissa Cargile

Scripture Reading: John 3:16 Bill Beebe

Anthem A Candle, A Whisper, A Promise Choir Sermon The Giver Miguel Rodriguez

Hymn "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" #251

Benediction+ Miguel Rodriguez

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

11:00 AM

Welcome

Announcement Video

Praise and Worship Songs

ngs Student Ministry Youth Band

"Praise"

"We Three Kings (Jesu Joy Of Man's Desire)"

"Good Plans"

Scripture Reading: John 3:16
Sermon The Give

16 Jane Sciortino
<u>The Giver</u> Miguel Rodriguez

Closing Song

"Homecoming"

Benediction

Tony Sorrell

*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.

5th Sunday = Family Worship

- Kids K-5th are welcomed in the services today as celebration of 5th Sunday Family Worship. There are activities for children this Sunday for their participation in worship. Next Sunday, kids will be in Kids Church.
- 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

DINNER CHURCH: People, people, people! It's going to be a brand new year! Dinner church is moving to Guiseppe's Steel City Pizza for 2025. Please mark your calendars for Jan 7th and note the location change for that fellowship, food, and fun event. It's still at 6p and includes a devotion and the sacraments. Come if you can, bring family and friends, and socialize!



EXERCISE COMING TO FIRST CHURCH: Low impact instructor-led exercise coming to First Church January 9, 2025. Focus on strengthening, stretching and improving balance. Open to everyone. KidMin building 10a-10:30a.

FAREWELL AND RETIREMENT PARTY FOR RONNIE DAWSON: Come join us for an appreciation potluck lunch to celebrate our good friend and brother in Christ, Ronnie Dawson, who is retiring after 20+ years of serving First Church as our custodian and maintenance employee. Please bring a dish to share after the second service on Sunday, January 12th to wish him well in retirement.

TURN IN YOUR 2025 PLEDGE CARD: In case you haven't submitted your 2025 pledge cards, please place them in the "front door slot" of the wooden church in the sanctuary. Also if you would like to submit any "End of the Year or Giving Tuesday" gifts, you can use the slot in the roof. We still have some blank cards in the lobby if needed. You may also pledge online at firstchurchpo.org/pledge.

RED ROBIN FUNDRIASING: Thank you to everyone that supported our preschool by having a meal at Red Robin on November 21st, we were able to use those funding to buy some new cots for our growing school. We have scheduled our next Red Robin Night for February 5th! Please mark you calendars, plan a date night or dinner with a group of friends to support our preschool. Hope to see you all there.

FREE GOSPEL MUSIC CONCERT FEATURING CHUCK CRAIN 2/6/25: . Chuck is currently a tenor singer in a gospel quartet in the Presley's Music Show in Branson Missouri. He has been a member of The Blackwoods and The Navy's Blue Jacket Choir. He and his wife enjoy traveling, in their off season, spreading the gospel through music.

CONFIRMATION CLASS 2025: Confirmands (graduating 5-12 graders) will learn about the meaning of their Christian faith; history of Methodism; and the vows they'll profess. Class starts on Feb 7-8 at our Confirmation Retreat to Warren Willis Camp. The class is offered weekly for 10 weeks. For more info and to register here.

4E LEADERSHIP SUMMIT: Bishop Tom Berlin will be our keynote speaker. Special breakout sessions will be offered for those wanting to learn more about church council/finance/lay leader/sprc/trustees. This will be our first in-person leadership event since redistricting in July 2024. We hope that you will <u>register here</u> to attend and connect with other leaders in the North East District.

ALPHA REUNION IN ST. SIMON ISLAND: We are planning a reunion for all First Church PO Alpha Attendees. The dates are February 28 – March 2 and to be held at the Methodist Retreat Center "Epworth by the Sea" on St Simon's Island, Georgia. A special place that has amazing history of John Wesley, our church founder. Come and join us for a time of fellowship and planning for the continuing of the Alpha programs at First Church.

SAVE THE DATES:

APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT MISSIONS TRIP: June 7-14, 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 Ple	edge Card 📆	estimateed financial support of First Church January 2025 through December 2025
	\$ per OMonth OYear O Week \$40 how many weeks!]	
GIVING	Name Address City, State, Zip Phone Email Phone	My preferred method of financial contribution is: Cash/Check Online/Vanco App Direct Deposit/ACH Other Commitments Tim ready to serve as a volunteer! Gree of intered I would like information on Retirement Account Giving (RMD) I cannot commit financially at this time.

Thank you for your support!



SERMON NOTES:

The Giver John 3:16



First Church has invested in this multi-media tool for you to use at home, work, or in your bible studies. Explore what it's all about at

my.amplifymedia.com

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 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.



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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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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