

Service For The Lord's Day

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

January 28, 2024

Eleven O'clock

Welcome Into God's House (responsive)

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me,
Congregation: **Let us go into the house of the Lord!**
Leader: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God now and forever. To this place where God gives us light and welcome, let us bring our cares and joys so that we may be cleansed and nourished.
Congregation: **Alleluia!**

Chimes of the Trinity

Prelude

"Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"
arr. Penny Rodriguez

Choral Introit

"God Is Here Today" Hymn 411

Call to Worship (Psalm 116)

Gracious is the Lord and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.
And how shall we repay the Lord
for all the good things God has done for us?
Let us lift up the cup of salvation
and call upon the name of the Lord.

*Hymn 263

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

God of compassion, you have shown us in Christ that your love is never-ending. Enable us to love you with all our hearts and to love one another as Christ loved us. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Response in Song "As the Deer", Hymn 626

**As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.
You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Anthem

"Who at My Door is Standing" arr. K. Lee Scott

Scripture Lesson

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

Gospel Reading

Mark 1: 21-34

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Hymn 775

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

Sermon

What Difference Does Jesus Make?

*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 "How Great Is Our God" Chris Tomlin

*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 821

"My Life Flows On"

*Charge and Benediction

*Response in Song "God Be the Love", Hymn 543

**God, be the love to search and keep me;
God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ surround me**

Postlude

"Mighty Is Our God" arr. Lloyd Larson

*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, February 4

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
Celebration of the Lord's Supper
"The Life of a Grasshopper"
Isaiah 40: 21-31

Sunday, February 11

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
"God is Always New"
Isaiah 43: 18-25

2023 Giving Statements

2023 Giving Statements are now ready. If we had an email address on file for you, the statement was automatically emailed on Thursday. If we did not have an email for you, the statements are available in the Narthex.

*If you had one emailed, but need a printed copy, please contact the office and Kim can print one for you.

Presbyterian Women

Circle Meeting, **Tuesday, February 6th**
Morning Circle (Go & Grow) 10:00am
Evening Circle (Life Seekers) 7:00pm
We will meet in the Parlor

Cook's Memorial Community Prayer Vigil

Cook's Memorial Church
3413 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Rd.
February 3, 2024
8am—Noon

Prayer Garden

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.

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

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Church Calendar

Sunday, January 28

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Tuesday, January 30

9:00am Cardio Fitness
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, January 31

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

Thursday, February 1

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

Sunday, February 4

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

Tuesday, February 6

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

Wednesday, February 7

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

Thursday, February 8

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

Friday, February 9

*Room in the Inn

Sunday, February 11

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Tuesday, February 13

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

Wednesday, February 14

*Ash Wednesday
10:00am Bible Study
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline
12:30pm Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, February 15

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

Saturday, February 17

10:30am Stitches for Missions

Sunday, February 18

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, January 19

*Church Office Closed

Tuesday, February 20

9:00am Cardio Fitness
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, February 21

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



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