

February 2025



ONLINE BULLETIN





# ORDER of Worship

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### 9:00 AM

Welcome/Greeting		
Hymn	<b>“Praise to the Lord, The Almighty”</b>	#139
Affirmation of Faith		#881
Morning Prayer		Tony Sorrell
Offering/Doxology		Melissa Cargile
Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 <sub>[NRSV]</sub>		Judi Winch
Anthem	<b><i>Always Remember</i></b>	Choir
Sermon	<u>Love Is. . .</u>	Tom Nelson
Communion		
Hymn	<b>“They’ll Know We Are Christians”</b>	On Screen
Benediction		Tom Nelson

### 11:00 AM

Welcome		
Announcement Video		
Praise and Worship Songs		First Church Praise Band
		<b>“Unstoppable God”</b>
		<b>“The Lord’s Prayer (It’s Yours)”</b>
		<b>“Good Plans”</b>
Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 <sub>[NRSV]</sub>		Susan Hulcher
Sermon	<u>Love Is. . .</u>	Tom Nelson
Communion		
Closing Song		<b>“O Come To The Altar”</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



**COMMUNION SUNDAY NAME TAGS:** Don't forget to fill out a name tag from the seat pocket in front of you so we can serve you communion by name.

**DINNER CHURCH:** We would like to extend an invitation for everyone to join us at Giuseppe's Steel City Pizza Feb. 4th for "Dinner Church" at 6p! Make it a date night, an eat-out night, or Valentine's Day event. We'd "love" to see you there!

**RED ROBIN FUNDRAISER:** We are having our next Red Robin Night on February 5th! Dine in/take out lunch or dinner (invite your friends) to support our preschool. Mention our preschool and 20% of your bill gets donated back to us.

**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. Concert starts at 7p. A love offering will be collected.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS 2025:** Last Day to register! The class is offered weekly for 10 weeks. For more info and to register, [click here](#).

**CHILD PROTECTION POLICY TRAINING:** Our annual training for those who work with children and youth is on Feb 16th at 12:15p in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch is provided for \$3 a person. The training will run for about 90 minutes.

**SPRING CLEANING & TEACHER WORK ROOM REMODEL:** First Church Preschool is seeking helpers for our Spring Cleaning project March 17-21, 2025. We will be remodeling and beautifying our teacher workroom. We have donated upper and lower kitchen cabinets and a countertop for our remodel, but need some extra hands to help install them. Handy with a hammer? Come help.

**CANTATA/CHOIR PRACTICE BACK:** We invite all to participate in the Lenten cantata. Rehearsals began on Thursday, January 23 but you can still join us on Thursdays at 7 PM. If you want more information about this special collaboration with Coronado United Methodist, please contact Kim Scaccia: 386-846-6829.

**SUMMER MISSIONS TEAM MEETING:** It's time to commit to this year's Appalachia Service Project Summer Missions Team. If you're joining us this summer then please attend this meeting on Feb. 13th from 6-7:30p in the Student Center. Your \$50 deposit is due if you haven't done so already.

**AARP TAX-AIDE:** AARP TAX-AIDE – It's that time of year again. Appointments may be made online at [taxaide.aarpfoundation.org](https://taxaide.aarpfoundation.org) then click "Locate Sites Near Me" or call 386-287-1960. Tax preparation will be Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30-12:30 beginning February 4. The church is allowing AARP the use of the fellowship hall so please do not call the church office as they have no information.

**SIX THE MUSICAL/TEEN EDITION:** It's being preformed at Spruce Creek High School Theatre. This reimagines history in this electrifying and empowering musical about the six wives of Henry VIII. Our Social Needia group emphasized opportunities such as this so we're meeting up on Feb. 22nd for the 7p show. Purchase tickets at the link below and coordinate with Janet if you want join for dinner beforehand. Tickets are \$15 at <https://teachtix.com/sprucecreek>

**IT'S TIME FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** We expect about 200 "travelers" again this year, so many volunteers are still needed. Please contact Suzi at [srodriguez@firstchurchpo.org](mailto:srodriguez@firstchurchpo.org) to talk about where you can serve!

**THRIFT BOTIQUE NEWS:** We're excited to announce that thanks to you, the Thrift Boutique just completed its most successful year ever! with just over \$200,000 in sales for 2024. We look forward to continuing to serve in 2025.

# LIVE FIXE

## SERMON NOTES:

Love Is...

[1 Corinthians 13:4-7](#)

God's love...

is \_\_\_\_\_,

will \_\_\_\_\_ us up.

endures \_\_\_\_\_.

We are loved, but we are also \_\_\_\_\_.

To be like Christ is to be \_\_\_\_\_.

Love is not \_\_\_\_\_ centered.

A key ingredient to love is \_\_\_\_\_.

In Psalm 136, God's love endures \_\_\_\_\_ times.

Sermon Notes (Answers on Last Page)

## FURTHER STUDY

[Romans 5](#)  
[Ephesians 4](#)

[Jeremiah 33](#)  
[John 11](#)

[Psalm 136](#)  
[Romans 1](#)





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](http://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 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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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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God's love...

is **SACRIFICIAL**,

will **LIFT** us up.

endures **FOREVER**.

We are loved, but we are also **CALLED**.

To be like Christ is to be **KIND**.

Love is not **ME** centered.

A key ingredient to love is **EMPATHY**.

In Psalm 136, God's love endures **26** times.

## Sermon Notes Answers

### FURTHER STUDY

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[Jeremiah 33](#)  
[John 11](#)

[Psalm 136](#)  
[Romans 1](#)



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

**2025 Pledge Card** My estimated 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!