

Service For The Lord's Day

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 8, 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 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" Helen Lemmel

Choral Introit "Praise God, All You Nations" Hymn 328

Call to Worship (Psalm 106)

Hallelujah!
Give thanks to the LORD, who is good,
whose mercy endures forever.
Save us, O LORD our God,
and gather us from among the nations,
Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,
from everlasting and to everlasting.

***Hymn 39** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Almighty God, in our baptism you adopted us for your own. Quicken, we pray, your Spirit within us, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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 "Witness" arr. Jack Holloran

Scripture Lessons

Responsive **Psalm 106**

Leader: Hallelujah! Give thanks to the LORD, who is good, whose mercy endures forever.
Congregation: **Can anyone declare the mighty acts of the LORD or show forth all God's praise?**
Leader: Happy are those who act with justice and always do what is right!
Congregation: **Remember me, O LORD, with the favor you have for your people, and visit me with your saving help.**
Leader: We have sinned as our ancestors did; we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.
Congregation: **Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb and worshiped a molten image; and so they exchanged their glory for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.**
Leader: They forgot God their Savior, who had done great things in Egypt,
Congregation: **wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, and fearful things at the Red Sea.**
Leader: Nevertheless, the LORD saw their distress and heard their lamentation.
Congregation: **God remembered the covenant with them and out of abundant mercy relented.**
Leader: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting and to everlasting;
Congregation: **and let all the people say, "Amen!" Hallelujah!**

Reading from the Torah **Exodus 32: 1-6**

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

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

***Hymn 739** "O for a Closer Walk with God"

Sermon *Grasping After Gold*

*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 "Mighty to Save" Fielding and Morgan

*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 703** "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"

*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 "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)" arr. Carol Tornquist

*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.

Upcoming Sermon Titles & Scriptures

Sunday, October 15

Homecoming Sunday

"A Refuge, A Shelter, A Feast"

Isaiah 25: 1, 4-9

Sunday, October 22

Guest Preacher:

Rev. Fred Rose

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

Class of 2023

Celia Gray
Sam McCord
Debbie Taylor
Barbara Ullem

Class of 2024

Gene Hall
Jim Pinkston
David Turner

Class of 2025

Donna Hall
Eddie McArver
Amy McGee
Joy Tyler

Committee Chairs

Mission Team: Debbie Taylor
Christian Education: Barbara Ullem
Congregational Care: Joy Tyler
Fellowship: Sam McCord / Donna Hall
Outreach: Celia Gray / Amy McGee
Worship: David Turner / Debbie Taylor

Resource Team: Jim Pinkston
Administration: Eddie McArver
Finance: Gene Hall
Property: Sam McCord
Cemetery Superintendent: Phillip McCord

Strategic Planning Team: Paul Bradley

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

Presbyterian Women

Moderator: Karen Turner

Secretary: Donna Hall Treasurer: Vicki Ramsey
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Go & Grow Circle Moderator: Gerri Ann Shaw Life Seekers Circle Moderator: Dina Salvo
Special Givings: Celia Gray

Church Calendar

Sunday, October 8

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, October 9

*Church Office Closed
6:30pm Mission Team Meeting

Tuesday, October 10

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, October 11

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

Thursday, October 12

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

Sunday, October 15

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship / Homecoming Sunday

Tuesday, October 17

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, October 18

*No Bible Study
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, October 19

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

Saturday, October 21

10:00am Stitches for Missions

Sunday, October 22

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

Monday, October 23

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

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: Joseph Jumper

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 Brattonville
6:30pm Choir Practice



**PAW CREEK
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Homecoming Sunday

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church
October 15th

Join us for Worship at 11:00

All Friends and Family are invited!

Potluck Luncheon after worship service
Chicken, Ham and Drinks will be provided
Please bring a dish and a memory to share.

**Special Presentation by the Daughters of
the American Revolution**

Members of the DAR will visit Paw Creek on
Homecoming Day, October 15 to dedicate
memorials to two Revolutionary soldiers who
are buried in our Cemetery:

- General Michael McLeary, who also served the community after the war as a State Senator and civic leader
- Private Adam Todd, a young soldier who went on after the war to become an active member of the local community

Descendants of both families are cordially invited to join us for Homecoming and lunch in the CFC. The dedication ceremony will take place at 2:00 pm in the Cemetery and is open to everyone.

Sunday School News

Weekly Sunday school classes began on September 10 and are off to a good start!
Sunday School from 9:45-10:30.

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.

Christmas in Paw Creek

Arts and Crafts Fair
Sponsored by Troop 70

Saturday, **November 18, 2023**

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