

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
Epiphany Sunday

January 9, 2022

Eleven O'clock

WELCOME INTO GOD'S HOUSE (responsive)

Leader: The Good News of Christmas is this:  
that the Grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to  
all people.  
Congregation: **All praise be to God!**

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE "We Three Kings" Antonio Guglielmi  
Guest Musician: Tomasz Robak

CHORAL INTROIT "May Jesus Christ be Praised" arr. Dick Torrans

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 72)

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel,  
who alone does wondrous deeds!  
And blessed be God's glorious name forever!  
May all the earth be filled with the glory of the Lord.  
Amen and Amen.

\*HYMN 151 "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

PRAYER OF THE DAY (in unison)

**Everlasting God, who brought the nations to your light and kings to the  
brightness of your rising: Fill the world with your glory, and show yourself  
to all the nations. Through the one who is the true light and the bright  
morning star, even Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Response in Song - Hymn 147 "The First Noel"  
**Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
that hath made heaven and earth of nought,  
and with his blood our life hath bought.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the king of Israel.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM "Let the People Sing Hosanna" Victor C. Johnson

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 2: 1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:  
'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
Congregation: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

\*HYMN 152 "What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright"

SERMON *Time to Find Another Road*

INSTALLATION OF ELDERS FOR THE CLASS OF 2024 - David Turner

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, let us serve one another with whatever gift each of us has received.* ~1 Peter 4:10

OFFERTORY "Beautiful Savior" arr. Arthur Zepp  
Guest Musician: Tomasz Robak

\*DOXOLOGY "Old Hundredth"  
**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! Amen.**

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Leader: Blessed are you, God of all creation.  
Congregation: **Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.**  
Leader: Accept and use our offerings for your glory.  
Congregation: **And for the service of your kingdom.**  
All: **Amen.**

PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

When invited:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER THE SUPPER (in unison)

**Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put  
our lives into yours. Take us, renew and remake us. What we have  
been is past; what we shall be, through you, still awaits us. Lead us  
on. Take us with you. Amen.**

\*HYMN 157 "I Danced in the Morning"

\*AS WE LEAVE GOD'S HOUSE

Leader: Today, your abundant gifts have been ours, O God.

Congregation: You have enlightened us with your Word, called us to your  
service, and nourished us at your table.

Leader: So now we go into God's world . . .

Congregation: Until we return to God's house.

\*BENEDICTION

\* Response in Song - Hymn 136 "Go, Tell it on the Mountain"

**Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;  
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!**

POSTLUDE "How Lovely Shines the Morning Star" Dieterich Buxtehude  
Guest Musician: Tomasz Robak

\*Those who are able, please stand

Please remain seated through the Postlude so that all worshippers, in the sanctuary and  
online, may enjoy the blessing of the music

**Welcome to Sunday Worship at Paw Creek Presbyterian Church!** We worship together each week both in our sanctuary and online (see [pawcreekpc.org](http://pawcreekpc.org) for links to Facebook and YouTube). Whichever is best for you, we are glad you are with us. If you are a visitor, please let us know you were here. You can fill out a card in the pew rack, or the visitor information form on our website.

For worship in the Sanctuary, we use masks in accordance with the guidance of local authorities. Please especially leave masks on as we recite prayers and sing hymns, to assist in curbing the spread of disease.

**UPCOMING SERMON TITLES & SCRIPTURES**

**Sunday, January 16**  
*Second Sunday after Epiphany*  
 Guest Preacher:  
 Jordan Loud

**Sunday, January 23**  
*Third Sunday after Epiphany*  
 Luke 4: 14-21  
 "The Spirit Sets the Agenda: We are Anointed"

**Worship Plans for Next Sunday**

On January 16 our preacher will be Jordan Loud, one of Paw Creek's seminary students. Jordan is a student at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA. He will be formally received as an Inquirer under the care of the Presbytery of Charlotte on February 12.

**THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT**

Stephen Mullis - entered into Eternal Rest on January 1, 2022

*"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord," says the Spirit. They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."*

**THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT**

Margie Caudill - entered into Eternal Rest on January 2, 2022

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**NEW OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2022**

Offering Envelopes for 2022 are now available. You can pick up your envelopes from the Narthex before or after worship service.

\*\*Please be sure to use the correct year's envelope when making your offering.  
 Thank you!\*\*

**STITCHES FOR MISSIONS MEETING AGAIN**

The Stitches for Missions group is meeting again. Our next meeting will be **Saturday, January 15th, at 10:30** in the Church Parlor.

Hope to See You There!!

**Paw Creek Presbyterian Church Staff:**

Pastor ..... Elliott Hipp  
 Music Director ..... Patrick McCarthy  
 Administrative Assistant / Webmaster ..... Kim Whittington  
 Videography Coordinator ..... Clint Shaw

**The Session**

Moderator: Elliott Hipp Clerk:  
 General Treasurer: Danny McClure Cemetery Treasurer: Brian Gross Endowment Treasurer: Peggy Harrington

**Class of 2022**

Paul Bradley  
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 Mary Ellen Edwards  
 Danny McClure

**Class of 2023**

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 Peggy Harrington  
 Sam McCord  
 Barbara Ullem

**Class of 2024**

Gene Hall  
 Jim Pinkston  
 David Turner

**Committee Chairs**

Administration: Peggy Harrington  
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 Congregational Care: Karen Cathey  
 Fellowship: Sam McCord  
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MAC Team:  
 Outreach:  
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 Worship:

Cemetery Sub-Committee: Phillip McCord  
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Sunday School Officers: Sarah Kendrick & Jim Stogner  
 Children's Ministry: Barbara Ullem & Victoria Krebs

**Presbyterian Women**

Moderator: Karen Turner

Secretary: Donna Hall  
 Historian: Dina Salvo  
 Special Givings: Celia Gray  
 Go & Grow Circle Moderator: Gerri Ann Shaw

Treasurer: Melissa Mullis  
 Backpack Buddies: Jane McArver, Belinda Springs & Teresa Painter  
 Special Events Chairs: Karen Turner & Amy McGee  
 Life Seekers Circle Moderator: Dina Salvo

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

**Sunday, January 9**

9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am Worship / Lord's Supper

**Tuesday, January 11**

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline  
 9:00am Cardio Fitness

**Wednesday, January 12**

10:00am Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 3:00pm Reading Program  
 5:30pm Bible Study  
 6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice

**Thursday, January 13**

\*Newsletter  
 6:30am Men's Bible Study  
 9:00am Cardio Fitness

**Saturday, January 15**

10:30am Stitches for Missions

**Sunday, January 16**

9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am Worship

**Monday, January 17**

\*Church Office Closed - MLK, Jr. Day

**Tuesday, January 18**

9:00am Cardio Fitness

**Wednesday, January 19**

10:00am Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 3:00pm Reading Program  
 5:30pm Bible Study  
 6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice

**Thursday, January 20**

6:30am Men's Bible Study  
 9:00am Cardio Fitness  
 6:45pm Stated Session Meeting

**Sunday, January 23**

9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am Worship

**Tuesday, January 30**

9:00am Cardio Fitness  
 12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

**Tuesday, February 1**

9:00am Cardio Fitness  
 10:00am PW Go & Grow Circle  
 7:00pm PW Life Seekers Circle

**Wednesday, February 2**

10:00am Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 3:00pm Reading Program  
 5:30pm Bible Study  
 6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice

**Thursday, February 3**

6:30am Men's Bible Study  
 9:00am Cardio Fitness

**Sunday, February 6**

9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am Worship / Lord's Supper / 10¢ Hunger

**Tuesday, February 8**

9:00am Cardio Fitness  
 12:00pm Newsletter Deadline



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