This Week & Ahead

Mon, Nov 2 Men's Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. at Perkins, 27811 US-27, Leesburg, FL 34748.

Mon, Nov 2 Faith Keepers Bible study at 6:30 p.m. in the church office conference room.

Thu, Nov 5 Vern's Blankets meets at 2 p.m. in the church office.

Sun, Nov 8 Congregational photo — wear your blue First Presbyterian t-shirt (there are still some in the office).

Wed, Nov 11 Ruth Circle Bible study meets at 11:30 a.m. in the parlor in Fellowship Hall.

Thu, Nov 12 Rebekah Bible study meets at 9:30 a.m. at Sanna Henderson' s home, 1216 Oak Drive, Leesburg, Fl 34748

Fri, Nov 13 Joining Hands in Food Ministry distribution at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (across the street) from 7 a.m. till 10:30 a.m. Volunteers are always welcome.

Sun, Nov 22 Stewardship Sunday pledges for 2027 will be collected. Hanging of the Greens after worship service. Please stay and help as we prepare our sanctuary for Jesus' birth.

Mon, Nov 23 OWLS Bible study (Older, Wiser, Lovely Souls), 10:30 a.m., second-floor card room, the Manor at Plantation (US Hwy 27 & Plantation Blvd). Studying Exodus; all welcome.

Thu, Nov 26 Happy Thanksgiving to all!!! Enjoy this wonderful holiday with family and friends. We are all truly blessed and incredibly grateful for all God has provided for us. The Church Office will be closed Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27.

Operation Christmas Child

Jesus said, "Let the little children… come to Me."- Matthew 19:14. and "Make disciples of all nations." – Matthew 28:19. The shoeboxes that we build are fulfilling both missions. Shoeboxes will be collected next Sunday November 8, 2026.

IT'S All ABOUT JESUS!!!

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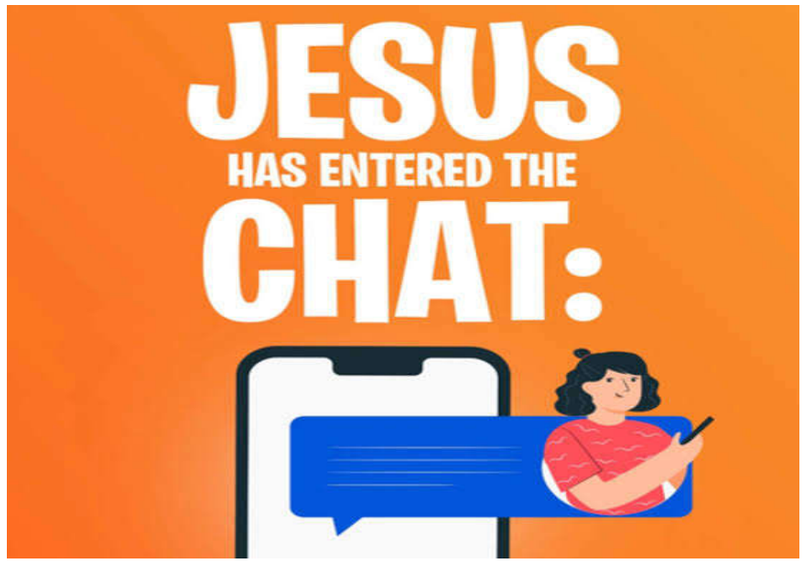
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2026 Session

Rev. R.J. Leek (Moderator) · Beth Malak (Clerk) · Alice Coleman & Annie Logan (Evangelism) · Betty Palmer & Cathy Bullock (Worship) · Bob Hall & Mike Hall (Finance & Property) · Jon Carper & Sonnie Kintzler (Missions) · Monica Kilburn (Personnel)

2026 Deacons

Donna Hall · Donna Slack · Kathy Wingate · Kitty Wayne · Maureen Weller · Susan Sapp



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Sunday, November 1, 2026

10:00 a.m.

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Save the Dates

Sun, Dec 6, 4 p.m. — The Joyful Ringers present "Peace, Joy and Christmas Bells"
Sun, Dec 13, 4 p.m. — Our music department presents "How Great Our Joy"

New Here? Hearing aid devices are in the audio-video area at the back of the Sanctuary. Cool in here? Lap quilts are in the lobby. Ushers hand out visitor gift bags — please let us know you are visiting. Food donations for Joining Hands in Food Ministry go on the beige cart in the lobby. T-shirts ($10), badges ($5), and car magnets ($5) are in the office, along with Lost & Found.

The Liturgy for Gathering

Prelude *Cathy Bullock*

Welcome & Ministry Opportunities *Rev. R.J. Leek*

Stewardship Minute *Bob Hall*
Carson Miller

† *Come, Now is the Time to Worship* *Sufficient Grace & Congregation*

† *We Will Glorify* *Sufficient Grace & Congregation*

The Steadfast Love of the Lord *Sufficient Grace & Congregation*

Prayer of Confession *Responsive*

Steve Weller Jesus said, "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted" (Matthew 23:12). With humble hearts, let us confess our sin to God.

Annie Logan Gracious God, You call us to be servants of one another, but we have sought the places of honor.

We have said the right words and not lived them. We have laid heavy burdens on others and lifted no finger to help.

Steve Weller Like Israel at the edge of the Jordan, we hold back when You call us forward.

Forgive our pride and our fear. Teach us to follow Your servant Son, and lead us across into Your promise. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon *Responsive*

Annie Logan Hear the good news: God "calls you into His own kingdom and glory."

(1 Thessalonians 2:12.) The Lord who stood in the riverbed until all had crossed has carried us through in Jesus Christ.

Steve Weller Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Passing the Peace *Rev. R.J. Leek*

Adventure Time *Dick Krase*

Apostles' Creed *Steve Weller, Lay Leader*

Christians, what do you believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Worship Through Giving

Offering — *Rev. R.J. Leek*

Offertory- Bound for the Promised Land *Chancel Choir*

† *Doxology* *Congregation*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of Dedication *Steve Weller, Lay Leader*

Prayers for the People *Rev. R.J. Leek*

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Scripture *Joshua 3:7-17 and Matthew 23:1-12*

Steve Weller as Narrator, Adam Swallow as The Lord, Annie Logan as Joshua

Sermon *"Crossing on Dry Ground: Into the Promised Land"* *Rev. R.J. Leek*

† **Invitation to the Lord's Table** *Rev. R.J. Leek*

We Gather Here in Jesus' Name *Sufficient Grace & Congregation*

Distribution of the Elements

Benediction *Rev. R.J. Leek*

† *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* *Sufficient Grace & Congregation*

Postlude *Cathy Bullock*

† *Please stand if able*