

THE CELEBRATION OF OUR CHRISTIAN FAITH
Fort King Presbyterian Church
July 26th, 2026



Fort King Presbyterian Church Mission Statement

The mission of Fort King Presbyterian Church is to build a loving community of people living and growing in faith as we work for justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God in the world. Fort King Presbyterian Church welcomes all people of any age, gender, color, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status, or disability into the full life and membership of this congregation.

We Gather to Worship God

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Recycling
Honoring Harvey Bohner

Annette George
Sue Tomberlin

PRELUDE

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

trumpet solo by Michael Jennings

We Prepare to Hear the Word

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, beloved of God –
come into the presence of the One who plants
small things and brings forth astonishing grace.

**We come with small hopes, small faith, small beginnings,
trusting God, to make them grow in us.**

Like a tiny mustard seed, or yeast hidden in flour,
like treasure buried in a field, or a pearl of great price –

**We come ready to search, ready to rejoice,
and ready to offer our lives for the sake of Christ's kingdom.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE, #19** *God of Great and God of Small* GOD OF GREAT AND SMALL

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of grace, we want to understand what the kingdom of heaven is like, but our minds
are clouded by the cares and concerns of the world. We fail to trust your power, hidden
in all things. We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes in mysterious ways.
We fail to be whole-hearted in our faith and discipleship. We fail to put our trust in the
treasures of your kingdom instead of the treasures of the world. Gracious God, hidden
and manifest, give us eyes to see and ears to hear your good news for the world even
here and now. Transform our lives and our world by your grace.**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***PASSING THE PEACE**

***RESPONSE TO PARDON** *Amen, Amen* African-American Spiritual

*Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen!
Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen!*

We Hear the Word of God

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 19:7-10 The Glory of God's Word

HYMN OF FAITH *More Precious than Silver* MORE PRECIOUS

*Lord, you are more precious than silver;
Lord, you are more costly than gold.
Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds,
And nothing I desire compares with you.
(repeat)*

*Nothing I desire, nothing I desire
compares with you.*

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-46

A Series of Parables

SERMON

Subversive Stories...Surprising Results!
(Discipleship in Matthew, VII)

Rev. Bob Scott

We Respond to the Word with Gratitude

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Bruce Prewer, *"Almost a Creed"*

Do we believe?

Yes, in spite of ourselves, we do believe!

While some follow fad and fashion, that changes with the seasons,
we follow the man from Nazareth.

While some put their hope in the lottery, or chase profits no matter the cost,
we put our hope in loving one another as our Christ has loved us.

While some may give in to cynicism, some fall into apathy or despair,
we put out faith in the God who has given us his only true Son.

While some may boast of education, culture, race, or living standard,
we boast in the self-giving love of that Son on a Cross.

While some try to justify themselves by prizing fame or power,
we allow the grace of our Lord to Jesus to be our best prize.

Because of Jesus,

Yes, we believe in the Living God

**by whose Holy Spirit all things are open to change and renewal
and that includes us, the church, and our world.**

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Angels Among Us

flugelhorn solo by Michael Jennings

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

Let Us Celebrate the Glories of Our God trumpet solo by Michael Jennings

*RESPONSE TO OFFERING

Doxology

Avery and Marsh

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host!

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Are Sent to Share Christ's Love

*CLOSING HYMN

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

*INVITATION AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

[indicates all should rise in body, or in spirit]*

Assisting with Today's Service:

Fort King Ministers: *All our members and friends*

Worship Leaders: *Pastor Bob Scott, Cathy Beebe*

Executive Assistant: *Mary Wald*

Music Director: *John Leschak*

Guest Musician: *Mr. Jennings is the current band director at Lake Weir High School.*

He also performs with the Southern Express Big Band and serves as an official adjudicator for the Florida Bandmasters Assn.

Flowers: *Keay Forman - In honor of my husband, Rhea*

Ushers: *July: Congregational Care*

Zoom: *Ken McMurry*, A/V Operator: *Lorraine Fuller*

Nursery: *Tammy Kessler and Marlene Wittenwyler*

Cover Image: *"The Parable of the Mustard Seed," Kelly Latimore; Fine Art America*

ANNOUNCEMENTS - for week of July 27th, 2026 – August 2nd, 2026

07/27 Mon: 6:30 Scouts (FH/CE)

07/28 Tue: 10 :00 Chair Yoga (FH), 3:30 TOPS (FH), 6:30 PNC Meeting (SR)

07/30 Thur: 7am BNI (FH)

08/02 Sun: 10:30 Sunday Worship in person and on Zoom

Equal Exchange in the Narthex

Join Us Today



to celebrate Harvey Bohner



with cake and friendship in the Fellowship Hall following Worship.

Please remember to include Ft. King Presbyterian Church in your Will and Estate Plan. Thank you!

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