



News at Paw Creek

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church

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our Website*

From the Pastor....

Dear Paw Creek,

As we move into fall and pick up our familiar schedules, the Wednesday Bible Study has begun meeting again each week at 10:00 am in the Parlor. Everyone is welcome!

For our study, we follow the lectionary readings and discuss the Bible stories that will be the focus of worship on the next Sunday. In August that meant exploring the world of King David and his family, but now we leave those stories behind and return to the more familiar world of the Gospel of Mark.

And, as we pick up on Mark, we will also return to something called the "African Bible Study Method", which we introduced last spring and found to be a fresh, helpful way to listen to scripture. It's called "African" because it was introduced in the Anglican Church at a conference in Africa some years ago, but it's actually a variation on ancient traditions of study.

This is how it works: (1) one person slowly reads the story, everyone identifies a word or phrase that jumped out at them, and then everyone shares; (2) another person reads the story again, from a different translation, everyone identifies some connection between the story and our world today, and then everyone shares; (3) a third person reads the story from a third translation, everyone identifies something we can do or change in our lives based on the story, and then everyone shares a final time.

This simple procedure led us to some great conversations last spring, and we are excited to try it again this fall. It makes even familiar stories become alive and relevant in new ways. Perhaps you would enjoy giving it a try. As we start up for the new season, this is a great time to join in. Hope to see you on Wednesdays!

Blessings, Elliott

Prayer Concerns & Celebrations



Prayer Requests:

- Robin Wodarski's surgery last Friday to remove her right kidney and gallbladder went very well.
- Kristen Turner had surgery on Monday.
- Rev. Betsy Williamson lost her mother, Jean Williamson, on the 13th. Please continue to keep her in prayer.
- Ken Scott had a heart attack a few weeks ago, received a stent and is now doing well .
- Marsha Cathey is in rehab and making progress.
- Laura Chapman's father, Nebi Khoury is sick and will be returning to Jordan in the fall for care.
- Dorsie White passed away on August 1st. Please continue to keep the family in prayer.

Those We Continue to Pray For:

- Gretchen Holton Freeman
- Sam McCord
- Robin Wodarski
- Kristen Turner
- Angie Ross
- Hailey Venable

Celebrations:

- Sarah Cox celebrated her 90th Birthday on Saturday the 24th!
- Jordan Loud was approved at the last Presbytery Meeting to be moved from Inquirer to Candidate for Ministry.

Church Calendar

Wednesday, August 28

***Newsletter**

10:00am Bible Study
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, August 29

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

Friday, August 30

6:30pm 5th Friday Festivities

Sunday, September 1

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

Monday, September 2

***Church Office Closed—Labor Day**

Tuesday, September 3

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, September 4

10:00am Bible Study
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, September 5

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

Sunday, September 8

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, September 9

6:30pm Stated Session Meeting

Tuesday, September 10

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, September 11

10:00am Bible Study
12:00pm **Bulletin Deadline 9/15 & 9/22**
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, September 12

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

Sunday, September 15

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, September 16

***Church Office Closed**

Tuesday, September 17

***Church Office Closed**
9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, September 18

***Church Office Closed**
10:00am Bible Study
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, September 19

***Church Office Closed**
6:30am Men's Bible Study
9:00am Cardio Fitness
6:30pm Choir Practice

Saturday, September 21

10:30am Stitches for Missions

Sunday, September 22

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, September 23

12:00pm Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, September 24

9:00am Cardio Fitness

Wednesday, September 25

***Newsletter**
10:00am Bible Study
12:00pm Bulletin Deadline
5:30pm CCC

Thursday, September 26

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

Sunday, September 29

9:30am 5th Sunday Fellowship
11:00am Worship

Congregational Care

If you or a family member would like to be added to our Special Friends list for visitations, cards, calls or any combination of these, please contact Amy McGee 704-578-3908 or the Church Office 704-392-0329



Fifth Friday Festivities Dinner & Ice Cream Social August 30th @ 6:00pm

The Fellowship Committee invites everyone to join us on **August 30th at 6:00** for dinner and homemade ice cream. Dinner will be hamburgers and grilled chicken with trimmings. For dessert, homemade ice cream and toppings.

If you are willing to make and bring a freezer of ice cream, please contact Debbie McCord or Donna Hall.



Save the Date!

Homecoming Sunday

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church

October 15th

Join us for Worship at 11:00

All Friends and Family are invited!

