

Service For The Lord's Day

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2025

Eleven O'clock

Welcome Into God's House (responsive)

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me,
Congregation: **Let us go into the house of the Lord!**
Leader: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God now and forever. To this place where God gives us light and welcome, let us bring our cares and joys so that we may be cleansed and nourished.
Congregation: **Alleluia!**

Chimes of the Trinity

Prelude

"Speak O Lord" Stuart Townend and Keith Getty

Choral Introit

"My Lord! What a Morning" Hymn 352

Call to Worship (Psalm 36)

How priceless is your love, O God!
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings
They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights.
For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.

*Hymn 35

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Eternal God, your Son, Jesus Christ, now exalted as Lord of all, pours out his gifts on the church. Grant us that unity which your Spirit gives; keep us in the bond of peace; and bring all creation to worship before your throne. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Response in Song "I Love You, Lord" Hymn 627
**I love, you Lord, and I lift my voice, to worship you; O my soul rejoice.
Take joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound
in your ear.**

Welcome and Announcements

Anthem

"How Can I Keep From Singing?" Greg Gilpin

My life flows on in endless song, how can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm, how can I keep from singing?

What, though the tempest around me roars, I know the truth it liveth.
What, though the darkness around me close, songs in the night it giveth.

I hear the real, though far off hymn, that hails a new creation.
It sounds an echo in my soul, above earth's lamentation.

To the Rock, I'm clinging. How can I stop singing?
I'm clinging to the Rock now. Hear me singing!

Scripture Lesson

Reading from the Prophet

Isaiah 62: 1-3

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Reading from the Apostle Paul

1 Corinthians 12: 4-13, 27-31

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

*Hymn 285

"Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song"

Sermon

Who We Are

*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 "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" arr. Jim Lucas

*Doxology "Old Hundredth" (Hymn 606)

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 339

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

*Charge and Benediction

*Response in Song "Guide My Feet" (Hymn 741, verse 2)

**Hold my hand while I run this race;
hold my hand while I run this race;
hold my hand while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

Postlude

"All Things Work Together for Good" John Carter

*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, January 26

Third Sunday after Epiphany
"Whose We Are"
Luke 4: 14-21

Sunday, February 2

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
Rev. Betsy Williamson
"The Scary Call"
Jeremiah 1: 4-10

Congregational Meeting

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for **TODAY** immediately after worship. The purpose of the meeting will be a vote to concur with Elliott Hipp in a joint request to the Presbytery of Charlotte to dissolve our pastoral relationship effective January 31, upon his retirement from active ministry.

Disaster Relief

A part of the Presbytery that helps victims of natural disasters is called the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Program (PDA). This program has been on the ground helping people in the Western NC mountains since shortly after Hurricane Helene struck. The PDA is now on the ground in California, helping those people affected by the wildfires. Please consider a donation to the PDA; it will help support those in need. When writing a check, please make it out to Paw Creek Presbyterian Church, and write Presbyterian Disaster Assistance on the memo line.

Happy Hearts

Monday, February 3, 2025 *(Date Change)

11:00am
BINGO * FOOD * FELLOWSHIP
Come and join us for BINGO in the CFC! Soup lunch will be provided. We will have lots of fun and door prizes too! Cost \$1 per game card.
Please RSVP to Vicki Ramsey 704-393-8697 or 704-281-2836 by Jan 29, 2025 to make sure we have enough food. Hope to see you there!

We are in need of some great door prizes!

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church Staff:

PastorElliott Hipp
Director of Music..... Andrew Cumbow
PianistMark Burleson
Administrative Assistant / Webmaster Kim Whittington
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The Session

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

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Class of 2025

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Ken Scott
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Committee Chairs

Mission Team: Debbie Taylor
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Worship: David Turner / Debbie Taylor

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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, January 19

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, January 20

*Church Office Closed
12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, January 21

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

Wednesday, January 22

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

Thursday, January 23

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

Sunday, January 26

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Tuesday, January 28

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

Wednesday, January 29

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

Thursday, January 30

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

Sunday, February 2

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Rev. Betsy Williamson/
Communion/10¢ Hunger

Tuesday, February 4

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

Wednesday, February 5

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, February 6

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

Friday, February 7

Room in the Inn

Sunday, February 9

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Rev. Betsy Williamson

Tuesday, February 11

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

Wednesday, February 12

12:00pm Bulletin Deadline
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, February 13

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



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