



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

JULY 6, 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 adults 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. Children who have met with the Elders to profess their faith in Christ are also encouraged to participate.

Supporting Our Worship Service

Worship Elders
Accompaniment
Nursery (Worship)
Greeters

This Week 7-6-25
Conor Aubry & Steve Bennett
Sarah Godwin
Lisa, Emmy & Lucy
Brad Bennett & Janet Rose

Next Week 7-13-25
Steve Bennett & Johnny Surles
Sarah Godwin
Karrie, Genevieve & Layla
Brad Bennett & Janet Rose

The Lord's Day – AD July 6, 2025

Prelude

Scriptural Greeting

Galatians 1:3

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

Psalm 134:1-2

Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, who stand by night in the house of the LORD! Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the LORD!

* Hymn of Adoration

#165 "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

* Opening Prayer

Confession of Sin

Psalm 32:1-5

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. *Selah*

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Selah*

Prayers of Confession (public, private)

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 33:18-22

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine. Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

OT Scripture Reading:

Joshua 24:14-28 (Pew Bible pg. 198)

NT Scripture Reading:

2 Timothy 2:1-13 (Pew Bible pg. 995)

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God!

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Psalm 116:12-14

Offertory

* **Doxology # 733**

“Doxology”

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

* **Hymn of Preparation**

146 **“Break Thou The Bread of Life”**

* **Sermon Text**

Colossians 4:7-18 (Pew Bible 985)

Sermon “Band of Brothers”

TE Walt Coppersmith

* **Hymn of Reflection**

264 **“Jesus, Keep Me near the Cross”**

Sacrament of the 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.)

Prayer for Transformation

Affirmation of Faith

WCOF on Justification XI.III (back of hymnal pg. 855)

Prayers of the People (followed by the Lord's Prayer)

* **Hymn of Faith**

Hymn Supplement pg. 69 “Rise Up, O Men of God!”

* **Benediction**

* **Greeting of One Another**

* **Postlude**

* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*

Sermon Notes

Sermon Text: *Colossians 4:7-18*

Sermon Title: “Band of Brothers”

Theme:

I. Spiritual Leaders

II. Spiritual Brothers and Sisters

III. Spiritual Encouragement

Ministry Opportunities – Cross Creek needs YOU!

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).

Hospitality Team – Set-up / clean-up the weekly coffee service in the narthex. This provides a sense of welcome to our guests and an 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).

Nursery Team – Additional members are needed to assist in caring for our little ones during the worship service. Cross Creek screens all volunteers working with children. For more information, please speak to Carling Aubry.

Announcements

How to Lead Your Family: The Session is providing a copy of this short, helpful book to all the men of Cross Creek. Please be sure to get one and read it. Elders are available for dialogue.

Men's Theological Discussion Group: Calvin's *Institutes of the Christian Religion*, meets on Saturdays, 8:00 am in the Library. For more information, please contact Joseph Westendorf 732.484.2026 OR Paul Meloche 208.921.1770

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.

Congregational Meeting: The Session is calling all members and regular attendees together for an extended time of dialogue on Sunday, July 20, 2025. The Session's Strategic Spiritual Health Plan for Cross Creek will be discussed in detail from 9:00 – 10:15 am in the sanctuary. Following the worship service, at 11:45am, the congregation will receive an update from the Ministry Mobilization Team, the Evangelism Team and the Leadership Development Team, and vote on the membership of the Flourish Envisioning Team. The Session will be providing reports and documents for review prior to the meeting. Thank you for your attendance and participation in this meeting about the direction of the ministry of Cross Creek.

Prayer List

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:6-7

Pray for our Elders and Deacons as they shepherd, care for, and lead this flock.

Pray for our mothers (and fathers) with newborns and for our expectant mothers.

Pray for members experiencing physical, emotional and financial difficulties.

Pray for our Cross Creek families. Pray especially for our children and youth over the summer months, that their hearts would be growing in love with Jesus.

Pray for our daughter church Providence ARP. Pray for Pastor Andy Webb and the Session as they lead the congregation. Pray for Pastor Tim Philips and the planting of Liberty Reformed Presbyterian Church, Raeford in NC.

Moment for Missions

Garry & Anita Chambers, MTW Regional Director for the Caribbean

Dear Partner's in ministry,

I just returned to Belize yesterday from my trip to the Dominican Republic. On Saturday we held a graduation ceremony for 24 students who attended training MTW offered for Haitian/Dominican church leaders. Please see the Chambers Update On your Missions Wall for more details and pictures of the graduation. It was a great time to rejoice with the students for their accomplishments.

Please use the Caribbean/Belize Prayer calendar to pray for MTW's ministries in the Caribbean. We do appreciate your faithful prayer support for the ministry that God has called us to. Thank you too, for your faithful financial support that allows us to give ourselves to the ministry God has called us to!

Garry and Anita

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

Ministers of God's Grace – “Every Member in Ministry” (1 Peter 4:10)

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Nursery Ministry Team
Sacrament Preparation Team
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