

Service For The Lord's Day

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday of Christ the King

November 26, 2023

Eleven O'clock

Welcome Into God's House (responsive)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Leader: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God now and forever.

To this place where God gives us comfort and courage, let us bring our sorrows and our laughter so that we may be nourished in the resurrection hope of Jesus Christ.

Congregation: **Amen.**

Chimes of the Trinity

Prelude

"This Is the Day"

arr. Mark Hayes

Choral Introit

"We've Come This Far by Faith"

Hymn 656

Call to Worship (Psalm 100)

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness and sing in the presence of God.
Know that the Lord alone is God;
we belong to the Lord who made us,
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.
For good is the Lord, whose mercy is everlasting;
and whose faithfulness endures forever.

*Hymn 643

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Eternal God, you set Jesus Christ to rule over all things, and made us servants in your kingdom. By your Spirit empower us to love the unloved, and to minister to all in need. Then at the last bring us to your eternal realm where we may worship and adore you and be welcomed into your everlasting joy. 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 "Give Thanks" (Hymn 647)

**Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ the Son. (repeat)
And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say, "We are rich
because of what the Lord has done for!" Give thanks. (repeat)**

Welcome and Announcements

Anthem

"Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart"

John Furguson

The congregation is invited to join the choir to sing the final verses:

With all the angel choirs, With all the saints on earth

Pour out the strain of joy and bliss, True rapture noblest mirth.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice give thanks and sing!

Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore:

The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One God, forevermore.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice give thanks and sing!

Scripture Lesson

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 100

Leader: Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before God's presence with a song.

Congregation: **Know this: The LORD alone is God; we belong to the LORD, who made us, we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**

Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving; go into the holy courts with praise; give thanks and call upon the name of the LORD.

Congregation: **For good is the LORD, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25: 31-46

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Hymn 186

"Come Now, You Blessed, Eat at My Table"

Sermon

A Kingdom of Welcome

*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

"Make Me a Servant"

arr. Carl Seal

*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 267

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

*Charge and Benediction

*Response in Song

"When the Saints go Marching In"

O when the saints go marching in, O when the saints go marching in,

O Lord I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.

Postlude

"Sunday Joy!"

Mark Hayes

*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, December 3

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

"Lord, We Need You Now"

Mark 13:24-37, Isaiah 64:1-9

Sunday, December 10

"Repentance: A Word for the Unworthy"

Isaiah 40:1-11, Mark 1:1-8

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Church Calendar

Sunday, November 26

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, November 27

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

Tuesday, November 28

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

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
12:00pm Called Session Meeting

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 / Lessons & Carols
12:00 pm Churchwide Christmas Party

Monday, December 18

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline



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Thanksgiving Boxes

We collected **36 boxes** this year to donate to Charlotte Rescue Mission for Thanksgiving. Thank you to everyone that helped make this possible!

Queen City Ringers Presents

"Christmas Bells Are Ringing"
A Holiday Handbell Concert

Saturday, December 2

4:00-5:30pm
Cook's Church

3413 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Road

Love Offering will be collected

gcr.weebly.com

www.cookschurch.org

Room in the Inn

Room in the Inn starts back on **Dec. 8**. This year we will be doing the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month. **We are still in need of volunteers.** If you are able to help, please contact Stephanie Sudderth at 704-877-8499