November 8, 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 Winston Culler

CALL TO WORSHIP M. J. D'Angelo

Leader: We gather today to keep our lamps burning, trusting in a hope that reaches beyond the troubles of this moment.
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Leader: So let us worship the God who calls us to live with patience, perseverance, and irrepressible hope.
People: We come with our lamps lit and our hearts ready, trusting that God's light will never go out.

OPENING SONG

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS Donna DeSpain, Chair of Membership

Introduction of New Members
Invitation
Covenantal Promises
Congregational Response

We, the members of Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church, United Church of Christ, welcome you with joy into our communion and fellowship. We pledge to you our support, our help and our prayers, that you may evermore increase in the knowledge and love of God. We promise, with God's help, to walk with you in Christian love, to aid you as we can, and to bind ourselves together in the common task of building here upon this earth the realm of God.

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 Matthew 25: 1-13, read by M. J. D'Angelo

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

SERMON "Great Expectations" Rev. Dr. Angela Wells-Bean

MUSICAL REFLECTION

COMMUNION *The sacrament will be offered via gluten-free, self-serve packets.*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING M. J. D'Angelo

You can donate via Venmo to (727) 200-2785 or by scanning the QR code below.

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** "When In Our Music God Is Glorified" #561

CHILDREN'S TIME Signe Webb

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ANTHEM "A Promise for Strength" David Schwoebel

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ANTHEM "Just a Little Talk with Jesus" Cleavant Derricks/arr. Mosie Lister

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Offertory "More Love to Thee, O Christ" arr. Mary McDonald

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

***CLOSING HYMN** "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" #25 (verses 1-4)

***BLESSING**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" Edwin R. Taylor

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Young Adults @ PAGBCC

Tuesday, November 10th
at 6:30 pm

Three Birds Tavern
in St. Petersburg



We're organizing a small group for folks
who are young adults, ages 25(ish) to 40(ish).

All are welcome to join us for dinner and conversation!
The gathering is hosted and organized by Pastor Angela.
Please RSVP to **SeniorPastor@PAGchurch.org**.
We look forward to seeing you there!

Yoga Class IS RETURNING!

Beginning **November 11**

Jeanne Salvo will again teach yoga on
Wednesdays and **Fridays** from
9 am until 10:15 am in Fellowship Hall.

Jeanne, a registered Kripalu yoga instructor, has a nurturing teaching style. All genders and skill levels are welcome on a regular or drop-in basis. Please bring a mat and any props you have. Cost is $10 per class, (cash or check). For more information: Jeanne at jeannesalvo@gmail.com or 727-224-7631.

Church Governance at Work

Our next Church Council meeting is

Monday, November 16 at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall

Meetings are open to church members. If you would like to listen and observe, feel free to attend. You will have an excellent view from the "gallery" of our elected leaders making decisions that impact the church and broader community.

If you're a member of PAGBCC who would like to attend,
reach out to Council President John England
at **ccprez@pagchurch.org** for the link.

Together We Gather

THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

Tuesday, November 17 @ 6 pm in Fellowship Hall

All are invited to this early holiday celebration sponsored by Men's Ministry!

Sign up in the Commons or by contacting the church office.
If possible, bring a ready-to-eat dish to share (crockpot/casserole, salad or dessert).
To make this event as eco-friendly as possible, please pack like a picnic.

For more info, please contact Ed Kuznick at 610-247-2602 or ekuznick@msn.com,
or Linda Lowe at 401-477-6700 or lindalowe1@gmail.com.

Caregivers Emotional Support Group

Jay Grabowski, a member of our church, knows from experience that sometimes caregivers feel overwhelmed and need someone to talk to free of judgement. She is leading an emotional support group on **Wednesday, November 18 at 10:30 am in the conference room. All are welcome.**

For more information, please contact Jay at 727-360-9892 (home), 727-420-9892 (cell) or **jagrabowski1102@yahoo.com**.



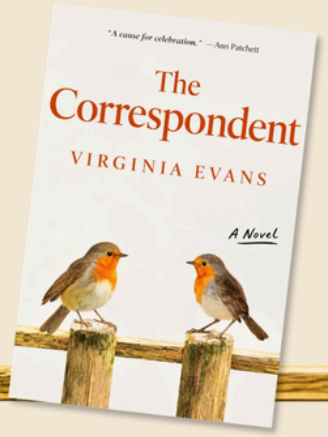
JOIN US FOR

book club

Everyone is welcome!

