



# News at Paw Creek

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## From the Pastor...

Dear Friends,

Believe it or not, it is already November! And that means the next eight weeks are going to be BUSY. As I write this, Thanksgiving is only two weeks away, and of course the Advent and Christmas seasons are not far behind.

During this time of year, it can seem that Sunday worship is just a time to come to church and find another special cause or event. But of course what is most important in worship is that we focus on God and Christ. Our special events, even at holiday time, should be seen through the eyes of the Gospel. And we should ask ourselves - how is God glorified in the things we do this day?

I want to pledge to you that I, along with the choir, music staff, and worship committee, are working hard to be sure that the plans we make for the coming weeks will live up to the standards of the Gospel. In return, I hope that you will make it a point to be part of our worship each week. We look forward to seeing you!

Our schedule for the next few weeks includes:

**Veterans' Recognition** - Sunday, November 12

**Stewardship and Thanksgiving** - Sunday, November 19

**Thanksgiving Day** - Thursday, November 23 at 8:00 am

**Christ the King Sunday** - Sunday, November 26.

Blessings, Elliott

## Congregational Elections

On Sunday, October 22, the Congregation of Paw Creek Presbyterian Church held elections for officers. The following were elected:

### Session, Class of 2020

Tim Gray  
Donna Hall  
Toni Torrence  
Joy Tyler

### Cemetery Committee

Tommy Miller  
Jerry Mullis

### Endowment Committee

Ann Cashion  
Ron Mathews

Our new elders will receive training and then, after examination by the Session, will be ordained and/or installed in early January.

Let us thank all of these church members for their willingness to accept God's call to serve and lead.

## Offerings & Attendance



### Offerings:

October 29 - \$5,582.00  
November 05 - \$10,470.00

### S/S Attendance:

October 29 - 54  
November 05 - 65

### Worship Attendance:

October 29 - 125  
November 05 - 154

## *Prayer Concerns & Celebrations*

**Prayer Concerns:**

- Malinda Shannon passed away last Thursday. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Margaret Stewart fell Tuesday.
- Flora Mae Love fell and broke her hip. Had surgery and is at Novant Matthews.
- Eddie Chapman’s neighbor, John Williams needs prayers.
- Karen Page is having health issues & needs prayers.

**Celebrations:**

- Elliott’s Installation Service went well on Sunday!
- Bobbie and Erskine Foard celebrated 69 years of marriage!
- Sarah Mullis is doing better.

**Keep in Your Prayers:**

- Hoyt & Jean Johnston
- Mary Frances Lail
- Flora Mae Love
- Dave Reames
- Marlene Thames
- Melinda Shannon
- Sue Love
- Caregivers



## *Service Assignments*

**Count Team:**

**Team Leaders:** Peggy Harrington & Linda Riggins  
**Team:** Teresa Painter, Larry Ramsey, Bob Rudisill & Joy Tyler

**Ushers:**

**Team Leaders:** Frances Lyerly  
**Team:** Frances Lyerly, Betty Fields, Donna and Chris Timberman

**Greeters:**

**Narthex:** Virginia Staton & Ken Scott  
**East Wing:** TBD  
**West Wing:** Barbara Ullem

**Prayer Team:**

**11/12** Kay Searce & Ann Cashion  
**11/19** Donna & Gene Hall

**CD Delivery (Mondays):**

**11/13** Linda Riggins  
**11/20** Linda Riggins

**Nursery - Crib Room:**

**11/12** Christy Corder  
**11/19** Joy Tyler

**Nursery - Toddler Room:**

**11/12** Sarah Cox  
**11/19** Tim Sudderth & Leslie Joy

## *Visitation Schedule*

**Visiting Teams for November**

Linda Riggins & Ann Cashion  
 Susan Kenley & Toni Torrence  
 Donna & Gene Hall  
 Joyce & Leslie Joy  
 Virginia Oates & Harold Staton  
 Barbara Ullem & Teresa Painter  
 Emily Adkins & Angie Ross  
 Grady & Karen Cathey  
 Frances Lyerly & Jane McArver  
 Margaret White & Judy Smith

**Special Friends to be Visited:**

Rennie Auten  
 Bill Faust  
 Mike Johnson  
 Jean Johnston  
 Mary Frances Lail  
 Joe Troutman  
 Dave Reames  
 Richard Rumble  
 Flora Mae Love  
 Allen Wingate (& Laura)

**Cards**

All Teams  
  
 All Teams

Bryce & Anne Moore, Anne Glasscock, Bob & Marie Love, Sue Love

Bertha Ellis, Mary Margaret Riggins, Marlene Thames, Ralph & Harriet Underwood, Stella Whitlock





**New Bible Study Series**

*Weekly Bible Study*

Identical discussion classes will meet on Wednesdays at 10:00am and Thursdays at 5:30pm. Each week we will study the Scripture reading for the following Sunday in worship.

