

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023

Eleven O'clock

Welcome Into God's House (responsive)

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
Congregation: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Chimes of the Trinity

Prelude "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. John Schaum

Choral Introit "Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing" Hymn 239

Call to Worship (Psalm 116)

Gracious is the Lord and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.
And how shall we repay the Lord
for all the good things God has done for us?
Let us lift up the cup of salvation
and call upon the name of the Lord.

***Hymn 246** "Christ Is Alive"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Through the renewing power of your Spirit, may we who celebrate our Lord's resurrection arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Response in Song, Hymn 240 "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"
**Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name.**

Welcome and Announcements

Anthem "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" Hymn 803
5th Sunday School Class

Scripture Lessons

Reading from the Psalms Psalm 23
Presented by the Fifth Sunday School Class

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Gospel Lesson Luke 24: 30-35

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

***Hymn 265** "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

Sermon *The Road FROM Emmaus* Rev. Fred Grosse

***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 "Open Our Eyes/Be Thou My Vision" arr. Mark Hayes

*Doxology "Lasst uns erfreun (Hymn 609)
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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 268** "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

***Charge and Benediction**

Response in Song - Hymn 232 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

**Sing we to our God above, alleluia!
Praise eternal as God's love, alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, alleluia!
Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

Postlude "Mighty Is Our God" arr. Lloyd Larson

*Those who are able, please stand

Guest Preacher

Today, we welcome Rev. Dr. Fred Grosse as our guest pastor.

Rev. Dr. Grosse is a graduate of The Divinity School at Duke University and The School of Theology at Boston University. He was ordained into Christian Ministry in 1984, has served two churches, and is President Emeritus of Elon Homes and Schools for Children. He is the author of Eight Masks of Men: A Practical Guide in Spiritual Growth for Men of the Christian Faith. Fred and his wife, Jane, live in the Cotswold neighborhood of Charlotte and have three adult children, two granddaughters, and a cat. Together, Jane and Fred are The Grosse Group, a realtor team at Helen Adams Realty. They are members of Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte.

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.

Upcoming Sermon Titles & Scriptures

Sunday, May 7

Fifth Sunday of Easter
Celebration of the Lord's Supper
 John 14: 1-14
 "We Have Seen God"

Sunday, May 14

Sixth Sunday of Easter
 Presbyterian Women's Sunday

**Paw Creek Annual Fish Fry & Bake Sale
 It's Back!!**

Saturday, May 20:
 4:30-7:30pm

Adults—\$12, Kids—\$6
 Yummy Fish and Fixin's!
 Bake Sale by the Paw Creek Women!
 Take-out will be available

**Happy Hearts
 Tuesday May 16th**

UNCC Botanical Gardens and Lunch
 We will leave the church at 10:00.
 There are two gardens you can walk, SusieHarwood and/or Van Landingham Glen. (There are plenty of benches to sit along the paths. If you have a walking stick, I would bring it.)
 Lunch—boxed lunch at picnic tables in the garden.
 Cost - \$10 (lunch and gas for the bus).
 Sign up after church April 30th, May 7 & May 14th. Call or text Vicki Ramsey (704) 281-2836.

Presbyterian Women

Hi Ladies,
 Our last Circle Meeting for the year will be on **Saturday, May 6th at 11:00.** Teresa Painter will present our lesson. We would appreciate your help with lunch by bringing a salad of any kind, finger sandwiches, or a dessert. We look forward to this special time together with all of our Paw Creek women as we share God's word. Hope to see you then!

Also, as I am sure you have already heard, **we are having a fish fry this year on May 20th!** I am sure you remember that our PC Women always bake up delicious cakes and other goodies to sell in support of our Scholarship Fund. Ladies, crank up your ovens, and let's have the best BAKE SALE ever!!!
 Thanks!
 ~Karen Turner

Graduation Sunday

We will celebrate **Graduation Sunday on June 4, 2023** during the church service. We will be recognizing high school and college graduates who are in attendance. Cookies and lemonade to be served after service in the west wing.

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church Staff:

PastorElliott Hipp
 Director of Music..... Andrew Cumbow
 Pianist.....Mark Burleson
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The Session
 Moderator: Elliott Hipp Clerk: Donna Hall General Treasurer: Danny McClure

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Celia Gray	Gene Hall	Donna Hall
Sam McCord	Jim Pinkston	Eddie McArver
Debbie Taylor	David Turner	Amy McGee
Barbara Ullem		Joy Tyler

Committee Chairs

Mission Team: Debbie Taylor	Resource Team: Jim Pinkston
Christian Education: Barbara Ullem	Administration: Eddie McArver
Congregational Care: Joy Tyler	Finance: Gene Hall
Fellowship: Sam McCord / Donna Hall	Property: Sam McCord
Outreach: Celia Gray / Amy McGee	Cemetery Superintendent: Phillip McCord
Worship: David Turner / Debbie Taylor	

Strategic Planning Team: Paul Bradley

Sunday School Officers: Sarah Kendrick / Jim Stogner
Children's Ministry: Joseph Jumper / Jan Chapman / Celia Gray / Barbara Ullem

Presbyterian Women

Moderator: Karen Turner
 Secretary: Donna Hall Treasurer: Melissa Mullis
 Historian: Dina Salvo Backpack Buddies: Jane McArver, Belinda Springs & Teresa Painter
 Go & Grow Circle Moderator: Gerri Ann Shaw Life Seekers Circle Moderator: Dina Salvo
 Special Givings: Celia Gray

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 30 9:45am Sunday School Classes 11:00am Worship – Guest: Fred Grosse	Sunday, May 14 9:45am Sunday School Classes 11:00am Worship / PW Sunday - Birthday Offering
Tuesday, May 2 9:00am Cardio Fitness 7:00pm Boy Scouts	Tuesday, May 16 9:00am Cardio Fitness 7:00pm Boy Scouts
Wednesday, May 3 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline	Wednesday, May 17 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline 5:30pm Children Connecting w/Christ (CCC)
Thursday, May 4 6:30am Men's Bible Study 9:00am Cardio Fitness	Thursday, May 18 6:30am Men's Bible Study 9:00am Cardio Fitness 6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice
Saturday, May 6 11:00am PW Combined Circle Meeting	Saturday, May 20 10:30am Stitches for Missions 4:30pm Fish Fry & Bake Sale
Sunday, May 7 9:45am Sunday School Classes 11:00am Worship / Lord's Supper / 10¢ Hunger	Sunday, May 21 9:45am Sunday School Classes 11:00am Worship
Monday, May 8 6:30pm Stated Session Meeting	Monday, May 22 12:00pm Newsletter Deadline
Tuesday, May 9 9:00am Cardio Fitness 6:30pm Cub Scouts 7:00pm Boy Scouts	Tuesday, May 23 9:00am Cardio Fitness 6:30pm Cub Scouts 7:00pm Boy Scouts
Wednesday, May 10 10:00am Bible Study 11:30am CE Committee Meeting	Wednesday, May 24 *Newsletter 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline 5:30pm Children Connecting w/Christ (CCC)
Thursday, May 11 6:30am Men's Bible Study 9:00am Cardio Fitness 6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice	



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 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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