



Welcome

10/18/2020

11:00 AM WORSHIP

By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are called to worship God: to connect in community, to nurture in love, and to serve in the world.

PALMS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS

Please contact the church office if you would like to give flowers in honor or in memory of someone.

CONNECTION FORM

Let us know you are worshiping with us by completing the Connection Form located at <https://www.palmschurch.org/online-connection/>.

CHURCH COMMUNICATIONS

If you would like to be added to our weekly email of church announcements, this list, please email communications@palmschurch.org or call the church office.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE

Each month there will be a financial report of the pledges and general fund gifts received YTD and the YTD church budget (ministry plan) amount necessary to accomplish ministry. Financial supporters of Palms will know if actual gifts are ahead or falling behind our budgeted amount.

Actual Received

1/1/2020 - 9/30/2020

Pledges & General Fund: \$1,173,159

Church Ministry Plan

1/1/2020 - 9/30/2020

Pledges & General Fund: \$1,228,188

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTORAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) set a goal to communicate with the congregation every month so we can keep you informed of our progress.

The committee has now finished its work filling in the Ministry Information Form. This document contains all of the key information about Palms, as well as our description of the church's mission and vision for the new pastor. The form also contains the required competencies the PNC seeks for our new leader.

The Ministry Information Form has been reviewed by the Presbytery of St. Augustine and is now scheduled to be approved by the session on Tuesday October 20th. Following that approval, the information will be entered into the denomination's website to be viewed by interested candidates. Interested applicants will then submit their Pastoral Information Forms or resumes for review and consideration by the nominating committee.

As always, the PNC requests your prayers. We are all very grateful for the strong support of the Palms congregation.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shine a light in the dark. Stand strong in faith.

Pledge Dedication Sunday was a thrilling experience. The response has been encouraging. We are inching our way toward meeting our goal, but are counting on your help. We trust that you sense the exceptional work that Palms is taking on and the opportunities that await us as we seek to be a Light In The Dark and Stand Strong In Faith. If you have not returned your pledge commitment, please take the occasion to do so today. You can do so on-line by visiting <https://www.palmschurch.org/annual-pledge/>.

BALDWIN GRANT APPLICATIONS

Do you have a grand idea that would serve our Palms community, our local community, or a global ministry?

We are pleased to announce that the Baldwin Grants Committee is now accepting applications for new program funding for 2021, the fourth funding year. We are looking for “new and creative” programming as determined by the Palms Presbyterian Church Session to enable Palms to move towards its strategic goals.

The deadline for applications is November 6! For more information or to get an application, please contact Melissa Ancelin: melissa.ancelin@palmschurch.org.



**FLORIDA
PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE
NETWORK**

In Partnership with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PCUSA)



Become a Commuter Volunteer with Florida Presbyterian Disaster and Assistance Network (FLAPDAN). FLAPDAN is dedicated to disaster preparedness, response and recovery throughout the state of Florida. FLAPDAN works with the six PCUSA presbyteries and their churches to ready congregations and communities for disasters of all kinds and to connect them with other community and state partners in disaster response and recovery.. For more information, go to <https://www.flapdan.org/>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

STRENGTH & BALANCE CLASS

Now through November 4 from 9 - 10 AM for 6 weeks via ZOOM!

Classes are sponsored by Palms' Health Ministry and facilitated by Michel Le Gribble Dates. There is no charge for this class.

If you have any questions, please email Laura Magyar at magyarjax@comcast.net.

TRICK OR TREAT WITH PALMS

Palms would like to help our community celebrate a safe Halloween so we are planning a drive-by Halloween Parade on Saturday, October 31 from 3 PM - 4 PM.



If you would like to help, we are accepting donations of individually wrapped nut-free candies to fill treat bags. Donation bins are in Patten Hall and the church office.



From Our Mission Partner Haiti Reforestation
Planting Trees in Pandemic Times
October 17–25, 2020

Online Auction, October 17 at 9 AM - October 25 at 5 PM

- www.HaitiReforest.org
Bid on vacation cottages, handmade crafts, art creative services & more.

Webinar, October 24 at 1PM

Despite COVID-19, corruption, chaos, chronic poverty, crazy hot weather, cracked earth, and calluses, CODEP people are planting trees. Join the webinar & listen to the stories.

- Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86230287345>

UPCOMING EVENTS



IN THE MIDST OF OUR STRONG DISAGREEMENTS, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO? WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HEAL OUR FRACTURED COUNTRY?

PLEASE JOIN THE WHOLE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE FOR:

**JACKSONVILLE TOGETHER: DISRUPTING DIVISION
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 FROM 6:30-8 PM**

This forum will be available via Zoom, the Palms website, YouTube, Facebook Live and in person at several locations. Rev. Dr. Allen Hilton has also made daily devotions which will be available throughout the month of October.

Registration is available at: <http://bit.ly/JaxTogether>.

Please call Melissa Ancelin in the church office for more details or to register, 904.246.6427.

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORUNITITES

Being Presbyterian: Foundations of Presbyterian Discipleship webinar series. Sunday mornings at 9:40 AM on ZOOM Oct. 25 & Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22 with Matt Hartley. Register in advance for this meeting, go to <http://bit.ly/BeingPresbyterian>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting

Holy Imagination+ Race: How the Church Can Be a Healing Force in America's Racial Divide: Join Elizabeth Gainer on Sunday November 8 from 5-7 PM on ZOOM for this webinar with discussion to follow. Register in advance for this meeting, go to <http://bit.ly/HolyImagination>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting

Healing the Wounds of Privilege: Join Elizabeth Gainer Sunday, November 15 from 5-7 PM on ZOOM for this webinar followed by discussion. Register in advance for this meeting, go to <http://bit.ly/healingthewoundsofprivilege>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting

Preparing The Way for Advent: Join Dee Beggarly for a two part series, each 90 minutes, on Zoom. The first. The Dazzling Tonic of Silence, will be held from 1-3 PM. The second, Classical Lectio Divina as a Spiritual Practice for Advent, will be held November 23 from 1-3 PM. Register in advance for this meeting, go to <http://bit.ly/preparingthewayforadvent> After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting

Wise Women and Spirituality: A community and conversation series offered online by the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary on October 22, November 19, January 21, February 18, March 18 and April 15 from 7:30 - 9 PM. More information and registration can be found by calling the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary continuing education department at 412-924-1345 or e-mail ConEd@pts.edu or their website: <http://bit.ly/wisewomenandspirituality>.

Please call Jenn Green or the church office for more information or details on how to register, 904.246.6427.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

- 9:40 AM, Sunday School, Zoom
- 11:00 AM, Worship, Sanctuary/Zoom
- 5:00 PM, Blessing of the Animals, Front Parking Lot
- 5:30 PM, High School Youth Group, Youth Room

MONDAY, October 19

- 1:30 PM, Men's Bible Study, RM 204
- 6:30 PM, Adult Children of Alcoholics, RM 202

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

- 9:30 AM, Ladies' Small Group (Nelson), RM 203
- 5:30 PM, Chancel Bell Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:30 PM, Men's 40+ Basketball, Gym

WEDNESDAY, October 21

- 8:30AM, Men's Bible Study, RM 126
- 9:30 AM, Yoga, Zoom
- 9:30 AM, Lectio Divina, Library
- 5:00 PM, Middle School Youth Group, Youth Room
- 4:15 PM, Camp Choir, RM 121 & 119
- 7:00 PM, Men's Basketball, Gym
- 7:30 PM, Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Vestibule

THURSDAY, October 22

- 4:30 PM, Centering Prayer, RM 126/Zoom
- 6:00 PM, Deliberative Dialogue, RM 126/Zoom
- 7:30 PM, The Alcoholics Group- Men's AA, Patten Hall

FRIDAY, October 23

- No event scheduled

SATURDAY, October 24

- No events scheduled

PRAYERS & CONCERNS AS OF OCTOBER 15

HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CARE CENTERS

BEACHES BAPTIST: Betty E.

MAYO CLINIC: Judy H.