Potluck Luncheon after worship service Chicken, Ham and Drinks will be provided
Please bring a dish and a memory to share.

Christmas in Paw Creek Arts and Crafts Fair

Sponsored by Troop 70



Saturday, **November 23**, 2024, 8:00 am—2:00 pm

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church—CFC

Breakfast / Barbeque sold by Scout Troop 70

If interested in a booth, Please call Jan McClure at (704) 394-8481



Sunday School News

Sunday, September 1

Summer Combined Sunday School will meet in the Chapel to view the final episode (parts 2) of The Chosen Season 2.

Prayer time: 9:15-9:30

Combined Sunday School Lesson: 9:30-10:30

Thank you Jan Chapman & Celia Gray for leading Summer Sunday School 2024.

Weekly Sunday School Classes resume on September 8, 2024 (9:45-10:30)
(Prayer time will return to the Sanctuary at 9:30)

Two Adult Classes will meet in the East Wing

- Missions Class: meets in the parlor
Curriculum: Book - **Is There Life After Stress?** by James Moore (Using our Christian faith to deal with the stresses of life.)
- New Covenant Class: meets upstairs near the ramp door
Curriculum – **Video Bible series** - will be determined by the class on September 8
- Multi-age Children/Youth: meets in the West Wing
Curriculum - **"Feasting on the Word"** - lectionary scriptures & activities

We look forward to the 2024-25 Sunday School year and the opportunity to continue to grow in our faith. Please join one of our Classes!

Thank you, Christian Education Committee

The Missions Class

Meets in the East Wing -Church parlor
Study begins September 8,2024

***Is There Life After Stress* by James W. Moore**

This series offers creative ways to deal with the stressful problems, heartaches, challenges, disappointments, burdens and broken dreams of life. James Moore shows us how to make stress work for us rather than against us by redeeming stress – making a victory of it. He fortifies our spiritual defenses by helping us recognize our faceless fears and entrust our fears to God.



5th Sunday Fellowship Breakfast/Sunday School

September 29

9:15 am—Prayer Time in Sanctuary

9:30 am—Biscuits, coffee & juice in Session Room

9:45-10:30am—Regular Sunday School Classes

Happy Hearts

Happy Hearts are touring **WDAV** in Davidson, NC, Monday **Sept 23rd**.

WDAV is a non-commercial public radio station.

The station airs classical music and fine arts programming 24 hours a day.

Afterwards we will have lunch at **Brickhouse Tavern**.

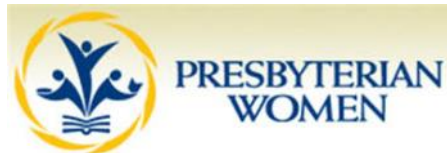
The only cost will be your lunch, the tour at WDAV is free!

If we have time, we might even check out a few of the local shops on Main Street.

Meet at the church at **9:25 AM** so we can leave by **9:35 AM**.

We should return to the church before 1:30 PM.

Please RSVP to Vicki Ramsey (704) 281-2836 by Thursday, Sept. 19th.



PCPW Circle Meetings

September is fast approaching and so is a new year for Paw Creek Presbyterian Women. We have two active Circles at Paw Creek that meet on the first Tuesday of each month from September through May. If you are not currently in a Circle, we encourage you to join us! We enjoy wonderful fellowship and Bible study in a small group setting. This year's Bible study is "Let Justice Roll Down: God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation," by Patricia K. Tull.

This year, we will begin our meetings in our regular Circle groups on September 3, 2024.

They are:

Go and Grow Circle - Tuesday morning at 10:00AM in the Parlor

Life Seekers Circle - Tuesday evening at 7:00PM in the Parlor

We look forward to seeing you as we continue to enjoy Christian fellowship while we study God's word.

With Love,

♥Karen

Stitches for Missions

Please have your completed items to the church office or parlor by September 30th.

Children Connecting with Christ (CCC) Invitation to all school age children and youth

Starting Wednesday, **September 25, 2024**

We will be meeting: **Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m.**

at Paw Creek Presbyterian Church

- Recreation in Gym 5:30-6:00
 - Supper 6:00-6:30
- Bible lessons, crafts and projects 6:30-7:30
- Parent pick-up at 7:30 from the West Wing

We're excited about Chris Boswell, our Youth Ministries Leader, returning to lead our Children Connecting with Christ (CCC) group for the 2024-25 year.

