

"Zacchaeus hurry and come down;
for I must stay
at your house today."



So he hurried down
and was happy to welcome him.

Luke 19:5-6

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
November 2, 2025 10:30 a.m.
Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

THE CHURCH GATHERS IN WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“Adagio”

Marcello

PASTOR'S WELCOME

† THE PEACE OF CHRIST

“Give Thanks”

#647

*Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son. (2x)*

*And now let the weak say, “We are strong”; let the poor say,
“We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!” (2x)*

Give thanks. Give thanks.

† CALL TO WORSHIP (from Ps. 118:24, 139:1)

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: God's love endures forever!

All: Let us worship God!

† OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, as we gather under your loving gaze, we celebrate this day that you have made. We thank you for our ancestors in faith and our common call to discipleship in a fragmented world. Grateful for your mercy, we ask that you give us new strength in the Spirit to walk together as one body in Christ. Be with us as we hear and proclaim the gospel of love and the way of peace. It is in his name that we make this prayer. Amen.

† HYMN

*“All Creatures of Our God and King”
(Verses 1, 4, 6)*

#15

† CALL TO CONFESSION (inspired by Ps. 32)

Happy are those whose sins are forgiven, whose hearts are made clean. When we hold our mistakes inside, they weigh us down. But when we bring them to God, mercy will meet us. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God and Loving Savior, we confess that like Zacchaeus, we often keep our distance from others and from you. We pattern our lives on what makes us feel secure, turning our eyes away from those in need. Yet you call us down from our hiding places and invite yourself into our lives. You want to talk with us, spend time with us, even have a meal with us. Forgive us when we resist your invitation. Renew our hearts, that we may welcome you with joy, opening doors to grace and new life.

† SILENT PRAYER

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON (inspired by Ps. 32)

Leader: When we turn to God, forgiveness flows freely. God shelters us with grace and surrounds us with songs of deliverance. So be glad and rejoice - in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God! Amen!

† GLORIA PATRI

#581

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

WORD AND SACRAMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (from Ps. 119:105)

Loving God, we trust that your word will always light our path and guide our steps. As your word is read and proclaimed, lay that path out before us, so that we may walk with one another in your truth: today, tomorrow and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ephesians 2:19-22

N. T. p. 192

Luke 19:1-10

N. T. p. 82, Children's Bible p. 242

SERMON

*"Come Lord Jesus,
Be Our Guest"*

Rev. Sandra Hedrick

† HYMN

*“Will You Come and Follow Me”
(The Summons)*

#726

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE AND GRATITUDE

RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE

Offering Music

“Mercy and Grace”

Schram

† Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

#606

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise. (Leader continues.)

The Lord’s Prayer

The Serving

Prayer after Communion

Christ our Lord, as you sat with Zaccheaus and brought him new life, you have shared your life with us at this table. May the grace we have tasted here transform our minds and our hearts, so that we may go out from this place boldly sharing your justice and bringing peace in your name. Amen.

THE CHURCH MEETS CHRIST IN THE WORLD

† HYMN

“For All the Saints”

#326

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Runyan

† All those who are able, please stand.

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Ushers: Wayne Ezell, Dave and Kathy Morrison, John Rose

Deacon Greeter: Betty Wengert

Last Sunday's Attendance: 56

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LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE AND GRATITUDE

We are members of the household of God, built on the foundation of our ancestors in faith, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone. With believers of all time, we are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God. (See Ephesians 2:19-22)

Holding that image in our heart, we remember today all the saints who have been witnesses to the faith in their own individual ways in every generation. We also remember by name members of the church and others who have gone to be in God's full presence in the past year.

Sharon Desormeaux
Carrie Milligan
Jack Quinn
Carolyn Sewell
John Thrasher
Peter Wengert

Let us pray: Heavenly God, we honor before you our ancestors in faith. We remember parents and grandparents, sisters and brothers, children, teachers, mentors and friends in Christ who have gone before us into their new life with you. Thank you for those who have been named today in this service, for your grace in their lives and their witness to your love. Give us all the strength to serve you faithfully in the days that you give us, remembering that in life and in death we belong to you, through the grace of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

COMMUNITY CORNER

WELCOME AND MEMBERSHIP: Welcome to worship at Orange Park Presbyterian Church! There are Connect Cards in the pews for visitor information, communications, and prayer requests (once completed, place in the offering plate). If you would like to talk with Pastor Sandra about becoming a church member, please note that on the card, and she will reach out to answer your questions.

REMEMBRANCE AND GRATITUDE: On the Sunday closest to All Saints Day (November 1), it is our tradition to remember our ancestors in faith and the members of our congregation and others who have passed away in the past year. We will hold this time of remembrance and prayer before the Lord's Supper today.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP: Our congregational nominating committee is working to identify individuals to serve on the session beginning in January 2026. If you have a suggestion, please contact Laura Wilson (Chair), Josh Longmire, Fran Higson, Debbie Mueller, or Dave Morrison.

BIBLE WHERE????: This monthly event features food, fellowship, and discussion of a Bible lesson. Our next gathering is on Monday, November 3, at 6:30 p.m. at Mellow Mushroom in Fleming Island. Bring a friend!

DRIVE-THRU FOOD DONATIONS: On Tuesday, November 4, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., we are accepting non-perishable food for the Clay County Clothes Closet and Food Pantry.

SEW & SEWS: The Sew & Sews will meet on Wednesday, November 5, at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Questions? Contact Bev Davis.

ORANGE PARK CHORALE: Free concert on November 9 at 4:00 p.m.

BLUEGRASS SUNDAY: On November 16, you and your friends and neighbors are invited to worship God at our 2025 "Bluegrass Sunday"! The band Woods and Bridges will lead us in a musical celebration followed by a fellowship meal. Sign-up on the "Potluck" list in the narthex, and plan to bring your favorite dish!

WOMEN'S RETREAT: If you have ever wondered how YOU fit into God's grand and beautiful plan, then come to the 2026 Women's Retreat, where we will explore "Our Sacred Story in God's Divine Plan" while enjoying a time for renewed spiritual focus, relaxation, fellowship, and laughter. The retreat will be held on March 13-15 at Epworth by the Sea on St. Simons Island. The fee is \$300 for a double accommodation (\$50 deposit due by November 10). Registration forms are available in the narthex and church office. Questions? Contact Cindy Ezell.

CHOIR PRACTICE: The choir will meet on November 5 and 19 at 6:30 p.m. in Choir Room.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH AND NURSERY: Children's Church is for ages 4 through 13 and takes place right after the children's message. Our nursery is open for the younger ones.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES: Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m., the Adult Forum meets in The Gathering Place, Room 3, using "Feasting on the Word," a scripture study based on the Lectionary (Debbie Pendry). Travelers' Class meets in The Gathering Place, Room 4, and is using a video series "God Never Gives Up On You" by Max Lucado (Cathy Sanders). The Seekers meet in the church office library and are using "The God We Can Know" by Rob Fuquay (Ricky Kirby).

SING TO THE LORD
A NEW SONG!
BLUEGRASS SUNDAY

November 16, 2025
10:30 a.m.
(Gathering Music at 10:15)

Join the Woods and Bridges Band
as we fill our morning worship
with faith-filled tunes of praise.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL
AFTER WORSHIP

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