

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 14, 2022

Eleven O'clock

WELCOME INTO GOD'S HOUSE (responsive)

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit are in our midst.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Leader: We are the Body of Christ, and Christ beckons us come to his open arms, and we will receive Fellowship, Joy, Blessedness and Peace.

Congregation: **Alleluia!**

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE "Lord I Want To Be A Christian In My Heart" arr. Jim Lucas

CHORAL INTROIT "Seek Ye First" Karen Lafferty

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 30)

Sing to the Lord, you faithful servants;
give thanks for the remembrance of God's holiness.

I will exalt you, O Lord,
because you have lifted me up.

My heart sings to you without ceasing;
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks forever.

*HYMN 327 "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

PRAYER OF THE DAY (in unison)

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith; forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, may we run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Response in Song—Hymn 701 "Lord, Prepare Me"
**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM "Lead Me Lord" Samuel Sebastian Wesley

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ecclesiastes 3:1-17

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;
a time to tear, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.

What gain have the workers from their toil? I have seen the business that God has given to everyone to be busy with. He has made everything suitable for its time; moreover he has put a sense of past and future into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; moreover, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil. I know that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it; God has done this, so that all should stand in awe before him. That which is, already has been; that which is to be, already is; and God seeks out what has gone by.

Moreover I saw under the sun that in the place of justice, wickedness was there, and in the place of righteousness, wickedness was there as well. I said in my heart, God will judge the righteous and the wicked, for he has appointed a time for every matter, and for every work.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 13:3-13; 28-31

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

"As for yourselves, beware; for they will hand you over to councils; and you will be beaten in synagogues; and you will stand before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them. And the good news must first be proclaimed to all nations. When they bring you to trial and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to say; but say whatever is given you at that time, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

*HYMN 630

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

SERMON

Reading the Signs of the Time

*APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" arr. Jim Lucas

*DOXOLOGY "Old Hundredth"

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen.**

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Leader: Blessed are you, God of all creation.
Congregation: **Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.**
Leader: Accept and use our offerings for your glory.
Congregation: **And for the service of your kingdom.**
All: **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Beginning with Joys and Concerns, and concluding with *The Lord's Prayer, in unison*

*HYMN 300 "We Are One in the Spirit"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*Response in Song—Hymn 541 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"
**God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

"Fugue in C Major" George Frideric Handel

*Those who are able, please stand

Welcome to Paw Creek Presbyterian Church!

We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), two centuries young and committed to living out the Gospel today as we Seek, Serve, Praise and Love Christ. If you are a visitor today, we are especially glad that you are here. We hope that you will leave us a record of your visit by completing a visitor card and placing it in the offering plate. Feel free to contact our pastor, Elliott Hipp, with questions or prayer concerns: deh46@columbia.edu or 704-502-2143. Please come again soon.

Worshipping On-Line

Our worship service is also streamed live each week, and is available to watch later in the week as well. For Facebook and YouTube links, please visit pawcreekpc.org. When you worship with us from home, you can use an on-line version of our *Glory to God* hymnal so that you can sing along or follow the words to the hymns. For phone or tablet, search "Glory to God" in your app store. For computer, go to hymnary.org/hymnal/GG2013 and click on the hymn number. Most hymns are available, although there are a few that cannot be displayed due to copyright restriction.

PASTORAL SCHEDULE

Elliott will be on vacation August 8 - 21 and return to the office Monday, August 22. If any pastoral needs arise during this time, please be sure to contact any member of the Session.

GUEST PREACHER

This morning we are pleased to welcome Dr. James Thomas back to the pulpit.

Before retirement Dr. Thomas served as pastor of Clanton/South End Presbyterian Church, and as a member of the executive staff of Charlotte Presbytery. He has also held pastorates in Georgia, Nebraska and Ohio. We are grateful for his leadership this morning.

UPCOMING SERMON TITLES & SCRIPTURES

Sunday, August 21

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Guest Preacher—Rev. Betsy Williamson

Sunday, August 28

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16
"Angels Unawares"

PC PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

We are beginning to work on materials for the 2022-2023 year for Paw Creek Presbyterian Women. If any of your contact information has changed, please send your new information to knoturner@gmail.com. Thanks, ~Karen

STITCHES FOR MISSIONS

The Stitches for Missions group will have our next meeting on **Saturday, August 20th, at 10:30am** in the Church Parlor. Hope to See You There!!

