



PINE SHORES CHURCH, PC(U.S.A.)

09 NOVEMBER, 2025 | 9:45 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

The mission of Pine Shores Presbyterian Church is to encourage, equip, and empower each other to serve the needs of a hurting and broken world by sharing the hope and joy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed.

WHERE EVERY STORY FINDS A HOME

Here at Pine Shores we follow Jesus with open hearts. We're an intergenerational, fully inclusive church, welcoming all ages and identities into full participation and leadership. We pray honestly, make space to explore faith, and serve Sarasota and beyond. We value grace, acceptance, and the journey toward Christ-like living. Whether you're seeking hope, belonging, or deeper spiritual growth, you belong here!

Notes about our worship service:

- An asterisk* welcomes all to rise – in body or spirit.
- **Bold text** means the congregation is invited to speak aloud together.
- Pine Shores Presbyterian Church celebrates an open table; all who desire to know the love of Jesus Christ are welcome to partake in the sacrament of communion.
- Children are fully welcome in worship! Please do not worry if your child makes noise or gets the wiggles. They are an important part of our church community! If you prefer, nursery is provided in rooms 109 & 111.
- Additional Family bathrooms are available inside the Sanctuary on each far side.
- Our congregation is committed to using inclusive and expansive language for God and God's people. While an element of worship may use language that assigns a particular gender to God, we strive to maintain a balance so that God's fullness might be honored.
- Large print bulletins and hearing aid devices are available inside the sanctuary. Induction Loop Hearing System is available in the Sanctuary (switch hearing aid to T-coil).

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

09 November 2025 | 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

Come Thou Fount by Diane Bish

WELCOME & MOMENT FOR MISSION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God chose you as the
first fruits salvation,
calling you to receive the
good news of Jesus Christ.

**Thanks be to God for
such extravagant grace!
Praise the Lord.**

*OPENING PRAYER

Ps. 145:2-3, 5, 20; 2 Thess. 2:17

*HYMN

A Mighty Fortress is Our God #275

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, we come before you a
broken people in a broken world.
We confess we have ignored,
yet again, your assured presence.
We have forged our paths and
charted our own waters.
In the name of independence
we have ignored your aid,
your comfort and your peace.
We have called upon you in desperation
rather than recalling your might and
faithful acts in all times and places.
Forgive us.
You have been with us in exile
and liberation; be with us even now.
Amen.**

- silence for personal confession -

*RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ps. 145:19, 21

Friends, believe in the Good News.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

*SUNG RESPONSE

Together We Serve (verse 2) #767

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ
be with you. **And also with you.**

WE LISTEN

TIME WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Joshua 24:1-3, 14-25

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

WE RESPOND

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Confession of 1967 (inclusive version)

**In Jesus of Nazareth, true
humanity**

was realized once for all.

Jesus, a Palestinian Jew,

lived among his own people

and shared their needs,

temptations, joys, and sorrows.

He expressed the love of God

in word and deed

**and became a sibling to all kinds
of sinful people.**

**But his complete obedience led him
into conflict with his people.**

**His life and teaching judged
their goodness,**

religious aspirations,

and national hopes.

Many rejected him

and demanded his death.

**In giving himself freely for them,
he took upon himself**

**the judgment under which
everyone stands convicted.**

God raised him from the dead,

vindicating him as

Messiah and Lord.

The victim of sin became victor,

and won the victory

over sin and death for all.

ANTHEM

Take It To The Lord in Prayer by Joel Raney

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Arr. Wayne Fisher

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Roms. 8:26

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayers.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on 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, forever. Amen

*DOXOLOGY

WE ARE SENT

*HYMN

O Christ, the Great Foundation #361

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Moonlight Sonata L.V. Beethoven

*At this time please feel free to depart,
or remain to enjoy the music.*



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WELCOME REV. MELANA SCRUGGS

The Rev. Melana Scruggs grew up in Tampa and is a graduate of the University of Florida and Columbia Theological Seminary. She has served churches in Oklahoma, Florida, and Missouri and was the co-executive presbyter and stated clerk in John Calvin Presbytery. She has served as General Presbyter of Peace River Presbytery since November 2019. She lives in Babcock Ranch with her husband, youngest daughter, and grandson.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

CLERGY Rev. Melana Scruggs
LITURGIST Trudy Cooke-Hall
MOMENT FOR MISSION Libby Tyner Bispham
MUSICIAN Wayne Fisher

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Nov 7: P. J. Bispham Jr, Allan McIntosh
Nov 9: Cathy Beiber
Nov 15: Sarah Meyer-Gonzalez,
Russell Blackmer Jr.

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

Nov 9: Paul & Ande Reiter
Nov 12: Shauna & Evan Stobbs-Bultema

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

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STAFF

Rev. Alex Evangelista, Pastor
Wayne Fisher, Director of Music
Toni Bisesi, Church Business Administrator
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Marilyn Miller, Administrative Assistant
Kim and Erin Short, Maintenance

WORSHIP NOTES

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