

The Home Visitor

The Summer Harvest by Rev. Dr. Jeff Beebe

Jesus now travelled through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of illness and disability. As he looked at the vast crowds he was deeply moved with pity for them, for they were as bewildered and miserable as a flock of sheep with no shepherd. **“The harvest is great enough,”** he remarked to his disciples, **“but the reapers are few.** So, you must pray to the Lord of the harvest to send men out to reap it.”

Matthew 9:35-38 JB Phillips

The harvest season is a time to celebrate the abundance of God’s provision in our lives. Harvest season is a reminder to us that God is our ultimate provider. Most often we tend to put Thanksgiving together with the idea of harvest. Yes, we give thanks for what has been provided us, especially as the long cold winter awaits, but yes, Summer also provides for an abundance. The Liturgical Year provides for a season of growth that will now take us forward in faith. This time, Ordinary Time, also known as the “green season”, will provide for us through late-November when will Christ the King Sunday, before beginning a new Liturgical Year. The harvest season provides an opportunity for us to reflect on our blessings and provisions. In a world where we often take things for granted, it is essential to take time and be thankful for tangible ways in which God provides. Soon I will celebrate three decades of ordained ministry. During these years I have been reminded, time and time again, and especially during these days of Summer, of God’s miraculous blessing and provision. As “ordinary” as this season is for us, the season provides countless opportunities for us to go beyond the ordinary and do, with the Lord’s help, that which is nothing short of extraordinary. Summer, provides a place for us to look back at where we’ve been, where we are, to where we are being called, or growing into, that to which we are being invited, not only reflecting upon our blessings and provisions, but sharing our blessings as we provide for others, especially the last, and the lost, and the least.

“And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.”

Galatians 6:9



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SPECIAL INTEREST

4th of July Office Closed
Home Visitor Cut off Tuesday 7/15

Ordinary Time by Scott Szabo | Presbyterians Today

When I began writing this column, I imagined the fun I would have looking more closely at those feasts of the Church that are overlooked. What I failed to consider was a need to reckon with Ordinary Time. It's a season of the Church that occupies more than 30 Sundays each year, split between a handful of weeks after the Epiphany (Jan. 6) and a large swath of time stretching between Trinity Sunday, which is May 30 this year, and Christ the King Sunday, Nov. 21.

To call the time "ordinary" is not to suggest it is run-of-the-mill or blasé. Rather, its name is derived from "ordinal," as in "ordinal numbers" (first, second, third, etc.). One could be forgiven for being less than enthusiastic about a season that takes its name from counting! Other titles associated with the season — such as "time after" Epiphany and "time after" Pentecost — do little more to entice, as they refer not to the season itself, but to what immediately precedes it.

The challenges of a full-throated embrace of Ordinary Time do not end there. Both cycles of the Ordinary Time season occur when church attendance often wanes. In many areas, the time after Epiphany is a time of snow and freezing rain, while the summer months following Pentecost often bring an exodus of congregants to backyard gatherings. The vastness of Ordinary Time can easily lead to a feeling of being unmoored. And yet, it is perhaps the ease of getting "lost" in Ordinary Time that also makes it a potentially important season.

The lectionary in Ordinary Time often patterns itself thematically after the primary feasts of Epiphany and Pentecost, inviting the Church to examine the many ways that Jesus Christ is revealed to the world, and affording the saints ample opportunity to plumb his sermons and parables with a mind toward discerning the Spirit's call today. Perhaps rather than referring to the between-feast seasons as "Ordinary Time," it might be helpful to rename them "Epiphanytide" or "Trinitytide," for we are not focusing on the "time after" but called to live in the "time of."

Asking "What time is it?" might be a helpful exercise for individuals and congregations moving through Ordinary Time. But already knowing it is the time of Christ's revelation, we might want to answer the question more specifically: This is the time when we bless houses. This is the time in which we invite mission co-workers to share their ministries. This is the time when we bless backpacks.

By doing this, congregations are given a chance to identify the place they find themselves in, and the particular ways they have been called to serve. It also opens congregations to many opportunities in which to celebrate. For a congregation whose date of charter falls within the season, the Sunday closest in Ordinary Time might become an occasion for rehearsing the community's story. Communities of faith might engage in a day of service together in lieu of their typical worship, or they might draw together to focus on fellowship instead.

In short, congregations can do the things that are — if you will permit me — "ordinary." The task, though, is to begin seeing anew that the ordinary ways of being church are actually far from mundane. The reason we have covered dish suppers is not just because it's something nice to do, but because Christ has been revealed to us, and the Spirit beckons us forward as disciples of the risen Lord. And that makes this time together special.

