

# Service For The Lord's Day

Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 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

"Blest Be the Ties That Binds Us Together"

arr. Hayes

### Choral Introit

"Triumphant Benediction"

Andrew Cumbow

### Call to Worship (Psalm 138)

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name,  
because of your love and faithfulness;

for you have glorified your name and your word above all things

### \*Hymn 239

"Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!"

### Prayer of the Day (in unison)

**Risen Christ, whose absence leaves us paralyzed but whose presence is overwhelming: Breathe on us with your abundant life. Where we cannot see we may have courage to believe that we may be raised with you. 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

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Hal Hopson

Savior, like a shepherd lead us,  
Much we need your tender care;  
In your pleasant pastures feed us,  
For our use your folds prepare.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
You have bought us, we are yours.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have bought us, we are yours.

You have promised to receive us,  
Poor and sinful though we be;

You have mercy to relieve us,  
Grace to cleanse, and power to save.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
Early let us turn to you.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
Early let us turn to you.

Early let us seek your favor;  
Early let us do your will;

Blessed Lord and only Savior,  
With your love our souls now fill.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
You have loved us, love us still.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
You have loved us, love us still.

### Scripture Lessons

#### Gospel Reading

John 20: 26-31

A week after his resurrection, the disciples of Jesus were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

#### Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 4: 32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

### \*Hymn 175

"Seek Ye First"

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

### Sermon

*Despite Our Things, Christ Reigns*

### Reception of New Members—Lee and Wesley Johnston; Teresa Smith

### \*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

"Solitude"

James Michael Stevens

Susan Bandel, Flute

\*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 721

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

### \*Charge and Benediction

\*Response in Song

"The Strife Is O'er" - Hymn 236

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!**

### Postlude

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

arr. Jim Lucas

\*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](mailto: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](http://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](http://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, April 14**

Third Sunday of Easter  
"Despite Our Prayers, Christ Reigns"  
Acts 3: 12-19

**Sunday, April 21**

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
"Despite Our Deeds, Christ Reigns"  
Acts 4: 5-12

**Paw Creek Presbyterian Church Staff:**

Pastor .....Elliott Hipp  
Director of Music..... Andrew Cumbow  
Pianist.....Mark Burleson  
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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
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**Mission Team:** Debbie Taylor  
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Special Givings: Celia Gray

**Church Calendar**

**Sunday, April 7**  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship / Lord's Supper / 10¢ Hunger

**Monday, April 8**  
6:30pm Mission Team Meeting

**Tuesday, April 9**  
9:00am Cardio Fitness  
6:30pm Cub Scouts  
7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Wednesday, April 10**  
10:00am Bible Study  
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
5:30pm CCC

**Thursday, April 11**  
6:30am Men's Bible Study  
9:00am Cardio Fitness  
6:30pm Choir Practice

**Sunday, April 14**  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship

**Tuesday, April 16**  
9:00am Cardio Fitness  
7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Wednesday, April 17**  
10:00am Bible Study  
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
5:30pm CCC

**Thursday, April 18**  
6:30am Men's Bible Study  
9:00am Cardio Fitness  
6:30pm Choir Practice

**Saturday, April 20**  
10:30am Stitches for Missions

**Sunday, April 21**  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship

**Monday, April 22**  
12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

**Tuesday, April 23**  
9:00am Cardio Fitness  
6:30pm Cub Scouts  
7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Wednesday, April 24**  
**\*Newsletter**  
10:00am Bible Study  
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
5:30pm CCC

**Thursday, April 25**  
6:30am Men's Bible Study  
9:00am Cardio Fitness  
6:30pm Choir Practice

**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



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**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](http://www.pawcreekpc.org) and follow the link on the home page.

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