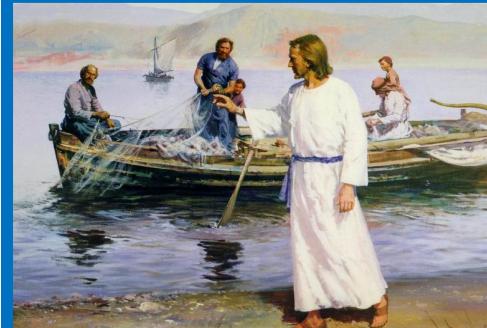


*Third Sunday  
After Epiphany  
January 25, 2026*



*Our vision:  
"Joy is a spiritual community sharing the  
love of Christ in a challenging world."*

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**JOY** Lutheran  
Church

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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*

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**Prelude—“When I Behold Jesus Christ” —arr. Elizabeth J. Grimpo**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness**

**\*Gathering Hymn—ELW 513—"Listen God is Calling"**

**\*Greeting**

**\*Hymn of Praise: “Glory to God” - ELW page 185**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

***Children’s Lesson –(11:00)***

**First Reading: Isaiah 9: 1-4**

***(8:15) Psalm 27: “The Lord’s My Savior and My Light”***

***The music for the Psalm is on pg. 4 of the bulletin.***

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18**

**Special Music:**

***(8:15)—“Abba, Father”-com. Austin North***

***(11:00)—“Rain Down” - JOY Choir***

**\*Gospel Acclamation: -“Alleluia”-ELW page 188**

**\*Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23**

**Today’s Message is Given by: Pr. Art Wuertz**

**\*Hymn of the Day: ELW #798- “Will You Come and Follow Me?”**

**\*Apostles’ Creed**

**\*The Prayers of the People**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Offertory: "Brightest and Best of the Stars"-com. James P. Harding**

**\*Congregational Offertory: ELW # 302-verse 4**  
**"As With Gladness, Men of Old"**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**\*The Great Thanksgiving**

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

**\*Sanctus: "Holy, Holy, Holy"- ELW page 190**

**\*Eucharistic Prayer**

**\*Words of Institution**

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Invitation to Communion**

**\*Lamb of God: "Lamb of God"-ELW page 191**

**(11:00)-Communion Meditation: "Abba, Father" com. Austin North**

**Distribution Hymns:**

**ELW # 481-"Come to the Table"**

**CCLI # 500372-"Behold the Lamb"**

**ELW # 471-"Let Us Break Bread Together"**

**\*Communion Blessing**

**\*Prayer after Communion**

**\*Blessing**

**\*Sending Hymn: ELW #815-"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"**

**\*Sending**

**\*Postlude: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"-arr. Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.**

## Psalm 27 - The Lord's My Savior and My Light

1. The LORD's my sav - iour and my light -- who  
2. One thing I'll plead be - fore the LORD, and  
3. For in his dwell - ing he will keep me  
4. LORD, hear me when I call to you; be

will make me dis - mayed? The LORD's the strong - hold  
this I'll seek al - ways: That I may come with -  
safe in trou - bled days; With - in his tent he'll  
mer - ci - ful and speak! "Come, seek my face!" you

of my life -- why should I be a - fraid?  
in God's house and dwell there all my days.  
shel - ter me, and on a rock me raise.  
told my heart; your face, LORD, I will seek.

# Seasons of JOY

Concert Series

2025-26 Season

*A New Musical Adventure*

**John A. Behnke, organ**

Join us for a special concert with Dr. John A. Behnke, who is the Minister of Traditional Music at Lakeside Lutheran Church, Venice, FL. He has played organ concerts and hymn festivals throughout the USA, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Latvia, Taiwan, and Japan. He enjoys composing and arranging music having over 550 compositions in print with nineteen different publishers in the United States, Germany, Hong Kong and Taiwan.



**January 25, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary

at JOY Lutheran Church (7045 SW 83rd Place, Ocala, FL 34476)

Free Admission. Reception follows concert.

## THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Dale Anders & family\*-Health issues  
Patty Braswell\*-Illness  
Bob Bleau--Recovery  
John Caputo\*-Heart Issue  
John Cobb-Health  
Robert Cretul\* – Cancer  
Carol Daruna\*-Cancer Diagnosis  
Virginia Dockus' Granddaughter\*-Bleeding in Brain  
Aud Enslow\*-Healing  
Violet Frey-Health Issues  
Elaine Grass\*-Recovery from Stroke  
Grace Hansen-Health Concerns  
Trudie Herzog\*-Illness  
Susan Holmes-Health  
Bruce Hopkins & Family\*-LOMS  
Billy Hubbard\*-Stage 4 Cancer  
Bob Irish – Health  
Jake's Grandfather Bob-Concerns  
Barbara Johnson - Stroke  
Nancy Kraft-Healing  
Gary Linton\*-Severely Ill  
Ed Mathena-Surgical Recovery

Julie Mugherman\*-Hospitalization  
Steven Mendez\*-Recovery  
Dren Miller\*-Mental Health  
Doris & Raymond Ness\*-Health Issues  
Abby Owen\*-Cancer  
Deb Pequignot\*-Brain Tumor  
Pam Rodriguez\*-Cancer  
Dolly Sember-Health  
Katie Schoenfelder-Health  
Brian Shull\*-Special Circumstances  
Nancy Spitzack\*-Family Issues  
Debbie Spivey\*-Cancer  
Kristen Spivey\*-Preparing to be a kidney donor  
Lee & Edie Stewart – Health  
Helen Vance\*-Cancer  
Ken Warner\*- Lung Cancer  
Mary Wilson\*-Illness  
Dawn Winblad-Cancer Treatment  
  
Bertha Hendrickson-Assisted Living  
Cynthia Randall-Memory Care  
Patricia Randall-Sales-Memory Care



**The flowers on the Altar today are placed by  
DOUG JUHL and LYNNE SHINEMAN  
In Honor of their  
Wedding Anniversary**



## DATELINE

JOY

**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. 1/26	9:30 AM	Stephen Ministry	SH
Tue. 1/27	11:00 AM	Beginners' Bible Study	SH
	7:00 PM	JOY! Formation-New Member Class	SH
Wed. 1/28	9:00 AM	Happy Hands Ministry	SH
	9:30 AM	Joyful Hands Ministry	SH
	3:00-4:30 PM	JOY Choir Rehearsal	S
	5:30 PM	Worship Service	S
Thu. 1/29		Interfaith Dinner Share	OC
	6:30 PM	Brick City Ringers Rehearsal	S
Fri. 1/30		HVAC Maintenance	S/SH
	10:00 AM	JOY Handbell Choir Rehearsal	S
Sat. 1/31	10:00 AM-12:00	Spiritual Gifts Class	SH
	2:00-4:00 PM	Cleaning Service	S/SH
Sun. 2/1	7:30am-1:00 PM	LifeSouth Blood Drive	CG
	8:15 AM	Worship Service	S
	11:00 AM	Worship Service	S
Ushers	8:15/11:00	Kleiner/Meier	S
Alter Angels	8:15/11:00	Jean Groth/Irene Henderson, Linda Neblock	S
Fellowship	8:15/11:00	Cheryl Burck/WVZ Girls	N

ATTENDANCE			
WEDNESDAY	01/14/2026	5:30 PM	19
SUNDAY	01/18/2026	8:15 AM	56
	01/18/2026	11:00 AM	114



## **Note from WELCA.....**

**It's never too early to plan ahead! The next WELCA meeting is February 16 at 11AM. Once again, we will have a dynamic speaker, and, as always, delicious food.**

**Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Mark your calendar.  
Plan to have a laugh or two, excellent fellowship and a speaker.  
Come join us!                   Carson Faris**

