



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

FEBRUARY 16, 2025



Welcome to Cross Creek PCA – we are glad you have joined us today for worship! If you are visiting with us, would you be so kind as to fill out a visitor card and drop it in the offering plate. We want to acknowledge your presence with us.

Cross Creek is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) – *faithful to the scriptures, true to the Reformed faith, and obedient to the Great Commission*. The Elders invite all those who profess faith in Jesus Christ, are members in good standing of a Bible-believing church, and are in a right relationship with God and fellow Christians to participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us.

This Week at Cross Creek

Day	Time	Event	Location	Childcare	Contact
Sunday	6:30PM	Evening Gathering	CCPC Sanctuary	Yes	Joanne Kelley 910.864.4031
Monday	7:00PM	Choir Practice	CCPC Sanctuary	Yes	Greta Harrison 865.387.2057
Thursday	10:00AM	Women's Bible Study <i>The Gospel of John</i>	CCPC Library	Yes	Eleonore Surles 909.569.5523
Thursday	6:00PM	Women's Bible Study <i>The Gospel of John</i>	Richardson Home	No	Eleonore Surles 909.569.5523
Thursday	6:00PM	Teen Group <i>Covenantal Structure of Scripture</i>	Godwin Home	No	Sarah Godwin 803.760.6527
Saturday	8:00AM	Men's Bible Study <i>A Proverbs Driven Life</i>	CCPC Library	No	Joseph Westendorf 732.484.2026 OR Paul Meloche 208.921.1770

Serving the Saints

	This Week 2-16-25	Next Week 2-23-25
Nursery (Sunday School)	Carling & Hannah	Carling & Hannah
Nursery (Worship)	Karrie & Layla	Carling & Ciahna
Greeting	Brad Bennett	Brad Bennett
Worship Leader	Walt Coppersmith	Walt Coppersmith
Accompanist	Jenny Basie	Jenny Basie

Order of Worship

Greeting

Call to Worship

Psalm 89:1-4

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations. For I said, "Steadfast love will be built up forever; in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness." You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: 'I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations.'" *Selah*

Invocation

* Hymn # 38

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Call to Confession

Romans 3:22b-23

For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:1-2

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

* Hymn # 533

"I Am Thine, O Lord, I Have Heard Thy Voice"

* Old & New Testament Scripture Reading:

OT: *Isaiah 43:1-11*

NT: *Ephesians 1:15-23*

* **Leader:** 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

The Westminster Confession of Faith, 7.6, Of God's Covenant with Man

7.6. Under the gospel, when Christ, the substance, was exhibited, the ordinances in which this covenant is dispensed are the preaching of the Word, and the administration of the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper: which, though fewer in number, and administered with more simplicity, and less outward glory, yet, in them, it is held forth in more fullness, evidence and spiritual efficacy, to all nations, both Jews and Gentiles; and is called the new testament. There are not therefore two covenants of grace, differing in substance, but one and the same, under various dispensations.

* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

* Hymn Response # 729

“All Things Are Thine”

All things are Thine; no gift have we, Lord of all gifts, to offer Thee;
And hence with grateful hearts today, Thine own before Thy feet we lay.

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

* Hymn Supplement pg. 16

“Speak, O Lord”

* Sermon Text

Colossians 1:9-14

* **Leader:** 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 Series: “Colossians—United in Christ”

Sermon Title: "A Prayer for Fruitfulness"

TE Walt Coppersmith

Prayer for Transformation

Lord’s Supper (Please note: The purple cups in the outer ring contain wine and the clear cups in the inner rings contain juice; bread is beneath each cup.)

* Eucharistic Hymn, # 672

“Trust and Obey”

* Benediction

* Departing Hymn, # 386 (1st Stanza)

“God Be with You Till We Meet Again”

God be with you till we meet again; by His counsels guide, uphold you,
with His sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus’ feet;
till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

Sermon Notes:

Sermon Text: *Colossians 1:9-14*

Sermon Title: “A Prayer for Fruitfulness”

Theme:

Introduction

A. "Be"

B. "Know"

C. "Do"

D. Reward

Conclusion and Final Application.

