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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 28th

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.

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 10th 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 11th. You can learn more about him at feedingonchrist.com. A congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, April 18th for the purpose of voting whether to call Reverend Batzig to be our pastor.

Pastoral Prayer Vigil – Thank you to all who participated in our prayer vigil. Please continue to pray for the upcoming pastoral candidate visit on April 8-11 that the Lord would make clear our path.

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 leading a study of Genesis that will meet *every other* Thursday at 6:30 pm. Their next study is **April 1st at the Guffey's** home (7323 Kestrel Trail, Hanahan, SC 29410).

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 locations. **April 7th meeting will be at Alex Casey's** (1836 Gammon St., Charleston, SC 29414).

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

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

NEW

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

Deacon On Call For March

Jeff Beall
843-830-0087

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Ken Fipps

For April

Ken Fipps
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Matt Guffey

The Order of Public Worship

March 28, 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

Deacon Ken Fipps

GREETING

✠ Congregation
Standing

WE WORSHIP, TRUSTING AND OBEYING OUR GREAT GOD IN HEAVEN

from *Hebrews 11*

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

Without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.

✠ 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....)

*The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love.
Jehovah! Great I AM! by earth and heav'n confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred name, forever blest.*

*The God of Abraham praise, at whose supreme command
From earth I rise, and seek the joys at his right hand.
I all on earth forsake, its wisdom, fame, and power;
And him my only portion make, my Shield and Tower.*

*He by himself hath sworn, I on his oath depend;
I shall, on eagle's wings upborne, to heav'n ascend:
I shall behold his face, I shall his power adore,
And sing the wonders of his grace for evermore.*

*The goodly land I see, with peace and plenty blest,
A land of sacred liberty and endless rest;
There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound,
And trees of life forever grow, with mercy crowned.*

*There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our righteousness,
Triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace.
On Zion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains,
And glorious with his saints in light forever reigns.*

*The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high;
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry:
Hail, Abraham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays;
All might and majesty are thine, and endless praise. Amen!*

THE JOY OF SINS FORGIVEN THE DELIGHT TO DO WHAT IS GOOD

GOSPEL LESSON

I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ² Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear

*The Gospel of
John 15:1-11*

(continued...)

more fruit. ³ Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. ⁹ As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

*The Heidelberg
Catechism*

NOTE: Italicized words in readings are read by the congregation

CONFESSION OF FAITH

88 Q. What is involved in genuine repentance or conversion?

A. *Two things:
the dying-away of the old self,
and the coming-to-life of the new.*

89 Q. What is the dying-away of the old self?

A. *It is to be genuinely sorry for sin,
to hate it more and more,
and to run away from it.*

90 Q. What is the coming-to-life of the new self?

A. *It is wholehearted joy in God through Christ
and a delight to do every kind of good
as God wants us to.*

91 Q. What do we do that is good?

(continued...)

A. *Only that which
arises out of true faith,
conforms to God's law,
and is done for his glory;
and not that which is based
on what we think is right
or on established human tradition.*

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ABSOLUTION

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

CAN I DOUBT HIS TENDER MERCY WHO THROUGH LIFE HAS BEEN MY GUIDE?

COLLECTION

✠ OFFERTORY HYMN

All the Way My Savior Leads Me 605

*All the way my Saviour leads me—
What have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt his tender mercy
Who through life has been my Guide?
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort,
Here by faith in him to dwell—
For I know, whate'er befall me,
Jesus doeth all things well.*

*All the way my Saviour leads me,
Cheers each winding path I tread,
Gives me grace for ev'ry trial,
Feeds me with the living Bread.
Though my weary steps may falter,
And my soul athirst may be,
Gushing from the rock before me,
Lo, a spring of joy I see!*

Deacon Ken Fipps

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...)

*All the way my Saviour leads me—
O the fullness of his love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
In my Father's house above:
When my spirit, clothed, immortal,
Wings its flight to realms of day,
This my song through endless ages:
Jesus led me all the way! Amen!*

THE MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD AND SPIRIT

James 2:20-26 ESV

SERMON TEXT

²⁰ Do you want to be shown, you foolish person, that faith apart from works is useless? ²¹ Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar? ²² You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works; ²³ and the Scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness" - and he was called a friend of God. ²⁴ You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone. ²⁵ And in the same way was not also Rahab the prostitute justified by works when she received the messengers and sent them out by another way? ²⁶ For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead.

Pastor John Olson

SERMON

"Working Faith"

✠ HYMN

Trust and Obey 672

*When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word
What a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, he abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.*

Refrain

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

(continued...)

*Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,
But his smile quickly drives it away;
Not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh nor a tear,
Can abide while we trust and obey.*

Refrain

*Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
But our toil he doth richly repay;
Not a grief nor a loss, not a frown or a cross,
But is blest if we trust and obey.*

Refrain

*But we never can prove the delights of his love
Until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor he shows, and the joy he bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey.*

Refrain

*Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,
Or we'll walk by his side in the way;
What he says we will do, where he sends we will go,
Never fear, only trust and obey.*

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 2:20-26

“Working Faith”

A. ANOTHER QUESTION [20]

1. Faith
2. Works
3. Useless

B. ILLUSTRATIONS

1. Father Abraham [21-24]
2. Rahab the prostitute [25]

C. CONCLUSION [26]

1. Christ alone
2. Grace alone
3. Faith alone
4. To do good works

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