



**FLORIDA
DISCIPLES
REGIONAL CHURCH**
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Florida, Inc.

FLORIDA DISCIPLES REGIONAL CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER CALENDAR 2023

Please pray each week for our congregations, clergy, general church partners, and others. These could be included in your Sunday church services/bulletins, as part of your personal daily devotions, or in group settings. Note cards or emails could also be sent (see the Yearbook and Directory for contact information; also check congregational websites for any changes in ministerial leadership). Please notify us of any corrections.

WEEK OF JAN. 1-7

Christian Unity
Bartow, First Christian Church – Rev. Eddie Owen
Bradenton, Central Christian – Rev. Ken Gregson
Disciples Church Extension Fund – President Belinda King

WEEK OF JAN. 8-14

All Laity throughout our Florida congregations
Brandon, Brandon Christian Church – Rev. Michael Sinclair, Interim
Casselberry, Iglesia Cristiana Hispana del Norte de Orlando – Rev. Hector Santiago
Southeast Hispanic Convencion – Alba Castillo, Moderator

WEEK OF JAN. 15-21

Clearwater, Central Christian – Rev. Donna Oberkreser
Coral Gables, Central Christian Church – Rev. Jorge Cotto
National Convocation of the Christian Church – Delesslyn Kennebrew, National Secretary

WEEK OF Jan. 22-28

Coral Springs, Royal Palm Christian Church – Pastor Steve Blinder
Davie, Parkway Christian Church – Rev. Charlie Wallace, Associate Pastor Esther Valdes
Christian Church Foundation – President Gary Kidwell

WEEK OF Jan 29-Feb. 4

Daytona Beach, First Christian Church – Rev. David Troxler
Daytona Beach Shores, Daytona Beach Drive-in – Rev. Bob Kemp-Baird, Rev. Melissa Frantz
Disciples Home Missions – President Chris Dorsey

WEEK OF FEB. 5-11

Deland, First Christian Church – Rev. Carlos Perez
Deltona, Deltona Christian Church – in the search process

Division of Overseas Ministries and Global Mission Partners – Rev. Marco Cable, President

WEEK OF FEB. 12-18

Deltona, Iglesia Cristiana de Deltona – Revs. Ivan Santiago and Milca Rivera
Fort Myers, Fort Myers Christian Church – Rev. Zach Seitz
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Puerto Rico – Rev. Hilda Robles Florán, GMP

WEEK OF FEB 19-25

Ash Wednesday and Lenten Season

Week of Compassion, Refugees, Disaster Response – Rev. Vy Nguyen, Rev. Caroline Arnold
Fort Myers, Unity Christian Church –

WEEK OF FEB. 26-Mar 4

Gainesville, Meizon Christian Church (merger of FCC and Meizon Mission) – Rev. Drake Cromer-Moore, Kevin Bruchert, Miranda West
Pension Fund of the Christian Church – President Todd Adams
Young Adult Ministries

WEEK OF MAR. 5-11

Haines City, First Christian Church – Rev. Bill Mc Connell
Disciples of Christ Historical Society – President Joel Brown

WEEK OF MAR 12-18

Jacksonville, Southside Christian Church
NAPAD (Northern American Pacific/Asian Disciples) – Rev. Chung Seong Kim

WEEK OF MAR. 19-25

Jacksonville, Saint Nicholas Park Christian Church – Rev. Dennis Pier
Jacksonville, Riverside Avenue Christian Church – Rev. Erin Dickey
HELM (Higher Education & Leadership Ministries) – Tamara Rodenberg, President

WEEK OF MAR. 26-APR 1

Jacksonville, First Christian Church – Rev. Karen Billy
Jacksonville, Florida Christian Center – Rev. Kimberly Weir
All Disciples Administrative Assistants/Church Secretaries

WEEK OF APR. 2-8

Jacksonville, Cypress Village Christian Worship
Jacksonville, Edgewood Avenue Christian Church – Pastor Tina Christian

WEEK OF APR. 9-15

Easter services at all congregations celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ
Easter Offering that supports our General Ministries
Office of the General Minister and President – Rev. Terri Hord-Owens

WEEK OF APR. 16-22

Jacksonville Beach, 9Thirteen Church– Rev. Chris Hopkins
Earth Sunday/Earth Day/Arbor Day, Creation Care
General Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

WEEK OF APR. 23-29

Jacksonville, Springfield – Rev. Coley Williams
All Disciples Musicians and Ministers of Music

WEEK OF APR 30-MAY 6

Kissimee, Iglesia Cristiana Emmanuel – Rev. David Alecea
Lakeland, Bethany Christian Church – Rev. Steve Stogner
Retired Clergy

WEEK OF MAY 7-13

Lehigh Acres, First Christian Church – Rev. Erwin Goodwin
Margate, Christian Restoration Outreach Centre Ministry – Pastors Henri and Ghislaine Norey
McIntosh, McIntosh Christian Church –
Florida Disciples Women's Ministries

WEEK OF MAY 14-20

Florida Outdoor Ministries Committee – Rev. Melissa Frantz
Florida Youth Ministries Commission – Dylan Booth
Retreat Facilities Commission – Rev. Mary Beth Harper, Director, Steve Turrentine, Chairperson

WEEK OF MAY 21-27

Melbourne, First Christian Church – Rev. Day Broers-Case, Transitional Minister
Miami, Salem Evangelical Christian Church – Rev. Dr. Rubin Vertus

WEEK OF MAY 28-JUNE 3

New Church Ministry – Rev. Selena Reyes-Martinez (Regional Support Staff)
Pentecost Offering to support New Church Ministries
Miami, Iglesia Cristiana de Miami – Rev. Vilson Hurtado, Pastor Liza Miranda Hurtado
Miami, Liberty Christian Church – Pastor Willie Ivery

