

News at Paw Creek

## Paw Creek Presbyterian Church

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## From the Pastor...

Dear Paw Creek,

What a wonderful Pentecost celebration we had on Sunday! It was a great reunion with our Woodland Church sisters and brothers, a moving visit to our shared memorial at the back of our cemetery, and a lovely, sunny and breezy morning (the 90 degree heat held off until after lunch!) There was also a wonderful feeling of freedom as we sang, prayed, listened to the music of the choirs, and generally enjoyed the things that we have missed for so long. Many, many thanks to the Property, Fellowship and Worship committees, and everyone involved in making this day a holy success.

And now, with that lead-in, on to the big news of the week:

Last Thursday, May 20, the Session approved many changes to relax the safety precautions that we have been living with for so long. These changes begin immediately, with our worship this Sunday. Here are the highlights:

Precautions that are still in effect (or partially in effect):

Masks are optional indoors (please continue to be considerate of the comfort level of others)

Socially distanced seating is available for the pews nearest the West Wing We will not pass collection plates (baskets available by the doors)

We will continue to refrain from singing the hymns, pending further advice from the medical community

And these precautions are now removed:

The tape markings on the remainder of the pews are removed, and attendance is back to full capacity

Everyone is invited to join in unison and responsive readings and prayers (please speak softly as a precaution)

No more temperature checks at the door

Feel free to enter and leave by any of the doors

In addition, we can look forward to the return of our church choir later in the summer - they are awaiting delivery of specially designed singing masks that will allow them to begin rehearsals in the next couple of weeks.

With all these changes, please also remember that live-stream worship is now a permanent feature at Paw Creek. The live feed will always be available if you are shut in, sick, out of town, not quite ready to venture out into crowds, or otherwise find that this is the best option for you.

For church groups, there are also changes for your meetings in church buildings. Masks are optional, just like in the worship service. No need to reserve a room in the East Wing, but the regular reservation forms for use of the CFC are still in place. If you know of a non-church group that may wish to use space, please ask them to inquire through the church office, as was done in the past.

Other regular meetings continue as well: (1) the prayer gathering Sunday morning at 10:30 in the sanctuary (no Zoom connection; if you are not present in the sanctuary, feel free to text prayer requests to me or to Debbie Taylor before worship), and (2) Bible Study via Zoom Wednesdays at 5:30 (we will continue into June until we finish our current study of the book of Nehemiah, then take a summer recess until Labor Day).

So - suddenly a lot of changes all at once. If you want to check on any the details, please feel free to give me a call. Otherwise, if you are ready to come back to church, we are ready to see you. If you feel better waiting awhile, that's good too. Either way, I look forward to worshipping with you on Sunday!

Blessings, Elliott



## **Graduation Sunday**

Sunday June 20 we will be celebrating the graduation of Madelyn Sudderth.

## Madelyn (Maddie) Sudderth

Maddie graduated from Hopewell High School and will be attending UNCW in the fall. She is in the Honors College there, hoping to study Criminal Justice and Psychology. She received the Chick-fil-A Scholarship. She's in the National Honor Society, DECA and will hopefully be getting the Cambridge Diploma from her school.

After the service we will have cookies and lemonade on the front lawn.



## The Rev. Gary Bryant Memorial Prayer Garden Brick Pavers

We are still taking orders for Prayer Garden Brick Pavers.

These are a great gift idea! Great for Birthdays, Graduations, Weddings, Babies, Mother's/Father's Day, Anniversaries and Eagle Scouts! A wonderful way to celebrate a loved one & family with a beautiful memory that will last forever.

Each brick paver cost \$40.

Order forms available in the Narthex, Church Office, and Website.



## PW Scholarships

PW Scholarships are available for young adults who will be attending a college, university, or technical school in 2021. You may apply two times for the PW scholarship. Scholarships are awarded based according to the number of applications and funds available each year. Please contact Celia Gray at <a href="mailto:celia@tcgracing.com">celia@tcgracing.com</a> or 704-756-9697 to apply.



## Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Membership

The Presbyterian Women awarded the 2019-2020 Honorary Life Membership posthumously to Rachel Wingate. Her family was able to be here on Sunday, May 9th to accept the award in her honor.



