

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Rord our Maker!

For He is our God! - Esalm 95:6-7a

MARCH 2, 2025



**Welcome to Cross Creek** – 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 and get to know you better.

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**

<b>Day</b> Sunday	Time 5:30PM	<b>Event</b> Fellowship Meal	<b>Location</b> CCPC Office Wing	<b>Childcare</b> No	Contact Joanne Kelley 910.864.4031
Sunday	6:30PM	Hymn Sing	CCPC Sanctuary	No	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 The Gospel of John	CCPC Library	Yes	Eleonore Surles 909.569.5523
Thursday	6:00PM	Women's Bible Study The Gospel of John	Richardson Home	No	Eleonore Surles 909.569.5523
Thursday	6:00PM	Teen Group  Apologetics	Godwin Home	No	Sarah Godwin 803.760.6527
Saturday	8:00AM	Men's Bible Study A Proverbs Driven Life	CCPC Library	No	Joseph Westendorf 732.484.2026 OR Paul Meloche 208.921.1770

## **Serving the Saints**

Nursery (Sunday School) Nursery (Worship) Greeting Worship Elders Accompaniment This Week 3-2-25
Carling & Hannah
Jodie & Genevieve
Brad Bennett & Janet Rose
Harry Ameredes & Conor Aubry

Next Week 3-9-25
Carling & Hannah
Maggie & Eleonore
Brad Bennett & Janet Rose
Conor Aubry & Steve Bennett

## **Order of Worship**

## Greeting

Call to Worship Revelation 5:9-10

And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

#### Invocation

\* Hymn of Adoration # 295

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Call to Confession Isaiah 1:18

"Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."

Assurance of Pardon Micah 7:18-20

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.

\* Hymn of Affirmation, Hymn Supplement pg. 44

"Before the Throne of God"

# \* Scripture Readings:

**OT:** Hosea 2:14-23 **NT:** 1 Peter 1:13-21

\* Leader: This is the Word of our God

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

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates Please Stand if Able

**Affirmation of Faith The Westminster Confession of Faith, 8.2,** Of Christ the Mediator **8.2.** The Son of God, the second person in the Trinity, being very and eternal God, of one substance and equal with the Father, did, when the fullness of time was come, take upon him man's nature, with all the essential properties, and common infirmities thereof, yet without sin; being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the virgin Mary, of her substance. So that two whole, perfect, and distinct natures, the Godhead and the manhood, were inseparably joined together in one person, without conversion, composition, or confusion. Which person is very God, and very man, yet one Christ, the only Mediator between God and man.

## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Tithes and Offerings**

\* Hymn Response # 125 (Verse 1)

"Let All Things Now Living"

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the Creator triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, who guides us and leads to the end of our days. His banners are o'er us, his light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, 'til shadows have vanished and darkness is banished, as forward we travel from light into light.

- \* Prayer of Thanksgiving
- \* Hymn for Illumination # 140

- "O Word of God Incarnate"
- \* Sermon Text Colossians 1:21-23
- \* 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"

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Sermon Title: "Christ the Reconciler"

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.)

\*Hymn of Faith # 347

"The Church's One Foundation"

\* Benediction

\* Departing Hymn, # 740

"Threefold Amen"

Amen, amen, amen.

# **Sermon Notes**

Sermon Text: Colossians 1:21-23

Sermon Title: "Christ the Reconciler"
Theme:
Introduction
A. The Need for Reconciliation
B. The Means of Reconciliation
C. The Fruit of Reconciliation
Conclusion and Final Application

### **Announcements**

**Congregation Picture Board:** Leigh Rimmer has agreed to take pictures for updating the Congregation Picture Board—she will be taking updated pictures through the end of April. Please speak with her ahead of time to arrange to have your picture taken **601.497.0200**.

**Covenant Group:** The Elders would like to encourage members and regular attendees to join a Covenant Group. Covenant Groups are an intentional outworking of community in a healthy church. It is these groups where we really get to know one another, 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.

**Worship / Music Planning:** If you are interested in serving on a ministry team involved with worship / music planning in our weekly and special worship services, please speak to Pastor Walt (pastor@crosscreekpca.org) or Gretta Harrison (grettaluetta@gmail.com). Thanks!

#### 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.

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