



News at Paw Creek

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church

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our Website

From the Pastor....

Dear Paw Creek,

The headline in the New York Times caught my eye: "Religion Creates Community. We're Losing That." It was the conclusion of a five-part series, and the upshot is this: there are lots of changes going on in American religious life, and many people no longer participating. But the polls and the author's research all agree that even those who have left, for the most part, state that they miss being part of a community.

My first reaction was: "well, of course." But then I started thinking about what we do at Paw Creek that would fit that broad category of "community." In the next few days alone we will have the first "Fifth Friday Supper" offered by the Fellowship Committee, just to gather for the purpose of gathering. And then on Tuesday we will join the greater Coulwood community for the annual July 4th parade (our float is going to be awesome this year - come see it!)

On a more on-going basis we have meals together and refreshments after church. And throughout the year we have the reading program, CCC, the knitting group and other projects that build our community and help the larger community. And we gather food and 10 cent donations to feed the community. And we gather weekly for Sunday School, Bible study and choir rehearsal. And we reach out to help when there is illness and bereavement, both inside and outside our congregation.

And, of course, we simply show up every Sunday at 11:00 am - the security of knowing that a group of people whom we treasure and who treasure us will materialize every week like clockwork is priceless.

The article makes the point that many groups these days can offer one or two of these functions, but no group outside of church, synagogue, mosque or temple can offer all of them and more. Our reaction may be "of course", but beyond that we can only stand in awe as we cherish this gift we have and strive to preserve it. And of course the true measure of community is our constant commitment to share it with everyone we meet.

Blessings - see you at the parade!

Elliott

Prayer Concerns & Celebrations



Prayer Requests:

- Stephanie Alexander had her labs and 6 month scan. Labs were good and CT scan was clean!
- Chad McArver has completed his treatments and the doctors are very pleased! He is continuing to improve.
- Angie Ross has completed her treatments. She is weak but continuing to improve.
- Richard & Barbara Rumble both have respiratory issues. Barbara was taken to ER on Sunday morning, Richard is home improving. Please continue to keep both of them in your prayers.
- Ian Richardson's cancer has returned and they will begin a new treatment that was just recently approved for his type of cancer. Please pray for his cancer to be cured. (Friend of Emily Cathey)
- Brian Hallman had a blood clot in his lung. He is improving but continues to need prayers. (Friend of Dickie & Carol Chapman)
- Candy Hamilton has a debilitating tumor on her spine and is being treated with chemo. (Family friend of Larry Ramsey)
- James Pittman passed away June 9th. Please keep the family in prayer. (Brother-in-law of Anne Miller & Kathryn McCulloh)
- Bryce Moore (former Member) passed away on May 24th. Please continue to keep the family in prayer.

Celebrations:

- Autumn Ballenger made the Dean's list again at ECU!
- Zoey Bryant is going into High School this fall at Jackson Day School!

Church Calendar

Wednesday, June 28

*Newsletter

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, June 29

6:30am Men's Bible Study

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Sunday, July 2

10:30am Prayer in the Chapel / Men's Choir Practice

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

Monday, June 3

*Church Office Closed

Tuesday, July 4

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9:00am Coulwood Parade

Wednesday, July 5

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, July 6

6:30am Men's Bible Study

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Sunday, July 9

9:15am Prayer in the CFC

9:30am Combined Sunday School

10:30am Men's Choir Practice

11:00am Worship

Tuesday, July 11

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Thursday, July 13

6:30am Men's Bible Study

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Saturday, July 15

10:00am Stitches for Missions (Quilts for Ukraine)

Sunday, July 16

9:15am Prayer in the CFC

9:30am Combined Sunday School

10:30am Men's Choir Practice

11:00am Worship

Tuesday, July 18

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, July 19

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, July 20

6:30am Men's Bible Study

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Sunday, July 23

9:15am Prayer in the CFC

9:30am Combined Sunday School

10:30am Men's Choir Practice

11:00am Worship

Monday, July 24

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, July 25

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, July 26

*Newsletter

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, July 27

6:30am Men's Bible Study

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Sunday, July 30

9:15am Prayer in the CFC

9:30am Combined Sunday School

10:30am Men's Choir Practice

11:00am Worship

Summer Combined Sunday School

July 9 – August 27

July 2: There are no Sunday School classes.