# Come join us! Carson Faris

# Seasons of JOY

## Concert Series

- Your help is Needed!!!  
The Concert Series is looking for  
someone to oversee the  
Hospitality refreshments

following Joy's once each month concerts. Please contact Linda Aker for information and/or if you would be willing to volunteer for this. Tel.# 352-291-7597 or 352-895-2473

*Mark your calendars for Sunday, February 15, 2026 when:*

## **THE HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS ARE GOING TO BE OUR GUESTS**

# HEAR THEIR STORY AND SEE THEIR BEAUTIFUL OLIVEWOOD CRAFTS



## What are your spiritual gifts? How can you use them?

Join us for an exciting Spiritual Gifts Discovery and learn how God has uniquely endowed you. Whether you're new to faith or looking to grow deeper, this class will help you identify your gifts and find your place in the body of Christ.

**Two Saturday sessions. Both sessions required.  
Cost: \$10 for materials.**

*January classes sold out!*

**Check the Bulletin Board in the Narthex to register your interest in future classes!**

## *Joy!formation – New Member Orientation*

*Are you interested in learning more about becoming a member of Joy?*

*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, January 27 & February 3  
7:00–8:30 pm • Swenson Hall*

*(Swenson Hall is located at the far end of the parking lot. A map is available at [www.joylcocala.org](http://www.joylcocala.org).)*

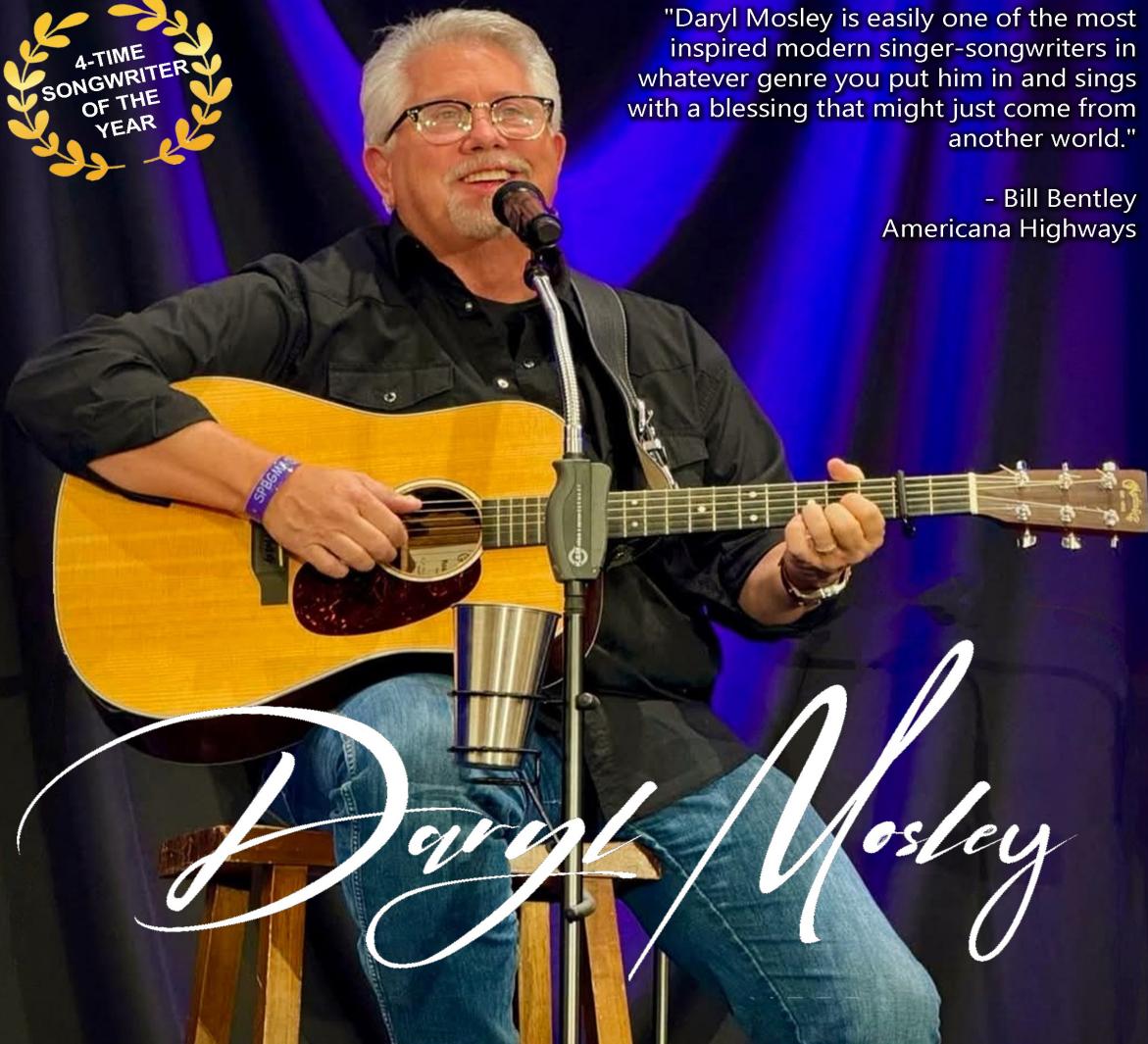
*New members will be received on Sunday, February 8, 2026, at the service of your choice (Sun. 8:15am or 11:00 am, or Wed. 5:30 pm).*