WEEK OF JUNE 4-10

Miami, New Evangelical Missionary Church of God – Pastors Rubens and Merline Pierre
Miami Gardens, Good Shepherd Missionary Church – Rev. Jacques Nicolas
Directors, Counselors, Staff and Campers at Summer Camps in the Florida Region

WEEK OF JUNE 11-17

Miramar, Schekinah Church – Pastor Josue Louis
Mt Dora, Central Christian Church – Pastor Bill Anderson
Disciples Peace Fellowship

WEEK OF JUNE 18-24

Florida Disciples Men's Ministries – Carl Galloway
Naples, First Christian Church (The Current) – Pastor Michael Junkroski
Naples, Eglise Evangelique Le Bonberger – Pastors Marie and Lys Louissaint

WEEK OF JUNE 25-JUL 1

New Smyrna Beach, United Church of Christ – Rev. Sean Procter

WEEK OF JULY 2-8

Ocala, First Christian Church – Rev. Dr. John Holcombe (Interim)
The Retreat at Silver Springs, Rev. Mary Beth Harper Director
Prayers for our nation and all nations

WEEK OF JULY 9-15

Ocoee, Ocoee Christian Church – Rev. Tuck Norvell
Orange Park, Tabernacle of Jesus Christ of North Florida – Pastor Guy Saint-Vil

WEEK OF JULY 16-22

Orlando, Central Christian Church – Rev. Kent Sullivan
National Benevolent Association – President Mark Anderson

WEEK OF JULY 23-29

General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Louisville, KY
Orlando, Iglesia Cristiana Hispana del Oeste de Orlando – Pastor Jorge Narvaez
Orlando, Community Christian Church – Rev. Terry Harper

WEEK OF JULY 30- AUG 5

Ormond Beach, First Christian Church – Rev. Angel Roman
Palm Beach Gardens, Tropical Sands – Rev. Christine Bandy-Helderman
Chalice Press – President/Publisher Brad Lyons

WEEK OF AUG. 6-12

Port St Lucie, New Alliance Church – Rev. Rita Duval

WEEK OF AUG. 13-19

Sarasota, Beneva Christian Church – Rev. David Miller

WEEK OF AUG. 20-26

Sebring, First Christian Church - Rev. Alan Brown

WEEK OF AUG. 27-SEP 2

Sebring, Primera Iglesia Hispana – Pastor Loyda Rivera

WEEK OF SEPT. 3-9

St. Petersburg, Palm Lake Christian Church – Rev. Oscar Banks
Sunday School, Bible Study, and all Christian Education

WEEK OF SEPT 10-16

St. Petersburg, Bay Point Christian Church – Pastor Randall Hildreth
Transitioning and transforming congregations
Personnel Commission – Rev. Steve Blinder, chair

WEEK OF SEPT. 17-23

St. Augustine, UCC/DOC – Rev. Donna Cooney
Florida Stewardship Commission – Rev. Bob Kemp-Baird
All congregational stewardship committees and programs

WEEK OF SEPT. 24-30

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Summerfield, Galilee Christian Church
Reconciliation Ministries – April Johnson, Director
Anti-Racism/Pro-Reconciliation efforts within the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

WEEK OF OCT. 1-7

Temple Terrace, Auditorio Vida en Familia – Pastors Gustavo and Nelly Espinosa
Clergy Appreciation Month
World Communion Sunday

WEEK OF OCT. 8-14

Venice, First Christian Church – Pastor Mitch Todd
Florida Commission on Ministry – Rev. Donna Oberkreser, Chair
General Commission on Ministry

WEEK OF OCT. 15-21

Vero Beach, First Christian Church – Rev. Bryan Traynor
Anti-Racism Commission – Alice Price, chairperson

WEEK OF OCT. 22-28

West Palm Beach, First Christian Church – Rev. Donn Brammer
Council on Church Unity – Rev. Paul Tche

WEEK OF OCT. 29-NOV 4

West Palm Beach, Maranatha – Pastor Ernest Duval
All Disciples Chaplains

WEEK OF NOV. 5-11

Wildwood, First Christian Church – Rev. Dr. Bridgette Sullenger
Veterans and those serving in our military

WEEK OF NOV. 12-18

Wilton Manors, First Christian Church – Rev. Dr. John Stauffer
New and affiliating congregations in the Florida Region

WEEK OF NOV. 19-25

Thanksgiving Offering to support Higher Education Ministries
Colleges and seminaries within the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

WEEK OF NOV. 26-DEC 2

Winter Haven, First Christian Church – Pastor Jenn Moreno
Community Ministries and Local Outreach

WEEK OF DEC. 3-9

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Winter Park, Winter Park Christian Church – Rev. Selena Reyes-Martinez
College of Regional Ministers meeting in Mississippi

WEEK OF DEC 10-16

Winter Park, Nueva Comunidad Christian Church – Rev. Selena Reyes-Martinez
Regional Admin Team and Leadership Council
Moderator Tony Rodriguez, Moderator-Elect Alan Smith

WEEK OF DEC. 17-23

Zephyrhills, First Christian Church –Rev. Kent Riner
Christmas Offering to support ministry in the Florida Region

WEEK OF DEC. 24-30

Blessings for Christmas for Christians throughout the world, especially in the Middle East
The Congregations and Members of the Florida Disciples Regional Church
Regional Staff: Rev. Sandy Messick, Rev. Mary Beth Harper, Rev. Selena Reyes-Martinez,
Brenda Turrentine, Rev. Tina Christian, Rev. Michael Juncroski

WEEK OF DEC. 31-JAN 6

Prayers for us to be faithful servants and bold leaders for Jesus Christ!
Blessings for the New Year!