

The Spire

SEPTEMBER 2024

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SERMONS

September 1 - Acts 9:1-2
Heroes of the Faith - Paul

September 8 - Genesis 37: 1-24
Heroes of the Faith - Joseph

September 15 - Rev. Dr. David Keck
Chaplin at Embry Riddle

September 22 - Mark 8: 27-38
God's Purpose

September 29 - Luke 14:25-33
Consider the Cost

Correction to Repair of Organ

Last month's Spire stated that the organ would need to be replaced in the next 1-5 years. The organ is working very well for now and will not need to be replaced. However, it is very possible that sometime within the next 5 years the old switching system would need to be replaced with a new solid state switching system. That is an expense that we will need to be planning for.

HEROES OF THE FAITH

All of us have a story to tell about people and events that have shaped our walk with Jesus. When we remember and tell others about the special people in our life who inspired our faith, we are giving thanks to God, and we are honoring their life and witness.

In addition to the special people who inspired our faith, there are important events that have happened that frame our life - before and after. Something happened that caused us to see everything in a new light. We came to see our life as a special gift from God and we recommitted our minds and hearts to living each day toward God's purpose.

I hope the July and August sermon series on "Heroes of the Faith" have inspired you to think about the special people and important events that have influenced your faith and your walk with Jesus. On Wednesday September 11th we will gather at 5:00pm for a potluck supper in Fellowship Hall. Make sure you sign up for the potluck and bring something to share.

Before we sit down to eat, we will remember the events of September 11, 2001, with our prayers for our nation and our world. After dinner we will share our story at our tables. Please spend a few minutes before attending this potluck to think about the memories you would like to share at your table.

Each one of us has an important story to tell about God's love and goodness in our life. When we share our story with those who love us - our children, grandchildren, family and friends - our witness has a way of inspiring them to grow closer to Jesus and discover the wonder of his love.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

Rev. Foley- Stewardship Campaign Proposal

- Theme of "Attitudes of the Heart"
- Schedule of sermon topics given for 10/06/24 to 11/03/24
- Dr. David Keck, chaplain at Embry-Riddle, will be preaching on 10/27/24

Administration

- Reported that we are \$6,740 in the black and in a very good position for summer
- Reported that custodial services are working out well

Christian Education

- Children's Church is averaging six children per week
- Decision (on a year trial basis) to change the 6th-12th Sunday school time to 1st and 3rd Sundays at 9:45; 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:00; this will allow the youth to be involved in more of the church activities
- Adult study class will resume in September with a study on Thessalonians I & II
- Nursery remains open. Phone has been repaired; camera feed to the TV needs repair
- Youth group completed their Mission trip to Charleston, SC. where they engaged in various community projects. They are now looking into possible local mission opportunities
- MOMCo launched their new meeting format on 08/02/24 with five mothers attending
- FISH 2.0 (November 1-2) is finalizing speakers and workshop ideas
- Playground renovation progress;
 - Men of Westminster plan to donate their collected funds of \$1,300 to the renovation of the playground
 - WBTS was approved for a \$1,000 Wonder for Worship grant from Columbia Theological Seminary designated for an outdoor worship and play space for children
 - Request made to Recruiting Sergeant Murg for help with playground renovation

Congregational Life

- Susan continues to do an excellent job of sending cards to those who are homebound
- Fall potluck is planned for September 11

Operations

- Report on Approved Building Repairs
- Updating the Sanctuary Speaker System at a cost of \$8,685
- Installing a new back gate that complies with fire codes at a cost of \$5,690
- Repairing Steeple Chimes components at a cost of \$1,360
- Installing a new Fire Alarm panel at a cost of \$2,745
- Reported appreciation for all the many maintenance/repair projects that Tom has completed

Outreach

- Had a collaborative Division meeting with Congregational Life, Worship, and Christian Education about giving needed supplies to Longstreet
- Food Drive - Many thanks for the outpouring of food donations!!!
- Next food drive: 09/15/24
- Hope Place: Next scheduled- 09/12/24
- Tobias Caskey is now back at Fine Sober Living as their chaplain and as their mission outreach person; at his request, we will again donate some of the food from our food drive to the Fine Sober Living program and its surrounding community

Worship

- Average weekly attendance January-August 20 is 172 (171 last year)
- We will return to two services (8:45 and 11:00) on September 1st
- Ms. Myra Woodfin will be our organist during Kendra's leave for surgery
- Continue to need volunteers for greeters/ushers and liturgists
- Approved Worship's recommendations that:
 - Announcements be made before the Prelude
 - Bring back "Passing of the Peace"

Pastor Nominating Committee - reported that they continue to receive call-seekers for review

UPCOMING EVENTS

RECURRING EVENTS

GAME TIME

Thursdays - 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Community Room - Room 9
Board games & card games!

BOOK CLUB

September Book: All the Light We
Cannot See by Anthony Doerr
Next Meeting: September 30, 2024
Contact: Kristin Downer -
386-235-0574

Men's Breakfast

2nd Friday @ 7 a.m.
Fellowship Hall
Leader: Rodney Bookhardt

SAVE THE DATE FOR FISH 2.0 - FRESH IDEAS START HERE!

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FISH 2.0
A PRESBYTERIAN PARTNERSHIP
November 1-2, 2024
Westminster by the Sea Presbyterian
& El Caribe Resort & Conference Center
Daytona Beach, FL
Watch here for
registration details
coming in late August
<http://www.cfpresbytery.org/equip.html>



Keynote Speaker
**Rev. CeCe
Armstrong**
Co-Moderator of the
226th General Assembly
PC(USA)



Click on the graphic above
for more info as it becomes available later this month.

