



# News at Paw Creek

## Paw Creek Presbyterian Church

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our Website

### From the Pastor....

Dear Paw Creek,

I had more things I wanted to write in this December newsletter, but Covid finally caught up with me (first time ever). Nell and I are home, feeling rotten (and enormously tired) but nothing serious, so I'll stay home the prescribed number of days and be back next week. I'm delighted to tell you that our good friend Joseph Jumper has stepped into the breach for Sunday. He will preach for the first Sunday of Advent, and also lead the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Please check the rest of the newsletter for scheduled Advent and Christmas events and plan to share the season with the Paw Creek family.

See you next week, Elliott



**December 3**—1st Sunday of Advent—Celebration of the Lord's Supper—  
Guest Minister: Joseph Jumper

**December 10**—2nd Sunday of Advent—"Repentance: A Word for the Unworthy",  
Isaiah 40:1-11, Mark 1:1-8

**December 17**—3rd Sunday of Advent—Service of Lessons and Carols,  
**Church Christmas Party** following Worship in the CFC

**December 24**—4th Sunday of Advent—"Call and Response", Luke 1:26-38; 46-55  
**Christmas Eve Service**—8pm— Celebration of the Lord's Supper—Luke 2:1-20

# Prayer Concerns & Celebrations



## Prayer Requests:

- Edgar Peeden fell earlier in November and fractured his leg, several ribs and back. He is now in rehab in Henderson, NC where he will be for a few months.
- Shirley Elder, a member of Woodland, had a fall a few months ago and is struggling. She is sad that she cannot help with the Reading Program.
- Mike Johnson has been transferred to The Cypress for continued care. Leola Hancock, his longtime caregiver, is still able to be there with him. His address there is: The Cypress of Charlotte, 3442 Cypress Club Dr., Rm 122, Charlotte, NC 28210
- Paula Hester's great grandson, 5 months old, has RSV and is hospitalized on oxygen.
- Sam McCord has three more treatments.
- Lisa Revalee's brother Joe Troutman has been in ICU at Novant Huntersville, but has been moved to ICU at Novant Main.
- Continued prayers for the Ross Family
- Continued prayer s for the McArver Family. Chad McArver will undergo additional testing soon.

## Celebrations:

- Happy Birthday to Gail Bryant who turned 80 on November 26th!
- Howie Wall, Debbie & Karen's brother-in-law, was able to celebrate Thanksgiving with the family!

# Church Calendar

## Wednesday, November 29

### \*Newsletter

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

## Thursday, November 30

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

## Sunday, December 3

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship / Lord's Supper / 10¢ Hunger / Guest  
Minister: Joseph Jumper

## Tuesday, December 5

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

## Wednesday, December 6

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

## Thursday, December 7

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

## Sunday, December 10

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship

## Monday, December 11

6:30pm Girl Scouts

## Tuesday, December 12

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

## Wednesday, December 13

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

## Thursday, December 14

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

## Saturday, December 16

10:00am Stitches for Missions

## Sunday, December 17

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship / Joy Offering  
12:00 pm Churchwide Christmas Party

## Monday, December 18

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

## Tuesday, December 19

9:00am Cardio Fitness

## Wednesday, December 20

### \*Newsletter

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline 12/24 & 12/31

## Thursday, December 21

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

## Sunday, December 24

### Christmas Eve

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship  
8:00pm Christmas Eve Service

## Monday, December 25

\*Church Office Closed—Merry Christmas!

## Tuesday, December 26

### \*Church Office Closed

9:00am Cardio Fitness

## Wednesday, December 27

### \*Church Office Closed

## Thursday, December 28

### \*Church Office Closed

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

## Sunday, December 31

### New Year's Eve

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship



## Churchwide Christmas Party

Sunday, **December 17** after Lessons and Carols in the CFC.



1. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the Thanksgiving Boxes and money for Turkeys. In November, Paw Creek contributed 36 Turkeys and 36 Turkey boxes to be distributed by Charlotte Rescue Mission in time for Thanksgiving.
2. Thanks to all those who supported the Angel Tree Project through East Lincoln Christian Ministries in Denver. Paw Creek contributed a total of 75 Angel Tree gifts. Supporting the Angel Tree is a fantastic way to support families in need during Christmas as well as to honor Barbara Rumble who volunteered her time there for many years.

