

May 17, 2026



*No matter who you are, or where you are
on life's journey, you are welcome here.*

Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church
United Church of Christ

8:30 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Angela Wells-Bean

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CENTERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mark Musser

Leader: Beloved in Christ, why have we gathered here today?

People: We have come to worship the risen and ascended Christ!

Leader: We cannot return to the lives we lived before encountering Jesus.

People: We have seen hope stronger than fear, love stronger than death, and grace wider than any boundary.

Leader: So we will not go back to "normal."

People: We are called to carry Christ's love into the world—to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, and proclaim good news to all people.

Leader: Come, then, people of God. Let us worship with joy!

People: For the risen and ascended Christ is drawing the whole world closer to God!

OPENING SONG

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIFT OF MUSIC

SCRIPTURE

Acts 1: 6-14, read by Mark Musser

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying: Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

SERMON

"Going Up, Not Back"

Rev. Dr. Angela Wells-Bean

MUSICAL REFLECTION

COMMUNION

The sacrament will be offered via self-serve packets. Gluten-free packets are available.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Mark Musser

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Offertory
Prayer of Dedication

CLOSING SONG

BLESSING

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

10 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Angela Wells-Bean

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE "When in Our Music God Is Glorified" arr. Mark Hayes

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***OPENING HYMN** "Alleluia! Gracious Jesus!" #257

CHILDREN'S TIME Signe Webb

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ANTHEM "Build Your House on the Solid Rock" Pepper Choplin


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ANTHEM "Tell the Good News" Gene Bartlett

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 Offertory "I Need Thee Every Hour" Mary McDonald
*Doxology
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below,
God above, ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**
*Prayer of Dedication

***CLOSING HYMN** "When in Our Music God Is Glorified" #561

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE "Toccata on ST. ANNE" arr. Gordon Young

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

About Our Church

Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church, United Church of Christ was founded in 1911. We are proud to be one of the 4,500 congregations in the United Church of Christ denomination.

We are an Open and Affirming Congregation which means that we welcome all persons into full membership and participation in the body of Christ, providing a safe welcome for a diverse people, including the full inclusion of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and non-binary persons (LGBTQ) in the church's life and ministry.

Our Mission Statement: As a diverse community of faith, we encourage people to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; live with Christian values; and share God's love by showing compassion and generosity for all communities. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

For Newcomers

We are so glad you are here, thank you for joining us! If you'd like to learn more about the church, you're welcome to get together with Pastor Angela by emailing her at seniorpastor@pagchurch.org. If you'd like to be added to our church mailing list, please contact our Church Administrator, Stacey Jackson at admin@pagchurch.org. We have opportunities to become a member of the church throughout the year. Please see our announcements or e-blast for more information.

Children and Youth

After the Children's Time, children ages three through fifth grade are invited to go to Faith Formation. We also have youth groups for middle and high schoolers. They meet on Sunday evenings at 6 PM from September through May (except for the first Sunday of the month, which meets at 11 AM). All children and youth are welcome to be part of our ministries here at PAGBCC! Our Associates for Children and Youth are Signe and Todd Webb. Please contact them with any questions at signewebb@yahoo.com.

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