Everyone is welcome to come give it a try. We will be delighted to have you!

**Schedule for Bible Study**

November 8/9	Matthew 25:1-13
November 15/16	Matthew 25:14-30
November 22/23	Thanksgiving Break
November 29-30	Mark 13:24-37
December 6/7	Mark 1:1-8
December 13/14	Luke 1:26-38



**Bright Blessings**

Please join Bailie Joy and the youth group in supporting Bright Blessings. This non-profit organization hosts birthday parties for children in homeless shelters in our area. As well they host baby showers for expecting mothers living in these shelters.

We will be collecting various items for the baby showers and there are tags with specific needs located on the wooden board at the front of the church. Please take a tag and return your item unwrapped by **11/15**. You can leave them in the narthex or youth room.

Thank you for your support and if you have any questions, please see Bailie.



**DONATE BLOOD!**

\*YOU MUST PRESENT A CURRENT, OFFICIALLY ISSUED PHOTO ID TO DONATE\*

**Paw Creek Presbyterian Church**

**Date:** Sunday, November 19, 2017

**Time:** 8:00am - 11:00am

**Location:** 7400 Mount Holly Road - In the Gym

**Appointments:** Sign-up after services or call Tim Sudderth at 704-877-8498

**Free T-shirt for all presenting donors!**

Annual Puppies for Patients Program



**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**

We will be accepting donations for the Community Disaster Response Team (CDRT) Gifts of the Heart kits: Clean up buckets, hygiene kits, and school kits. Clean up buckets will be donated to the CDRT of Charlotte, hygiene kits and school kits will be shipped to the one of the locations listed on the website.

Details are at the link below:  
<http://pda.pcusa.org/page/kits/>

Local projects and details for online giving thru the Charlotte presbytery are at the link below:  
<http://www.presbyofcharlotte.org/program-areas/council/cdrt/>

Please contact Tim Sudderth with questions. (704-877-8498)

## Brick Fundraiser

Leave A Lasting Legacy!

To help raise money for the playground upgrade we are selling brick pavers. The brick pavers will be incorporated in a prayer garden to improve the look of the entrance to the church.

Each brick paver cost \$40

Perfect gift for that hard to buy for special person in your life to celebrate their birthday, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Graduation, Anniversary, etc. Wording examples are family names, bible verses, sayings, in honor and in memory of loved ones, to celebrate baptisms, groups, classes, etc.

Order forms are available in the Narthex and the Church Office. This is also part of our Church Beautification project.



## Young Adult Class

### *Young Adult Class*

#### Young Adult Class

When: Second Sundays 4pm-6pm (October 8, November 12, December 10)

Where: Youth Room in the West Wing

Who: 18-still identify as a young adult

Why: To help young adults engage with the Bible in new ways, engage in fellowship, and build up one another

Contact: Victoria Krebs (704)421-4909 for more information or to arrange child care.

#### Young Adult Outing

Fun Outing to Escape Room on November 24th. Reserve your spot! \$25 / meet at the church at 2:00 to go escape "The Mansion"

Contact Victoria Krebs (704) 421-4909 vkrebs@yahoo.com



### *Thanksgiving Day*

On Thanksgiving morning, **Thursday, November 23**, all are invited to join for the annual Thanksgiving worship service and breakfast. We will gather in the sanctuary at 8:00 am to give thanks for all God's bounty in this year. And then we will adjourn to the CFC for breakfast and fellowship. What a great, quiet way to start the holiday with God! Please stick the turkey in the oven, set the timer, and come join us.

### *Christian Education Meetings*

Christian Ed will now only be meeting as needed. The next meeting will be **Jan. 7th** immediately following the Church service.

Thank you!

### *Seek, Serve, Praise, Love, Christ Wall*

What is the Seek, Serve, Praise, Love, Christ Wall in Sanctuary? Congregational Care is sponsoring an activity wall that focuses on our mission of seeking, serving, praising, and loving Christ. Any Session committee or related group that has an approved project that needs congregational assistant can post these on tags that can be placed on the hooks on the wall. Members are encouraged to take a tag and follow through with the mission. Once the complete, you simply bring the tag back and place it on the foot of the wall for later dedication and celebration.

