



CROSS CREEK

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Oh come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker!
for He is our God!*

Psalm 95:6-7a

JULY 9, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting

Call to Worship

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.” The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the LORD to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem. The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Invocation

* Hymn # 195

“Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”

Call to Confession

Isaiah 52:11-12

Depart, depart, go out from there; touch no unclean thing; go out from the midst of her; purify yourselves, you who bear the vessels of the LORD. For you shall not go out in haste, and you shall not go in flight, for the LORD will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 53:5

But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

* Hymn # 246

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

* Old & New Testament Scripture Reading:

Prophets: *Isaiah 53:1-12* (The Humiliated & Exalted Servant)

Gospels: *Luke 22:63-65* (The Mocked Messiah)

* **Pastor:** This is the Word of our God.

* **Congregation:** The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever.

Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Day 28 (Q & A 75-77)

Q. How does the holy supper remind and assure you that you share in Christ’s one sacrifice on the cross and in all his benefits?

A. In this way: Christ has commanded me and all believers to eat this broken bread and to drink this cup in remembrance of him. With this command come these promises: First, as surely as I see with

my eyes the bread of the Lord broken for me and the cup shared with me, so surely his body was offered and broken for me and his blood poured out for me on the cross. Second, as surely as I receive from the hand of the one who serves, and taste with my mouth the bread and cup of the Lord, given me as sure signs of Christ's body and blood, so surely he nourishes and refreshes my soul for eternal life with his crucified body and poured-out blood.

Q. What does it mean to eat the crucified body of Christ and to drink his poured-out blood?

A. It means to accept with a believing heart the entire suffering and death of Christ and thereby to receive forgiveness of sins and eternal life. But it means more. Through the Holy Spirit, who lives both in Christ and in us, we are united more and more to Christ's blessed body. And so, although he is in heaven and we are on earth, we are flesh of his flesh and bone of his bone. And we forever live on and are governed by one Spirit, as the members of our body are by one soul.

Q. Where does Christ promise to nourish and refresh believers with his body and blood as surely as they eat this broken bread and drink this cup?

A. In the institution of the Lord's Supper: "The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." This promise is repeated by Paul in these words: "The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread."

Pastoral Prayer

* Hymn # 253

"There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"

Tithes and Offerings

* Hymn # 735

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end, amen, amen.

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

* Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Series: Judges

* Sermon Text

Judges 16:23-31

* **Pastor:** Thus far the reading of God's holy Word. And may God add His blessing to the reading of His Word.

* **Congregation:** Thanks be to God!

Sermon Title: “Judgment on the Mockers”

Pastor Michael Mock

Sermon Outline: Following

Prayer for Transformation

Lord’s Supper: The Death that Gave Life

* **Eucharistic Hymn # 257**

“Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted”

* **Benediction**

* **Departing Hymn # 731**

“Doxology”

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.

Sermon Outline:

Sermon Text: *Judges 16:23-31* “Judgment on the Mockers”

The LORD, who is worthy of all praise, refuses to be mocked.

1. Mocked (vv. 23-27)

- a. The World Rejoices
- b. The World Mocks
- c. How was Samson then?
 - i. Man of sin
 - ii. Man of sorrows
 - iii. Man of God
- d. **Application:** The LORD identifies with his sinful and suffering saints.

2. Vindicated (vv. 28-31)

- a. Prayer (v. 28)

- b. Death (v. 30)
- c. Burial (v. 31)
- d. Ascension (v. 31)
- e. How is Samson now? Hebrews 11:32-36
- f. **Application:** The LORD vindicates and exalts his sinful and suffering saints.