Announcements

Church Office

The church office will be minimally staffed Feb. 10-20, and closed Feb. 17. You may contact Pastor Coppersmith directly at (412) 656-0599 or if you have a pressing need, contact one of the Deacons or Elders (their phone numbers are on the back pg. of the worship folder). If you know in advance that you will have an announcement for the worship folder for Feb. 23, please submit it to the office as early as possible as folders will be printed early Thursday morning.

Spring Women's Bible Study

Spring Women's Bible Study began Thursday, Feb 6th. Choose from a morning study at 10am located at the church or an evening option at 6pm located at the Richardsons' home. We will cover the gospel of John using the *Core Christianity* Bible Study Resources. Meetings will be held through April 10th. Childcare will be offered during the 10am study for up to age 6. Older children are welcome to bring schoolwork or an activity to do independently in a classroom next to the Bible Study. Participants can sign up in the narthex or by visiting crosscreekpca.org/events/spring-womens-bible-study. If you would like to participate in the study, but can't attend in-person, please register anyways so that you can have the book and follow along on your own. Please contact Eleonore Surles for any other questions or concerns, 909.569.5523 or eleonoresurles@gmail.com.

Congregation Picture Board

Leigh Rimmer has agreed to take pictures for updating the Congregation Picture Board. Please speak with her to arrange pictures.

Join a Covenant Group

The Session would like to invite members and regular attendees to join a covenant group. Covenant groups are an intentional outworking of community in a healthy church, where we agree to commune with each other, disciple one another, and serve each other sacrificially, prayerfully, and charitably. If you would like to join a group, you can now register online at crosscreekpca.org/community/covenant-groups/. Please speak to an elder if you have any questions or want more information.

A Word from the Diaconate: MNA Hurricane Helene Disaster Relief

Please continue to pray for those affected by Hurricane Helene and the ongoing relief efforts. If you would like to give to this effort you can: *place a designated offering in the plate today*, or go to <https://give.pcamna.org/to/mna-disaster-response-2024-hurricane-helene-relief/>. Also, you can volunteer at: <https://resources.pcamna.org/resource/how-to-volunteer-with-mna-disaster-response/>

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

Prayer Requests

Dear Fathers and Brothers in Christ,

I write to humbly request that our presbytery lift up in prayer the Hispanic pastors among us, including Salatiel and myself, as well as the 69 Teaching Elders in the PCA. We are facing numerous pastoral challenges and pressures, particularly in light of the increased visibility of immigration issues in the media.

As shepherds of our congregations, we often find ourselves navigating complex conversations—explaining matters to the majority culture, answering the heartfelt questions of our church members, and walking alongside many in our communities who find themselves in desperate situations. These are weighty responsibilities, and we deeply feel our need for the sustaining grace of our Lord.

We ask for your prayers:

- That God would strengthen us with wisdom, patience, and courage as we minister in these difficult times.
- That our churches would remain steadfast in lifting up the name of Jesus and proclaiming His gospel with clarity and love.
- That those we serve—both within and beyond the church—would find true hope and rest in Christ.

It is a great encouragement to know that we do not walk alone. Your intercession means more than words can express, and we are grateful for this body of believers who uphold one another in prayer.

In Christ's service,

Jose Portillo
East Charlotte Pastor

www.crosscreekpca.org

PASTOR WALT COPPERSMITH EMAIL: pastor@crosscreekpca.org

CHURCH OFFICE EMAIL: ccpadmin@crosscreekpca.org

430 S. MCPHERSON CHURCH RD., FAYETTEVILLE, NC 28303

Office: (910) 864-4031

RULING ELDERS

Harry Ameredes
Conor Aubry
Steve Bennett
Johnny Surles

(910) 916-6300
(561) 847-1768
(910) 988-3524
(909) 569-2292

DEACONS

William Gillis
Dennis Johnson

(910) 850-5777
(910) 890-3437

WE SUPPORT

FOREIGN MISSIONS: Mr. & Mrs. Garry (Anita) Chambers: The Caribbean

HOME MISSIONS: Harvest USA; REV. & Mrs. William (Suzanne) Scott: Atlanta

LOCAL MINISTRIES: AGAPE Pregnancy Center and Operation Inasmuch