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The Home Visitor

"Rally The Troops" by Rev. Dr. Jeff Beebe

Rally Day marks the start of the Church's calendar year. It's a day to "rally" the members and friends of OBPC and together, foster a sense of renewed energy and commitment for the upcoming year of Christian Education and Worship. The term "rally" itself, stemming from the French verb "*rallier*" meaning to regroup, signifies a collective gathering for a common purpose. To rally the troops in military terms, to rally the troops, can be understood as establishing a rally point, a designated location where soldiers can regroup, reorganize and receive further instruction. As a verb, to rally, is to gather or bring together implying action. As an intransitive verb (as Webster's definition provides) means to come together again; to renew an effort.

As a community of faith, OBPC seeks to know God. This is what we mean when we say, **Growing to Know God** in our two-fold mission statement (we will address *Living to Show God* at another time, but I'll briefly offer this: It is difficult to show a God, who we don't know). As Rally Day present, we, the members and friends of Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church, are invited to come together, to **Re-Group**, to **Re-Organize**, so that God might further instruct us and we would **Receive** what He would have us be and what He would have us do.

J.I Packer, in his work, *Knowing God*, presents these challenging words of growth for us:

"Disregard the study of God, and you sentence yourself to stumble and blunder through life blindfolded, as it were, with no sense of direction and no understanding of what surrounds you. This way you can waste your life and lose your soul."

To know God, simply put, is an invitation for you and me to seek the opportunities provided to study God's Word, individually, and alongside others who desire to know God, focusing on what it means to be inwardly strong, so that their living might show God in and though all that they say and all that they do. Friends, it's time to rally the troops!

May the blessing of God the Father, and God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit be upon you this day and every day!

"And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent."

John 17:3 ESV



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SPECIAL NOTES

Office Closed 9/1 Labor Day
Home Visitor Cut off date 9/15



WELCOME back to Sunday School for youth and Children

September 14 classes officially begin.

Schedule as follows:

9:00-9:30 Youth Choir rehearsal

9:30-10:00 Sunday school

10:00-10:30 Pick up children from classes; fellowship time

10:30-11:30 Church service

NURSERY Children up to 5 years old will meet with our Nursery Attendants and Teachers, Susan Barry and Bobby Parisi.

The Children will learn Bible stories and enjoy crafts and fun activities.

ELEMENTARY STUDENTS will meet in Rm. 8 with Cynthia Hartman. This includes children from Kindergarten – Grade 5.

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS will meet in the Youth Room (Rm.14)



The Library Sunday School Class has begun meeting again at the 9:00 am hour. To begin our fall schedule, Al Perkins is sharing information and leading our discussion of Christian Nationalism. We welcome back those who have been on summer hiatus and others who are looking for a class that stimulates and educates while sharing with each other in discussion.



The Wednesday Men's Group will restart on Wednesday September 10 at 8:00-9:00 am and we will be taking a short hiatus from Scripture exposition to focus on a book by Jerry Bridges. He is a well known Christian author who worked with the Navigators for years and is probably best well known for his book *The Pursuit of Holiness* which sold more than a million copies. One of his more successful books entitled *The Discipline of Grace*, will be our focus this fall. It's one thing to live with discipline and another to attempt to live by grace but this book combines both in a contemporary and practical way to live out your Christian life in the world. This book hones in on personal examination and what it means to "preach the gospel to yourself every day". It's an invaluable tool for enlarging the knowledge of God's grace in our everyday lives.



September Hunger Awareness Campaign



Since 2007, a national campaign has been held every September to raise awareness and inspire action to end hunger in America. In support of this important cause, OBPC will be making a special effort over the next four weeks to collect non-perishable food donations.

We invite you to participate by bringing non-expired food items to the church narthex. All donations will be delivered to our local food bank, Second Harvest, to help those in need in our community.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Your Outreach Committee

**Second Harvest
Food Bank**

**Feeding
America**

**Halifax Urban
Ministries**



WOMEN'S GATHERING

We welcome all women and their friends to join us for a fun-filled and inspiring morning at our gathering **in Rm.12 on Saturday, September 13 from 10:00-11:30 a.m.**

We will be celebrating the theme of LIGHT! Everyone enjoys our time of prayer, worship, delicious brunch, raffle prizes, and spirit-filled conferences from Women of Faith video series. We hope to see you there.



