# CHURCH CREEK Presbyterian



December 29, 2024

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



Please scan the QR code and fill out any info you'd like to share with us so that we may get to know you better! You can also fill out a physical card if you prefer and place it in the offering plate during the collection.

## ABOUT CHURCH CREEK



Scan the QR code to explore our website! You can access sermons, Sunday School audio, upcoming church-wide events, ministry information, staff contact information, theological resources and more.

## TODAY

## MORNING WORSHIP | 10:45 AM

#### 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 DECEMBER**

Jordan Frizzell - (843) 367-9121

## The Order of Public Worship

Dec 29, 2024

**Morning Service** 

10:45 a.m.

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## INTROIT

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **MEDITATION VERSES**

But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

## PRELUDE

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord!
Praise the name of the Lord, give praise, O servants of the Lord,
who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God!
Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant!
For the Lord has chosen Jacob for himself, Israel as his own possession.
For I know that the Lord is great, and that our Lord is above all gods.

## PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Isaiah 53:5

Psalm 135:1-5

★ Congregation
 Standing

#### *★* **HYMN OF PRAISE**

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come; henceforth in fields of conquest thy tents shall be our home: through days of preparation thy grace has made us strong, and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace; for not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums, but deeds of love and mercy, the heav'nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal, we follow, not with fears; for gladness breaks like morning where'er thy face appears; thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light: the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might. Amen!

#### LAW OF GOD

Romans 13:1-2, 5-7

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. For because of this you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

#### SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

Cleanse us from our secret faults, O Lord, and forgive those offenses to your servants which we have caused in others. We contend not in judgment with you, who are truth; we fear to deceive ourselves, lest our sin should make us think that we are not sinful. Therefore we contend not in judgment with you; for if you, Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall abide it? Amen.

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more.

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Q. 27. In what did Christ's humiliation consist?

A. Christ's humiliation consisted in His being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

**OLD TESTAMENT TEXT** 

### COLLECTION

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

### OFFERTORY

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah #598

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand; Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more. NOTE: The Corporate Confession of Sin is prayed in unison by the congregation

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q27



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Hehrews 8.12

1 Kings 20:1-12

Proverbs 3:9-10

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through; strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side; songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### **SERMON TEXT**

Philippians 3:12-4:1

Pastor Caleb Willingham

#### SERMON

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER

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.

## **∮ HYMN**

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken #707

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave, and follow thee; destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shalt be. Perish ev'ry fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known; yet how rich is my condition, God and heav'n are still my own.

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What Lies Ahead

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior too; human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like man, untrue; and, while thou shalt smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might, foes may hate and friends may shun me; show thy face, and all is bright.

Man may trouble and distress me, 'twill but drive me to thy breast; life with trials hard may press me, heav'n will bring me sweeter rest. O 'tis not in grief to harm me while thy love is left to me; O 'twere not in joy to charm me, were that joy unmixed with thee.

Take, my soul, thy full salvation, rise o'er sin and fear and care; joy to find in ev'ry station something still to do or bear; think what Spirit dwells within thee, what a Father's smile is thine, what a Savior died to win thee: child of heav'n, shouldst thou repine?

Hasten on from grace to glory, armed by faith, and winged by prayer; heav'n's eternal day's before thee, God's own hand shall guide thee there. Soon shall close thy earthly mission, swift shall pass thy pilgrim days; hope soon change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

## **≸ BENEDICTION**

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

## **≸ 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 "What Lies Ahead" Philippians 3:12-4:1

## **Announcements, Sunday School & Bible Studies**

#### **EVENING WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL | HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Evening Worship and all Sunday School classes are suspended from December 1 through January 12, 2025. They will both resume on Sunday, January 19, 2025.

#### ANNUAL VISION BANQUET | SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025

Our Annual Vision Banquet is coming up on Sunday, January 12! Please stay in the Sanctuary after morning worship for a brief overview of Church Creek's vision and goals for 2025, followed by a fellowship meal in the Fellowship Hall.

#### WOMEN'S SPRING RETREAT | MARCH 28-30, 2025

Registration is open for the Women's Spring Retreat! Spots are limited, so don't wait to sign up!

Location: St. Christopher's Camp (Seabrook Island)

Cost: \$200 (\$100 deposit to reserve your spot) – Full payment is due by 2/28/25 Registration: Please use your Church Center App or the QR code on the next page to register.

## WOMEN'S SPRING RETREAT REGISTRATION



## 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 David Walters, Sr. | Clerk D.B. Cummings Jeff Beall Matt Geiger Tripp Wiles Dean Ezell | Emeritus Bill McLellan | Emeritus

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## **CCP STAFF**

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