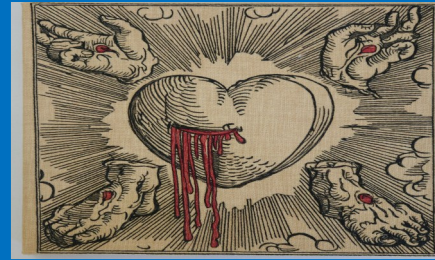


Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 2026



Our vision:

*“Joy is a spiritual community sharing the
love of Christ in a challenging world.”*

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*Our mission is to share
the Good News of grace and love with
all through worship, service, and fellowship.*

Worship text is on the screen.
****Indicates Congregation Stands if able***

Items in Italics are only for the service indicated

Prelude—"Make Songs of Joy"- arr. James Biery

***Thanksgiving for Baptism**

***Gathering Hymn: ELW #384-"That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright"**

***Greeting**

***Hymn of Praise: ELW page 204-"Glory to God"**

***Prayer of the Day**

(11:00 am) Children's Lesson

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16 (Refrain and psalm are on page 4)

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Special Music:

(8:15 am)- "Amazing Grace How Sweet The Sound"

(11:00 am)-"An Easter Fanfare"- JOY Choir

***Gospel Acclamation: -ELW page 205- "Alleluia"**

***Gospel: John 20:19-31**

Today's Message is Given by: Rev. Derek Hoven

***Hymn of the Day: ELW #379- "Now The Green Blade Rises"**

***Nicene Creed**

***The Prayers of the People**

***Passing of the Peace**

***Offertory: "That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright"**

Traditional European Tune

***Congregational Offertory: ELW #376-"Thine Is The Glory"- verse 2**

***Offertory Prayer**

***The Great Thanksgiving**

***"It is indeed right....."**

***Sanctus: - ELW page 207-"Holy, Holy, Holy"**

***Eucharistic Prayer**

***Words of Institution**

***The Lord's Prayer**

***Invitation to Communion**

***Lamb of God: ELW page 208-"Lamb of God"**

(11:00 am) Communion Meditation

"Amazing Grace How Sweet the Sound" arr. Mark Hayes

Distribution Hymns:

"The Old Rugged Cross"

ELW # 638- "Blessed Assurance"

ELW # 488- "Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladne"

***Communion Blessing**

***Prayer after Communion**

***Blessing**

***Sending Hymn: ELW #535-**

"Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises"

***Sending**

***Postlude: "Glorious Things of You Are Spoken" - arr. Ralph C. Schultz**

PSALM 16



Psalm 16:11

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In your presence there is fullness of joy. (Ps. 16:11)

- ¹ Protect me, O God, for I take ref-^l uge in you;
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good a-^l bove all
other."
- ² **All my delight is in the godly that are^l in the land,
upon those who are noble a-^l mong the people.**
- ³ But those who run after^l other gods
shall have their troubles^l multiplied.
- ⁴ **I will not pour out drink offerings^l to such gods,
never take their names up-^l on my lips. R**
- ⁵ O LORD, you are my portion^l and my cup;
it is you who up-^l hold my lot.
- ⁶ **My boundaries enclose a^l pleasant land;
indeed, I have a^l rich inheritance.**
- ⁷ I will bless the LORD who^l gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night^l after night.
- ⁸ **I have set the LORD al-^l ways before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall^l not be shaken. R**

⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;
my body also shall | rest in hope.

¹⁰ **For you will not abandon me | to the grave,
nor let your holy one | see the pit.**

¹¹ You will show me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right
hand are pleasures for- | evermore. **R**

**A 7-week Journey Through Acts
Beginning Sunday, April 19th at 9:45 in the
SANCTUARY**

We are invited to join churches across the Florida-Bahamas Synod for a 7-week Bible study on the book of Acts. Fittingly, it will coincide with Pentecost Sunday and conclude right before Synod Assembly in early June.

We will explore how the early church shared the Good News and what it means for our spiritual community to bear witness today.

