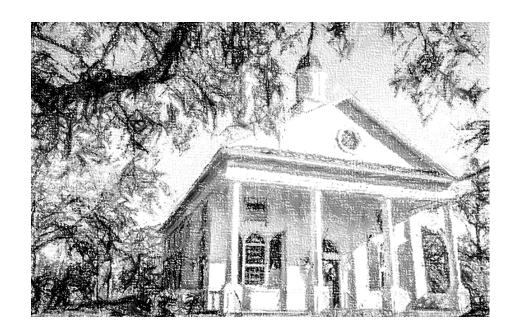
# CHURCH CREEK PRESBYTERIAN



February 18, 2024

A CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

## Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.

Evening Worship 5:30 p.m.

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# Welcome to Church Creek Presbyterian

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

**Visitors**, we are so glad you are here! Please locate a 'Visitor's Card', and fill out any info you'd like to share with us so that we may get to know you better. You can place it in the offering plate during the collection or hand it to the pastor or an usher.

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# The Order of Public Worship

February 18, 2024 Morning Service 10:45 a.m.



#### **INTROIT**

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **MEDITATION VERSES**

2 Corinthians 2:15-16

For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things?

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 118:1-4

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Let the house of Aaron say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Let those who fear the Lord say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

#### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

★ Congregation
 Standing

#### **♯ HYMN OF PRAISE**

Come Thou Almighty King #101

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise.
Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend.
Come, and thy people bless, and give thy Word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore.
His sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore. Amen.

#### LAW OF GOD

Ephesians 4:25-28

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.

#### SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

#### CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Our Lord and our God, we confess that we are not what we should be. We are slow to learn, prone to forget, and weak to climb; we are in the foothills when we should be on the heights; we are pained by our graceless hearts, our prayerless days, our poverty of love, our sloth in the heavenly race, our sullied consciences, our wasted hours, our unspent opportunities. We are blind while the light shines around us. Would you take the scales from our eyes and cleanse our hearts of unbelief. Make it our highest joy to study you, meditate on you, gaze on you, sit like Mary at Christ's feet, lean like John on his breast, appeal like Peter to his love. We believe; help our unbelief. In the name of Christ and for his glory we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Proverbs 16:6

By steadfast love and faithfulness iniquity is atoned for, and by the fear of the Lord one turns away from evil.

#### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

- Q. 3. From where do you know your sins and misery?
  - A. From the law of God.
- Q. 4. What does God's law require of us?

A. Christ teaches us this in a summary in Matthew 22: You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

- Q. 5. Can you keep all this perfectly?
  - A. No, I am inclined by nature to hate God and my neighbor.

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

Heidelberg Catechism Q3-5

#### **OLD TESTAMENT TEXT**

1 Kings 1:28-53

#### **COLLECTION**

2 Corinthians 8:1-4

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints.

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#### **OFFERTORY**

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the Light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, That will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on Your promises; And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glory.

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### SERMON TEXT

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

**SERMON** 

The Word and the Work of the Spirit

**∮ HYMN** 

How Firm a Foundation #94

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

What more can he say than to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply; the flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

"E'en down to old age all my people shall prove my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake." Pastor Caleb Willingham

# **≸ 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 Word and the Work of the Spirit" 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

# **Announcements for Sunday, February 18**

#### **Sunday School and Nursery:**

- -Adult Sunday School is held in the main room of the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am. A rotation of teachers are currently leading a series on "Parables: Kingdom Mysteries."
- -Youth Sunday School for students 6th-12th grade is in the Middle/High School wing of the Fellowship Hall.
- -Children's Sunday School for students 1st-5th grade is in the Children's Sunday School wing of the Fellowship Hall.
- -Sunday School for K4-K5 is in the Sunday School room adjacent to the Nursery.
- -Please sign children in at drop off in the Nursery.
- -A prayer group led by Brodie and Kendall McKoy meets in Pastor Batzig's office during the Sunday School Hour.

**Today:** Please join us for the Evening Service at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Theology Conference:** Church Creek is hosting a Theology Conference on **Saturday, March 9th from 9:30am to 2:30pm.** Dr. G.K. Beale will be our speaker. Lunch will be provided! Dr. Beale will be speaking on "Symbols of Revelation: Interpreting Apocalyptic Literature." He will also be preaching during our Lord's Day worship service on Sunday, March 10, 2024. For more information and to register, please go to the church website (www.church-creek.org) and select '2024 Charleston Theology Conference' under the 'Events' tab. You can also register by scanning the QR Code on the conference flyer, located in the Narthex of the Sanctuary.

**Women's Fellowship:** The women's spring fellowship event will be a tea that will take place at Old St. Andrews Parish (directly across from Church Creek Presbyterian) on **Saturday, March 16, at 11:00am**. Please call or text Katie Guffey at 860-449-2684 no later than Thursday, February 15, if you would like to attend so that your spot will be reserved. There will be no childcare so please plan accordingly.

**Women's Bible Studies:** The Women's Morning (9:30 AM) and Evening (6:30PM) Bible studies meet *every other* Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall. **They will meet again this Wednesday, February 21.** Childcare will be provided for the morning session. They are currently studying *Esther & Ruth: The Lord Delivers and Redeems* by Jon Nielson and Iain Duguid. Please email Katie Guffey at <a href="mailto:kgguffey23@gmail.com">kgguffey23@gmail.com</a> or Robin Cooper at <a href="mailto:robinjonescooper@yahoo.com">robinjonescooper@yahoo.com</a> if you would like to join.

Deacon on Call for February: Ken Fipps - (843) 557-4258

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