

The Rev. Luis A. Perez  
(Please stand at points\* if you are able)

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 12, 2023

PRELUDE

Living Hope

WELCOME

CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

Pastor Luis

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please stand at points\* if you are able)

(Inspired from the worship resources for this morning available through our own United Church of Christ.)

Leader: If you are able, please stand for the Call to Worship...People of God, who is the One we worship this morning?

**All: The Holy One who is powerful and knowing yet feels our pain and embraces us just as we are.**

Leader: People of God, who is the One to whom we bow down this morning?

**All: The Holy One who gives us the choice to follow and to be faithful.**

Leader: People of God, who is the One whom we acknowledge this morning as the giver of life?

**All: The Holy One who provides fire to warm us and water to quench our thirst.**

Leader: Yes! This morning we worship, bow down, and acknowledge the Holy One.

**And we shall do so in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Chris Stumpf

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

Lift High The Cross (#198)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Stephens Minister

(Modified from the worship resources for this morning available through our own United Church of Christ.)

Leader: Please join me in unison in our Offertory Prayer: Friends, the peace of Christ be with you!

**People: And also, with you!**

Leader: Let us pray together...

**God of grace and wonder, what a privilege you have given us to be vessels and participants in your "kingdom." Move us to give generously knowing we have been given gifts to ensure good ministry happens for the healing of the nations. We give them with joy. We share them with gladness. And we pray you magnify them for your kingdom, in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Amen.**

OFFERTORY & SONG OF PRAISE

Holy Water

\*DOXOLOGY (Please stand at points\* if you are able)

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON & GOOD NEWS

Acts 3:1-10  
(The Bible in Worldwide English - New Testament)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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General Giving



Shepherd's Fund



Birthdays Are Great and We Want to Celebrate with You!

Please contact **Ann Green, ggreen7@cfl.rr.com** or 407-293-8892 with those special dates for all your family members so we can recognize and wish one and all a Happy Birthday.

January 29

Ann Meyer

February 19

Lynn Evans

February 2

Susan Thompson

February 19

Marco Larenas

February 3

Patrick Heisinger

February 20

Katie Snell

February 4

Marty Brewer

February 20

Angela Bednarek

February 4

Neo Gonzales

February 20

Doreen Tomasulo

February 5

Scout Mouchet

February 20

LaTrell Harrison

February 11

Mike Taylor

February 22

Pat Minnick

February 13

Foster Bullock

February 28

Steve Berwick

February 17

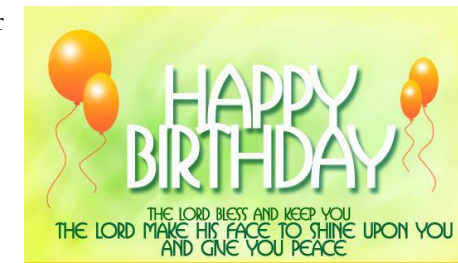
Laura Pinto

February 28

Fred Engelking

February 17

Rick DiCicco



Upcoming Ushers for February

February 19 - Mary Ellen Nattans / Connie Lawton

February 26 - Peggy Goehring / Connie Lawton

## Announcements

**Ash Wednesday** - Ash Wednesday gathering is scheduled for February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12:30 pm. It'll be a small and intimate moment of introspection as we prepare for the traditional Lenten season.

**New 4-Part Adult Sunday School Series** - Starting Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, there will be a new 4-part series with a focus on the LGBTQIA+ community. It will include video vignettes highlighting the everyday struggles the community must cope with while participating in American Society. This 4-part series will be the first of, hopefully, many more sessions to come in the future focusing on the broader UCC goals of accepting all persons of racial, ethnic and sexual diversity. Additionally, topics such as social, legal, and environmental justice will be woven into our weekly discussions. The new 4-part series will be facilitated by Ralph Nattans, Walter Monroe, and Todd LaFlame.

**Art Group** - The Art Group meets on Wednesday mornings in the church narthex 10am -noon. Bring your current project, painting, crocheting, etc. and enjoy fellowship with one another as you create. For more information contact Doreen Tomasulo at 352-432-3072.

**WUC Golf Outing** - Is scheduled for Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at Forest Lake Golf Club. First Tee time is 9:30 am. The Green Fees are \$55 for Forest Lake Members and \$66 for non-members. Please let Gerry Picard (email: gpicard4@outlook.com or call or text: 407-484-7633) know by Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> so he can give an accurate count to Forest Lake. Friends are always welcomed too!

**Inspirational Wednesdays** - Meets Wednesdays at 11:00 AM via Zoom. This is a small group exploring faith formation through in-depth study. If you are interested in participating, please contact Sharon Kieper at skieper@yahoo.com.