AT HOME

Richard A., Linda C., Anne F., Wanda G., Phil H., Cyril H., Jean H.,
Mary H., Muriel J., Louise K., Joan L., Faye L., Nelson M.,
Pam & Ray P., Connie P., Nancy R., David S., Ted S., Sheila T.,
Nancy W., Malvina W.,

ASSISTED LIVING

Nancy A., Sylvia B., Jane D., Jane F., Jean F., Walter G., Wanda Lee G.,
Betty Lu G., Anne H., Helen K., Joan K., Betty L., Henry L., Virginia L.,
Linda M., Frances M., Mary N., Barbara P., Don S.,
Sally T., Adair W., Dick W., Harry W., Quentin W.

IN THE MILITARY

James McDuffie B., Woody C., Michael G., Zach J., Dr. Janet W.,
Andrew W., Daniel W., Janet W. and Dr. Austin Y.

GLOBAL MISSION

Richard and Ursula W., Affordable Medicines for All; Leon & Jacky D.,
and Nadege G., Haiti Outreach Ministries (HOM); Pastor Charles,
Zoe Church, Delft, South Africa

LOCAL MISSION

Lori R., BEAM; Curtis F., Beach Habitat for Humanity; LaToya T.,
The Carver Center; Latrenia T., The Gail Baker Center; Faculty and
Students of Finegan and Seabreeze Elementary Schools; Carina S.,
Mission House; Rick C., The Sanctuary on 8th Street; Lori A.,
Dial-A-Ride; Mary Jane B., Beaches Community Kitchen

PRAYER REQUESTS

Submit a prayer request by contacting Sallie Gipson at sallie.gipson@palmschurch.org.
For privacy reasons, last names are removed when posting on the internet.

COVID-19

THE HOLY TRINITY OF COVID-19

Your patience, grace and forbearance are greatly appreciated as we strive to navigate these uncharted waters. None of us have had to make such radical medications for in-person worship and group gatherings. While we are people of faith, not fear, there are sensible and reasonable precautions we can all maintain.

Please protect yourself and others during the pandemic from this inviable virus which lurks in such insidious ways.

1. Maintain a loving distance! Social distance no less than 6-feet apart.
2. Wash your hands often. Use sanitizer.
3. Wear a face covering. Mask/face shield.

A PRAYER DURING THIS TIME OF COVID-19

Merciful, loving, gracious and compassionate God; These days we have to keep our distance from each other. Please help us be mindful that you are not distance from us. During these days when we cannot visit each other, please come to our homes and visit us. Holy Spirit of Healing, these days we are protecting ourselves from each other's breath. Please breathe on us your calming presence and pour out your Holy Spirit upon us.

We implore your protection on all our doctors, nurses, health and caregivers. Keep them safe and strong, for they are our frontline of dense against this hidden enemy. Grant all scientists working to find a cure & vaccines. Watch over our leaders that they may govern with wisdom and compassion setting aside all other considerations. We ask this through the graces of the Holy Spirit and in the name of Jesus our Lord.

TO HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19, EVERYONE SHOULD

- Clean your hands often, with soap and water for 20 seconds or a hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Put distance between yourself and other people (at least 6 feet).
- Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue away.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces daily.
- CDC recommends people wear a cloth face covering in public settings.

STAFF

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Weenink, Interim Pastor
Rev. Dr. Laurie Furr-Vancini, Associate Pastor
Rev. Dr. Holly Dillon Inglis, Associate Pastor
Rev. Jenn Green, Director of Faith Formation & Nurture
Dr. Ronn Cummings, Director of Music & Fine Art
Lori Vaughn, Church Business Director
Kadesha Baker, Director of Palms Preschool & Childcare Center
Jimmy Steele, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Bill Wildey, Older Adult Ministry Coordinator
Rev. Lloyd S. Alamsha, Parish Associate
Cathy Fortson, Organist

For a complete list of staff, visit palmschurch.org.