Together, let's explore how God is calling us to share the Gospel in new ways.

Love, *Pastor Art*



DISCOVERING
GOD'S VISION
FOR YOUR
LIFE

*You and Your
Spiritual Gifts*

COMING IN MAY

Spiritual Gifts Discovery Class

Come as you are. Leave inspired.

Two sessions: Saturday, May 2 & May 9

(You must attend both sessions)

Time: 10:00am – Noon Swenson Hall Cost: \$10 per person

REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL 12



JOY Lutheran
Church

Thinking about becoming a member of Joy?
Would you like to learn more about us?

Join us for ...

JOY!FORMATION

Our Joy!formation classes offer a welcoming space for information, conversation, and connection. These two sessions are a chance for us to get to know one another, answer your questions, and share the wonderful ways God is at work in our congregation.

Class Dates

Tuesdays, May 12 & 19

7:00–8:30 pm • Swenson Hall



NEXT WEEK'S DATELINE

April 13, 2026 — April 19, 2026



DATELINE LEGEND: SH= SWENSON HALL; S=SANCTUARY; N=NARTHEX;
OR= OUTREACH ROOM; MG=MEMORIAL GARDEN; CG=CHURCH GROUNDS; OC=OFF CAMPUS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOC
Mon. 4/13	9:30 AM	Stephen Ministry	SH
	1:00 PM	Bible Study with Charlie	N
Tue. 4/14	10:00 AM	Property Ministry	SH
	11:00 AM	Beginners' Bible Study	SH
	1:00 PM	Finance Ministry	SH
	6:00 PM	"More About Marty" Discussion	SH
Wed. 4/15	9:00 AM	Happy Hands Ministry	SH
	9:00 AM	Joyful Hands Ministry	SH
	3:00-4:30 PM	JOY Choir Rehearsal	S
	6:30 PM	Worship Service	S
Thu. 4/16	10:00 AM	Outreach Blessing Bag Packing Day	SH
	2:00-3:00 PM	Off Key Chorale	S
	3:00 PM	Council Executive Meeting	SH
	6:30 PM	Brick City Ringers Rehearsal	S
Fri. 4/17	10:00 AM	JOY Handbell Choir Rehearsal	S
	1:00-3:00 PM	Cleaning Service	S/SH
Sun. 4/19	8:15 & 11:00 AM	Worship Service	S
	9:45 AM	"Journey Through Acts" Bible Study	S
	3:00 PM	Janet Voyles Students Concert (Closed)	S
Altar Angels	8:15/11:00	Susanne Beeh, Peggy Dietz/ Linda Neblock, Vicki Valli	S
Ambassadors	8:15/11:00	Jean Beaver/Doris & Lee Bay	N
Fellowship	8:15/11:00	Ethel Kleiner/Dessert First	N
Ushering	8:15/11:00	Groth/Faris	S
Counters		Carolyn Cummings, Tom Ittner	SH

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

John Cobb-Health
Robert Cretul* – Cancer
Violet Frey-Health Issues
Guy Griemey*-Cancer
Susan Holmes-Health
Linda Kraigenow-Recovery
Ed Mathena-Surgical Recovery
Abby Owen*-Cancer
Dolly Schember-Health
Schiaivone family-Breavement passing of Eugene
Brian Shull*-Special Circumstances
Nancy Spitzack*-Family Issues
Kristen Spivey*-Preparing to be a kidney donor
Samantha Stafferi*-Possible Cancer
Lee & Edie Stewart – Health

Helen Vance*-Cancer
Maggie Vanek-Recovery
Ken Warner*- Lung Cancer
Dawn Winblad-Cancer Treatment

Bertha Hendrickson-Assisted Living
Cynthia Randall-Memory Care



LifeSouth Community Blood Drive Update:

I wanted to share with all of you the results of our blood drive last month as sent to us by our LifeSouth Account Representative. Thanks to all of you for supporting the Blood Drive. We have one more drive on May 24th. The magic number, again, is 15. If we meet it, we will be eligible for another grant.