**Lunch Bunch** - Lunch Bunch is back! Lunch will be served on Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm. For further information, please contact Chris Stumpf at happyheart.chris@gmail.com. All are welcomed!

**Matthew's Hope Meal Peace Meals** - will be served on Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. Please bring the donation you will be providing for this meal to church by Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Heather, Kathy, & Chris (happyheart.chris@gmail.com).

**Men's and Women's Breakfasts** - Will be on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at TooJay's in Ocoee. If you plan to attend, please contact Patrick Heisinger at pdh@heisinger.net or for the Men's Breakfast and Sharon Kieper at skieper@yahoo.com for the Women's Breakfast. Please let us know by Thursday February 16<sup>th</sup>.

**The "Silly Sock Sunday" Campaign** - As has been a tradition for a few years in memory and honor of our precious Marge Nagle's birthday, we'll be celebrating "Silly Sock Sunday" on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> - but with a slight twist. Starting Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, we'll be challenging everyone to buy a pair of new socks (to raise awareness of the needs in our community. Bring them to church through the next upcoming Sundays or on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Options we'll have available after Silly Sock Sunday may include sharing the socks with a local benevolent organization, supporting Ken John's ministry to the homeless, or share with a local children hospital. The sky's the limit! So, let's get silly and share the love with others. As Allan, and Staff agreed - Marge would've been delighted! Let's do it!

**Small Group** - Will gather on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. We are still in the need of a host. Everyone is welcome. For more information, please contact Martha Harriman at harrimanfamily2@gmail.com.

**Survey's Needed** - Survey's needed in for our gathering. Have you submitted yours? If you recall, the surveys are instrumental in preparations for both the "Remembering & Celebrating our History" gathering on Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm. They'll also be important for the "State of the Church" gathering scheduled for Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm. The link to the online survey is available in Pastor Luis's newsletter. The survey will be available until midnight tonight, February 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Turkey and Syria Earthquake** - The news continues to unfold about the devastating earthquake on the border of Turkey and Syria. It is hard to tell what other areas are affected or the extent of the damage from this seismic event. Amid this current uncertainty, you can be certain that with your financial support the United Church of Christ will be there helping those in need. You may give towards the relief and long-term recovery through text at UCCDISASTER to 41444 or at [www.ucc.org/global-h-o-p-e/](http://www.ucc.org/global-h-o-p-e/).

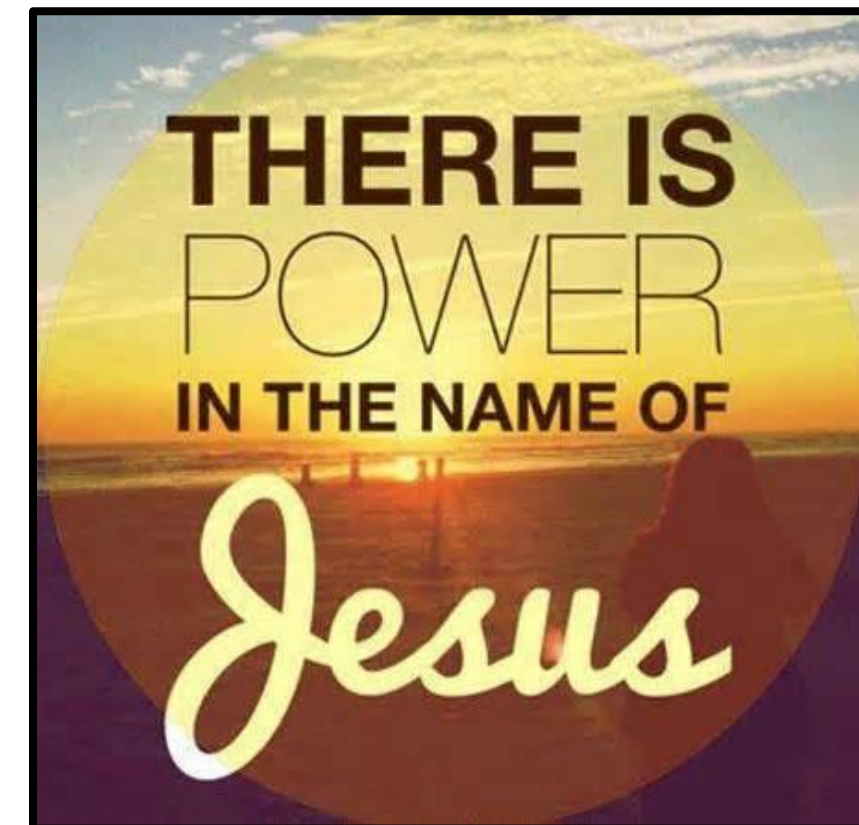


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