Marie Love enjoys receiving cards, phone calls and visits from her Church family. If you would like to send her a card, her mailing address is:

Marie Love

C/O Deborah Hobbs 12421 Old Farm Circle Laurinburg, NC 28352

If you would like to call her, her phone number is: 010-361-4339

And if you would like to visit her, she is still at Scotia Village in the Heather Glen section. Visiting hours are from 10-4.

## **Summer Combined Sunday School Class**

We will be having a combined Sunday School Class for children, youth and adults the 2nd Sunday of each month during June, July & August.

Bring your lawn chairs and meet outside the CFC:

9:15 - 9:45 Refreshments provided by the Fellowship Committee

9:45 - 10:00 Prayer requests and prayer

10:00 - 10:30 Combined Sunday School Class - lesson

Please save the dates: **June 13, July 11 and August 8** for Summer Combined Sunday school. Thank you, Christian Education Committee

## **Online Giving**

Paw Creek has now implemented Online Giving for the convenience of church members and our friends who worship with us. Please go to our website at <a href="https://www.pawcreekpc.org">www.pawcreekpc.org</a> and follow the link on the home page.

Once you click on this link, you will be directed to set up an account. You may make this gift as a one time transaction, or you can set up recurring payments. You may use your bank account information to create this payment, or you may use your debit or credit card. (If you use your debit or credit card, you will also be given the option to add the transaction fee to your payment if you choose to do so)

For those who like to use mobile apps, you can download the app: Give+ and search for Paw Creek Presbyterian Church. Once you have created an account, it will save Paw Creek as your default Church.



# Happy Birthday to Those Celebrating in June!

June 1

**Heather Gaskins** 

June 9

**Evan Normand Marlon Foust** 

June 18

Larry Ramsey

June 2

Celia Gray

June 10

Jennifer Johns

June 21

Mary Ellen Edwards

June 3

Macy Kincaid **Bailey Miller** Karen Sisk

June 12

**Shane Evans** 

<u>June 22</u>

Joy Pinkston Stan Springs

June 4

Edgar Peeden

<u>June 15</u>

Craig Scott

June 23

Anna Jo Patton

<u>June 16</u>

Will Cathey Rob Huffstickler <u>June 26</u>

Anne Miller

<u>June 5</u>

Sandra Watson

<u>June 17</u>

Danny McClure, Sr. Sarah Mullis

<u>June 27</u>

Dickie Chapman

June 8

Jesse Evans

<u>June 30</u>

Carson Kendrick

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 Seek
 Matthew 6:33

 Serve
 1 Samuel 12:24

 Praise
 Psalm 111:1

 Love Christ!
 1 John 4:12

Lord, we thank you for...

Have a Prayer Request? To put someone on our prayer chain, obtain permission from the person or family involved, then contact Joy Tyler (phone captain - (704) 399-8040) - and- Ann Cashion (email captain - acatlake@gmail.com)

**Know someone Who Needs a Visit?** Please contact the Church Office or Rev. Elliott Hipp (704) 392-0329



## **Next Newsletter**

The next Newsletter will be **June 10th**. The deadline for Newsletter submissions is Tuesday, June 8th at noon.

Thank you! Kim

# Loaves & Fishes Priority Needs

- Canned Meat: Tuna, Chicken, etc...
- Pastas Dry Boxed or Canned
- Rice in 1 pound bags
- Canned Fruit: low sugar or in juice
- Cereal- low sugar
- Low Sodium Canned Vegetables

No Glass Please

## **Upcoming Sermon Titles**

## Sunday, May 30

1st Sunday after Pentecost Mark 2: 18-22 "New Wine"

## Sunday, June 6

2nd Sunday after Pentecost Celebration of the Lord's Supper Mark 2: 23-28 "Lord of Life"

## Sunday, June 13

3rd Sunday after Pentecost Mark 4: 26-34 "A Mystery Story"

### Sunday, June 20

4th Sunday after Pentecost Graduation Sunday Mark 4: 35-41 "Bringer of Peace"