

Service For The Lord's Day

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

October 22, 2023

Eleven O'clock

Welcome Into God's House (responsive)

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
Congregation: **Who made heaven and earth.**
Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;
Congregation: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**
Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!
Congregation: **Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.**

Chimes of the Trinity

Prelude

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" Messiter
Guest Musician—Suzanne Lowry

Choral Introit

"Praise God, All You Nations" Hymn 328

Call to Worship (Psalm 98)

Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Sing to the Lord and bless God's name;
proclaim the good news of salvation from day to day.
For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!

*Hymn 275

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations. Preserve the works of your mercy, that your church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Response in Song "We Will Walk with God" (Hymn 742)
**We will walk with God, my brothers; we will walk with God.
We will walk with God, my sisters, we will walk with God.
We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.
We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.**

Welcome and Announcements

Anthem

"How Firm a Foundation" Paul E. Koch

Scripture Lessons

Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:25-30

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Selah*

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Selah*

Come, behold the works of the Lord; See what desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Selah*

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

*Hymn 687

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Sermon

We Will Not Be Afraid Rev. Fred Rose

*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 "Larghetto (from the Seventh Organ Concerto)" GF Handel
Guest Musician—Suzanne Lowry

*Doxology "Old Hundredth" (Hymn 606)

**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 630

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

*Charge and Benediction

*Response in Song "May the Love of the Lord" (Hymn 549)
**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.
May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day.
May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**

Postlude

"Rigaudon" Andre Campra
Guest Musician—Suzanne Lowry

*Those who are able, please stand

Guest Minister

This morning we are pleased to welcome Rev. Fred Rose to the pulpit.

Fred attended Davidson College, received his Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary and his Doctor of Ministry from Columbia Theological Seminary. He has served three different Presbyterian Church USA congregations as pastor and head of staff in both NC and VA from 1979-2010. After that, he began a season of serving congregations in transitional roles. Fred retired in February, 2020 and is currently working on a blog for pastors and churches. He most recently served as Transitional Pastor at Rockingham First Presbyterian Church until July 2023.

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, October 29

Guest Preacher:
Rev. Joseph Jumper

Sunday, November 5
All Saints' Day

Celebration of the Lord's Supper
"From Earth's Wide Bounty"
Revelation 7: 9-17

Pastor's Schedule

Elliott and Nell are on vacation through **October 29**.

If pastoral needs arise during this time, please contact any member of the Session.

Christmas in Paw Creek

Saturday, **November 18**, 2023
8:00 am—2:00 pm

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church — CFC
Breakfast / Barbeque sold by Scout Troop 70

Happy Hearts

Happy Hearts is going to Historic Brattonsville (McConnells, SC) Thursday, **Nov 2nd**.

We will leave the church at **10:15**. Cost is \$13. **Deadline to sign up is Monday, Oct 30th**. Please contact Jan Chapman (704) 608-2283 or Vicki Ramsey (704)281-2836 for more info.

We are also in need of some great door prizes for our January BINGO/Soup lunch. Start collecting now! You can give your donations to Karen Turner or Vicki Ramsey. Look for more information about this fun event in December.

Presbyterian Women

Circle Meeting, **Tuesday, Nov. 7th**

Go & Grow Circle 10:00am
Life Seekers Circle 7:00pm
We will meet in the Parlor

Sunday School News

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

Adults and children will gather for:
Fellowship Breakfast 9:00-9:30
Prayer Time 9:30-9:45
Combined class 9:45-10:30. Rev. Joseph Jumper will be our teacher.

Thank you, Christian Education Committee.

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church Staff:

PastorElliott Hipp
Director of Music..... Andrew Cumbow
Pianist.....Mark Burleson
Administrative Assistant / Webmaster Kim Whittington
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The Session

Moderator: Elliott Hipp Clerk: Donna Hall General Treasurer: Danny McClure

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Class of 2024

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Class of 2025

Donna Hall
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Sunday School Officers: Sarah Kendrick / Jim Stogner
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Presbyterian Women

Moderator: Karen Turner

Secretary: Donna Hall Treasurer: Vicki Ramsey
Historian: Dina Salvo Backpack Buddies: Teresa Painter, Belinda Springs, Jan & Carol Chapman
Go & Grow Circle Moderator: Gerri Ann Shaw Life Seekers Circle Moderator: Dina Salvo
Special Givings: Celia Gray

Church Calendar

Sunday, October 22

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship / Guest: Rev. Fred Rose

Monday, October 23

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline
6:30pm Girl Scouts

Tuesday, October 24

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, October 25

*Newsletter
*No Bible Study
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, October 26

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

Sunday, October 29

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship / Guest: Rev. Joseph Jumper

Monday, October 9

6:30pm Girl Scouts

Tuesday, October 31

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, November 1

10:00am Bible Study
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, November 2

6:30am Men's Bible Study
9:00am Cardio Fitness
10:15am Happy Hearts—Historic Brattonsville
6:30pm Choir Practice

Sunday, November 5

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship /Lord's Supper /10¢ /All Saints'

Monday, November 6

6:30pm Girl Scouts

Tuesday, November 7

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

Wednesday, November 8

10:00am Bible Study
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, November 9

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

Sunday, November 12

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship / Veteran's Sunday

Monday, November 13

*Church Office Closed
6:30pm Stated Session Meeting
6:30pm Girl Scouts



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Paw Creek Presbyterian Church
Would like to invite you to

Veteran's Day Celebration

Join us for morning worship
Sunday, **November 12th** at 11 am
Congregational Lunch Immediately
following service

RSVP: 704-392-0329
pawcreekpc.org

-Or tear off below and drop in offering plate-

Name: _____
Attending: _____