

Service For The Lord's Day

Third Sunday in Lent

March 3, 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 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" arr. Anna Laura Page

Choral Introit "Lord Have Mercy" Hymn 579

Call to Worship (Psalm 19)

The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.
The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

***Hymn 321** "The Church's One Foundation"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your Word and obey it, that we may become instruments of your saving love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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 "Love Divine" Howard Goodall

Scripture Lesson

First Word from Scripture I Corinthians 1: 18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Second Word from Scripture - The Psalm of the Day Psalm 19
Hymn 61 "Your Law, O Lord, Is Perfect"

Sermon *Crucifixion*

***Hymn 213** "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

Ten Cents a Meal Hunger Offering - please bring gifts forward during the hymn

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Pie Jesu(Merciful Jesus)" arr. Richard Averte

*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.**

Prayer Concerns and Joys

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

When invited we sing: Hymn 594

**Holy, holy, holy holy, holy, holy is our God,
God the Lord of earth and heaven. Holy, holy is our God.**

**Holy, holy, holy holy, holy, holy is our God,
God, the Lord all of history. Holy, holy is our God.**

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of the Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving after the Supper (in unison)

God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

*** Hymn 221** "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

*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 "The Power of the Cross" arr. Faye Lopez

*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 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

Daylight Saving Time

Daylight Saving Time begins on **March 10th**. Remember to set your clocks forward.

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.

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

The Stitches for Missions meeting date for April has changed. We will meet on **March 16th** at 10:30am in the Parlor.

Hope to see you there!

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!

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church Staff:

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The Session
Moderator: Elliott Hipp Clerk: Donna Hall General Treasurer: Danny McClure

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Gene Hall	Donna Hall	Dickie Chapman
Jim Pinkston	Eddie McArver	Debbie McCord
Jim Stogner	Amy McGee	Ken Scott
David Turner	Joy Tyler	Debbie Taylor

Mission Team: Debbie Taylor
Christian Education: Jim Pinkston
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Fellowship: Donna Hall / Debbie McCord
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Property: Dickie Chapman
Cemetery Superintendent: Phillip McCord

Committee Chairs

Strategic Planning Team: Paul Bradley

Sunday School Officers: Sarah Kendrick / Jim Stogner
Children's Ministry: Jan Chapman / Celia Gray / Barbara Ullem

Presbyterian Women

Moderator: Karen Turner

Secretary: Donna Hall Treasurer: Vicki Ramsey
Historian: Dina Salvo Backpack Buddies: Teresa Painter, Belinda Springs, Jan & Carol Chapman
Go & Grow Circle Moderator: Gerri Ann Shaw Life Seekers Circle Moderator: Dina Salvo
Special Givings: Celia Gray

Church Calendar

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
*Daylight Saving Time Begins
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



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“Love Divine”

(Anthem)

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.
Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast,
Let us all in thee inherit,
Let us find that second rest:
Take away our power of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be,
End of faith as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.
Come almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above;
Pray and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.
Finish then thy new creation:
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee;
Change from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise,
Love, and praise! Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!
Praise! Praise! Praise!