ONE-TIME EVENTS

Fall Gathering Potluck

September 11 - 5 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Sign-up under the bulletin boards or call
the office. Bring a dish to share! Discuss
what we have learned about the Heroes
of the Faith.

ART SERIES - Resin Pour House Plaque

Monday, September 23 at 10 a.m
at Gather2Grow
94 Dunlawton Ave.
\$65/Person

RSVP required by calling the office at
386-767-8342 or sign-up in Fellowship
Hall on the sign below the bulletin
board. RSVP DEADLINE: September 16

SAVE THE DATE!

Port Orange Family Days

October 12 9a.m. - 5p.m.
Port Orange City Center

Come out and share the good news of
what our church has to offer in our
community! Book giveaways, glitter art
for the children, candy and much more!

GROUPS

Caregivers Support Group
Sundays 9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Library

MomCo



MOMCO

Formerly known as MOPS
1st Friday of every month
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Spiritual Study Group
Led by Pete Zahn
Wednesday 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

ACA: Mondays at 7 p.m

GA: Tues. & Thurs. at 7 p.m.

Al-Anon: Thursdays at 12 p.m.

OA: Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Nursery

Newborn to Pre-K
Hours 8:30a.m. - 12:00p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Church

Kindergarten to 5th Grade
Following the Children's Message
Rooms 5 & 6

Youth Class

6th-12th grade
9:45a.m All Sundays **NEW**
offering at 11a.m. Following the
Children's Message
Come directly to Room 3

Adult Sunday School

Sundays at 9:45 a.m.
Room 12A
Teacher: Jan Toles

CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM POSTS!



A big thank you to Tom Jelneck from Camp Boggy Creek who invited us to a tour of their property to see how the donations we collected from Vacation Bible School can really help to make a difference. Camp Boggy Creek creates safe and fun places with kindness and care as the main tenet which provides joy and opportunity for children facing life threatening illnesses. Praise be to our neighbors for the heartwarming and inspirational work and impact they are making in these children's lives.

Adult Sunday School class that we will begin September 1 at 9:45 in Room #12A in the breezeway. This is a great class of adults- ladies, men, singles and couples and we welcome everyone! We are beginning with a study of 1 and 2nd Thessalonians.



\$10000

Congratulations! We are excited to approve your grant application for the Wonder of Worship (WOW) Quick Win Grant project funded by Lilly Endowment, Inc. through Columbia Theological Seminary.

In your application, we were excited to see your creativity around creating outdoor worship and play space for children. You are part of a cohort of churches that stretch both across the country and around the world, dedicated to welcoming children into the wonder of worship.

YOUTH GROUP

SEPTEMBER 1ST

Sponsor a youth for Montreat, NC
Mission Trip

SEPTEMBER 8TH

Youth Kick-Off
Mini Golf and ice cream outing

OCTOBER 6TH

Painting with Janie Lew

OCTOBER 13TH

Table at Activities showcase
Come check out all the cool things
we do in youth group!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8:45am - Worship 9:45am - Caregivers Support 9:45am - Fellowship 9:45am - Sunday School 11 am - Worship 12pm - Fellowship 5pm - Arabic Evangelical Church @	6:30pm - Fellow Travelers (ACA) Group - 9am - Outreach 6:30pm - Fellow Travelers (ACA) Group -	7pm - GA - Room 12A 6:30pm - CE Meeting 7pm - GA - Room 12A	10am - Mah Jongg 5pm - Pete Zahn Class 5:30pm - Arabic Evangelical Church	9am - Embroidery Guild 10am - Congregational Life Meeting 10:30am - OA - Room 12A 12pm - Al-Anon - Room 12A 12:15pm - Games 7pm - GA - Room 12A @ 12A	9:30am - MOMCo meeting	
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Anniversaries

HAGGETT, Dave & Judy	09/08
KULA, Manny & Stephanie	09/08
STARRETT, Bob & Judy	09/08
GIGICOS, Joan & Chris	09/10
BOOKHARDT, Rodney & Kelley	09/12
THARP, Thomas & Janet	09/14
BAKO, Beth & Vic	09/16
BROWN, Bob & Susan	09/20
PECK, Lisa & Michael	09/21
YARBROUGH, Joe & Bobbie II	09/27

Birthdays

BERKHEIMER, Susie	09/01
GUIRGIS, Wagid	09/03
TIMBS, Steve	09/03
BOGGS, Cathy	09/05
MARS, Howard	09/05
ALDO, JR., Albert	09/06
ROBINSON, Lida	09/06
WILLIS, Sharon	09/07
HARFORD, Stan	09/08
DURRWACHTER, Sally	09/09
FAULL, Don	09/09
THORN, Linda	09/09
MAROON, Patricia	09/11
COLEMAN, Cassidy	09/13
ROTHWELL, Pauline	09/13
HARKNESS, Stew	09/14
STEWART, Norman Lee	09/14
CAMP, Lauren	09/15
PECK, Lisa	09/15
JOHNSON, Anne	09/16
VIRNALA, Bonnie	09/16
MURPHY, D'Arcy	09/17
WAGNER, Bill	09/17
GEORGE, Kathy	09/18
MOORHOUSE, Ethan	09/19
ARGENBRIGHT, Charles	09/23
GRANTS, Carla	09/23
KRANSI, Sandi	09/23
ANKNEY, Samuel	09/24
MUELLER, Jim	09/24
RAYMOND, Pat	09/24
ARMISTEAD, Karen	09/25
BEEGLE, Audrey	09/25
BEEL, John	09/25
KENT, Ginny	09/25
ABEL, Barbara	09/26
TOLES, Mack	09/26
BERNARD, Diane	09/29
KENT, Kaitlyn	09/29
SPAULDING, Betty	09/29
LOESCHER, Leif	09/30

Birthdays

SCHIERLINGER, Kurt

09/30