One of the upcoming missions is a focus on the service of our veterans in honor of Veterans day in November. We will be hanging tags with the names of Paw Creek veterans, military bases, Naval ships, etc., on the wall. We will then ask for the members to take a tag and pray for those on the tag for the month of November. We also want input from the Congregation...so, if you know the name and the location for a veteran or member of the armed forces who may be a family member, friend, or neighbor, and is in need of prayer, please feel free to contact the Church office with their name and location and we will add them to the board.





*Room in the Inn*

Greetings! We are gearing up for another successful year serving our neighbors. Karen Cathey has handed the reins over to me. I would like to have a point of contact for these areas: meals, overnight supervisors, transportation and laundry Jon Kenley has graciously volunteered to be the point of contact for the transportation. If you are interested in the other roles. please let me know.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask! Please feel free to forward to any group you may be involved in that would like to help.

Thank you!  
Stephanie Sudderth  
704-877-8499



*Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes*

If you would like to fill a shoebox, please do so and return them to the church this Sunday or next Sunday. There will be instructions and labels in the narthex and at the side entrances to the sanctuary if you need them.

*Upcoming Youth Events*



**VETERANS DAY  
HONORING  
STORIES  
VETERAN FAMILIES  
SHARE WITH THE YOUTH**

November 11, 2017  
Youth Room  
Snacks will be served  
10-11am



Please join us for our  
**CHRISTMAS**  
@ P A W C R E E K  
YOUTH FUNDRAISER  
COMMUNITY CULINARY SCHOOL  
FANCY DANISH SALE

Pre-Order fresh Danishes for \$30 the dozen, Mix & Match  
Apple, Cheese, Cherry & Peacan  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Flavor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

*Saturday*  
**NOV 18**  
8:00am-2pm



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Presbyterian Church

P.O. BOX 64  
Paw Creek, NC 28130-0064

Seek ..... Matthew 6:33  
 Serve ..... 1 Samuel 12:24  
 Praise ..... Psalm 111:1  
 Love Christ! ..... 1 John 4:12

*Lord, we thank you for...*

**Have a Prayer Request?** To put someone on our prayer chain, obtain permission from the person or family involved, then call:

Judy Smith (704) 392-2892

-or-

Kay Scarce (704) 825-4446

**Know someone Who Needs a Visit?**

Please contact the Church Office or Rev.

Hipp (704) 392-0329



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12**  
 "WHO'S FOOLISH? WHO'S WISE?"  
 MATTHEW 25:1-13

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19**  
 "THE THINGS THAT MAKE FOR JOY"  
 MATTHEW 25:14-30

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23**  
 "BIRDS AND FLOWERS"  
 MATTHEW 6:25-33

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26**  
 "ETERNAL LIFE"  
 MATTHEW 25:31-46

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3**  
 "FLOATING ON THE CLOUDS"  
 MARK 13:24-37

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10**  
 "THE MESSENGER"  
 MARK 1:1-8

*Church Calendar*

Each Week...

**Sunday**

9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am Worship Service  
 12:15pm Children's Choir Practice

**Monday - Thursday**

9:00am - 3:00pm Church Office Hours

**Monday—Friday**

11:30am Senior Lunch Program

**Monday**

7:00pm Girl Scouts

**Tuesday**

6:30am Men's Bible Study  
 9:00am Cardio Fitness  
 7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Wednesday**

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm MS/HS Youth Group  
 6:00pm Children Connecting w/Christ (CCC)  
 7:00pm Cub Scouts

**Thursday**

9:00am Cardio Fitness  
 6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice

Future Happenings...

**Wednesday, November 8**

9:30am Happy Hearts Senior Trip  
 10:00am Adult Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm Youth / CCC

**Thursday, November 9**

5:30pm Adult Bible Study

**Sunday, November 12**

11:00am Veteran's Sunday

**Monday, November 13**

7:00pm Christian Ed Committee Meeting

**Wednesday, November 15**

10:00am Adult Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm Youth / CCC

**Thursday, November 16**

5:30pm Adult Bible Study

**Saturday, November 18**

8:00am Men's Breakfast @Circle G  
 8:00am Christmas in Paw Creek

**Sunday, November 19**

8:00am Blood Drive  
 12:45pm Long Session Mtg.

**Monday, November 20**

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

**Wednesday, November 22**

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm \*\*No Youth / CCC

**Thursday, November 23**

8:00am Thanksgiving Day Service / Breakfast  
 \*\*Church Office Closed - Happy Thanksgiving!!

**Tuesday, November 28**

7:00pm Stitches for Missions - Parlor

**Wednesday, November 29**

10:00am Adult Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm Youth / CCC

**Thursday, November 30**

5:30pm Adult Bible Study

**Friday, December 1**

6:00pm Session/Staff Christmas Dinner