



AWAKENED
TO **GRACE**



 **FIRST CHURCH**
UNITED METHODIST *Port Orange*

ONLINE BULLETIN



ORDER of Worship

Order of Worship—04/26/2026

9:00 AM

Traditional Service

Welcome/Greeting+		Kim Scaccia
Hymn	“Come, Thou Almighty King”	#61
Affirmation of Faith		#880
Morning & Lord’s Prayer		Tony Sorrell
Offering/Doxology+		Pastor Tony Fotsch
Stewardship Report		
Scripture Reading: Acts 13:1-3(NRSV)		Suzanne Eichler
Anthem	<i>Like A Child</i>	Choir
Sermon	<u>Awakened through Fasting</u>	Tony Fotsch
Hymn	“Go, Make of All Disciples”	#571
Benediction+		Pastor Tony Fotsch

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

11:00 AM

Contemporary Service

Welcome & Offering		First Church Praise Team
Praise and Worship Songs		“Goodbye Yesterday”
		“Faithful Still”
		“Met By Love”
Scripture Reading: Acts 13:1-3(NRSV)		Ken Busick
Sermon	<u>Awakened through Fasting</u>	Tony Fotsch
Closing Song		“Fierce”
Benediction		Pastor Tony Fotsch

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 also available in 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. 1st Sunday of Month is First Family Sunday and kids are in 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



NEW MEMBERS CLASS COMING SOON: New Member classes will be the 2 Wednesday evenings, April 29 & May 6, from 6:30p - 8p. Contact the office for information or sign up at firstchurchpo.org/newmemberform. New Member Sunday is May 10th!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING JUNE 15-19.

2026! Children in K-5th Grade should register now before spaces fill up. We also need volunteers to sign up at the same location. Don't wait! Only 200 spaces available and we're already over half way there. [Register at firstchurchpo.org/vbs](http://firstchurchpo.org/vbs)

VBS TRAINING: Join us for the VBS Rally on May 3rd at 12:15p. Together we will learn everything about serving at Illumination Station, whether you want to serve a little or a lot you're invited, and this is the place to get started. Part of this event will be a breakout session, where we will dive deeper into all the areas you could serve! A light lunch will be provided. RSVP to [Suzi](#) or [Scott](#).

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Come on out to the men's breakfast. Come have a meal and a devotional from 9a to 10:30a. Invite your sons, grandsons, and neighbors to have fellowship with one another.

BBQ COOKOFF AND SILENT AUCTION IS COMING: Our 13th Annual Bar-B-Q Cookoff is coming on May 17th from 5pm-7pm. This student ministry fundraiser helps get students to camp/missions/and retreats throughout the year. There are 3 ways that you can be a part:

- 1.) Enter the cooking competition. Details at firstchurchpo.org/bbq
- 2.) Come judge/eat BBQ & bid on items. \$14 each or (2/\$25), on sale soon.
- 3.) Donate a new item or service to the Silent Auction.

NOTICE FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE: Signs, signs, everywhere there are signs! Two new signs you might be seeing are the Kitchen Supply and the Janitorial Supply signs. If you find that we are in need of something for the kitchen or bathrooms – just scan the QR Code and an email to lvogl@firstchurchpo.org will show on your phone. Fill in what items are needed and hit send! The items on the individual supply lists will help you out and make it easy . . . for everyone!

SHOE DRIVE: First Church is having a Shoe Drive! We need new and gently worn shoes you no longer wear! The shoes get a second chance in developing countries where shoes are the primary mode of transportation. Micro-entrepreneurs sell the shoes to support their families. This is a Hand-Up, not a Hand-Out!. The church is paid by the pound. Look for the Shoe Drop Boxes on campus! Ask friends and family too!

LAY SERVANT MINISTRY: Living our United Methodist Beliefs; The 10 hour, Lay Servant class by ZOOM will occur each Monday for 5 weeks starting June 1st, from 6-8p. The cost is \$5.00. Contact pamelascraig@gmail.com if you wish to register. Contact Hank Lunsford if you have questions about the class or about becoming a Lay Servant. Textbook: *The United Methodist Way: Living our Beliefs*, \$12.81 on Amazon.

AARP TAX-AIDE REVIEW: AARP Tax-aide season is over. We prepared 569 tax returns. Thanks to First Church for allowing us to use fellowship hall over the last 8 tax seasons. See you next year.

SAVE THE DATES:

APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT MISSIONS TRIP: June 6-14, 2026

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: June 15-19, 2026

WARREN WILLIS SUMMER CAMP 2026: June 22-27, 2026



Sermon Notes—April 26, 2026

“Awakened through Fasting” Acts 13:1-3 (NRSVUE)

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Grace:

The benevolent nature and active force of God’s

Undeserved & unearned favor toward us.

1. Fasting awakens us to _____

2. Fasting awakens us to _____

3. Fasting awakens us to _____



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 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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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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