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**Morning Worship**  
10:45 a.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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**\*\*Due to allergy sensitivities, CCP is a scent-free congregation\*\***

## Announcements for Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>

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](mailto:session@church-creek.org) or call and leave a message at the church office: 843-766-1381. Your identity will be kept confidential.

**Pastoral Candidate Visit** – Reverend Nick Batzig and his family will visit Church Creek for a candidating visit April 8-11. There will be multiple opportunities to meet him and ask questions. Mark your calendars for a Town Hall and Luncheon on Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:30 am. Rev. Batzig will be sharing his testimony during the Sunday School hour and will be preaching during worship on April 11<sup>th</sup>. You can learn more about him at [feedingonchrist.com](http://feedingonchrist.com).

**Pastoral Prayer Vigil** - In preparation for the upcoming pastoral candidate visit on April 8-11, the search committee is asking for volunteers to participate in a 24-hour at-home prayer vigil that will begin Friday, March 26 at 5:00 pm and end Saturday, March 27 at 5:00 pm. If you are able and willing to pray for an hour or more at home, please add your name and a check mark on the Doodle form (<http://bit.ly/CCP-Vigil>) for the hour which you will commit to pray.

**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.

**New Men's Bible Study:** Richard Cooper is hosting and leading a study of Genesis that will meet on **April 1<sup>st</sup>** at 6:30 pm and *every other* week at the Cooper's home. (41 Broughton Rd Charleston, SC 29407).

### **Women's Bible Study:**

**-Morning group** is 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** is studying *Learning Evangelism from Jesus* by Jerram Barrs. They meet *every other* Wednesday at 6:30 pm via Zoom and in person at alternating porch locations. **April 7<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at Alex Casey's.**

**Today's service is being livestreamed in the Fellowship Hall, which is designated as a no-singing space and offers physically distanced seating.**

Copies of the Updated Church Directory are available in the church Narthex.

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

### **Deacon On Call For March**

Jeff Beall  
843-830-0087;

Backup  
Ken Fipps

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# The Order of Public Worship

March 21, 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.



Dr. Soohyun Yun

## **PRELUDE**

Elder Dean Walters

## **GREETING**

✠ Congregation  
Standing

## **ALL YOUR WORKS SHALL PRAISE YOUR NAME IN EARTH AND SKY AND SEA**

*from Revelation 4*

## **✠ CALL TO WORSHIP**

"Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!" And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying, "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

## **✠ 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.*

## **✠ PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

*(continued....)*

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

*Holy, Holy, Holy, all the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.*

*Holy, Holy, Holy, though the darkness hide thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.*

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth and sky and sea;  
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! Amen!*

## OUR KING'S ROYAL LAW OF LOVE AND LIBERTY

### GOSPEL LESSON

<sup>12</sup> "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets. <sup>13</sup> "Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. <sup>14</sup> For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few. <sup>15</sup> "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. <sup>16</sup> You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? <sup>17</sup> So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. <sup>18</sup> A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. <sup>19</sup> Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>20</sup> Thus you will recognize them by their fruits.

The Gospel of  
Matthew 7:12-20

(continued...)

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

Q. We have been delivered from our misery  
by God's grace alone through Christ  
and not because we have earned it:  
why then must we still do good?

A. *To be sure, Christ has redeemed us by his blood.  
But we do good because*

*Christ by his Spirit is also renewing us to be like himself,  
so that in all our living  
we may show that we are thankful to God  
for all he has done for us,  
and so that he may be praised through us.*

*And we do good*

*so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits,  
and so that by our godly living  
our neighbors may be won over to Christ.*

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

## ABSOLUTION

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

# HE WHO FEEDS THE RAVENS WILL GIVE HIS CHILDREN BREAD

## COLLECTION

### ✠ OFFERTORY HYMN

*Sometimes a Light Surprises* 621

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.

*(continued...)*

*Sometimes a light surprises  
The Christian while he sings;  
It is the Lord, who rises  
With healing in his wings:  
When comforts are declining,  
He grants the soul again  
A season of clear shining,  
To cheer it after rain.*

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*In holy contemplation  
We sweetly then pursue  
The theme of God's salvation,  
And find it ever new;  
Set free from present sorrow,  
We cheerfully can say,  
Let the unknown tomorrow  
Bring with it what it may.*

*It can bring with it nothing  
But he will bear us through;  
Who gives the lilies clothing  
Will clothe his people too:  
Beneath the spreading heavens  
No creature but is fed;  
And he who feeds the ravens  
Will give his children bread.*

*Though vine nor fig tree neither  
Their wonted fruit shall bear,  
Though all the field should wither,  
Nor flocks nor herds be there;  
Yet God the same abiding,  
His praise shall tune my voice,  
For, while in him confiding,  
I cannot but rejoice. Amen!*

## GOD'S GRACIOUS MINISTRY OF WORD AND SPIRIT

### SERMON TEXT

<sup>14</sup> What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? <sup>15</sup> If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, <sup>16</sup> and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? <sup>17</sup> So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. <sup>18</sup> But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. <sup>19</sup> You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe- and shudder!

*James 2:14-19 ESV*

*(continued...)*

✠ HYMN

*My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* 468

*My faith has found a resting place,  
from guilt my soul is freed;  
I trust the ever-living One,  
his wounds for me shall plead.*

**Refrain:**

*I need no other argument,  
I need no other plea,  
it is enough that Jesus died,  
and that he died for me.*

*Enough for me that Jesus saves,  
this ends my fear and doubt;  
a sinful soul, I come to him,  
he'll never cast me out.*

**Refrain**

*My heart is leaning on the Word,  
the written Word of God,  
salvation by my Savior's name,  
salvation thro' his blood.*

**Refrain**

*My great Physician heals the sick,  
the lost he came to save;  
for me his precious blood he shed,  
for me his life he gave.*

**Refrain 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 2:14-19**  
“Dead Faith”

A problem for all ages

**A. TWO QUESTIONS [14]**

1. What's the problem?
2. How serious is this?

**B. AN ILLUSTRATION [15-17]**

1. Who is my neighbor?
2. What am I supposed to do?

**C. A POSSIBLE THEOLOGICAL OBJECTION [18-19]**

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## New COVID Protocol Starting March 28, 2021

Friends and members of Church Creek,

The elders together with the deacons recently met and discussed the encouraging signs that we see in our battle against the COVID pandemic. The number of cases continue to decline here in the Charleston area and the number of people being vaccinated is rising. We still believe there needs to be a vigilant attitude against carelessness and unnecessary exposure to the virus. Yet, we believe that we're at the point where more people are staying away from our corporate gatherings because of our mask requirement than those refraining from coming due to the very real risk of exposure.

The officers agreed together to the following new policy, effective Sunday, March 28, 2021.

1. Wearing masks will be optional at Sunday morning worship while in your pew on the main floor of the sanctuary. You are free to sit, stand and sing without a mask while in your pew during the entire length of the service.
2. Masks will continue to be required in the balcony and in the Fellowship Hall. Please choose these areas during worship if you want this added layer of protection.
3. Masks will be required when entering and leaving the sanctuary and when walking up and down the aisles, including bringing your offering up front and going to receive the elements for the Lord's Supper.
4. There is no mask requirement when outside of any of the buildings.

One additional note: Our adult Sunday School hour will resume on Sunday, April 11, and will be held in the sanctuary. Details to follow. We have decided not to resume the evening service at this time, but are looking at specific ideas about some kind of fellowship meal or picnic to be held on a regular basis.

Pastor John Olson

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# Our Mission to Charleston

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