Prayer time in the Chapel at 10:30 a.m.

July 9-August 27 – Summer Combined Sunday School CFC (for Children, Youth and Adults)

9:15 a.m. – Prayer time in the CFC

9:30 – 10:30 - Combined Sunday School lesson CFC

We will view: The Chosen video series; Season 2: Blessed Are the Chosen

The Chosen series is based on the true stories of the gospels of Jesus Christ. Some locations and timelines have been combined or condensed. Backstories and some characters or dialogue have been added.

July 9 - Lesson 1: The Poor in Spirit and the sons of thunder

July 16 - Lesson 2: Those Who Mourn and the God who sees

July 23 - Lesson 3: The Meek

July 30 - Lesson 4: Those Who Hunger

Aug 6 - Lesson 5: The Merciful

Aug 13 - Lesson 6: The Pure in Heart

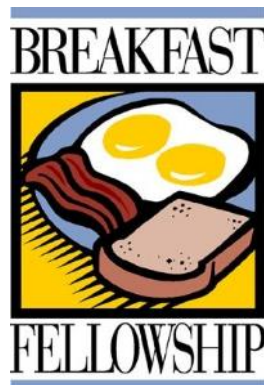
Aug 20 - Lesson 7: The Peacemakers

Aug 27 - Lesson 8: The Persecuted

If you are unable to attend all of the sessions: This series is available free on The Chosen App, YouTube, Amazon, Netflix and other streaming networks. Please contact Jan Chapman for more information. A study a guide for the series will be available.

We look forward to seeing you for Summer Combined Sunday School!

Christian Education Committee



5th Sunday Fellowship Breakfast

July 30

8:45—9:15—Breakfast

9:15 am—Prayer Time

9:30—10:30 Combined Sunday School



Coulwood Pool Sponsorship

The Mission Team accomplished the task to become a sponsor of the Coulwood Community Pool this year.

The sponsorship allowed us to hang a sign at the pool.

This sign is now installed on the back fence and can be seen from the street.



5th Friday Festivities **June 30th at 6:30pm in CFC**

The Mission Team will be hosting. There will be a Salad, Nacho and Baked Potato Bar provided. If you are interested in attending, please contact Sam McCord (980-322-8512) or Donna Hall (704-502-3853) with a head count by Wed., June 28th.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!



Scholarship Application

Each year the Presbyterian Women of Paw Creek Church offer our young adults (18-23) who are enrolled in or plan to attend a college, university, or technical institution a modest scholarship to help with the cost of their education. Applicants may apply twice for this yearly scholarship.

Application forms for the scholarship are found in the Narthex and Church office. This application can also be filled out in the attached fillable document. Please provide proof of admission to the college, university, or technical institution that you will be or are attending when you submit your application. The deadline to apply for a scholarship is July 31. For questions please contact Karen Turner.

Click here for the Application:

<https://www.pawcreekpc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/PCPW-Scholarship-Application-2023.pdf>

CMPD Active Shooter Training

One of the responsibilities of the Property Committee, aside from maintaining the property and structures of the church, is the safety of our congregation. Paw Creek is located in a relatively safe area but in today's world we never know what might happen. The Property Committee has arranged for this Active Shooter class to be taught by a local CMPD officer. We feel that it is important for our congregation to know what could happen and how we should, would, and could deal with a dangerous situation. We hope that as many of our congregation as possible will be able to attend.

The Class will be Sunday, July 9 after worship in the Sanctuary and will last about 2 hours.

If there are any questions for Property prior to the class feel free to contact one of us.

