



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

AUGUST 17, 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.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper – 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 been baptized and met with the Elders to profess their faith in Christ are also encouraged to participate.

Purpose of Ministry

To glorify God by faithfully proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ, making disciples, and equipping the saints through the ordinary means of grace within a covenant community. (Matthew 28:16-20) Cross Creek is a member congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America: *Faithful to the Scriptures, true to the Reformed Faith and obedient to the Great Commission.*

Philosophy of Ministry

Effective ministry flows from the heart of God. God's heart and will are revealed in His Word, summarized in the church's confessional standards. God's grace is poured out through public worship (preached Word, sacraments, prayer). God graciously involves members and their spiritual gifts in meaningful ministry. One of the roles of spiritual leaders is to shepherd and equip church members to minister as Christ calls and enables them to do (Ephesians 4:11-16). God graciously extends His Kingdom through outreach (word and deed ministry) that proclaims Christ's kingship locally and abroad.

Our motto is: ***"Together for Christ and His Kingdom"***

Supporting Our Worship Service

Worship Elders
Accompaniment
Nursery (Worship)
Head Usher

This Week 8-17-25
Ben Hoemann & Ken Godwin
Sarah Godwin
Eleonore, Heidi & Maggie
Brad Bennett

Next Week 8-24-25
Mike Basie & Steve Bennett
Sarah Godwin
Lisa, Emmy & Jodie
Brad Bennett

The Lord's Day – AD August 17, 2025

Prelude

Scriptural Greeting

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

Psalm 127:1-3

Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain. It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep. Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward.

* Hymn of Adoration

9 ***“All You that Fear Jehovah’s Name”***

* Opening Prayer

Confession of Sin

Psalm 130:1-2

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 130:3-4

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

OT Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 6:4-25 (Pew Bible pg. 151)

NT Scripture Reading:

1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (Pew Bible pg. 952)

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

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Psalm 96:8-9

Offertory

* Doxology (tune of # 252, Hamburg)

“Doxology”

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

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

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

* Hymn of Preparation

570 ***“Faith of our Fathers!”***

* Sermon Text

Daniel 1:1-21 (Pew Bible pg. 737)

Sermon Series

Kingdom Living in a Fallen World: “Totally Devoted to God”

TE Walt Coppersmith

* Hymn of Reflection

247 ***“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”***

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

Reception of New Members

Eric & Rylen Taylor

Affirmation of Faith

WCOF XXI.I Of Religious Worship and the Sabbath Day (Hymnal pg. 860)

Prayers of the People

1 Timothy 2:1-3

* Hymn of Faith

559 ***“Father, I Know That All My Life!”***

* Benediction

* Greeting of One Another

* Postlude

* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*

Sermon Notes

Sermon Text: *Daniel 1:1-21 (Pew Bible pg. 737)*

Sermon Series: Kingdom Living in a Fallen World: “Totally Devoted to God”

Theme: God rewards and uses his people to advance His kingdom

I. Daniel’s Circle

II. Daniel’s Character

III. Daniel’s Calling

Conclusion

Announcements

3 Circles Evangelism Training continues this Thursday at 6:00pm at the church. All Cross Creek Officers and wives, Sunday School Teachers and Youth are invited to participate in this first round of training. For more information, please speak to Mike Basie (704.616.0109).

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.

Women's Fall Bible Study Starts September 4: The Women's Fall Bible Study will begin Thursday, September 4th and run through Nov 13th. Choose from a Morning Study at 10am held at the church or an Evening Study at 6pm held at the Richardsons' home. We will be exploring the topic of covetousness using *The Envy of Eve* by Melissa B. Kruger.

Childcare is 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 across from the Bible study.

Participants can sign up in the narthex or by visiting crosscreekpca.org/events/envy-of-eve

If you would like to participate in the study, but can't attend in person, please register anyway so that you can have the book and follow along on your own.

Contact Eleonore Surles for any questions or concerns, eleonoresurles@gmail.com or 909.569.5523

Sunday School "Move-Up" Day: Our Sunday School students will 'Move Up' on Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025. Some classrooms are being moved, so please double-check which classroom your children will be in.

New Members Class: Begins Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025 and is open for adults and teens looking to learn more about Cross Creek's mission of making disciples, the vows of membership in a PCA church and our understanding of Covenantal Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Participation in the class does not require persons to join but does provide the opportunity for our Elders to interact with interested persons before being interviewed for membership. Please sign up using the blue Connection Card.

Congregational Update: Sunday, Sept. 21, 2025 The Session will present an update on the Strategic Spiritual Health Plan, implementation of Shepherding Flocks and the progress of the Ministry Mobilization Team.

Website:www.crosscreekpca.org

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.

Prayer List

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.
1 Peter 5:6-7

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

Pray for our 3 Circles Evangelism Training that continues this week. Pray for the Lord to equip us to naturally share the gospel with our family, friends, neighbors and those around us who need to know Jesus!

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 as the school year begins that they would seek to honor God in every aspect of their lives

Ministry Team Leaders

Adult Bible Fellowship (ABF)	Conor Aubry
Missions Team	Joseph Westendorf
Office Administration	Joanne Kelley
Nursery Ministry Team	Carling Aubry
Sacrament Preparation Team	Tim & Clair Bailey
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