



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 24, 2026

The Lord's Day – May 24, 2026

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship

Psalm 145:18-19

Leader: The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Congregation: He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

* Hymn of Adoration

#76 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

* Opening Prayer

Confession of Sin

Psalm 51:9-10

"Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me."

Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 51:11-12

"Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit."

OT Scripture Reading:

Genesis 3:14-19 (Pew Bible pg. 3)

NT Scripture Reading:

Hebrews 11:32-40 (Pew Bible pg. 1008)

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

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Judges 13:19-20

* Doxology (tune of "Old Hundredth" #731)

"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

#562 All to Jesus I Surrender

* Sermon Text

Judges 13:2-7, Judges 14 (Pew Bible pg. 213)

Sermon Title "A Charge to Keep"

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* Hymn of Reflection

#598 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

(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

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 34. What is adoption?

A. Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges, of the sons of God.

Q. 35. What is sanctification?

A. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

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

* Hymn of Faith

Hymn Supplement #73 **Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery**

* Benediction

* Greeting of One Another

* Postlude

* *Indicates please stand if able*

Sermon Notes

Sermon Text: Judges 13:2-7, Judges 14

Sermon Title: “A Charge to Keep”

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God determines the circumstances of our lives and employs his people to build his kingdom.

I. God determined the circumstances of Samson's life.

- a. Application: Great sin needs a great savior. From time eternal, the triune God called us and determined a plan to save us. God was with Samson and is with us today.

II. God used Samson's choices, even seemingly bad choices, to accomplish his will.

- a. Application: Sanctification means that what is right in our own eyes is the same as what is right in God's eyes. Our sinful choices affect those around us—spouse, children, parents, fellow believers. God's sovereignty is not compromised; he orchestrates all aspects of our lives for his kingdom purposes.

III. Samson's desire to best his enemies cost him dearly.

- a. Application: We must be cautious in our zeal to best our enemies. We must be judicious about the agreements we make. Are we doing what is right in our own eyes or right in God's eyes?

Conclusion: In Samson, we see the compromise of sin, but we also see the promise of an even greater savior.