Job Opportunity OBPC is seeking our next Clerk of Session

First, let us thank Rosie Perry for her years of dedicated service as our Clerk of Session! Rosie has left our Session Books in good order! She has served the members of Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church with what was asked of her in the questions of ordination/installation as an Elder.

“Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?”

Without intentional engagement and facilitation, this particular question can feel unattainable and unrealistic. But the truth is, if our work is to be faithful and if we are to follow what Jesus describes as the greatest commandment—“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind” (Matt. 22:37)—our work will not be sustainable unless we commit to practices that replenish our energy, expand our intelligence (understanding), evoke our imagination, and deepen our love for one another. These practices might include forms of prayer, spiritual disciplines, communal discernment, storytelling, and leadership development. <https://equip.pcusa.org/mod/book/view.php?id=13920>

The Book of Order mandates that each governing body of the PCUSA have a moderator and a clerk. (G-3.0104). Those serving Sessions are called Clerks of Session. As clerk, you will record a good deal of the history of your church as you write the session minutes. Future generations will learn what your church did to further Christ's mission in the world by reading the minutes you write. It follows then, that it is important that you keep accurate records, of all the proceedings in session meetings and in congregational meetings.

Please speak with Jim Adkins, Nominations Committee or Pastor Jeff Beebe



Florida Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Network (FLAPDAN) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization 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. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance enables congregations and partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A) to witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crisis and catastrophic event.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is the emergency and refugee program of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. The core budget, including staff and administrative costs, is funded through the One Great Hour of Sharing, and its program work is additionally funded through designated gifts.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance:

- Focuses on the long term recovery of disaster impacted communities.

- Provides training and disaster preparedness for presbyteries and synods.

- Works collaboratively with church partners and members of ACT Alliance (Action by Churches Together) internationally, and nationally with other responders.

- Connects partners locally and internationally with key organizations active in the response — United Nations, NVOAD (National Voluntary Agencies Active in Disaster), Church World Service, Red Cross, FEMA and others.

The Last, the Lost, the Least

Song by Relient K □ 2008

Live a life of privilege, Pushing back the last, the lost, the least of these
To dull the edge of conscience with conceit

Live a life and see the world, Feel its weight on the shoulders
Of the least of these, It spins and twirls without rest or relief

We all, we all wear dignity, It covers the strong the weak

We all, we all wear dignity, Even the last, the lost, the least

Whoa-oh-oh-oh, Whoa-oh-oh-oh

Step into a spacious place, Where pride and right will give way to the least of these
To know the face of who a man can be,

We all, we all wear dignity, It covers the strong the weak

We all, we all wear dignity, Even the last, the lost, the least

Whoa-oh-oh-oh, Whoa-oh-oh-oh

His image shows (Whoa-oh-oh-oh), When we give our lives, our time, our own
To feed, to clothe (Whoa-oh-oh-oh), Those in His image we have left alone

We all, we all wear dignity, It covers the strong the weak

We all, we all wear dignity, Even the last, the lost, the least

We all, we all wear dignity, God help a blind like me

Finding at last a voice we cry, And see with clear, unblinking eyes

Whoa-oh-oh-oh, Whoa-oh-oh-oh, Whoa-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh

Whoa-oh-oh-oh, Whoa-oh-oh-oh, Whoa-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh

Submitted by Pastor Jeff



MARK YOUR CALENDAR: All are invited for
Family Movie Night, July 23@ 5pm.
We will be watching Disney's Tangled;

a new spin on the tale of Rapunzel. Drinks, popcorn, and snacks will be provided.



Scholarship Committee Awards two \$5,000 Scholarships

The scholarship committee at OBPC consists of Jim Adkins, Susan Colemn, Elizabeth Strong, and Lynda Bonnick.. It is the job of the committee to screen all applicants and present scholarships to worthy candidates/members of OBPC.

There are 3 funds. The first is the Bruce and Dorothy Haddad memorial endowment established in 1997, after the death of Bruce and Dorothy Haddad in a plane crash in South America. At that time, scholarships were also established at OBPC, West Jefferson Presbyterian and Seabreeze High School in their memory.

The second fund is the OBPC scholarship fund. Funding for this comes from members of the congregation. Anyone can contribute by writing a check to OBPC and identifying it for the scholarship fund. Over the years, our generous congregation has contributed and allowed us to award several scholarships.

The third source comes from the Jim and Betty Wells endowment which was recently established. Jim and Betty were both educators. Jim taught business at Mainland High School and Daytona State College, and Betty taught English at Seabreeze High School. They valued education and loved their church.