Alexander V., William J.

Mar.30, 2026 9:42 am

“Good morning! I just wanted to reach out and say congratulations we got the minimum of 15 donors yesterday to qualify for the grant! We finished 18 donors registers with a total of 16 units so that great! I have filled out all the paperwork and sent it to our accounting team, I am not sure when the check will get cut but I will get it to as soon as we get it “

Will Alexander, Account Representative, LifeSouth Community Blood Centers

ATTENDANCE			
THURSDAY	04/02/2026	6:30 PM	55
FRIDAY	04/03/2026	6:30 PM	103
SUNDAY	04/05/2026	6:45 AM	40
	04/05/2026	8:15 AM	108
	04/05/2026	11:00 AM	171



**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR
TODAY ARE PLACED BY**

**RANDY PYERS
IN MEMORY OF
HIS MOTHER**

BLESSING BAGS 2026

**The Blessing Bag packing day is rapidly approaching!
We are very excited to be packing 50 bags for Isaiah 117 house
and 5 bags for the girls at the Joy house.**

**We were overwhelmed with the Love donations
we received from the congregation!**

**We shopped and will have a wonderful bag full of things for
the children. In addition we have pajamas and comfy clothes,
tee shirts and socks for the "bins" at Isaiah house.**

**The staff will be able to choose the correct size
for either boy or girl .**

**These items will not be packed in the bags but will be
available as the children need them.**

**The items for the Joy house girls have been purchased with
Kohls Cash we earned by shopping at Kohls
for the pajamas and tee shirts and socks.**

**Stop by after church and see the wonderful assortment of
things for the bags and bins!**

**Remember packing day APRIL 16th at 10:00 in Swenson Hall!
All are invited and welcome!**

**Thank you for your love and support for this wonderful out-
reach mission!**

Outlook Ministry Team

Seasons of JOY

Concert Series

2025-26 Season

A New Musical Adventure



RareSong, the First Coast Renaissance Ensemble, will present *Greetings from the First Coast*, a concert that will illustrate why that part of Florida has that nickname. Their program features Spanish and French vocal and instrumental music from the 16th century using recorders, violas da gamba, and harpsichord. They know that these transplanted Europeans brought a variety of musical instruments with them and they indulged in dances and social gatherings. They will evoke their spirit in our performance of lively and lyrical music.

April 26, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary
at JOY Lutheran Church (7045 SW 83rd Place, Ocala, FL 34476)
Free Admission. Reception follows concert.


THANKS TO TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAMS		
	8:15 AM	11:00 AM
Assistant Minister	Sharon Fairchild	Paul Hyatt
Reader	Randy Pyers	Susan Jobbagy
Cross Bearer	Diane Julian	Terry Feeley
Communion Assistant		
Ushering Team	Heinzen	Owen
Food & Fellowship	Sally Hurley	Tasty Treats
Altar Angels	Susanne Beech, Peggy Dietz	Linda Neblock, Vicki Valli
Ambassadors	Becky Spees	Diane Knox
Counters	Judy & Joe Spillane	

OUR STAFF	
Administrative Assistant	Zsuzsanna Jobbagy
Director of Music	Silas Daniel
Choir Director	Linda Aker
Handbell Choir Director	Melissa Daniel
Treasurer	Terry Owen
Sexton	Carson Faris

OFFICE HOURS:-

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am—3:30 pm CLOSED ON FRIDAY

	<p><u>FOR OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS</u> Our bulletin and music for the hymns is available on our website and can be accessed by scanning the QR code on the LEFT. It will take you to our Worship Tools : click on <u>HYMNS</u> You can view the music for the entire service on your phone or i-pad.</p>
	<p><i>Our Sanctuary is 'hearing aid-friendly' and also connects with Bluetooth devices. "</i></p>

	<p>Scan the QR code for On-Line Giving Opportunities</p>
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