



# News at Paw Creek

## Paw Creek Presbyterian Church

February 28, 2024

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### From the Pastor....

Dear Paw Creek,

My plan for this newsletter was to write something about the season of Lent. But as I sat down to type, my eye landed on an object that is sending me another direction.

Last week I was visiting my sister Amy at her home in Columbia. After I arrived Amy called my attention to a frame on the wall and asked "do you remember that?"

Boy do I remember it! It's an abstract painting in the style of a mid-twentieth century Dutch artist, all lines and colors and shapes. It's signed by our father with the year 1952, when he was an art student in Kansas City and it hung in our living room during most of my childhood. In my very earliest years, I remember staring at it, fixating on every shape and color. And now, seeing it again for the first time in decades, the details rushed back, as familiar as ever.

I had thought of that painting off and on for years, sadly assuming that it had been discarded during one move or another, and that I would never see it again. But it seems that Amy had found it during her own most recent move, stuffed in a box, and she'd pulled it out and put it on wall so she wouldn't lose track of it again. Once I acknowledged that I recognized it, her next words were amazing to me: "I don't really have room for it, but I held on to it because I thought you might want it." Wow! Of course! After confirming that she really meant it, I brought it home as a treasure..

There's a sense of awe at losing something and regaining it - dusty, cracked and worse for the wear, but still with the power to make old realities new again. Perhaps there are some Lenten thoughts here after all. Everything that is dear is continually wasting away. And yet those things are never lost forever. They will come back, in memory or in reality - resurrected if you will - with the power to move us to tears and gratitude.

May this Lenten season be a blessing to us all,

Elliott

# Prayer Concerns & Celebrations



## Prayer Requests:

- Melissa Mullis's mother, Karen Page died on February 12. Please keep the family in prayers.
- Ron Mathews; father, Bob was released from the hospital on Friday to spend his remaining days at home. Please keep Ron and his family in your prayers during this very difficult time.
- Kristen Turner has been diagnosed with Stage 1 "B" Breast Cancer. Prognosis is good. Treatment will begin soon.
- Frances Lyerly's granddaughter, Hailey continued Chemo this week. She had a rough couple of days before Chemo but has been pretty good since.
- Chad McArver's surgery went well on Friday. He is making progress each day. He appreciates all the prayers and asks us to continue to pray for healing.
- Kim Whittington's sister-in-law, Gina Wallace has been diagnosed with stage 1 breast cancer. She had lumpectomy surgery on the 26th. Please pray for healing and quick recovery.
- Sam McCord is feeling better every day. He received a good report from his doctor on the 15th and is very grateful for all the prayers and support while he was in the hospital. He had another Chemo this past Thursday and is doing well.
- Joey Troutman's kidneys began functioning again. He is finishing up his IV antibiotics and then in two weeks he will be evaluated to see if the infection is gone so that he can have the new knee replacement.
- Edgar Peeden is back at the rehab facility in Henderson following a successful back surgery. He is up and walking now. He appreciates the prayers.
- Vicki Ramsey's Uncle Louie died on the 24th. Please keep the Kapelar & Delbene families in prayer.
- Continued Prayers for Gretchen Holton Freeman as she fights cancer.
- Kevin Cashion's friend, Dean Rowell, came home after 74 days in the hospital. Continue to pray.
- Debbie McCord had successful knee replacement surgery on January 29th.
- Karen Turner had successful knee replacement surgery on January 31st.
- Eddie Todd had successful knee replacement surgery on February 2nd.
- Eddie McArver got a pacemaker on February 2nd.

# Church Calendar

## Wednesday, February 28

### **\*Newsletter**

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

## Thursday, February 29

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

## Sunday, March 3

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

## Tuesday, March 5

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

## Wednesday, March 6

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

## Thursday, March 7

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

## Friday, March 8

### **\*Room in the Inn**

## Sunday, March 10

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship

## Monday, March 11

6:30pm Stated Session Meeting

## Tuesday, March 12

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

## Wednesday, March 13

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

## Thursday, March 14

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

## Saturday, March 16

10:30am Stitches for Missions

## Sunday, March 17

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship

## Tuesday, March 19

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

## Wednesday, March 20

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

## Thursday, March 21

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

## Friday, March 22

### **\*Room in the Inn**

## Sunday, March 24

### **\*Passion/Palm Sunday**

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship

## Monday, March 25

**12:00pm Newsletter Deadline**

## Tuesday, March 26

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

## Wednesday, March 27

### **\*Newsletter**

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

## Thursday, March 28

### **\*Maundy Thursday**

6:30am Men's Bible Study  
9:00am Cardio Fitness  
6:30pm Choir Practice  
7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service

## Friday, March 29

### **\*Good Friday**

7:00pm Good Friday Service

## Sunday, March 31

### **\*Easter Sunday**

9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship

# HOLY WEEK



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Services for Holy Week and Easter

**Passion-Palm Sunday**      **March 24** at 11:00 am

Paw Creek Choir will present the story of Jesus's Passion with "Crucifixion" by John Stainer

**Maundy Thursday**      **March 28** at 7:00 pm

Intimate gathering at table to celebrate the Lord's Supper on the night of his arrest. In the Scout Hut.

**Good Friday**      **March 29** at 7:00 pm

Service of Shadows with the events of the Crucifixion. In the Sanctuary

**Easter Sunday**      **March 31** at 11:00 am

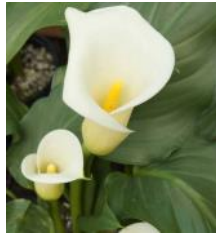
Festival Celebration of the Resurrection with Music, Scripture and the Lord's Supper



### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

### **Congregational Meeting**

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, **March 3** immediately after worship for the purpose of hearing a report on Session's 2024 church budget, and electing three members of the congregation to serve on the Nominating Committee for 2024.