This year, the Wells endowment has provided two \$5,000 scholarships to

Molly Johnson, a junior at Flagler College and to **Paige Sidwell** who is completing her degree that will enable her to work as a Physician's Assistant. She is doing her graduate work at Wake Forest School of Medicine.



A Summer opportunity for OBPC's Children and Youth to be together in the Lord. Wednesday, July 9th at 5:00pm 49 Colonial Circle. Ormond Beach, Florida 32176

Hosted By Wray & Lynda Bonnick



Take Me Out to the Ball Game! OBPC Night at the Ballpark!

Wednesday, July 30, Game Time 5:35PM

OBPC Group/Reserved Tickets \$10

Sign Up in the Narthex

Contact Lynda Bonnick or Pastor Jeff for More Information!

Transportation, Parking, Food/Beverage, Not Included in Ticket Price

We are so proud and excited to celebrate our High School Senior, Trevor!

He has been an outstanding student and we know he will do amazing things in this world. As his church family, we can't wait to see what the next chapter in his life will hold, and we will be standing with him and praying for him always.



A wonderful and delicious time was had on Wednesday afternoon, June 4 for our first Fellowship Brunch which was held at Halifax Plantation.



OBPC
FELLOWSHIP
BRUNCH



On Friday May 30 a “Teen End of School Lock-in” was held in the Fellowship Center! The night was filled with activities, games, a movie, singing, lots of food and very little sleep. It was a great way to start summer vacation.





Hurricane Readiness - Let's Stay Prepared

For several weeks now, weather forecasters have advised that hurricane preparedness is of utmost importance. Hurricane season may not only cause high winds, but also flooding, lightning strikes, tornadoes, hail storms, and more. Be sure you have updated your Hurricane Readiness Form that includes your plans in the event of a hurricane and your confidential emergency contact information for church records.

If you have not completed a form or need to update the one on file, please see any Deacon or call the church office.



Each Habitat affiliate selects "Homeowner Candidates" to be come Habitat homeowners. Habitat for Humanity follows a nondiscriminatory policy of homeowner selection in accordance with fair housing regulations. Habitat for Humanity of Greater

Volusia County works to build or restore affordable homes in partnership with people who present need, ability to pay, and willingness to partner with the affiliate.

"There is nothing like coming home to your own home. It is my sanctuary. It is my special place."

Arlene Armstrong, Habitat Homeowner

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Volusia County is building a new subdivision called Legacy Woods, offering 40 affordable housing units. This new community will feature eight single-family homes and 16 duplexes, providing housing for around 120 people. The project, located west of Nova Road and north of LPGA Boulevard, aims to address the need for affordable housing in the area.



The Session

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

In its Stated Meeting on
Monday, June 16, 2025

- * The Session approve David Morgan to be the leader of OBPC 2026 Stewardship campaign.
- * The Session approved a Family Night event for July 23, 2025 6-8 pm, a Back Yard Bible Study for the youth July 9 at 5 pm hosted by Lynda and Wray Bonnick at their home, and "Rally Day Breakfast" September 7 to kick off our 2025-2026 Sunday School year.
- * An Audio Visual committee has been established to manage and support the AV equipment and systems across our church campus. This committee lead is lead by Kirsten Finley, who will provide the overviews of the organization and goals to Session.
- * Welcomed Olivia and Hoover Haney Co-Presbytery executives



We are happy to announce the Wedding Date of Randy Pechin and Leanna Kurpa.

They would like to extend a Wedding invitation to all. The Wedding Date will be

Saturday, August 16 at 2pm. with reception in the Haddad Fellowship Center. Please RSVP by calling the church office or email with your name and number attending.

We continue to lift in prayer OBPC Members.

Barbara Bowden

Carol Helmendach

Jill Moscoso

Elizabeth Strong

Charlotte Burge

Shirley Hinkle

Susan Parisi

Anne Sutton

Bruce Burge

Sherri Jarvis

Cynthia Pfeleiderer

Barbara Van Laningham

Ella Mae Chadbourne

Joana Maciel

Ray Piller

Cindy Watkins

Aleta Dick

Sue Mitchell

Marilyn Silver

Gwen & Earl Williams

Bruce Geelhood

Bruce Miller

John Smarkusky

Phyllis Heller

Alma More

Marilyn Smarkusky



We lift in prayer OBPC Families and Friends

Kimberly Pyne-Daughter and George Keefer-Friend by Sharon Carter

Mel Smith, Audrey Pentz, John Harkrader-Friends by Kirsten and Curtis Finley

Steve Struble-Friend by Bill and Bonnie Thompson

Hiro Hirumi-Father by 2c Hirumi

Betty Colburn-Mother by Sandy Johnson

Becky Krenn-Friend by Sue Kim

Michael Prendergast-Brother-in-Law by Mary Kay Wagner

Jerry Bracken, Vince O'Conner, and Darlene Rathmell-Cousins by Mike Troutman

Scott Winchester-Friend by Lynda Bonnick

Suzie Smith-Sister and Jim Thiede-Nephew by Rosie & David Perry

Sylvia Engelbrecht-Friend by Kassie Manza

Kathy Miller-Sister by Debbie Strickland

Matthew Eaton-Son, Bonnie-Mother, Lynn Baker-Sister, and Ali Owens and Carson-Friends by Heather Eaton

