



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

NOVEMBER 12, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting

Call to Worship

Isaiah 52:7

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.”

Invocation

* Hymn # 69

“Thy God Reigneth!”

Call to Confession

Isaiah 52:11

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.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 6:19-20

We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

* Hymn # 617

“My Anchor Holds”

* Old & New Testament Scripture Reading:

Law: *Genesis 50:15-21* (Providence’s Comfort)

Writings: *Psalms 90:12-17* (God’s Gracefulness, Our Usefulness)

Gospels: *Luke 10:25-37* (Taking on the Cost of Care)

* **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 46 (Q & A 120-121)

Q. Why did Christ command us to call God “our Father”?

A. To awaken in us at the very beginning of our prayer what should be basic to our prayer— a childlike reverence and trust that through Christ God has become our Father, and that just as our parents do not refuse us the things of this life, even less will God our Father refuse to give us what we ask in faith.

Q. Why the words “in heaven”?

A. These words teach us not to think of God’s heavenly majesty as something earthly, and to expect everything needed for body and soul from God’s almighty power.

* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*

Pastoral Prayer

* Hymn # 128

“God Moves in a Mysterious Way”

Tithes and Offerings

* Hymn # 715

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home:
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied:
Come to God’s own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

* Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Series: Philemon

* Sermon Text *Philemon 8-19*

* 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: “Cost Analysis of Reconciliation” Pastor Michael Mock

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Prayer for Transformation

Lord’s Supper: The Cost Is Paid

* Eucharistic Hymn # 254 “Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed”

* Benediction

* Departing Hymn, Hymn Supplement pg. 34 “May the Peace”

May the peace of God our Heavenly Father and the grace of Christ the risen Son,
And the fellowship of God the Spirit keep our hearts and minds within His love.
And to Him be praise for His glorious reign, from the depths of earth to the heights of Heaven;
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain – Christ eternal the King of Kings.



Sermon Outline:

Sermon Text: *Philemon 8-19* “Cost Analysis of Reconciliation”

Absorbing the cost of offenses, and trusting in God's good providence, we can move out in usefulness to Christ.

1. Loving Sacrifices (vv. 8-19)

- a. Heart of Love
 - i. Appealing, not Commanding (vv. 8-10, 14)
 - ii. Sending His Heart (v. 12)
 - iii. **Application:** The next step of reconciliation is to make known your love abundantly.
- b. Love in Action (vv. 17-19)
 - i. Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)
 - ii. Good Savior
- c. **Application:** Christ's Church absorbs the cost of one another's offenses.

2. Providential Grievances (vv. 15-16)

- a. From Grievance to Gain
- b. **Application:** Christ's Church works on reconciliation with faith in God's good will.

3. Enduring Usefulness (vv. 10-11, 13)

- a. “Useless” to “Useful”
- b. **Application:** Christ's Church keeps serving Christ because of his ongoing, restoring grace.

Sermon Notes



11-12-23	Nursery Schedule		11-19-23
Sunday School	Carling & Stephannie	Sunday School	Carling & Hannah
Worship	Jodie & Hannah	Worship	Jacqui & Bethany

Today & Weekly

Today

- Pre-Service Prayer Gathering:** 9:00-9:15am in the Library (please see next page)
- ABF:** 9:30am – Ligonier Series: “Christianity and Liberalism”
- Sunday School:** 9:30am
- Worship:** 10:45am

Weekly

- Men’s Bible Study:** On break
- Women’s Fall Bible Study:**
 - Tuesdays, 6:30pm at Kathy Vogus’s home, 7916 Ancon Dr. (no childcare) Info on next pg.
 - Thursdays, 10am at Cross Creek PCA (with childcare)
- Senior Women’s Fellowship:** Wednesdays, 10am hosted by Linda Teague (7916 Ancon Dr.)
- 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. (Please see below for an update for 9-17-23.)

Farewell Picture for the Reeves

Please sign or initial the mat in the picture frame on the credenza in the narthex even if you are not in the picture!

Come and Pray!

A Message from Joseph Westendorf

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

As you know, we have a pre-service prayer-time in the church library every Sunday at 9am. Particularly with everything going on in the church right now, I encourage you to come join us in praying for each other and our church these next couple of weeks! After all, we can do nothing without our Lord's help (John 15:5), but he is faithful and hears us when we call on His name (1 John 5:14-15). So as we prayerfully consider the future of our church, I encourage you to join us so we can pray for one another and for our church, that our love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment. And as a reminder, if you can't attend, but have prayer requests you want prayed for, you can always share with the Elders or me, and we'll pray for you when we meet. It is truly a delight to pray for you all!

Advent Tea and Hymn Sing

Saturday, December 2nd at 6pm the Women's Ministry will host an Advent Tea and Hymn Sing. We look forward to an evening of tea, a hymn sing, a Christmas cookie exchange & competition, a devotional, and fellowship. Please bring a finger food of your choice and a plate of cookies. Be sure to include copies of your cookie recipe to share. Older daughters are welcome and encouraged to attend. Please RSVP by Monday, November 27th on the Facebook event or the sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you have teacups or teapots to loan for the tea, please drop them off at the church during office hours from Wednesday, Nov 29th - Friday, Dec 1st. If you have any questions or concerns contact Lynne Jonson via email educatinghiscreation@gmail.com, or at [\(910\)751-3469](tel:(910)751-3469).

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

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