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5
@ 12:30 PM
in the Conference Room

The Correspondent by Virginia Evans



PLEASE HOLD THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN PRAYER

Butch Berkebile
Steve Bolin and family
Matthew, Rita and Ayana Bowie
Lorraine Danna
Ron Davis
Bob Decker
Bob Frye
Mark and Shari Hilton and family
Shannon Huckabee
Gia Ockuly
Sandra Van Deusen

and our servicemen and women

AN EVENING OF

Praise AND Thanksgiving

FEATURING

Lumina Youth Choirs - Stele



Deah McReynolds, Conductor

PAGBCC Chancel Choir and Ringers



Dale Williams, Conductor/Piano

Thursday, November 19 • 7 pm

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FREE ADMISSION

Donations will be given to the St. Pete PAL After School Program

MONDAY NOV. 9	TUESDAY NOV. 10	WEDNESDAY NOV. 11	THURSDAY NOV. 12	FRIDAY NOV. 13	SATURDAY NOV. 14	SUNDAY NOV. 15
	8 am men's prayer breakfast 9 am Piecemakers 9 am Thrift Shop open 1:30 pm Uke Kooks 6:30 pm Young Adult group dinner	9 am labyrinth prayer group 9 am yoga 5:30 pm bells rehearsal 7 pm choir rehearsal	9 am Thrift Shop open 9:30 am WOFJ	9 am yoga	9 am Thrift Shop open	8:30 am worship service 10 am worship service 6 pm youth group

REGULARLY MEETING MINISTRIES

Piecemakers Quilting Group

This group meets Tuesdays from 9 am until noon to make quilts of all sizes for the church and All Children's Hospital. Beginning and experienced quilters are welcome. For more information, please contact admin@pagchurch.org.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Our men's group meets Tuesdays at 8 am in Fellowship Hall. For more info, please contact Ed Kuznick at ekuznick@msn.com.

Women on a Faith Journey

Our women's group meets for Bible study, prayer and fellowship on Thursdays at 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall. For more info, please contact Cyndy Phillips at 972-839-6020 or cynphillips@hotmail.com.

Women's Ministry Monthly Luncheon

Women's Ministry, open to all women attending the church, hosts a luncheon on the 4th Wednesday of each month (except for November and December) at noon at Neptune Grill (5501 Shore Blvd. S., Gulfport). Join us January 27! RSVP to Patty Wirth at 630-913-9993 or pwirthrn@gmail.com.

Labyrinth Prayer Group

This group meets on the labyrinth every other Wednesday at 9 am to pray, reflect and experience God's presence through walking our labyrinth. Join us November 11. If mobility-impaired, we have a modified way to experience the labyrinth. Please contact Pastor Angela (seniorpastor@pagchurch.org) or Cora Herb (coracita@aol.com) if you have any questions.

Outreach Ministry

This ministry leads and coordinates our partnerships with non-profit organizations through volunteer opportunities and in-kind collections, locally and beyond. Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 17 at 9:30 am in the Commons. For more info, please contact Sally Scaman at sally_scaman@hotmail.com.

Social Justice Ministry

All are invited to join for discussion and event planning. Stay tuned for details on our next meeting. For more info, please contact Sally Cash at sallycash13@gmail.com.

Uke Kooks

Uke Kooks, a group for anyone who wants to get together, play their ukulele and sing fun songs, meets Tuesdays at 1:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. If you'd like to join us to sing patriotic tunes on November 11 at 9 am at Club Chalet Mobile Home Park, please contact Jo Small at josmall22319@gmail.com.

Thrift Shop

In need of: jewelry and Christmas-related items. Donations can be left in the alcove near the front door. Hours of operation: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 9 am until noon.



Help Needed

- Pastor Angela invites interested volunteers to **serve as lay leaders on Sunday mornings**. Please contact Vivian Fueyo at v.fueyo@me.com if you're interested.

Donations Needed:

- Good Samaritan Food Pantry is in need of non-perishable foods.
- St. Pete Free Clinic is in need of toiletries.
- Clothes to Kids is in need of new or gently-used children's clothing and shoes.

Donation barrels are located in Fellowship Hall.

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 (LBGTQ) 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.

Church Name Tags

Anyone in our church is welcome to have a name tag! If you'd like one, please sign up at the Welcome Table in the Narthex as you enter the Sanctuary, or email our Office Administrator, Stacey Jackson with your name and home state. Name tags can be picked up at the Welcome Table once they become available.

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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Rev. Jennifer Battaglioli, Pastoral Care • jenniferbattaglioli@gmail.com
Signe and Todd Webb, Associates for Children and Youth Ministries • signewebb@yahoo.com
Dale Williams, Choir Director and Organist/Pianist (10 AM) • dalewilliams@tampabay.rr.com
Winston Culler, Music Leader (8:30 AM)
Stacey Jackson, Office Administrator • admin@pagchurch.org