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# Weekly News at Paw Creek

Paw Creek Presbyterian Church

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“Sermon by Phone” - available Mondays by 11:00 am - 704-312-1343

## From the Pastor...

Dear Paw Creek,

Let's start with something new that I am excited to be able to tell everyone about. In our caption just above you'll see a new line for "Sermon by Phone". This is a service that the Worship Committee is now offering, designed to reach church members and friends who have found it difficult or impossible to connect to our live-stream worship services. It's designed to be as user-friendly as possible. If you cannot or prefer not to worship with us by video each week, now you can simply dial a local phone number from any phone (mobile or land line) and you will immediately begin hearing a recording of excerpts from the most recent worship service. No passwords or user names are needed, and multiple people can listen at the same time. Each week we will include the sermon, a musical selection and other portions of the service - a total of about 20-25 minutes. The recording will be ready by 11:00 am each Monday, which gives Kim time to access the video, extract the audio from it, and get it uploaded. It will remain available throughout the week.

As we look forward to health conditions improving, "Sermon by Phone" will help bring all of us together. The number will be printed each week in the caption, for easy reference. Please take a minute to think of church friends who may want to use this option, and consider checking in with them to be sure they know about it and understand how it works. Any questions, feel free to call Kim or me.

In other news, please remember that this week in worship we will honor and offer blessings for all our students, teachers and school staff as they start the new school year next week. Please keep these folks in your prayers, both for health and safety, and for successful teaching and learning under extraordinary circumstances.

Also, a reminder that the **Nominating Committee** has begun to meet to consider nominees for the new class of elders to serve on the Session beginning in January. Please don't forget to share any ideas you have about people to consider by contacting any member of the Committee: Tim Gray (chair), Eddie McArver, Celia Gray, Sam McCord and Linda Riggins. And, **Worship Committee** is looking for folks to take a turn as liturgist during Sunday morning worship - contact Debbie Taylor if you are interested. The **Men's Bible Study** has begun meeting again on Tuesday mornings at 6:30 in the CFC - they welcome any men of the church to join them; they follow all safety precautions, including masks.

The Presbytery of Charlotte will hold its quarterly meeting on Saturday morning via Zoom. Our commissioners are elders Karen Cathey and Debbie Taylor.

There are many folks in our church and greater community who need our prayers this week. Please remember before God:

- Larry and Joanne Pierce and their family, who are friends and neighbors of so many of our Paw Creek community. Their son Brandon died yesterday after a fall; the family was together on Oak Island when this happened and have not yet returned. We will share more information about arrangements and ways to reach out to them when they become available.
- David Turner's brother Gerald is at Duke Hospital and underwent surgical procedures both Monday and Tuesday for cardiac problems; the latest report is that the procedures went well and Gerald is "on the road to recovery".
- Stephanie Alexander had a fall at home yesterday and broke both ankles and one knee. If doctors determine she needs surgery that will happen today, and then she will go to Shelby's house afterwards for recovery.
- Susan McDonald had medical consultations this week and has been scheduled to receive a defibrillator/pacemaker on September 8. Please keep her and Karen in prayers.
- Libby Joy was in the hospital this week for kidney stones; at home now recovering.
- Lovelee Steele fell over the weekend and had surgery for a half hip replacement - she's in the hospital in Huntersville.
- Last Sunday Patrick and Courtney McCarthy asked us to pray with them for their friend Stephen Kinzler who was on a ventilator with Covid-19. We were saddened to learn that Stephen died on Monday - please keep his family in prayer, and also remember his wife who is still ill with the virus.
- Please continue to pray for Howie Wall, husband of Pam and brother-in-law of the Sisk family; he has been very ill and is still waiting for doctor consultations to learn what treatments they can offer.
- Celia Gray is in Denver, CO this week to accompany her sister Cindy to medical consultations about a recurrence of cancer; the appointments are scheduled for today (Thursday) - please keep them in prayers.
- Please remember Bob and Marie Love - word comes this week that both have been experiencing serious health problems; Marie with possible arthritis in her legs and Bob with gall stones and a heart condition.

So many good people who need our prayers, and many of them in times of waiting for tests, consultations and signs of recovery. Please remember all, and may God's blessings be with each of us as - have a good week and stay safe!

