



# 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*

MAY 25, 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 Connection 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**

Day	Time	Event	Location	Childcare	Contact
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		Women’s Bible Study is on break for the summer			
Saturday	8:00am	Men’s Bible Study <i>Institutes of the Christian Religion – Calvin</i>	CCPC Library	No	Joseph Westendorf 732.484.2026 OR Paul Meloche 208.921.1770
Saturday, May 31 <sup>st</sup>		Flourish Officer Retreat	CCPC Library	No	Pastor Walt 412. 656.0599 OR Church Office 9109.864.4031

**Serving the Saints**

	<b>This Week 5-25-25</b>	<b>Next Week 6-1-25</b>
<b>Nursery (Sunday School)</b>	Carling & Hannah	Carling & Hannah
<b>Nursery (Worship)</b>	Heidi, Lisa & Emmy	Carling, Conor & Ciahna
<b>Greeting</b>	Brad Bennett & Janet Rose	Brad Bennett & Janet Rose
<b>Worship Elders</b>	Conor Aubry & Ken Godwin	Mike Basie, Steve Bennett
<b>Accompaniment</b>	Sarah Godwin	Sarah Godwin

**Counseling and Theological Booklets:** Members are encouraged to pick up a counseling or theological booklet (in the ‘Coffee Corner’) to pass along to a friend. It is part of Cross Creek's commitment to provide free resources to you to minister to extended family, friends and neighbors.

**Congregational Email List:** We are updating our email list to allow easier communication with our church family. Please email the church at [ccpadmin@crosscreekpca.org](mailto:ccpadmin@crosscreekpca.org) or fill out the pink Connection Card in this worship folder to be sure we have your current contact info. Thank you!

# Order of Worship

## Greeting

*1 Timothy 1:2b*

## Call to Worship

*Psalms 136:1-3*

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the God of gods, for his steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever.

## Invocation

### \* Hymn of Adoration # 94

**“How Firm a Foundation”**

## Call to Confession

*1 John 2:1-2*

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

## Assurance of Pardon

*1 Timothy 1:15-16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.

### \* Hymn of Affirmation, Hymn Supplement pg. 76

**“I Will Glory in My Redeemer”**

### \* Scripture Readings:

**OT:** *1 Chronicles 16:7-34* (pew Bible pg. 346)

**NT:** *1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1* (pew Bible pg. 958)

\* **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

***Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter. 9, 5*** (hymnal pg. 854)

*Of Free Will*

**5.** The will of man is made perfectly and unchangeably free to do good alone, only in the state of glory.

## Pastoral Prayer

\* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*

**\* Hymn Response # 677 (vv 1, 3)**

**“Praise the Savior, Ye Who Know Him!”**

Praise the Savior, ye who know Him! Who can tell how much we owe Him?

Gladly let us render to Him all we are and have.

Trust in Him, ye saints, forever; He is faithful, changing never;

Neither force nor guile can sever those He loves from Him.

**\* Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**\* Hymn for Illumination, # 644**

**“May the Mind of Christ My Savior”**

**\* Sermon Text**

*Colossians 3:15-17*

**\* 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 Title:** “The Fruit of Thankfulness”

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 # 80**

**“Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee”**

**\* Benediction**

**\* Departing Hymn, (tune of # 304)**

**“Nunc Dimittis”**

Lord, let your servant now depart in everlasting peace;

mine eyes have seen salvation’s hope; my heart is now at ease.

For you’ve prepared a radiant light, the darkness to dispel;

to lead your people in your ways, and shine on Israel.

## Sermon Notes

**Sermon Text:** *Colossians 3:15-17*

**Sermon Title:** “The Fruit of Thankfulness”

**Theme:**

**I. Thankfulness in our heart**

**II. Thankfulness in our worship**

**III. Thankfulness in all we do**

## **Ministry Opportunities – Cross Creek needs YOU!**

**Hospitality Team** – Set-up / clean-up the weekly coffee service in the narthex. This provides a sense of welcome to our guests and opportunity for members to connect with one another. Useful spiritual gifts: hospitality, service, leadership. Ideal team of four that would serve together for a year (renewable).

**Fellowship Events Team** – Plan the regular fellowship events in the life of the congregation. This provides an opportunity for people to connect with each other and build multi-generational friendships. Includes after-church meals and any social events for the entire congregation. Useful spiritual gifts: hospitality, administration, encouragement, faith, intercession, leadership. Ideal team of six that would serve together for a year (renewable). Would recruit others with gifts to help provide needed support for individual events.

**Library Team** – Catalogue and manage the church Library, provide updates on good reads, new selections, etc. Useful spiritual gifts: administration, discernment, helps. Ideal team of two to serve together for a year (renewable)

**Prayer Ministry Team** – Coordinate the corporate prayer ministry of Cross Creek so that individuals, families and the ministries of Cross Creek are faithfully prayed for. Supports the shepherding efforts of the Elders. Useful spiritual gifts: intercession, discernment, shepherding, wisdom. Ideal team of four that would serve together for a year (renewable).

**Sacrament Prep Team** – Prepare the elements for serving weekly communion as well as any baptisms. Useful spiritual gifts: service, encouragement. Ideal team of four alternate week by week, that can serve together for a year (renewable).

**Flourish Officer Retreat: Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>.** Please be in prayer for our Elders and Deacons as they pray, discuss, and develop a strategic plan to address the key issues identified by the Congregational Health Survey. Please pray especially for discernment, ability to hear and weigh differing options, unity in decision making, and wisdom in implementation.

**Family Forum: Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>** following the morning worship service. Families are invited to bring a picnic lunch (room in the kitchen frig if needed). Cross Creek will provide extra drinks. At this townhall, we will be seeking input on the functionality and upgrading of space designated for ministry to children and youth. Cross Creek is growing and we want to be adequately prepared and ready for significant spiritual ministry to young families and their children. Your participation is greatly appreciated. Company is coming!

**Congregation Picture Board:** Please see Leigh Rimmer right after service to get your picture taken. You can call her ahead of time at 601.497.0200 to make arrangements.

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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**HOME MISSIONS:** Harvest USA

**LOCAL MINISTRIES:** AGAPE Pregnancy Center and Operation Inasmuch