## Easter Flowers

Paw Creek will be decorating the Sanctuary with flowers on Easter Sunday, **March 31**.

Donations will be accepted in memory or in honor of loved ones, and their name will be included in the Bulletin for Easter as well. **Names must be received in the church office by Tuesday, March 26.**

***This year there will be White Calla Lilies instead of Easter Lilies.*** The flowers will be planted in the Prayer Garden and surrounding area sometime after Easter. Any monies collected will be used to offset the cost of the Easter flowers 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!



## Annual Coulwood Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, **March 23, 2024**

9:30 am – 11:00 am

Clubhouse, 506 Coulwood Dr. Charlotte, NC 28214

Paw Creek will be partnering with the Coulwood Community for their Annual Easter Egg Hunt again this year. Easter egg hunt will start promptly at 10:30 am. Other family friendly activities include crafts and a visit from the Easter Bunny.

They are looking for volunteers to assist. Here is an incomplete list of how you can participate.:

- Be at Clubhouse at 8 am on March 23rd to hide plastic eggs.
- Donate small candies that will fit inside eggs/preferably ones that won't melt. (Deadline March 13<sup>th</sup>)
- Stuff plastic eggs at Paw Creek March 16<sup>th</sup> from 9-11am in the CFC (if available, otherwise West Wing)
- Lead or assist in outdoor games with the children.
- Lead or assist with a craft project with an Easter theme.

See Celia Gray (704-756-9697) or Ken Scott (704-608-6177) for more details or to volunteer.

\*Rain Day is March 30, 2024



## Sunday School News

There are no Sunday School classes on Easter Sunday, March 31

Prayer time on March 31 will be in the Chapel at 10:15

Thank you, Christian Ed. Committee

## The Missions Class

The Missions Class will be exploring *The Joy of Discipling* by E. Stanley Ott starting February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024. In this book Stan Ott reminds us how both content and friendship are at the heart of discipling. It shows that the joy of discipling is in building relationships that are friend with friend, heart with heart.

Everyone is invited to join Missions Class in the church parlor Sunday mornings at 9:45 am. Books are available in the Parlor.



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John & Linda Riggins  
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## Presbyterian Women

Circle Meeting, **Tuesday, March 5th**

Morning Circle (Go & Grow) 10:00am

Evening Circle (Life Seekers) 7:00pm

We will meet in the Parlor



## Stitches for Missions

Our next meeting will be on **March 16th**, at 10:30am in the Parlor.



## Happy Hearts

Happy Hearts are touring Hot Glass Alley on Atando Ave in Charlotte, Thursday **March 21st**. We will learn about HGA's hot shop, the long history of glassblowing and an explanation of the process live! They have asked that we wear closed-toed shoes and cotton/cotton blend clothing. Afterwards we will have lunch at Community Matters Cafe'. The only cost will be your lunch, the tour at HGA is free! Meet at the church at 9:25 AM so we can leave by 9:35 AM. We should return to the church before 1:00 PM.

**Please RSVP to Vicki Ramsey (704) 281-2836 by Monday, March 18th.**



Thank You for the cards, visits, heartfelt prayers and food, your loving support helped make a hard time a little easier.

~The family of Tim Sisk.

Thanks to everyone for the prayers, cards, and calls during my knee surgery and rehab. Things are going slow but I'm getting stronger every day. Hope to see you all soon!

~Eddie Todd

Paw Creek Presbyterian,  
Truly a blessing.

Our staff were and are so thankful for the way that you blessed each and everyone of us with a most delicious, nutritious Valentine's Day Lunch. Mr. Scott was so helpful ensuring that we had enough so each staff member was able to eat a healthy lunch and still participate in our staff meeting. The sandwiches, waters, chips were superb. Thanks so so much.

Sincerely,

~Paw Creek Elementary School





# March

## BIRTHDAYS

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

**March 2**

Jordan Loud

**March 4**

Barbara Blankenship

**March 7**

Cambell Brown  
Parker Brown  
Tyler Brown  
George Taylor

**March 8**

Danny McClure, Jr.

**March 13**

David Turner

**March 15**

Cole Caudill

**March 16**

Jenn Caldwell

**March 17**

Jane Dorton  
Sarah Hansley  
Melissa Mullis

**March 18**

Seth Penna

**March 20**

Max Sudderth

**March 22**

John Burns  
Beth Joy

**March 23**

Carlina Padgett  
Angie Ross

**March 25**

Judy Pinkston

**March 26**

Elizabeth Kincaid

**March 27**

Dillon Joy

**March 28**

Chris Normand

**March 31**

Ellie Reese Helms  
Jane Scott

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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 **March 27th**. The deadline for Newsletter submissions is Monday, March 25th at noon. **This Newsletter will be for anything happening in April. 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, March 3**

Third Sunday in Lent  
*Celebration of the Lord's Supper*  
"Crucifixion"  
1 Corinthians 1: 18-25

**Sunday, March 10**

Fourth Sunday in Lent  
"Salvation"  
John 3: 14-21

**Sunday, March 17**

Fifth Sunday in Lent  
"Death Leads to Life"  
John 12: 20-33

**Sunday, March 24**

**Passion/Palm Sunday**  
Story of the Passion in Scripture and Music

**Thursday, March 28**

**Maundy Thursday at 7:00pm**  
*Celebration of the Lord's Supper*

**Friday, March 29**

**Good Friday at 7:00pm**  
Service of Shadows

**Sunday, March 31**

**Easter Sunday**  
*Celebration of the Lord's Supper*