We are getting ready to launch our new **Bible Study for the Fall**. We will be studying the book of Ruth. This story affirms that yes, there is hope for you, and it is found in the power and protection of a sovereign God who never takes his eyes off you. All are welcome to join us for this amazing study. Please sign up at the booth in the Narthex by August 31 so that we can order your books. The cost is \$22.00 Hope to see many of you there.

Who? All women are invited to participate in this amazing study.
You are encouraged to also bring a friend.

When? September 17 Wednesday mornings 10:00-11:30 am.

Where? Room 12

If there are any questions please contact Mary Kay Wagner at 330-206-4344



A THANKFUL RESPONSE

Every Fall we reflect on God's blessings and consider how we will respond to God's goodness. Even in the worst of times, we are blessed. James 1:17 reminds us "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows." Those who know this truth count their blessings and make A THANKFUL RESPONSE sharing out of what they have received.

This congregation has a legacy of generosity dating back to its beginning under Rev. Haddad and Miriam. Not only have members and friends supported the congregation's needs, but Ormond Beach Presbyterian has always been generous in giving to missions beyond itself. Its support of local missions and Presbyterian mission causes has been exemplary.

This fall will be no different from other years. You will be asked to give for the future of this congregation and to make sure that the message and ministries of our Lord Jesus happen here and around the world.

For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have. (II Corinthians 8:12)



“Growing in the Word”
Rally Day Sunday, September 7
@ 9:00AM in the fellowship hall

As summer comes to an end, we say hello to our **2025 Fall Education Programs!** On **Sunday, September 7**, the Christian Education Committee invites everyone to join us for breakfast, and a time to learn about all of the exciting opportunities for learning. Our amazing teachers will be sharing about the different classes that OBPC offers both on Sunday mornings and throughout the week. If you have ever wondered about the different classes offered, this is the perfect time to learn more and ask questions.



SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, September 6 at 10:00am on site 1445 Flomich St. Daytona Beach.

Habitat will be hosting a ground breaking ceremony celebrating the commencement of **our home** which will be the first residence to be built in Legacy Woods. The dedication will be at the site of our sponsored house at 1445 Flomich Street, Daytona Beach. If you need a ride or would like to provide a ride, contact Colleen Sidwell at 386 523-7108 or Carol Akers at 386 852-3559.



TEEN NIGHTS are back

Saturday, September 13 from 5-7pm!

All Middle and High school teens are invited to join us for dinner, games, conversations and devotions. Friends are always welcomed, so bring them along. We will see you soon!



Hurricane Readiness - Local County Info

Local counties, Volusia and Flagler, provide up-to-date storm information so keep their telephone numbers handy during hurricane season.

Volusia County Emergency Management can be reached at (386) 258-4088 or www.volusia.org/emergency. Their hotline (866) 345-0345 is active during emergencies.

Flagler County Emergency Management is (386) 313-4200 or www.flaglercounty.gov/emergency. Remember to keep your Hurricane/Emergency Readiness form up-to-date. Contact any Deacon or the church office (386) 441-0300 for assistance.



KEEPING KIDS SAFE TRAINING

Sunday, September 21, 2025

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” Matthew 19:14

In an effort to assure the continued safety of OBPC children and youth while at church functions, all adults working in the children’s ministry or family ministry events are required to attend *Keeping Kids Safe* training and to have a clear background check. If you have received this training in the past, but it was longer than five years ago, please consider taking this course as a refresher.

If you would like to be certified to work with our youngsters, you are invited to attend the training session planned after church from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm on Sunday, September 21, 2025 in room 12. Lunch will be provided.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Lisa Benitez at

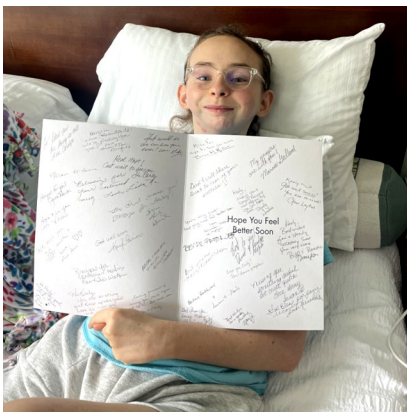
lisa@presbyteriancounseling.com.

Please RSVP to the church office before Friday 9/5 To reserve your space.

