



# 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*

OCTOBER 8, 2023

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Greeting

### Call to Worship

*Hebrews 12:1-2*

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

## Invocation

### \* Hymn Supplement pg. 71

**“By Faith”**

### Call to Confession

*Isaiah 53:4*

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

## 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

**“Man of Sorrows! What a Name”**

### \* Old & New Testament Scripture Reading:

**Writings:** *Psalms 91:11-13* (Bad Snake)

**Prophets:** *Isaiah 6:1-3* (Good Snakes)

**Epistles:** *Hebrews 2:14-18* (The Devil Destroyed)

**Apocalypse:** *Revelation 20:1-10* (Defeated Devil)

\* **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 41 (Q & A 108-109)*

**Q.** What does the seventh commandment teach us?

**A.** That God condemns all unchastity, and that therefore we should thoroughly detest it and live decent and chaste lives, within or outside of the holy state of marriage.

**Q.** Does God, in this commandment, forbid only such scandalous sins as adultery?

**A.** We are temples of the Holy Spirit, body and soul, and God wants both to be kept clean and holy. That is why God forbids all unchaste actions, looks, talk, thoughts, or desires, and whatever may incite someone to them.

\* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*

## Pastoral Prayer

\* Hymn Supplement pg. 18

**“O Church, Arise”**

## Tithes and Offerings

\* 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.

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

\* Prayer for Illumination

## Sermon Series: Reformation-ologies

\* Sermon Text

*Genesis 3:15*

\* **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: “Reformed Protology”**

Pastor Michael Mock

**Sermon Outline:** Next page

## Prayer for Transformation

**Lord’s Supper:** A Meal of the Victorious Victim

\* Eucharistic Hymn # 92

**“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”**

\* Benediction

\* Departing Hymn # 55

**“To God Be the Glory!”**

To God be the glory, great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that we may go in.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father thro’ Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory, great things he has done!



## Sermon Outline:

**Sermon Text:** *Genesis 3:15* “Reformed Protology”

**Christians struggle to glorify God and enjoy him forever because of the threefold enmity of the flesh, the world, and the Devil.**

### 1. First Things First?

- a. Good God
- b. Good Creation
- c. Good Image
- d. **Application:** We serve a good God.

### 2. First of Fallen Humanity

- a. Enmity Initiated
- b. Enmity Exemplified
  - i. Pharoah (Ezek. 32:2; Ex. 1)
  - ii. Herod (Matt. 2)
  - iii. Pharisees (Matt. 3; 12)
- c. **Application:** Struggle with a keen eye to the reality of enmity.

### 3. First of Future Humanity

- a. Victory Initiated
- b. Victory Exemplified
  - i. Yet Moses
  - ii. Yet Mary
  - iii. Yet Messiah
- c. **Application:** Fight with a keen eye to the victorious Savior.

10-8-23	Nursery Schedule		10-15-23
Sunday School	Carling & Ari	Sunday School	Carling & Stephannie
Worship	Jodie & Aliyah	Worship	Molly & Carling

### Today & Weekly

#### Today

**Pre-Service Prayer Gathering:** 9:00-9:15am in the Library

**ABF:** 9:30am – Ligonier Series: “Christianity and Liberalism”

**Sunday School:** 9:30am First Sunday of Reformation Week: K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade meet in sanctuary

**Worship:** 10:45am

**Cross Creek Open Bible Fellowship:** 5:00pm.

#### Weekly

**Men’s Bible Study:** On break

**Women’s Fall Bible Study:** 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:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday evenings (and 5<sup>th</sup> when applicable), 6:30pm. On the first Sunday monthly at 5:30pm, a Fellowship Meal will precede the service and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, the Lord’s Supper will be served. (Please see below for an update for 9-17-23.)

**Cross Creek Open Bible Fellowship:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, 5-7pm. Please meet at the Adams’ home to share a meal, Bible Study and fellowship.

### Reformation Month

Parents of Cross Creek, in keeping with our time-honored tradition of teaching our children Reformation history through the month of October, we ask that you please drop your children off in the sanctuary starting October 1<sup>st</sup> where they will meet their Sunday School teachers and learn about our reformer of the month: Martin Luther. You should receive a parent letter from your child(ren)’s Sunday School teacher, and an additional copy from our church office by email. Please contact Lynne J if you have any questions or if you or your children would like to help serve during the month or with the celebration.

**Regarding announcement submissions:** Please submit any information you wish to have printed in the worship folder No Later Than noon on Wednesdays.

**Moment for Missions**  
Garry & Anita C, Caribbean

Dear Partners in ministry,

As a new month begins, we are thankful for God's faithfulness in our lives. On September 1st we drove to Atlanta where we had a full schedule of meetings with MTW staff, other organization leaders with whom we partner, and co-laborers with us in Grenada. The side benefit of the trip was that we stayed with our oldest daughter, Caryann, and her family. Always great to have family time, especially with the fast growing up grandkids.

We were disappointed that the marriage seminar for a Haitian church in the eastern part of the Dominican Republic (DR) was canceled due to tensions between the DR and the Haitian diaspora living in the DR. Please pray for this situation which started over a border irrigation canal project.

On Tuesday, the 3rd, we go to the DR for the MTW Americas Area Retreat. This is a retreat for all MTW missionaries serving in South and Central America, the Caribbean, Mexico, and those serving among the Indigenous populations of the USA and Canada (about 75 family units). Pray for a time of spiritual refreshment, rest, and networking as we gather together. We also praise God for answered prayer as there were two tropical storms headed toward the DR and both have turned north and will not interfere with the retreat. This retreat is two years late due to postponement from the Covid pandemic.

Anita will travel to Belize for two weeks on October 14th. One of the clinic nurses is on medical leave and Anita will help at the clinic and also orient a visiting nurse who will help for 3 weeks at the clinic. While Anita is in Belize, Garry will make a trip to Grenada on the 16th to be present for the first Youth Ministry Training Program class. We are so excited that this program is launching. Pray that it will impact the Caribbean by training people to minister to youth and seeing those youth becoming future leaders for the Caribbean churches. Some students will attend in person and others will join via Zoom from Nassau, St. Vincent, and Belize. Garry will also spend two days in Port of Spain, Trinidad with a ministry partner before returning to Grenada and then back home. Please be praying for the trips and for God to use us to minister to those we meet.

The storage building at the Belize clinic is completed (see pictures on your Ministry Wall) and is filling up fast as items are sorted and brought out of the old storage facilities. A big thank you to everyone who contributed to this project!

We do give thanks for each of you who pray for the ministries God has given us! Please find the Belize Prayer Calendar on your Ministry Wall.

Thank you for your faithful financial support! God is so faithful to meet our needs.

In His service,  
Garry and Anita

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