



Our Purpose

“To experience and express
God’s love in Christ”

Our Core Values

We value living in Grace.
We value serving others.
We value journeying towards
Christ-like living.
We value acceptance.

Information

- Nursery is provided in rooms 109 and 111.
- Children’s bulletins are on the table as you enter the Sanctuary.
- Large print bulletins and hearing aid devices are available inside the sanctuary.
- Induction Loop Hearing System in the Sanctuary - switch hearing aid to T-coil.

Pine Shores Presbyterian Church (USA)

September 17, 2023

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Bill Sitterley

Worship Service Begins at 9:45 a.m.

Reflection in Preparation:

“I think one should forgive and remember . . . If you forgive and forget in the usual sense, you’re just driving what you remember into the subconscious; it stays there and festers. But to look, even regularly, upon what you remember, and know you’ve forgiven, is achievement.”

- Faith Baldwin

Gathering Music

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude *Praise My Soul the King of Heaven* arr. John Behnke

Responsive Call to Worship

Ken Junkins, liturgist

Today is a day of joy.

May our eyes be clear to see it.

Today is a day of meaning.

May our minds be open to receive it.

Today is a day of growth.

May we give ourselves wholeheartedly to God.

Opening Prayer

Hymn #619 *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer for Wholeness (in unison)

O God, we live and move and have our being in you. And yet we live in the shadow of sin: in all the ways we abuse your creation; in our violence and betrayal of one another; in all the ways we hide from your Spirit. Forgive us that we may forgive one another, heal us that we may be people of healing, free us that we may channel your love and be makers of peace. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen

(over)

Responsive Declaration of Grace and Gratitude

Sung Response

Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah.
Please join in! - Words are one the screen.

Children's Time

Anthem

Joyful, Joyful, Sing Praise

Jay Althouse

Minute for Missions

Prayer of Intercession & Lord's Prayer

God in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Invitation

Offertory

Deep River (Incorporating New World Symphony)

Robert Lau

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

The Poetic Invitation

Love After Love

by Derek Wolcott (b. 1930)

Hymn of Preparation #435

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Scripture Reading

Matthew 18: 21 - 35

Proclamation of The Word

The Gospel of Nickel Mines

Rev. Bill Sitterley

Declaration of Faith

an excerpt from a 1977 Confession of Faith

We believe God sends us to risk our own peace and comfort in compassion for our neighbors. We are to give to them and receive from them, accepting everyone we meet as a person; to be sensitive to those who suffer in body or mind; to help and accept help in ways that affirm dignity and responsibility. We must not limit our compassion to those we judge deserving, for we ourselves do not deserve the compassion of God.

Closing Hymn #821

My Life Flows On

Benediction

Choral Response *And Give Thee Peace* Wayne Fisher

You are invited to remain for the CONGREGATIONAL MEETING after worship today.

The sole purpose of the meeting is to act upon the recommendation of the Nominating Committee that the following people shall comprise the **Pastor Nominating Committee:** Amy Earl, Gene George, Kathy Junkins, George Lavigne, Thomas Mueller, Robin Nystrom, and Ken Visser. Any questions regarding this process may be directed to either the pastor, or Melissa Fraley (Chair of the Nominating Committee).

Thank you to Ken Junkins who is our liturgist today.

In honor of **Family Promise Week** - October 15-22, the Missions Committee is supporting a "Family Promise Campaign." There will be three phases: Tax deductible donations, a Giving Tree in the Narthex for gift cards for those in our Home for Good program & Francis House, and an October 14 "Luau on the Lawn" at the Pine Shores Community Center, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., \$35 per person with food, music, dancers, and games. Please contact Mary Margaret Barbour, 404-216-6208, mmbarbour38@gmail.com to show your support and get tickets for the Luau.

Martha Circle meets on Tuesday, September 19 at 10:00 a.m. in the Administration Building.

The Chancel Choir hold rehearsals on Wed. evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the choir room. Join us as we lift our voices in song and Praise to the Lord.

Clara Kaiser Carillon Rehearsals are held on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room.

Youth Group meets every Sunday evening from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the Youth House.

JOY Company meets every Wednesday from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. This is a weekly after school children's program where playfulness has meaning. The sign-up form is on the Pine Shores Website.

Men's Breakfast meets every Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m. Dutch Valley Restaurant, 6721 S Tamiami Trail

This Week's Birthdays

September 17
Pat Vinke

September 18
Scott Bowman

September 20
Gail Visser

September 22
Knowlan Nystrom

September 23
Judy Leiner

September 24
Lisa Esclangon
Jay Fortune
Paula Kester
Andrew Faber

This Week's Anniversaries

September 18
Melanie Kim-Hamill &
Jeff Hamill

Chancel Flowers are given in honor of Peggy Collin's 90th birthday, from her friends at Pine Shores Presbyterian Church.

Memorial Service
Jack Klingensmith
Saturday, September 23
10:00 a.m.
Sanctuary

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS ON SUNDAYS

If you need a new name tag or have lost your old one, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Temporary name tags are available at the information booth in the Narthex.

If you would like to give **flowers for Sunday worship**, fill out the information in the Flower Calendar Notebook located on the information desk. Flowers can be given in memory or honor of a loved one or to commemorate a special occasion.

2023 Offering Envelopes: if you need 2023 offering envelopes, please call the church office at 941-922-1597 or email Sandy at finance@pineshorespres.org.

Boy Scouts of America meet at Pine Shores Presbyterian Church during the school year. **Scouts BSA Troop 1920** (girls) meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the Youth House. For more information contact Shawn Airey (shawn.airey@gmail.com) **Scouts BSA Troop 50** (boys) meets on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the Community Center North Hall. Visit the Troop 50 website: <https://troop50sarasota.trooptrack.com>.

Emails: To receive weekly emails, send your email address to marilyn@pineshorespres.org.

AA meets Mon. - Fri. at 8:00 a.m. in the Community Center. **Al-Anon** meets on Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m. in the Community Center Conference Room.

Prayer Chain: If you would like to add a prayer joy or concern to the prayer chain you can do so by contacting the church office at 941-922-1597.

Sunday Coffee and Chat: Come grab a cup of coffee or punch and some cookies during Coffee and Chat time, before and after worship, in the Narthex.

Meals on Wheels of Sarasota is looking for volunteers. If you would like to participate, please call 941-366-6693.

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