

Service For The Lord's Day

Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024

Eleven O'clock

Welcome Into God's House (responsive)

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving-kindness.

Congregation: **Create in us clean hearts, and renew a right spirit within us.**

Leader: Open our eyes so that we may see Jesus;

Congregation: **Whose love endures forever.**

Chimes of the Trinity

Prelude

"Wonderful Words of Life" (in the style of Robert Schumann)

arr. Cindy Berry

Choral Introit

"Lord Have Mercy"

Hymn 579

Call to Worship (Psalm 22)

Praise the Lord, you that fear God;

stand in awe of the Lord, O offspring of Israel;

For the Lord's face is not hidden from us;

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to God,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before the Lord.

*Hymn 35

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

God of our forebears, as your chosen servant Abraham was given faith to obey your call and go out into the unknown, so may your church be granted such faith that we may follow you with courage. For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Response in Song

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Keith Green

Create in me a clean heart, O God

And renew a right spirit within me. x2

Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord,

And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation,

And renew a right spirit within me.

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Anthem

"Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Alice Parker

Be thou my vision, O lord of my heart;

Nought be all else to me. Save that thou art.

Thou my best thought by day or by night,

Waking or sleeping, they presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;

I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;

Thou my great Father, I thy true son;

Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise.

Thou mine inheritance, now and always;

Thou and thou only, first in my heart,

High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven my victory won,

May I reach heaven's joys. O bright heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,

Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Scripture Lesson

First Word from Scripture

Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Second Word from Scripture - The Psalm of the Day

Psalm 22

Hymn 631

"In the Presence of Your People"

Sermon

What's in a Name?

*Hymn 432

"How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Fantasy on Kingsfold"

arr. Thomas Keesecker

*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 377

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

*Charge and Benediction

*Response in Song

"Lamb of God", Hymn 604

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace; grant us peace.

Postlude

"Your Name"

Paul Baloche

*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, 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

The Missions Class

The Missions Class will be exploring *The Joy of Discipling* by E. Stanley Ott starting February 25th, 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.

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!

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Go & Grow Circle Moderator: Gerri Ann Shaw Life Seekers Circle Moderator: Dina Salvo
Special Givings: Celia Gray

Church Calendar

Sunday, February 25

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, February 26

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, February 27

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

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



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