Elliott

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**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**Paw Creek Presbyterian Church • August 16, 2020**  
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Welcome**

*The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and  
the Communion of the Holy Spirit are in our midst. Thanks be to God!*

**Prelude**

*Break Thou the Bread of Life*

arr. Cindy Berry

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 27

The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom then shall I fear?  
The LORD is the strength of my life;  
of whom then shall I be afraid?  
O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure;  
be strong and the LORD shall comfort your heart.

**Hymn 801**

*The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want*

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie  
in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.  
My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make  
within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill,  
for thou are with me; and thy rod and staff me comfort still.  
My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes;  
my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.  
Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me,  
and in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

**Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the Word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, Jesus Christ our Lord. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Scripture Reading

Matthew 14: 13-21

Now when Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

## Homily

*The broken pieces*

## Offertory

*Bread of Angels*

Stanton Lanier

## Recognition and Blessings for Students, Faculty and Staff as the School Year Begins

## Prayers of God's People

Beginning with announcements and prayer concerns; and concluding with *The Lord's Prayer*

## Hymn 428

*Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken*

Loaves were broken, words were spoken by the Galilean shore.

Jesus, Bread of Life from heaven, was their food forevermore.

By your body broken for us, by your wine of life outpoured,

Jesus, feed again your people. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord

Loaves were broken, words were spoken in a quiet room one night.

In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.

By your body broken for us, by your wine of life outpoured,

Jesus, feed again your people. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord

By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your name to share

bread for which the millions hunger, words that tell your love and care.

By your body broken for us, by your wine of life outpoured,

Jesus, feed again your people. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord

## Charge and Benediction

## Postlude

*Fugue in C Major*

*George F. Handel*



## Free Services for Seniors

Mecklenburg County Department of Social Services is offering **FREE FANS** to Mecklenburg County seniors and adults with disabilities. Individuals aged 60 and older, and those aged 18-59 who receive disability income, can pick up a fan while supplies last. (limit one fan per household) If you are interested or have questions, please leave your contact information with Yvonne Brown at 980-314-7018 or [Yvonne.Brown@mecknc.gov](mailto:Yvonne.Brown@mecknc.gov)

Mecklenburg County is also partnering with Bio-One to offer **FREE** Coronavirus (Covid-19) disinfecting services to seniors. (While there is no cleaning method that guarantees total elimination of the virus, Bio-One's cleaning protocol suppresses the spread and threat of coronavirus.) Qualifications: Must be Mecklenburg County resident, 60 years of age or older, able to leave your home for 3 hours while services are rendered. If interested, please call 980-314-6800 or email at: [SFA-EVENTS@MECKLENBURGCOUNTYNC.GOV](mailto:SFA-EVENTS@MECKLENBURGCOUNTYNC.GOV). Please speak slowly and leave the following to schedule your appointment:

Full name and age, address with zip code, phone number and or email address

### A NOTE OF



Dear Paw Creek Family,

Thank you for the prayers, cards, and food sent to us during this time of sorrow. We appreciate the love from all of our church family.

Blessings,

Jo and John Small

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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 call:  
Judy Smith (704) 392-2892  
-or-  
Ann Cashion (704) 301-0126

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

## Online Giving is Now Available

Paw Creek has now implemented Online Giving for the convenience of church members and our friends who worship with us. Please go to our website at [www.pawcreekpc.org](http://www.pawcreekpc.org) and follow the link on the home page.



Once you click on this link, you will be directed to set up an account. You may make this gift as a one time transaction, or you can set up recurring payments. You may use your bank account information to create this payment, or you may use your debit or credit card. (If you use your debit or credit card, you will also be given the option to add the transaction fee to your payment if you choose to do so)



For those who like to use mobile apps, you can download the app: Give+ and search for Paw Creek Presbyterian Church. Once you have created an account, it will save Paw Creek as your default Church.

## Upcoming Sermon Titles

### Sunday, August 16

Matthew 14: 13-21  
"The Broken Pieces"

### Sunday, August 30

Matthew 16: 21-28  
"What Will You Give Up?"

### Sunday, August 23

Matthew 14: 22-33  
"Lord Save Me!"

### Sunday, September 6

Matthew 18: 15-20