Sam McCord
Eddie Chapman



Stitches for Missions

New Project: Quilts for Ukraine

We are planning and developing a quilting workshop in which we will make 4-5 simple quilted lap blankets for Ukraine. This workshop is for more than just skilled quilters but is also for novice quilters and those who are thinking about getting into quilting and sewing. The workshop will be held on July 15th in the CFC from 10 AM to 2 PM. (This is a no cost event and no equipment required...we hope to have enough material donations for the quilts and borrowed equipment from the workshop leaders.) We would like if attendees would bring a salad and or dessert for lunch to share with the group. Drinks will be provided.

If you would like to attend, please contact Teresa Painter by July 9th. Please also let her know your quilt or sewing skill level.

Elaine Laney has a New Address:



Rose Hill Retirement Community
Elaine Laney, Room 209
120 Fleming Ave.
Marion NC 28752



The Rev. Gary Bryant Memorial Prayer Garden Brick Pavers

Honor your loved one in Paw Creek's Memorial Prayer Garden. Commemorate the life of someone special with a brick paver.

You can personalize your message to honor or remember a loved one or celebrate a special anniversary, birthday or other life event. It will create a legacy that will last forever.

Each brick paver cost \$40.

Order forms available in the Narthex, Church Office, and website.

Online Giving

Paw Creek has Online Giving for the convenience of church members and our friends who worship with us. Please go to our website at www.pawcreekpc.org and follow the link on the home page.

Once you click on this link, you will be directed to set up an account. You may make this gift as a one time transaction, or you can set up recurring payments. You may use your bank account information to create this payment, or you may use your debit or credit card. (If you use your debit or credit card, you will also be given the option to add the transaction fee to your payment if you choose to do so)

For those who like to use mobile apps, you can download the **new app: Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement** and search for Paw Creek Presbyterian Church.

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Happy Birthday to Those Celebrating in July!

July 1

Ashley Brown
Brooke Miller

July 3

Autumn Ballenger
Tommy Cashion

July 4

Morgan Kendrick

July 5

Kelsey Kenley
Nicholas McGee
Gordon Taylor

July 6

David Hamby
Allen Middleton

July 7

Gene Hall
Frank Krebs

July 8

Sam McCord

July 9

Gary Gaskins

July 10

Stephanie Alexander
James Padgett
Jerry Smith

July 11

Jeremiah Krebs
Lisa Revalee

July 12

Ann Furr

July 13

Harold Staton

July 15

Elizabeth Honeycutt

July 16

Todd Corbin

July 18

Linus Whitlock

July 19

Scott Kincaid
Logan Wallace

July 20

Elaine Hamby

July 21

Betty Barnette

July 22

Andy Cumbow
Frances Lyerly

July 24

Leslie Joy
Katelyn Kenley

July 27

Charlene Todd

July 28

Steve Caudill

July 30

Mike Johnson
Tammy Reel

July 31

Betty Field
Tanya Gross
Maegan Normand
Jean Todd
Susan Wallace

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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 contact Joy Tyler (phone captain - (704) 399-8040) - and- Ann Cashion (email captain - acatlake@gmail.com)

Know someone Who Needs a Visit? Please contact the Church Office or Rev. Elliott Hipp (704) 392-0329

Next Newsletter

The next Newsletter will be **July 26th**. The deadline for Newsletter submissions is Monday, July 24th at noon. **This Newsletter will be for anything happening in August. Please make sure you have your submissions in on time to make sure they are in for the next month.**

Thank you! Kim

Upcoming Sermon Titles

Sunday, July 2

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Celebration of the Lord's Supper
"Cold Water"
Matthew 10:40-42

Sunday, July 9

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
"Burdens Lifted"
Matthew 11:25-30

Sunday, July 16

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
"Whose Side is God On?"
Genesis 25:19-34

Sunday, July 23

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
"A Thin Place"
Genesis 28:10-19

Sunday, July 30

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
"An Eye for Treasure"
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52