Lisa Pierson-Daughter, Elizabeth Gainsborough-Sister, Skip Banach-Brother, Sharon Kitts-Friend by Arlene Clark

Mike Luciano-Sherri's Brother, Susan Combs-Sherri's Sister, Michelle Pugh and Seanna Milam-Pastor Nathan's Sisters by Pastor Nathan and Sherri Wheeler

Matt Sweet and Brian Canard-Grandsons by Betty Canard

Brady Barry-Son, Trevin Barry, Henry Threatt-Grandsons by Susan Barry

Carolyn Kuehn and Alva Debiak by Candy Christman



Prayers for Our Community and World

We pray for peace and harmony.

We have a Church Prayer Chain

Please call or text Candy Christman (386-956-5924) if you have a prayer request to lift up by our Prayer Chain.



July Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations

Following worship service on Sunday, July 6, please join us in the Haddad Fellowship Center to recognize all who celebrate a birthday or an anniversary during the month of July. Desserts will be served.

July Birthdays

2	Ally Beebe	11	Karen Spottiswood	23	Marcia Geelhood
2	Deanne Shannon	13	Norma Devine	23	Nathan Sharpe
3	Lindsey Johnson	16	Harry Wilson	28	Dorothy Sanders
6	Sharon Ann Fox-Griggs	18	Carol Layton	29	Joe Santos
6	Daniel Pfeiderer	18	Lois Santos	30	Debbie Gonzalez- Benitez
7	Janice Danielson	19	David Perry	30	Jeffrey Sidwell
7	Matthew Eaton	21	Linda Neely	31	Rich Caravan
10	Charlotte Burge	21	Patt Thomas	31	Susan Parisi
10	Steven Zeller	22	Alma More		

Anniversaries

6	Rich & Barbara Caravan	28 years
7	Tim & Carol Webster	29 years
11	Bill & Bonnie Thompson	55 years
13	Larry & Linda Petrie	34 years
17	James & Linda Adkins	59 years
25	Samuel & Patt Thomas	38 years
31	Howard & Sharon Carter	28 years

JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES




Every Sunday-July

9:00 Adult Bible School, room 12
 10:00 Summer Choir
 10:30 WORSHIP 1st Sunday with Communion
 11:30 PB & J Sandwich Making, HFC
 11:30 Fellowship Coffee Time, HFC



Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church JULY 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6/29	6/30 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	1 6:30 DBCS REHERSAL, 10	2 8:00 MENS BIBLE STUDY, LIBRARY 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 WORSHIP COMMITTEE, LIBRARY	3 9:00 PLANNING & STAFF, 12 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 10:30 TAI CHI, 10	4 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7  OFFICE CLOSED	5 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 4:00 PRIVATE WEDDING, SANCTUARY
6 11:30 JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES CELEBRATION, HFC	7 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	8 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 DBCS REHERSAL, 10 6:30 SESSION, 12	9 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 1:30 STAFF MEETING, LIB 5:00 BACK YARD BIBLE	10 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 10:30 TAI CHI, 10	11 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	12 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7
13	14 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 9:00 FINANCE MEETING, LIB	15 HOME VISITOR CUT OFF 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 FELLOWSHIP/EVANGELISM, LIBRARY 6:30 DBCS REHERSAL, 10	16 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 10:00 PROP. MEETING, LIB	17 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 9:00 DEACONS MTG Make & Take, HFC 10:30 TAI CHI, 10	18 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	19 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7
20	21 9:00 H.U.M Volunteers 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	22 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 OUTREACH MEETING, LIBRARY 6:30 DBCS REHERSAL, 10	23 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	24 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 10:30 TAI CHI, 10	25 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	26 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7
27	28 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	29 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 DBCS REHERSAL, 10	30 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 6:30 CANCELLED CE MEETING	31 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7 10:30 TAI CHI, 10	8/1 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7	8/2 9:00 COUNSELING CTR, 7

Please note: Since printing of this calendar changes may have been made. We would like you to visit OBPC web site at ormondbeachpc.org for the most current calendar and for other current announcements.