*We look forward to welcoming you into the Joy family.*



"Daryl Mosley is easily one of the most inspired modern singer-songwriters in whatever genre you put him in and sings with a blessing that might just come from another world."

- Bill Bentley  
Americana Highways



**SINGER   SONGWRITER   STORYTELLER**

**Saturday, February 14 2pm**

**Joy Lutheran Church**  
7045 SW 83rd Pl; Ocala, FL

[www.darylmosley.com](http://www.darylmosley.com)

**COMING SOON: .....BIBLE STUDY...**

*With Charlie.....*

*Are you ready for a new adventure in bible study?*

*It's happening! Beginning:*

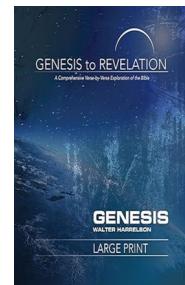
*Monday, February 2nd, 2026 at 1:00 pm, in the Narthex*

*Prepare to navigate : “GENESIS to REVELATION”*

**Participants will need to purchase the book:**

**Genesis to Revelation: Genesis Participant Book  
by Walter Harrelson (Author)**

**The book is available through  
Amazon and Barnes & Noble**



**LIFE SOUTH BLOOD MOBILE**

**COMING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2026-7:30 am -1:00 pm**

**How would you like to be a real** 

**It is easier than you think: no training is involved, just a bit of your time.**

**It happens every time someone walks into the blood mobile and donates blood. A single donation of whole blood saves 3 lives. Walk-ins are welcome, or you can make an appointment.**

**Spread the word that JOY is hosting a blood drive. Our goal is to get 15 donors. If we reach our goal, JOY can qualify for a \$300 community grant from Life South for our efforts. It is their way of giving back to their community hosts.**

**The importance of donors can never be understated.**



Joy Evangelical Lutheran Church

February 1<sup>st</sup>

7:30am-1:00pm



THANKS TO TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAMS		
	8:15 AM	11:00 AM
Assistant Minister	Donna Schmidt	Jill Davis
Reader	Sharon Fairchild	Jean Kutscher
Cross Bearer	Deacon Darlene Haines	Noreen Brown
Communion Assistant	Edie Heinzen	Vicki Valli
Ushering Team	VOYLES	WILLOUGHBY
Food & Fellowship	Penny Davis	Dessert First
Altar Angels	Peggy Dietz, Susanne Beech	Judy Fields, Vicki Valli
Counters		

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**



**FOR OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS**

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 HYMNS  
You can view the music for the entire service on your phone or i-pad.

*Our Sanctuary is 'hearing aid-friendly'  
and also connects with Bluetooth devices.'*



Scan the QR code for On-Line Giving Opportunities