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES LEADER

Paw Creek is currently looking for a Children and Youth Ministries Leader. If you are interested, please follow the link on our website or Contact Celia Gray for more information.

CHRISTMAS IN PAW CREEK

ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR
Sponsored by Troop 70
Saturday, **November 19, 2022**
8:00 am—2:00 pm
Paw Creek Presbyterian Church—CFC
Breakfast / Barbeque sold by Scout Troop 70
If interested in a booth, Please call Jan McClure at (704) 394-8481 (leave a msg)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

August 7 through September 4 - Sunday School Classes will not meet.

Instead, please come to the Chapel in the West Wing each Sunday:

10:15-10:30 Prayer time in the Chapel
10:30-10:45 Fellowship time in the Chapel before church

With prepackaged snacks, water & juice.

Regular Sunday classes resume on Sunday, September 11.

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church Staff:

Pastor Elliott Hipp
Director of Music Andrew Cumbow
Pianist Mark Burleson
Administrative Assistant / Webmaster Kim Whittington
Videography Coordinator Clint Shaw

The Session

Moderator: Elliott Hipp Clerk: Mary Ellen Edwards
General Treasurer: Danny McClure Cemetery Treasurer: Brian Gross Endowment Treasurer:

Class of 2022

Paul Bradley
Karen Cathey
Mary Ellen Edwards
Danny McClure

Class of 2023

Celia Gray
Peggy Harrington
Sam McCord
Barbara Ullem

Class of 2024

Gene Hall
Jim Pinkston
David Turner

Committee Chairs

Mission Team: Sam McCord
Christian Education: Barbara Ullem
Congregational Care: Karen Cathey
Fellowship: Sam McCord
Outreach: Celia Gray
Worship: David Turner

Resource Team: Jim Pinkston
Administration: Eddie McArver
Finance: Mary Ellen Edwards / Gene Hall
Property: Sam McCord
Cemetery Sub-Committee: Phillip McCord
Endowment Sub-Committee:

Strategic Planning Team: Paul Bradley

Celia Gray, Jim Pinkston, Jim Stogner, Karen Turner

Sunday School Officers: Sarah Kendrick & Jim Stogner

Children's Ministry: Barbara Ullem & Victoria Krebs

Presbyterian Women

Moderator: Karen Turner

Secretary: Donna Hall

Historian: Dina Salvo

Go & Grow Circle Moderator: Gerri Ann Shaw

Special Givings: Celia Gray

Treasurer: Melissa Mullis

Backpack Buddies: Jane McArver, Belinda Springs & Teresa Painter

Life Seekers Circle Moderator: Dina Salvo

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 14

***No Sunday School during August**

10:15am Prayer Time (Chapel)
11:00am Worship—Guest: Dr. James Thomas

Tuesday, August 16

9:00am Cardio Fitness
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, August 17

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, August 18

6:30am Men's Bible Study
9:00am Cardio Fitness
6:30pm Mission Team Mtg.
6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice

Saturday, August 20

10:30am Stitches for Missions

Sunday, August 21

***No Sunday School during August**

10:15am Prayer Time (Chapel)
11:00am Worship—Guest: Rev. Betsy Williamson

Tuesday, August 23

9:00am Cardio Fitness
12:00pm Newsletter Deadline
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, August 24

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, August 25

***Newsletter**

6:30am Men's Bible Study
9:00am Cardio Fitness
6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice

Sunday, August 28

***No Sunday School during August**

10:15am Prayer Time (Chapel)
11:00am Worship

Tuesday, August 30

9:00am Cardio Fitness
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, August 31

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, September 1

6:30am Men's Bible Study
9:00am Cardio Fitness
6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice

Sunday, September 4

***No Sunday School**

10:15am Prayer Time (Chapel)
11:00am Worship / Lord's Supper / 10¢ Hunger

Monday, September 5

***Church Office Closed—Labor Day**

Tuesday, September 6

9:00am Cardio Fitness
10:00am PW Go & Grow Circle
7:00pm PW Life Seekers Circle
7:00pm Boy Scouts



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