



HE IS  
*Risen*

# The Way

 FIRST CHURCH  
1800 N. Dearborn  
First Chicago

ONLINE BULLETIN



# ORDER of Worship

## Order of Worship—04/5/2026

**6:30 AM**

### Sunrise Service

Prelude	Vespers of Light	Orchestra
Welcome/Greeting		
Opening Prayer		Tony Sorrell
Scripture Reading: John 20:1-18(NRSV)		
Special Music	Passion & Resurrection	Orchestra
Sermon	<u>The Way of Resurrection</u>	Tony Fotsch
Communion		
Hymn	<b>“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”</b>	
Benediction		Pastor Tony Fotsch

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**9:00 AM**

### Traditional Service

Welcome/Greeting+		Kim Scaccia
Special Music	<i>Christ the Lord is Risen Today</i>	Handbell Choir
Hymn	<b>“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”</b>	#302
Kid’s Moment		Suzi Rodriguez
Morning & Lord’s Prayer		Tony Sorrell
Offering/Doxology+		Pastor Tony Fotsch
Anthem	<b>Empty Now</b>	Choir
Scripture Reading: John 20:1-18(NRSV)		Rev. John Gill
Sermon	<u>The Way of Resurrection</u>	Tony Fotsch
Communion		#12
Hymn	<b>“He Lives”</b>	#310
Benediction		Pastor Tony Fotsch

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**11:00 AM**

### Contemporary Service

Welcome & Offering		
Praise and Worship Songs		First Church Praise Team
		<b>“Glorious Day”</b>
		<b>“You’ve Already Won”</b>
		<b>“Great I Am”</b>
Kid’s Moment		Suzi Rodriguez
Scripture Reading: John 20:1-18(NRSV)		Kay Luzier
Sermon	<u>The Way of Resurrection</u>	Tony Fotsch
Communion		
Closing Song		<b>“O Come To The Altar”</b>
Benediction		Pastor Tony Fotsch

### **1st Sunday = Family Worship**

- Kids K-5th are welcomed in the services today as celebration of 1st 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



## FIRST CHURCH GOLFING EVENT- REGISTER BY

**APRIL 8th:** First Church is hosting a golfing event to be held at Hidden Lakes Golf Club in New Smyrna on April 18th at 8a. Open to all golfers of any skill level. Registration is still open on the church website. Teams of four will be assembled for a shotgun/best ball round. We will return to First Church for lunch and awards. To read about sponsoring our event and to get more information, [CLICK HERE](#)

**DINNER CHURCH TUESDAY AT CHILI'S:** Hey everyone, it's that time again to "Hop" on down to Chili's on Dunlawton. We are going to have an "Egg-stra" special time of fun, food and fellowship! Come join us and bring your "Peeps" for a short devotion and the sacraments. It will be an Egg-straordinary event for all! Remember "Some-bunny" would love to see you there!

**APRIL MEN'S BREAKFAST:** It's that time of the month again. Men's breakfast is on the 11th of April in the Fellowship Hall. Men of all ages are welcome. Invite your brother, neighbors and sons. Come join us from 9a to 10:30a for breakfast and a message.

**THRIFT BOUTIQUE NEWS:** Please come and shop at the Thrift Boutique for Spring and Easter decorations. They give a seasonal lift to your home and you will support our ministry. To God be the Glory for our worthy mission!

**REGISTER FOR WARREN WILLIS SUMMER CAMP NOW:** It's time again to register for Summer Camp through the Camp's registration site at <https://www.umccc.org> before April 15th to receive the Camp Discount from 144 Env. Campaign. First Church is Attending Week 2, June 22-27, 2026

**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](mailto: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 on Amazon.

**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](http://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.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING JUNE 15-19, 2026!** Children in K-5th Grade should register now before spaces fill up. [Register NOW!](#)

**FOOD PANTRY PROGRAM:** Thank you members and friends of First Church! With your generous donations to the food pantry we were able to help 47 individuals with food in the month of March! 44 Adults and 3 children. Woohoo! Without your continuous support, we would not be able to assist those in need.

**NEW MEMBERS CLASS COMING SOON:** New Member classes will be the 2 Wednesday evenings, APRIL 29 & May 6, from 6:30 - 8pm. Contact the office for info.

### 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 5, 2026**  
**EASTER SUNDAY**

**“The Way of Resurrection”**  
**John 20:1-18 (NRSV)**

1. The way of Resurrection leads us *through*

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The way of Resurrection leads us *to*

\_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_

3. The way of Resurrection leads us *beyond*

\_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_

**Lenten Spiritual reflection:**

What place of death in your life do you need to experience the Resurrection of Jesus?

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Where into your world is Resurrection guiding you?

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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.*

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

Contact the Preschool 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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**John 20:1-18 (NRSV)**

1. The way of Resurrection leads us *through*

**THE CROSS** and **THE TOMB.**

2. The way of Resurrection leads us *to*

**LIFE** out of **DEATH.**

3. The way of Resurrection leads us *beyond*

**OURSELVES** to the **WORLD.**

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