The BIG OBPC Get Well Card

singed by the congregation was delivered to Keeley her by her family.

As you can see it was very well received!



We continue to lift in prayer OBPC Members.

<i>Barbara Bowden</i>	<i>Phyllis Heller</i>	<i>Alma More</i>	<i>Marilyn Smarkusky</i>
<i>Charlotte Burge</i>	<i>Carol Helmendach</i>	<i>Jill Moscoso</i>	<i>Elizabeth Strong</i>
<i>Bruce Burge</i>	<i>Shirley Hinkle</i>	<i>Susan Parisi</i>	<i>Cindy Watkins</i>
<i>Ella Mae Chadbourne</i>	<i>Sherri Jarvis</i>	<i>Cynthia Pfleiderer</i>	<i>Gwen & Earl Williams</i>
<i>Aleta Dick</i>	<i>Sue Mitchell</i>	<i>Ray Piller</i>	
<i>Bruce Geelhood</i>	<i>Bruce Miller</i>	<i>John Smarkusky</i>	



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

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

Matt Sweet and Brian Canard-Grandsons by Betty Canard

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

Carolyn Kuehn and Alva Debiak by Candy Christman



Prayers for Our Community and World

We pray that as educators returned to the classroom, they imparted wisdom,
knowledge, and understanding of the Lord.

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.

Music Notes—September 2025



**"We believe that the holy act of singing together shapes faith,
heals brokenness, transforms lives, and renews peace.**

-The guiding stance of The Center for Congregational Song of the Hymn Society in the United States and Canada.

Singing is a grace-filled activity.

It is breath based, it is a gift of the Spirit,

an act of trust, a work of love.

Inhale the grace of God.

Exhale gratitude.

[Rev. David Gambrell, Associate for Worship, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)]

Worship is at the very heart of the church's life. All that the church is and does is rooted in its worship. The community of faith, gathered in response to God's call, is formed in its worship. Worship is the principal influence that shapes our faith, and is the most visible way we express the faith. In worship, through Word and Sacrament, the church is sustained by the presence of Christ and empowered by the work of the Holy Spirit. Joined in worship to the One who is the source of its life, the church is equipped to serve God in the world. -Preface to The Book of Common Worship, 2018

Speak to one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,
singing and making music with your heart to the Lord.
constantly giving thanks for everything,
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
to our God and Father.



Summer Choir

— Thank you to all who sang in the summer choir this year!

Your stewardship of time and talent is appreciated! Good job!!

Chancel Choir

— Chancel Choir Retreat - Sat. Sept. 6 10:30-1:30 at the church!!

First rehearsal in the choir room on Thursday, Sept. 11 at 7:15pm

Youth Choir

— First rehearsal in the handbell room on Sunday, Sept. 14 at 9:00am

Glory Bells

— First rehearsal in the handbell room on Thursday, Sept. 4 at 6:00 - 7:30pm

The Church Year—September 2025

Sept. 7, 2025

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Color-green

Sept. 14, 2025

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Color-green

Sept. 21, 2025

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Color-green

Sept. 28, 2025

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Color-green

Tuned for Praise 2025 - 2026

Mark your calendar for the Bethune Cookman University Concert Chorale
singing LIVE in concert in our sanctuary on Sunday, October 5 at 3:30PM.



Bring a friend! Don't miss a ♪!



On Saturday, July 26 the ladies of OBPC celebrated Leanna Kurpa with a Bridle Shower. It was an amazing event with Mary Kay Wagner giving prayer before the meal and devotional given by Marcia Geelhood. The "MC" was Jamie Hawes with games and entertainment assisted by Ann Myer.



Leanna and Randy had donated over 500 lbs. of dry and canned food for H.U.M from your generous donations from the Bridal Shower (8/16).

Find the words listed. Words may appear forward, backward, up, down or diagonal. Words may overlap and cross each other. When you have found a word, be sure to circle it and cross it off the list.



Prayer

Word Search



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Our **Father** which **art** in **heaven**, **Hallowed** be **thy name**. Thy **kingdom come**, Thy **will** be **done** in **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**, for **ever**. **Amen**.

Matthew 6:9-13



AUGUST BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS



September Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations-Following worship service on Sunday, September 7, please join us in the Haddad Fellowship Center to recognize all who celebrate a birthday or an anniversary during the month of September. Desserts will be served. .

