SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

First Sunday after Christmas

January 1, 2023 Eleven O'clock

Welcome Into God's House (responsive)

Leader: The Good News of Christmas is this:

that the Grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all

people.

Congregation: All praise be to God!

Chimes of the Trinity

Prelude "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen" arr. Jim Lucas

Choral Introit "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

Call to Worship (Isaiah 9)

O Lord, our Lord,

how exalted is your name in all the world!

Out of the mouths of infants and children
your majesty is praised above the heavens.

O Lord, our Lord,

how exalted is your name in all the world!

*Hymn 143 "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Almighty God, you wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of Jesus Christ who came to share our humanity, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Response in Song, Hymn 144

"What Can I Give Him" (last verse)

What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; If I were a wise man, I would do my part; yet what I can I give him: give my heart

Welcome and Announcements

Christmas Solo "Gesu Bambino" Soloist, Andy Cumbow Scripture Lessons

Epistle Lesson Galatians 4: 4-7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 2: 15-21

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

*Hymn 139 "That Boy-Child of Mary"

Sermon Live Up to Your Name

*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 "A King Like This" arr. Todd Beaney

*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 134** "Joy to the World"

*Charge and Benediction

Response in Song - Hymn 134

"He Rules the World" (last verse)

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love . . .

Postlude "Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow" arr. Mark Hayes

*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

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.

Upcoming Sermon Titles & Scriptures

Sunday, January 8

Day of Epiphany Celebration of the Lord's supper Matthew 2: 1-12 "Holy Visitors"

Sunday, January 15

Second Sunday after Epiphany John 1: 29-42 "I Did Not Know Him"

Happy Hearts

Tuesday, January 31, 2023 11:00am

BINGO * FOOD * FELLOWSHIP

Come and join us for BINGO! Soup lunch will be provided. We will have lots of fun and door prizes too!

Cost \$1 per game card. Please RSVP to Vicki Ramsey 704-393-8697 or 704-281-2836 by Jan 27, 2023 to make sure we have enough food. Hope to see you there!

Presbyterian Women

Circle Meeting, Tuesday, January 3rd Morning Circle (Go & Grow) 10:00am Evening Circle (Life Seekers) 7:00pm We will meet in the Parlor

5th Sunday

Please join us on Sunday, January 29, 2023 for a 5th Sunday Combined Sunday School Class in the CFC

> Adults and children will gather for: Fellowship Breakfast 9:00-9:30 Prayer 9:30-9:45 Combined class 9:45-10:30.

Children, Youth and Adults please join us! Thank you, Christian Education Committee

Stitches for Missions

The Stitches for Missions group will have our next meeting on Saturday, January 21st, at 10:30am in the Parlor.

Hope to See You There!!

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church Staff:

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The Session

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Committee Chairs

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Presbyterian Women

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Church Calendar

Sunday, January 1

11:00am Worship / Lord's Supper / 10¢ Hunger

Monday, January 2

*Church Office Closed—Happy New Year!

Tuesday, January 3

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

Wednesday, January 4

10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm **Bulletin Deadline**

Children Connecting w/Christ (CCC) 5:30pm

Thursday, January 5

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

Sunday, January 8

Sunday School Classes 9:45am

11:00am Worship

Tuesday, January 10

9:00am Cardio Fitness 6:30pm Cub Scouts Boy Scouts 7:00pm

Wednesday, January 11

10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm **Bulletin Deadline**

5:30pm Children Connecting w/Christ (CCC)

Thursday, January 12

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

Sunday, January 15

Sunday School Classes 11:00am Worship

Tuesday, January 17

Cardio Fitness **Boy Scouts** 7:00pm

Wednesday, January 18

Bible Study 10:00am 12:00pm **Bulletin Deadline**

Children Connecting w/Christ (CCC) 5:30pm

Thursday, January 19

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

Saturday, January 21

Stitches for Missions

Sunday, January 22

Sunday School Classes 9:45am

11:00am Worship

Monday, January 23 12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, January 24

Cardio Fitness 9:00am Cub Scouts 6:30pm 7:00pm **Boy Scouts**

Wednesday, January 25

*Newsletter

Bible Study 10:00am 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline

Children Connecting w/Christ (CCC) 5:30pm



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