7-9-23	Nursery Schedule		7-16-23
Sunday School	Carling & Stephannie M	Sunday School	Carling & Hannah
Worship	Conor & Carling & Hannah	Worship	Jodie, Molly C & Aliyah

Today & Weekly

Today

Pre-Service Prayer Gathering: 9:00-9:15am in the Library
ABF: 9:30am – “The Law of God”
Sunday School: 9:30am
Worship: 10:45am
Cross Creek Open Bible Fellowship: 5pm at the Adams’ home

Weekly

Men’s Bible Study: On break
Women’s Summer Bible Study: Tuesdays, 6:30pm at the home of Kathy V
Thursdays, 10am at Cross Creek PCA (with childcare)
Senior Women’s Fellowship: Wednesdays, 10am, hosted by Linda T
Choir Practice: Wednesdays, 7:00pm (childcare provided)
Evening Worship: 1st and 3rd Sunday evenings (and 5th when applicable), 6:30pm. On the first Sunday monthly at 5:30pm, a Fellowship Meal will precede the service and on the 3rd Sunday, the Lord’s Supper will be served.
Cross Creek Open Bible Fellowship: 2nd & 4th Sundays, 5-7pm. Please come to the Adams’ home and share a meal, Bible Study and fellowship.

<p>Regarding announcement submissions: Please submit any information you wish to have printed in the worship folder No Later Than noon on Wednesdays.</p>
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General Assembly Report

Before evening worship on Sunday, 7-16-23, at 5:45pm, a few of the elders will offer a report from the GA. A physical report will also be handed out.

Gifts

Gifts have been given to the Cross Creek PCA Building Fund in memory of the late Rev. _____

Women's Ministry Team Freezer Meal Exchange

The Freezer Meal Exchange is this **Friday, July 14th**. Don't want to participate in the meal exchange? No problem! Please still come and fellowship with us! To participate in the Freezer Meal Exchange RSVP by this **Tuesday, July 11th**. We will then contact you with how many participants are in your exchange group and instructions for the exchange. You can RSVP for this event by signing up on the sheet in the Nursery hallway. Refreshments and childcare will be provided.

2023 Vacation Bible School

Having been greatly blessed by VBS last year, we the informal VBS 2023 planning committee, would like to continue the tradition this year. Our tentative dates are July 24-28 (9:00am-noon), and our choice of curriculum focuses on the miracles of Christ, including the miracle of the regeneration of the human heart. We will need about 20 adult/teen participants and enough students to populate the classes. Therefore, if you or your older teen would be available to volunteer, or if you have children who would like to participate, please sign up on the sheet on easel in the narthex, or call/email the church office to be put in touch with a coordinator.

Moment for Missions: Garry & Anita _____, Caribbean Region

Dear Ministry Partners,

We arrived in Belize on June 21 amid much activity! On Saturday, June 24, we attended the 36th anniversary celebration of the Presbyterian Church in Belize. It was a good time to remember what the Lord has done and look forward with anticipation of what He will do in the future. The first summer team of the year was to arrive on Saturday the 24 but arrived Sunday due to flight problems. The team and the local church had a great week at the Trinity Presbyterian Church here in Patchakan. They helped with a construction project and assisted the church with vacation Bible school. Two team members served in the clinic helping with dentistry and internal medicine/pediatrics. Thank you, Grace Point Presbyterian Church!

Garry hopes to start construction on the storage building by Thursday, July 6th. Praise God for the \$21,000.00 raised for this project. Thank you to everyone who contributed toward this critical need!

God has blessed the clinic with two summer interns again this summer. They are helping in the pharmacy and with patient registration. One worked as the dental assistant this past week. They have also been doing sports with some of the local young people and are seeking to share the Gospel with them. Thank you, Abby and Annie, for your service this summer!

The schedule is now complete for the first year of the Grenada Youth Ministry Training Program. The first class will be held October 16-20. Please pray for this program.

Please pray for physical and spiritual strength for our time in Belize (June 24-August 14). There are many projects and ministries to do. Garry will write a course on Church Planting to teach to Haitian church leaders in the Dominican Republic at the end of August while we are here.

Thank you for your faithful prayer and financial support! Your partnership gives us the privilege of serving throughout the Caribbean.

In His Service,
Garry and Anita