~**Outreach Committee**

Many thanks to those who purchased items at our booth at Christmas at Paw Creek. And, special thanks to those who made or donated items for the sale. Also, with great gratitude to those who helped with the sale. Together we raised \$620 for Maui Relief Services in Hawaii. Busy hands and warm hearts make the world better!

~**Stitches for Missions**

I wanted to let you and your congregation know how much we at Mission City Food Pantry appreciate your partnership in providing food to our food pantry. Those food donations have helped us feed 688 families this year. And so far we are averaging 20-25 new families each month. Recently, we were short 16 breakfast items for the bags when Celia delivered your church's donations. As we unpacked them, there was 17 breakfast items— God provided what we needed plus 1 from your donations! What an amazing God we serve! Thank you for partnering with us in serving the community through the Food Pantry.

Blessings  
Margaret Bridges  
**MCC Food Pantry Lead**



## Christmas Poinsettias

Poinsettias have been ordered and will be used to decorate the sanctuary on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Donations will be accepted in memory or in honor of loved ones, and their name will be included in the Order of Service for December 17<sup>th</sup> as well. Please be sure to mark your check in the memo section as "Poinsettia", and list who it is in memory or honor of. **Names must be received in the church office by Tuesday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>.** Any monies collected will be used to offset the cost of the poinsettias with any extra money raised going to the Chuck Overbeck Fund and used for the beautification and maintenance of the gardens and landscaping around the church.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 704-392-0329. Thank you!



## Paw Creek Elementary Christmas Wish List

Paw Creek Elementary sent us a Christmas Wish List for coats and assorted gifts for a special family with four children (three attend Paw Creek Elementary). The Wish list is in the front of the church along with separate Wish List cards for each coat and Christmas presents for the children. The gifts are due at the church on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Please take a card if you feel you can support this program. The social worker says that it would be nice if the gifts were wrapped, but not necessary. Contact Celia Gray (704) 756-9697 or Amy McGee (704) 578-3908 with any questions.

## Sunday School News

2023 Sunday School classes **continue** through **December 17**

2024 Sunday School classes **begin** on **January 7**

There are no Sunday School classes on **December 24** and **December 31**

Thank you, Christian Ed. Committee





Queen City  
RINGERS  
present

# *Christmas Bells Are Ringing*

*Join us for a Holiday Handbell Concert*  
Presented by

**The Queen City Ringers**

**Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**4:00-5:30pm**

**Cook's Church**

3413 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Rd.  
Charlotte, NC 28216

*Love Offering will be collected.*

**Questions - 704-399-7735**

Website/Facebook: [qcr.weebly.com/Queen City Ringers](http://qcr.weebly.com/Queen%20City%20Ringers)

[www.cookschurch.org](http://www.cookschurch.org)



# December

## BIRTHDAYS

**Happy Birthday to Those  
Celebrating in December!**

**December 3**

Josh Watson

**December 4**

Cody Joy

**December 5**

Christy Corder  
Tim Gray

**December 7**

Roy Helms

**December 9**

Mike (Pea Dad) Caudill

**December 10**

Jimmy Torrence  
Bill Wright

**December 11**

Sherry Blevins

**December 12**

Miriam Childress

**December 16**

Peggy Harrington

**December 18**

David Padgett

**December 20**

Craig Sharpe

**December 21**

Ashley Kenley

**December 22**

Vicki Ramsey  
Jeff Smith  
Cayleigh Tyler

**December 23**

Alicia Miller

**December 24**

Gerri Ann Shaw

**December 27**

Andrew Caldwell  
Gloria Caldwell

**December 28**

Brandon Chapman  
Oscar Sisk

**December 30**

Steele Blankenship

**December 31**

Beth Mathews

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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 **December 20th**. The deadline for Newsletter submissions is Monday, December 18th at noon. **This Newsletter will be for anything happening in January. 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, December 3**  
*First Sunday of Advent*  
*Celebration of the Lord's Supper*  
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*Second Sunday of Advent*  
"Repentance: A Word for the Unworthy"  
Isaiah 40:1-11, Mark 1:1-8

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*Fourth Sunday of Advent*  
"Call and Response"  
Luke 1:26-38; 46-55

**Sunday, December 31**  
*Sunday after Christmas*  
"Hallelujah!"  
Psalm 147