WAYS TO GIVE

**THREE WAYS
TO GIVE**

**AT PALMS
PRESBYTERIAN**

 ONLINE AT:
PALMSCHURCH.ORG

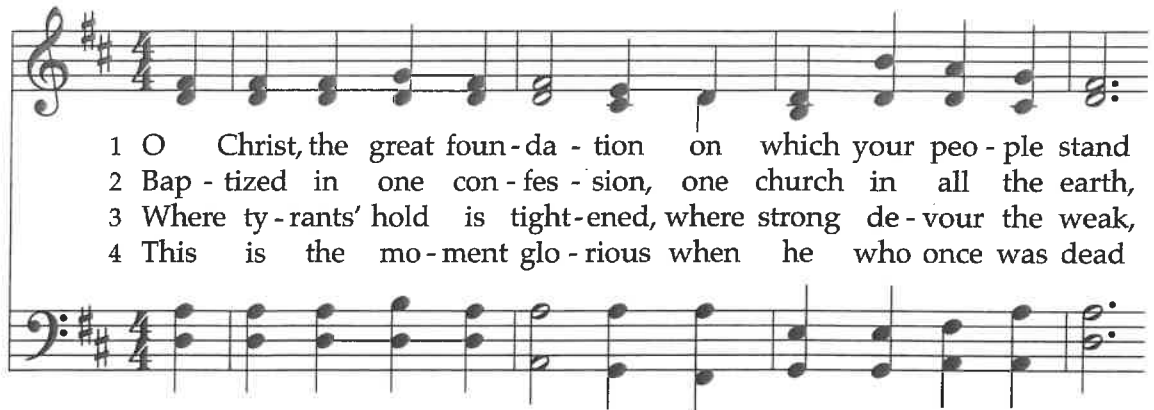
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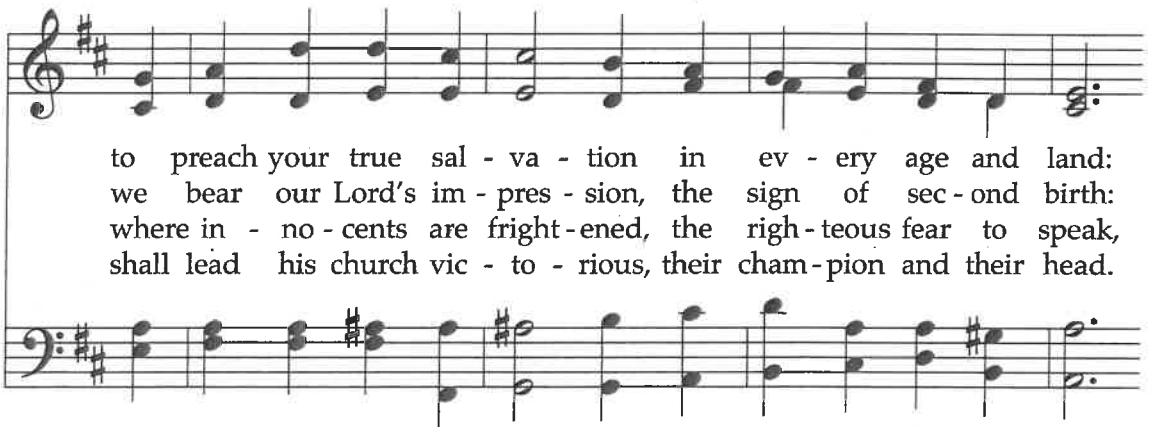
BY MAIL:
3410 THIRD ST. S.
JAX BEACH, FL 32250

- You may give electronically by clicking on the teal give button that is located on the Palms home page, www.palmschurch.org.
- If you prefer to do a Text to Give, send a text to 73256, and in the text message box write Palms\$. When you receive the link, click on it and type in the amount and choose the fund you wish to have your gift given to.
- As always, gifts may be mailed to the church office.