How you can help:

- Prayers for the success of the CCC program are always welcome!
- Spread the word about CCC to family and friends in the community.
- Many volunteers are needed to work with teaching (for the younger children), classroom support and providing simple meals each week. Please consider offering the CCC Outreach program the gift of your time and talents

Thank you, CCC Leadership

Back to School - Woodland/Paw Creek Reading Program.

CMS is back to school.

Buses are on the road and teachers are organizing their classrooms.

Our Reading Program is returning for our fourth year on Tuesdays after school starting in September.

Sarah Taylor, who has been our Program Coordinator since 2021, is preparing our classroom and planning activities for the coming year,

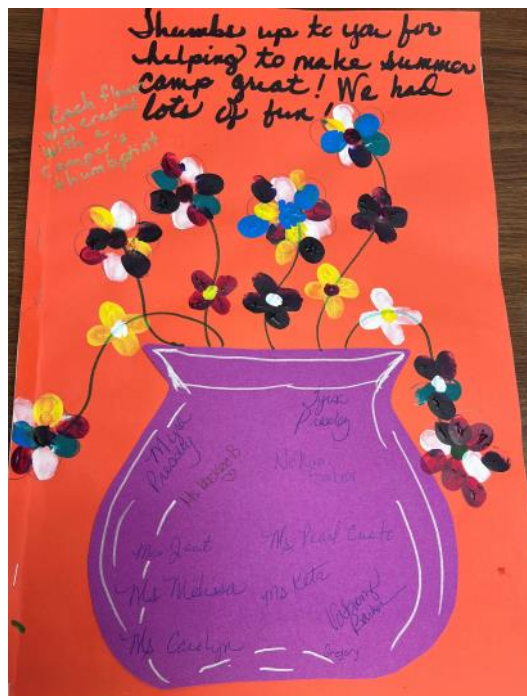
Barbara Ullem is reaching out to Reading Buddy Volunteers,

Principal Belton has assigned Paw Creek Elementary Social Worker Lakesha Sawyer to coordinate with the 2nd grade teachers to identify our 12 students,

And Robin Fox with Woodland is again coordinating the snacks.

We appreciate everyone's support and prayers as we start another year sharing our love of reading with a new group of students.

Celia Gray



Woodland Church Summer Camp

**A Great Big THANKS To All of You
You are so very nice**

Pastor Elliott & Paw Creek Session,
 Thanks so much for all you do to make the Camp @the Wood a success! We are forever grateful for the continued support, encouragement and help (Ms. Barbara)!! We are so thankful for you all and call you all our family! God truly blessed us by connecting us to you all!!
 Thanks thanks and thanks!!!

Love Always,
 Vatronza Barbour
 Marianne Hayes



Happy Birthday to Those Celebrating in September!

September 5

Ann Cashion

September 14

Elaine Laney

September 27

Renee Huffstickler
Annie Smith

September 6

Tommy Caldwell

September 15

Eric Burns
Pam Wright

September 28

Daeng Manichanh
Ken Scott

September 10

Troy Miller

September 20

Hoyt Johnston

September 29

Virginia Oates

September 12

Peyton Helms

September 21

Lauren Scott

September 30

Donna Hall
Dennis Whittington

September 13

Bailie Joy

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Seek..... Matthew 6:33
Serve..... 1 Samuel 12:24
Praise..... Psalm 111:1
Love Christ!..... 1 John 4:12

Lord, we thank you for...

Have a Prayer Request? To put someone on our prayer chain, obtain permission from the person or family involved, then contact Joy Tyler (phone captain - (704) 399-8040) - and- Ann Cashion (email captain - acatlake@gmail.com)

Know someone Who Needs a Visit? Please contact the Church Office or Rev. Elliott Hipp (704) 392-0329

Next Newsletter

The next Newsletter will be **September 25th**. The deadline for Newsletter submissions is Monday, September 23rd at noon. **This Newsletter will be for anything happening in October. Please make sure you have your submissions in on time to make sure they are in for the next month.**

Thank you! **Kim**

Upcoming Sermon Titles

Sunday, September 1

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Celebration of the Lord's Supper
"What Comes from the Heart"
Mark 7: 1-25

Sunday, September 8

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
"The Power of Repentance"
Mark 7: 24-37

Sunday, September 15

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
"Are You Sure You Want the Truth?"
Mark 8: 27-38

Sunday, September 22

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
"They Did Not Understand"
Mark 9: 30-37

Sunday, September 29

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
"Us and Them"
Mark 9: 38-50