

# CHURCH CREEK PRESBYTERIAN



*April 27, 2025*

A CONGREGATION OF THE  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA



# WELCOME TO CCP

*Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,  
looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith. – Hebrews 12:2*

## VISITORS



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## ABOUT CHURCH CREEK



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## TODAY

**SUNDAY SCHOOL | 9:15 AM**

**MORNING WORSHIP | 10:45 AM**

### **FELLOWSHIP MEAL**

Please join us for a fellowship meal in the Fellowship Hall immediately following morning worship.

### **NURSERY**

Our nursery is in the Fellowship Hall next door for children ages 0-3. For nursing mothers or couples with infants/young toddlers, there is a nursing/cry room located at the back of the Sanctuary.

### **DEACON ON CALL FOR MAY**

Ron Vanderwey - (561)735-2746

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# The Order of Public Worship

April 27, 2025

Morning Service

10:45 a.m.



## INTROIT

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MEDITATION VERSES

*Philippians 3:7-11*

But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

## PRELUDE

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalms 100:1-5*

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!  
Serve the Lord with gladness!  
Come into his presence with singing!  
Know that the Lord, he is God!  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!  
For the Lord is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

## PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.*

**[Refrain] Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

*Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*

**[Refrain] Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me! Amen!**

## LAW OF GOD

*Ephesians 5:1-5*

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, and deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, and our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to lead lives of faith and repentance, that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

*NOTE: The Corporate Confession of Sin is prayed in unison by the congregation*

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Psalm 32:1-2*

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.

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Q. 45. Which is the first commandment?

*A. The first commandment is, You shall have no other gods before me.*

Q. 46. What is required in the first commandment?

*A. The first commandment requires us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God, and our God, and to worship and glorify Him accordingly.*

Q. 47. What is forbidden in the first commandment?

*A. The first commandment forbids the denying, or not worshiping and glorifying, the true God as God, and our God; and the giving of that worship and glory to any other, which is due to Him alone.*

*...Continued...*

Q. 48. What are we specially taught by these words, "before me," in the first commandment?

*A. These words, "before me," in the first commandment teach us that God, who sees all things, takes notice of, and is much displeased with, the sin of having any other God.*

## OLD TESTAMENT TEXT

*1 Kings 22:41-53*

## COLLECTION

*Ezekiel 44:30*

And the first of all the firstfruits of all kinds, and every offering of all kinds from all your offerings, shall belong to the priests. You shall also give to the priests the first of your dough, that a blessing may rest on your house.

## OFFERTORY

*Abide with Me #402*

*Abide with me: fast falls the eventide:  
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide:  
when other helpers fail, and comforts flee,  
help of the helpless, O abide with me.*

*Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.*

*I need thy presence every passing hour;  
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?  
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.*

*I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless:  
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.*

*Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes:  
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:  
heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee:  
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.*



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## PASTORAL PRAYER

### SERMON TEXT

*2 Corinthians 1:1-11*

### SERMON

*The Chain of Comfort*

*Pastor  
Caleb Willingham*

### THE LORD'S SUPPER

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*We celebrate the Lord's Supper using bread and wine. Gluten free wafers are available as well. Grape juice is available and will be found in the outer ring of the tray.*

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### ✠ HYMN

*Be Still, My Soul #689*

*Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
leave to your God to order and provide;  
in ev'ry change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.*

*Be still, my soul: your God will undertake  
to guide the future as he has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;  
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.*

*Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,  
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
then shall you better know his love, his heart,  
who comes to soothe your sorrow and your fears.  
Be still, my soul: your Jesus can repay  
from his own fullness all he takes away.*

*Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on  
when we shall be forever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.*

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✠ **BENEDICTION**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to  
shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his  
countenance upon you and give you peace.

✠ **RESPONSE**

*Psalm 72:18-29 DUNDEE*

*Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel,  
For He alone doth wondrous works in glory that excel.*

*And blessed be His glorious Name to all eternity:  
The whole earth let His glory fill. Amen, so let it be. Amen.*

✠ **POSTLUDE**



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# **Morning Sermon Notes**

*Pastor Caleb Willingham*

*"The Chain of Comfort"*

*2 Corinthians 1:1-11*

# Announcements, Sunday School & Bible Studies

## SUNDAY SCHOOL | 9:15 AM

- Adult Sunday School meets in the main worship space of the Sanctuary.
- Preschool Sunday School meets in the Nursing/Cry Room in the back of the Sanctuary.
- 1st-5th Grade Sunday School meets in the right wing of the Fellowship Hall.
- Middle School Sunday School meets in Pastor Batzig's office.
- High School Sunday School meets in the left wing of the Fellowship Hall.
- Brodie and Kendall McKoy lead a prayer group that meets at 10:05am in one of the wings of the Fellowship Hall.

## SMALL GROUPS | EVERY 1st & 3rd WEEK

CCP small groups typically meet on the 1st and 3rd weeks of the month, with the day determined by the group. Small groups meet to hear from God's word, to pray together, and to develop relationships with other members in the church. We have groups throughout the Charleston area. If you would like more information about the groups or would like to join one, please contact Caleb Willingham at [caleb@church-creek.org](mailto:caleb@church-creek.org).

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES | EVERY 2nd & 4th WEDNESDAY

The Women's Morning (9:30 AM) and Evening (6:30 PM) studies meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month in the Fellowship Hall. **They finished their winter study and will begin the next study in June. More details to come!**

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## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES



Please scan this QR Code to fill out our Service Opportunities form.  
We would love to know more about your gifts and the areas in which you would like to serve at CCP!

## CCP ELDERS

Nick Batzig | *Senior Pastor*  
Caleb Willingham | *Assistant Pastor*  
Michael Walters | *Teaching Elder*  
(on Sabbatical through 2025)  
David Walters, Sr. | *Clerk*  
D.B. Cummings  
Jeff Beall  
Matt Geiger  
Tripp Wiles  
Dean Ezell | *Emeritus*  
Bill McLellan | *Emeritus*

## CCP DEACONS

Ron Vanderwey | *Chairman*  
Erik Menanno | *Clerk*  
Matthew Guffey | *Finance*  
Jordan Frizzell  
Ken Fipps

## CCP STAFF

Nick Batzig | *Senior Pastor*  
Caleb Willingham | *Assistant Pastor*  
Claire Gottshalk | *Office Administrator*  
Brook Rhodes | *Nursery Coordinator*  
Heidi Roope | *Children's Ministry Coordinator*  
Jordan Frizzell | *Facilities Manager*  
Josh Stone | *Audio/Video Manager*  
Joanne Janus | *Piano Accompanist*  
Soohyun Yun | *Piano Accompanist*



THE CHARLESTON  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

The Charleston Christian School is a ministry of Church Creek Presbyterian, founded in 1981 to educate the children of Christian families. For more information about CCS, please visit [www.charlestonchristian.org](http://www.charlestonchristian.org).

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