

Service For The Lord's Day

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

Eleven O'clock

Welcome into God's House (responsive)

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Congregation: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Leader: For despite our sins, despite the powers and principalities of this present age, despite death itself, Christ is alive and reigns over our world.

Congregation: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Chimes of the Trinity

Prelude

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

arr. Bill Wolaver

Choral Introit

"Triumphant Benediction"

Andrew Cumbow

Call to Worship (Psalm 98)

Sing to the Lord a new song;

sing to the Lord all the earth.

Sing to the Lord and bless God's name;

proclaim the good news of salvation from day to day.

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!

*Hymn 37

"Let All Things Now Living"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

We behold your glory, O God, in the love shown by your Son, lifted up on the cross and exalted on high. Be glorified anew in the love we have for one another as disciples of the risen Lord Jesus, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Response in Song

"Alleluia, Alleluia!", Hymn 240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Welcome and Announcements

Choir Anthem

"Come Thou Fount"
(Hymn 475)

arr. Hal Hopson

Scripture Lessons

Epistle Reading

I John 5: 1-5

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 10: 9-16

About noon the next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. He became hungry and wanted something to eat; and while it was being prepared, he fell into a trance. He saw the heaven opened and something like a large sheet coming down, being lowered to the ground by its four corners. In it were all kinds of four-footed creatures and reptiles and birds of the air. Then he heard a voice saying, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But Peter said, "By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is profane or unclean." The voice said to him again, a second time, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times, and the thing was suddenly taken up to heaven.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

*Hymn 288

"Spirit of the Living God"

Sermon

God Makes the Rules

*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

"Be Still and Know"

arr. Marilyn Ham

*Doxology

"Lasst uns erfreuen" (Hymn 609)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully know: Creator, Word and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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 526

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

*Charge and Benediction

*Response in Song

"The Strife Is O'er" - Hymn 236

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

Postlude

"Finale from Water Music"

arr. Fred Kern

*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, May 5

Sixth Sunday of Easter
Children Connecting with Christ - Year End Celebration

Sunday, May 12

Seventh Sunday of Easter
Presbyterian Women's Sunday
Guest Speaker: Victoria Krebs
Acts 9: 36-43

Paw Creek Annual Fish Fry & Bake Sale

Saturday, May 18:
4:30-7:30pm

Adults—\$12, Kids—\$6

Bake Sale by the Paw Creek Women!
Take-out will be available

Stitches for Missions

Saturday, May 18
10:30am
in the Parlor

Cook's Memorial Community Prayer Vigil

Cook's Memorial Church
3413 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Rd.
May 4, 2024
8am—Noon (Sanctuary)

The Camp at the Wood - Summer 2024

Woodland Presbyterian Church will again serve neighborhood children with an affordable, high quality day camp program during summer 2024.

The Paw Creek Session has committed to support transportation costs for planned field trips with a grant of \$5,000. Paw Creek members and friends are invited to make donations towards this grant during the month of April - donations may be given during the Offertory or mailed to the church office, clearly marked for "Woodland Camp". The remainder of the grant will be taken from the Flora Mae Love Fund, which supports work with children.

Church Workday

We will have a church Workday on
Saturday **May 4** at 8:30am

Presbyterian Women

The 2023 -2024 year for Paw Creek Presbyterian Women will soon draw to a close! We will end our year by meeting jointly on **May 4th** at 10:30 for a delicious breakfast. Teresa Painter has agreed to present our last lesson in Sacred Encounters entitled 'People Encounter Jesus Through the Work of the Disciples.' Our meeting will also include Remembrances and Officer Installation. I hope that you will be able to attend our last meeting before we take a break for summer!
♥Karen

Graduation Sunday

The time is growing near for us to recognize and honor our graduates.

The Christian Education Committee is gathering names of graduates, and will be in touch directly later in the spring to ask for more information. We will celebrate **Graduation Sunday on June 2, 2024** during the church service.

Please send names and contact information to Jan Chapman (jchapman.jan@gmail.com), Jim Pinkston (jpinkston@aol.com) or the church office (office@pawcreekpc.org) for: Students, connected to our church, who graduated in **December 2023** or will graduate in **Spring 2024** from **High School, College, or Graduate School.**
Thank you ~ Christian Ed

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church Staff:

PastorElliott Hipp
Director of Music..... Andrew Cumbow
Pianist.....Mark Burleson
Administrative Assistant / Webmaster Kim Whittington
Videography Coordinator.....Clint Shaw

The Session

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

Class of 2024

Gene Hall
Jim Pinkston
Jim Stogner
David Turner

Class of 2025

Donna Hall
Eddie McArver
Amy McGee
Joy Tyler

Class of 2026

Dickie Chapman
Debbie McCord
Ken Scott
Debbie Taylor

Committee Chairs

Mission Team: Debbie Taylor
Christian Education: Jim Pinkston
Congregational Care: Joy Tyler / Amy McGee
Fellowship: Donna Hall / Debbie McCord
Outreach: Ken Scott
Worship: David Turner / Debbie Taylor

Resource Team: Jim Pinkston
Administration: Eddie McArver
Finance: Gene Hall
Property: Dickie Chapman
Cemetery Superintendent: Phillip McCord

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, April 28

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Tuesday, April 30

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

Wednesday, May 1

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

Thursday, May 2

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

Saturday, May 4

8:30am Church Workday
10:30am PW Joint Circle Meeting

Sunday, May 5

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

Tuesday, May 7

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

Wednesday, May 8

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

Thursday, May 9

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

Sunday, May 12

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship/PW Women's Sunday/Birthday
Offering

Monday, May 13

6:30pm Stated Session Meeting

Tuesday, May 14

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

Wednesday, May 15

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

Thursday, May 16

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

Saturday, May 18

10:30am Stitches for Missions
4:30pm Fish Fry & Bake Sale

Sunday, May 19

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, May 20

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, May 21

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

Wednesday, May 22

***Newsletter**
10:00am Bible Study
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline



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