September Birthdays

1	Carol Akers	12	Cynthia Pfleiderer	24	Carol Roll
4	Gigi Boyd	13	Mary Johnson	25	Betty Ceribelli
6	Lisa Benitez	13	Leanna Pechin	26	Donna Graydon
6	Phoenix Gibby	14	Tom Graydon	26	David McCurdy
7	Yvonne Wilson	15	Nancy Neuscheler	27	Goji Gibby
8	AJ Benitez	16	Douglas Barringer	27	Joana Maciel
9	Sue Kim	17	Aleta Dick	30	Karyl Poirier
12	Elizabeth (Beth) King	23	Robert Hinkle		







September Anniversaries

9/2	David & Kaye Schroder	9 years	9/20	Sharon & Chuck Griggs	28 years
9/11	Doug & Harriet Barringer	65 years	9/21	Rev. Jo and John Anderson	40 years
9/13	David & Rosie Perry	53 years	9/25	Jeff & Colleen Sidwell	33 years
9/13	Lyle & Linda Neely	62 years			

O.B. Presbyterian Church September 2025

Every Sunday 9:00 Youth Choir starts , room 10; 9:00 Adult Sunday School, Library; 9:00 Adult Bible School, room 12; 9:30 Youth Sunday School, rooms 8, 9 & 14.
10:30 WORSHIP 1st Sunday with Communion; 11:30 PB & J Sandwich Making, HFC; 11:30 Fellowship Coffee Time, HFC



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8/31	1  OFFICE CLOSED	2 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7 6:30 DB CHORAL SOCIETY REHEARSAL, 10	3 9:00 PRESBYTERIAN COUNSELING CENTER, 7	4 9:00 PRESBYTERIAN COUNSELING CENTER, 7 9:00 PLANNING & STAFF, 12 10:30 TAI CHI, 9 6:00 GLORY BELLS	5 9:00 PRESBYTERIAN COUNSELING CENTER, 7	6 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7 10:00 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY, 1445 FLOMICH ST., DAYTONA BEACH 10:30 CHANCEL CHOIR RETREAT
7  9:00 BREAKFAST and meet the teachers. 11:30 Birthday & Anniv. Celebrations	8 9:00 PRESBYTERIAN COUNSELING CENTER, 7 9:00 FINANCE MEETING, LIB	9 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7 6:30 DB CHORAL SOCIETY REHEARSAL, 10	10 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7 8:00 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, LIB 1:30 STAFF MEETING, LIBRARY 6:30 SESSION, 12	11 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7 10:30 TAI CHI, 9 6:00 GLORY BELLS 7:15 CHANCEL CHOIR, 10	12 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7	13 9:00 COUNSELING, 7 10:00 WOMENS GATHERING, 12  TEEN NIGHT 5:00 PM
14 9:00 YOUTH CHOIR, 10	15 HOME VIITOR CUT OFF 8:00 HUM VOLUNTEERS 9:00 PRES. COUNSELING , 7	16 9:00 PRES. COUNSELING, 7 11:00 FELLOWSHIP EVANGELISM. LIBRARY 6:30 WORSHIP, LIB 6:30 DB CHORAL SOCIETY REHEARSAL, 10	17 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7 8:00 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, LIB 10:00 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY,12 10:00 PROPERTY MEETING, LIB	18 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7 9:00 DEACON MTG, Make/ Take, HFC 10:30 TAI CHI, 9 6:00 GLORY BELLS 7:15 CHANCEL CHOIR, 10	19 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7	20 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7
21  12:00 KEEPING KIDS SAFE TRAINING CLASS, 12	22 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7	23 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER, 7 6:30 DB CHORAL SOCIETY REHEARSAL, 10 6:30 OUTREACH MTG, LIB	24 9:00 COUNSELING CENTER,7 8:00 MENS BIBLE STUDY, LIB 10:00 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY,12 6:30 C.E. MEETING, LIB	25 9:00 PRESBYTERIAN COUNSELING CENTER, 7 10:30 TAI CHI, 9 6:00 GLORY BELLS 7:15 CHANCELCHOIR	26 9:00 PRESBYTERIAN COUNSELING CENTER, 7	27 9:00 PRESBYTERIAN COUNSELING CENTER, 7
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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.