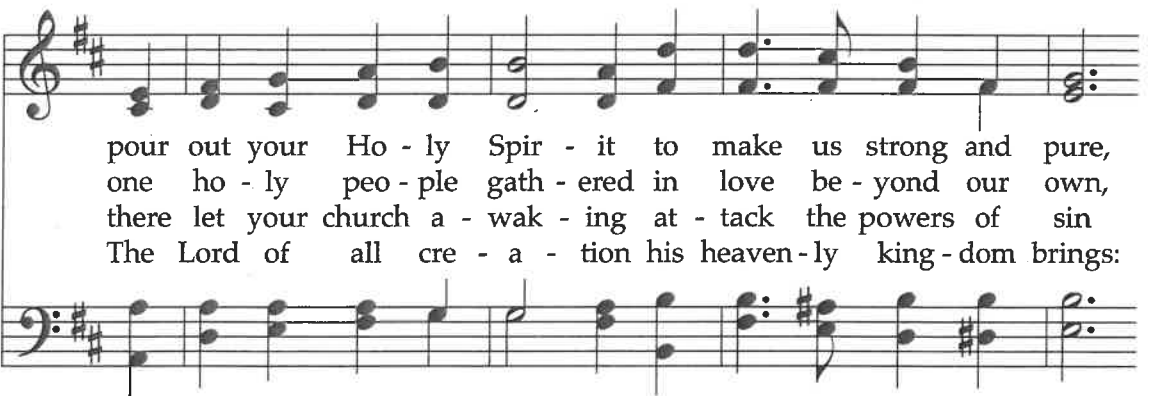
O Christ, the Great Foundation 361



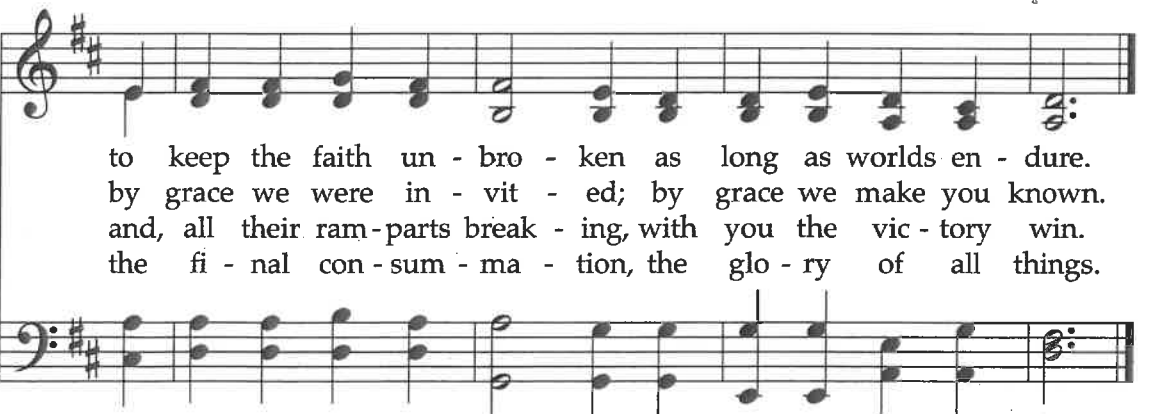
1 O Christ, the great foun - da - tion on which your peo - ple stand
 2 Bap - tized in one con - fes - sion, one church in all the earth,
 3 Where ty - rants' hold is tight - ened, where strong de - vour the weak,
 4 This is the mo - ment glo - rious when he who once was dead



to preach your true sal - va - tion in ev - ery age and land:
 we bear our Lord's im - pres - sion, the sign of sec - ond birth:
 where in - no - cents are fright - ened, the righ - teous fear to speak,
 shall lead his church vic - to - rious, their cham - pion and their head.



pour out your Ho - ly Spir - it to make us strong and pure,
 one ho - ly peo - ple gath - ered in love be - yond our own,
 there let your church a - wak - ing at - tack the powers of sin
 The Lord of all cre - a - tion his heaven - ly king - dom brings:



to keep the faith un - bro - ken as long as worlds en - dure.
 by grace we were in - vit - ed; by grace we make you known.
 and, all their ram - parts break - ing, with you the vic - tory win.
 the fi - nal con - sum - ma - tion, the glo - ry of all things.

The text was written by a leading Chinese educator, author, and editor who chaired the commission that prepared an important ecumenical Chinese hymnal, *Hymns of Universal Praise* (1936). This familiar tune invites comparison of these words with its usual text (see no. 321).

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

O Christ, Surround Me



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
 2 Bind to my-self the Name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness-
 3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light-ning,
 4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to
 5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
 es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - fles, an - gels wit - ness:
 strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
 light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
 hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur-round me; O Christ, sur-round me.

This hymn is a 21st-century adaptation of the traditional Celtic prayer style known as a *lorica* (Latin for "armor" or "breastplate"). Many such petitions for God's presence and protection were never written down, but this one is based on an example attributed to St. Patrick.