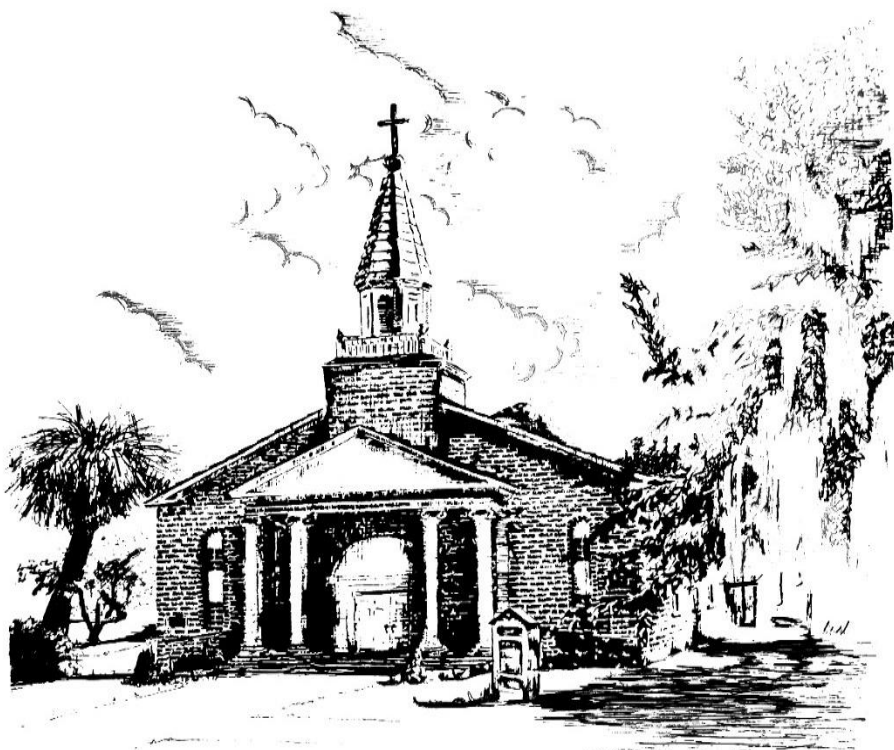


First Presbyterian Church
209 W. Hickory Street
Arcadia, FL
May 9, 2021 - (6th Sunday of Easter)



Organized August 28, 1898

*The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Arcadia is to answer
God's Call by:
offering inspired worship; creating great relationships with
members and community; educating and serving both members
and the community God has entrusted to us.*

** Please stand if able*

Prelude: *Selected*

Lew Cassels

Chimes

Welcome

Dr. Will Browne

***Call to Worship:** *(Isaiah 66:13)*

Dr. Will Browne

As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you.

Let us worship God.

***Hymn:** *Sing Praise to God*

#312 vs. 1, 4, 5

Call to Confession

Elder David Holloman

Prayer of Confession:

Elder David Holloman

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:

Cleanse us from all our offenses, and

deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,

that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to

you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and

finding in you our refuge and strength;

through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Elder David Holloman

***Gloria Patri:** *Glory be to the Father*

#734

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A-men, Amen

Children's Moment

Dr. Will Browne

Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer

(as a hymn #740)

Anthem: *Help Us Accept Each Other*

John Ness Beck

First Reading: *Joel 2:28-32*

Elder David Holloman

A Prelude: *A strange story strangely interrupted*

Second Reading: *Acts 10:44-48*

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon: *A strange story strangely interrupted* Dr. Will Browne

***Hymn:** *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

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***Apostle's Creed**

Elder David Holloman

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.

Moment for Generosity

Offertory

#34

***Doxology**

*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. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn:** *Great is The Faithfulness*

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***Charge and Benediction**

Dr. Will Browne

Postlude: *Selected*

Lew Cassels

WELCOME: A Special welcome to those who listen online. We appreciate your presence-in-the-spirit even if you cannot be here with us. Together we are the church.

We thank you for following the Session's guideline asking you to wear a mask covering both your nose and mouth and to maintain social distance, except those who have medical reasons for not wearing a mask all the time.

In doing this even if we do not feel endangered ourselves, we honor Christ's command to love and serve our neighbors and, we help each other. Please also pray that the vaccinations may happen quickly and we can get beyond this pandemic.

Church Prayer List

FPC - Members: Jean Borsmann, Millie Foster, Murial Hall, Shelia Knoche and Marilyn McConnell

FPC – FAMILY / FRIENDS:

Billy Bennett, Linda Brodowsky, Hans Bursa, Dan Cribbs (Clair Cribbs's son), Pam and Rick Dodd, Roger Evans, Santiago Garavito, Jane Hayward and son Ozzie, Hanna Joy Lepianka (Rich & Jean Borsmann's granddaughter), Keith Markey, Bobby O'Neal (Edith's friend), Dean Phillips (Edith's friend), Bob Smith (Sheila Knoche's uncle), Ruth Ann Smith, Sherrie Turner, Malcomb & Jackie Underwood, Margaret White, JoLynn Wright (Bill Stander's cousin) and Landon Yoder.

Military List:

Julian Davis, Sean Davis, Curtis Johnson, Ryan Maassen, and Cole Overcash.

Church Calendar

May 2021

9	9:30 am	Mother's Day Breakfast
	10:30 am	Choir Practice
	11:00 am	Worship
10	10:00 am	Congregational Care Meeting/duplex
	10:30 am	Paper Angels Distribution
12	6:30 pm	Handbell practice

Church Information

Attendance Last Sunday: **35** Viewed by Facebook: **64**

Offering Last Sunday: **\$ 2,754.00** Year to date: **\$63,033.69**

Session:

2021: Beth Liszak, Mitzie McGavic, Johnny Maassen, Jean Borsmann

2022: Judy Kirkpatrick, Don Knoche, Jill Maassen, Bill Stander

2023: Jeff Adams, Ann Pepper, Ellie Sutphin, Edith Wildt

Elders Emeriti: Margaret Way, David Holloman

Church Directory

Pastor:	Dr. Will Browne
Clerk of Session	Elder Mitzie McGavic
Director of Music	Genie Martin
Organist	Lew Cassels
Treasurer	Elder Edward Maassen
Sound Technician	Elder Tyler Maassen
Office Manager	Karen Cassels

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