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Morning Worship
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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 one of the pastors, ushers, or greeters

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Announcements for Sunday, January 3rd

If you or anyone in your household becomes infected with COVID-19 and you attended worship in person at CCP, please notify the church by e-mailing session@church-creek.org or call and leave a message at the church office: 843-766-1381. Your identity will be kept confidential.

NEXT SUNDAY – We will participate in the Lord’s Supper during worship. As is our custom, this is also the week that we collect a Deacon’s offering and bring items for the Seacoast Food Pantry.

Outdoor Family Ministry – Families and children gather outside, behind the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am, weather permitting. This time will include some singing and a Bible lesson, followed by time for fellowship and for children to play outside prior to the worship service.

Outdoor Youth Sunday School – Youth will meet for Sunday School outside, behind the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am, weather permitting. If weather is inclement, they will meet in the Worship Training Room.

Women’s Bible Study Options in 2021:

- Morning group will **restart January 13th**. They will be studying *The Word of the Lord: Seeing Jesus in the Prophets*, by Nancy Guthrie every Wednesday from 10:30 am-noon at Mary McLellan’s. Contact Karyl Doyle for details.
- Evening group **restarts January 6th** to continue their study of *The Son of David: Seeing Jesus in the Historical Books*, by Nancy Guthrie every Wednesday at 7:30 pm via Zoom - links for joining are shared on CCPLife/Facebook each week.

Pastoral Search Committee Requests– If you have a pastor to recommend, please fill out a Google Referral Form with contact information. <https://bit.ly/Pastor-Recommendation>

Deacon On Call

January: Ken Fipps – 843-557-4258; backup Matt Guffey

REMINDER

Please turn off, use airplane mode, or cell data only on your phones during the service in order to reduce interference with the webcast.

Only the audio livestream of today’s service is being broadcast in the Fellowship Hall, which is designated as a no-singing space and offers physically distanced seating

Calendars for the month of January are available in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall.

The Order of Public Worship

January 3, 2021 Morning Service

10:45 a.m.

Our passion is that Church Creek Presbyterian
be a place where people experience
the awesome presence of God in Word and worship,
the restful presence of Jesus through a transformed community,
and the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit in witness and ministry.



Prelude:
Mrs. Joanne Janus

PRELUDE

Elder Dean Walters

GREETING

WE COME TO THE GOD OF TRUTH BY GOD'S WORD OF TRUTH

Psalm 19:1-11 NLT

CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens proclaim the glory of God.
The skies display his craftsmanship.
Day after day they continue to speak;
night after night they make him known.
They speak without a sound or word;
their voice is never heard.
Yet their message has gone throughout the earth,
and their words to all the world.
God has made a home in the heavens for the sun.
It bursts forth like a radiant bridegroom after his wedding.
It rejoices like a great athlete eager to run the race.
The sun rises at one end of the heavens
and follows its course to the other end.
Nothing can hide from its heat.

The instructions of the LORD are perfect,
reviving the soul.
The decrees of the LORD are trustworthy,
making wise the simple.
The commandments of the LORD are right,
bringing joy to the heart.

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The commands of the LORD are clear,
giving insight for living.
Reverence for the LORD is pure,
lasting forever.
The laws of the LORD are true;
each one is fair.
They are more desirable than gold,
even the finest gold.
They are sweeter than honey,
even honey dripping from the comb.
They are a warning to your servant,
a great reward for those who obey them.

✠ **DOXOLOGY OF PRAISE**

*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.*

✠ **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

*We all believe in our hearts
and confess with our mouths
that there is a single and simple
spiritual being, whom we call God--

eternal, incomprehensible, invisible,
unchangeable, infinite, almighty;

completely wise, just, and good,
and the overflowing source of all good.*

We know this God by two means:

*First, by the creation, preservation, and government of the universe,
since that universe is before our eyes like a beautiful book
in which all creatures, great and small,
are as letters to make us ponder the invisible things of God:
his eternal power and his divinity.*

*All these things are enough to convict men
and to leave them without excuse.*

✠ Congregation
Standing

*The Belgic
Confession
Articles 1 & 2*

NOTE: Italicized
words in readings
are read by the
congregation

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*Second, he makes himself known to us more openly
by his holy and divine Word,
as much as we need in this life,
for his glory and for the salvation of his own.*

✠ **HYMN**

Forever Settled in the Heavens 59

*For ever settled in the heavens
Thy Word, O Lord, shall firmly stand;
Thy faithfulness shall never fail;
The earth abides at thy command.*

*Thy word and works unmoved remain,
Thine every purpose to fulfil;
All things are thine and thee obey,
And all as servants wait thy will.*

*I should have perished in my woe
Had not I loved thy law divine;
That law I never can forget;
O save me, Lord, for I am thine.*

*The wicked would destroy my soul,
But in thy truth is refuge sure;
Exceeding broad is thy command,
And in perfection shall endure. Amen!*

✠ **PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

**WE ASK OUR GOD
FOR HIS GIFT OF FORGIVENESS**

Psalm 19:12-14

PRAYER FOR GOD'S GRACE

How can I know all the sins lurking in my heart?
Cleanse me from these hidden faults.
Keep your servant from deliberate sins!
Don't let them control me.
Then I will be free of guilt and innocent of great sin.
May the words of my mouth
and the meditation of my heart
be pleasing to you, O LORD,
my rock and my redeemer.

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SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ABSOLUTION

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

**WE PRAISE OUR GOD
FOR HIS GREAT FAITHFULNESS**

COLLECTION

‡ **OFFERTORY HYMN** *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* 184

*The King of Love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine for ever.*

*Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And, where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.*

*Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.*

*In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.*

*Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth.*

*And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house for ever. Amen!*

Elder Dean Walters

You may carry your offering to the plate on the table in the front of the church during the Offertory Hymn or place it in the plate nearest you as you leave

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WE HEAR GOD'S WORD OF TRUTH THAT GIVES US NEW LIFE

SERMON TEXT

James 1:18-27 ESV

¹⁸ Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creation. ¹⁹ Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness that God requires. ²¹ Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. ²² But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ²³ For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. ²⁴ For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. ²⁵ But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing. ²⁶ If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

Pastor John Olson

SERMON

"The Word of Truth"

✠ HYMN

Lead On, O King Eternal 580

*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.*

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*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!*

✠ **BENEDICTION**

✠ **RESPONSE**

Psalm 72.18 – 19 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

James 1:18-27

“The Word of Truth”

A. GOD’S USE OF HIS WORD OF TRUTH

Of His own will...

He brought us forth...

by the Word of truth...

1. Law

2. Gospel

B. OUR USE OF GOD’S WORD OF TRUTH

1. Hear

2. Receive

3. Do

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