



# 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 24, 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.

**Children's Worship Folders are available in the narthex:** These are designed for our youngest worshipers to engage with the preached Word.

**For our nursing mothers:** A dedicated room (Mama Room) is available for your use in the CE Wing, right across from the nursery.

**For our young parents with crying children:** A dedicated classroom is available for you to use if needed, right across from the bathrooms in the CE Wing.

**Thoughts on Worship** (from *Sunday Matters* by Paul Tripp)

Corporate worship is designed to remind you again and again that the most valuable thing in your life you could have never earned or deserved; it was and is a gift of divine grace.

**“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”**

*Hebrews 10:24-25 ESV*

# The Lord's Day – AD August 24, 2025

## Prelude

## Scriptural Greeting

## Welcome and Announcements

### \* Call to Worship

*Psalm 18:2-3*

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

### \* Hymn of Adoration

# 128 ***“God Moves in a Mysterious Way”***

### \* Opening Prayer

### Confession of Sin

*Psalm 40:11-13*

As for you, O LORD, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me! For evils have encompassed me beyond number; my iniquities have overtaken me, and I cannot see; they are more than the hairs of my head; my heart fails me. Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me! O LORD, make haste to help me!

## Prayers of Confession

### Assurance of Pardon

*Psalm 40:16-17*

But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, “Great is the LORD!” As for me, I am poor and needy, but the Lord takes thought for me. You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God!

### OT Scripture Reading:

*Psalm 2:1-12 (Pew Bible pg. 448)*

### NT Scripture Reading:

*Rev. 11:15-19 (Pew Bible pg. 1034)*

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

## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Psalm 116:12-14*

## 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

# 338 ***“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”***

\* Sermon Text

*Daniel 2:1-49 (Pew Bible pg. 737)*

**Sermon Series**

Kingdom Living in a Fallen World: “A King’s Dream”

TE Walt Coppersmith

\* Hymn of Reflection

*Hymn Supplement pg. 20 “Behold the Lamb”*

**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**

**Baptism**

Gideon Elijah-Keith Chizek  
Jonathan Tyndale Chizek

**Affirmation of Faith**

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

**Prayers of the People**

*Psalms 116:1-2*

\* Hymn of Faith

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

\* Benediction

\* Greeting of One Another

\* Postlude

\* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*

## **Sermon Notes**

**Sermon Text:** *Daniel 2:1-49 (Pew Bible pg. 737)*

**Sermon Series:** Kingdom Living in a Fallen World: “A King’s Dream”

**Theme:** Only the wisdom of God can reveal the mysteries of life

### **I. Daniel's Plight**

### **II. Daniel's Prayer**

### **III. Daniel's Prophecy**

## **Conclusion**

## Announcements

**3 Circles Evangelism Training:** The training continues Thursdays 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 4<sup>th</sup> and run through Nov 13<sup>th</sup>. 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](http://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](mailto: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.

**The Godly Man:** Begins Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025 in the ABF classroom. Paul's words to Timothy, "train yourself to be godly" are the basis of Christian manhood. This elective study, led by the Elders, focuses on the development of godly character, essential to being a faithful follower of Jesus Christ.

**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](http://www.crosscreekpca.org)

## **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 those raising teenagers – that parents would be gracious and youth be accepting of responsibility.

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.
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# Cross Creek Presbyterian Church

## 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"***

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