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A Reformed Fellowship



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Sunday School

9:30 a.m.

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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Announcements for Sunday, May 16th

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.

TODAY: Please join us after worship as we honor John and Libby Olson on their retirement with cake and beverages and our gratitude on the church grounds (Fellowship Hall will be used if weather is inclement).

Sunday School and Nursery

- Adult Sunday School will be held in the Sanctuary beginning at 9:30am. Youth (6th-12th grade) are also encouraged to attend with the adults. Jeff Beall is teaching on Stewardship this week and DB Cummings will teach on Westminster Catechism on 5/23 and 5/30. Richard Cooper will teach on 1 Peter during the Summer Quarter beginning in June.
- Children's Sunday School (Pre-K4 through 5th grade) will gather on the playground at 9:30am with a lesson starting at 9:45am. If needed due to weather, children will gather instead in the Fellowship Hall. Parents do not need to stay, but should pick up their children at 10:15am.
- Nursery for children 3 and under starts at 9:30am and includes a Sunday School lesson. Please sign children in at drop off.
- Coffee/tea are available in the Fellowship Hall entry.

Women's Bible Study:

-Morning group is NOT meeting this week, but will gather for prayer and lunch on **Wednesday, May 26th at 10:30am** at Mary McLellan's. A new study will begin on June 9th.

-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. **May 19th meeting will be at Robin Cooper's** (41 Broughton Rd. Charleston, SC 29407).

Men's Bible Study: Richard Cooper is leading a study of Genesis that meets *every other* Thursday at 6:30 pm. Their next study is **May 27th at Ron Vanderwey's home** (159 Brogun Lane Charleston, SC 29414).

Deacon on Call

For May: Matt Guffey - 860-449-3535; Backup Jeff Beall

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.

If you are interested in being added to the CCPLife email group or private Facebook group, email the church office.

If you are willing to serve one or more times in the Nursery during church June-August, please email the church office: office@church-creek.org

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

The Order of Public Worship

May 16, 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

OUR JOYFUL DUTY OUR SACRIFICE OF PRAISE

✠ Congregation
Standing

✠ **HYMN**

O God beyond All Praising 660

*O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,
we honour and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.*

*Then hear, O gracious Saviour, accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favour may serve you as our king;
and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise. Amen!*

✠ **PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

(continued....)

*All praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation,
The God of wonders, pow'r, and love, the God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul he fills,
The God who every sorrow stills,
To God all praise and glory!*

*What God's almighty pow'r hath made his gracious mercy keepeth;
By morning dawn or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;
Within the kingdom of his might,
Lo, all is just and all is right,
To God all praise and glory!*

*I cried to him in time of need: Lord God, O, hear my calling!
For death he gave me life indeed and kept my feet from falling.
For this my thanks shall endless be;
O thank him, thank our God, with me,
To God all praise and glory!*

*The Lord forsaketh not his flock, his chosen generation;
He is their refuge and their rock, their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand
He leads his own, his chosen band,
To God all praise and glory!*

*Ye who confess Christ's holy name, to God give praise and glory!
Ye who the Father's power proclaim, to God give praise and glory!
All idols under foot be trod,
The Lord is God! the Lord is God!
To God all praise and glory!*

*Then come before his presence now and banish fear and sadness;
To your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness:
Though great distress my soul befell,
The Lord, my God, did all things well,
To God all praise and glory! Amen!*

OUR PRAYERS OF FAITH AND HUMBLE SUBMISSION

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

(continued...)

GOSPEL LESSON

¹ Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ² And he said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread, ⁴ and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation."

⁵ And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; ⁷ and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? ⁸ I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. ⁹ And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹ What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹² or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Hebrews 4:14-16

EPISTLE LESSON

¹⁴ Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Elder Dean Walters

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS

CONFESSION OF FAITH

We believe that our good God,
after he created all things,
did not abandon them to chance or fortune
but leads and governs them according to his holy will,
in such a way that nothing happens in this world
without his orderly arrangement.

The Belgic Confession
Article 13: The
Doctrine of God's
Providence

(continued...)

*Yet God is not the author of,
nor can he be charged with, the sin that occurs.
For his power and goodness
are so great and incomprehensible
that he arranges and does his work very well and justly
even when the devils and wicked men act unjustly.*

We do not wish to inquire with undue curiosity
into what he does that surpasses human understanding
and is beyond our ability to comprehend.

*But in all humility and reverence
we adore the just judgments of God,
which are hidden from us,
being content to be Christ's disciples,
so as to learn only what he shows us in his Word,
without going beyond those limits.*

This doctrine gives us unspeakable comfort
since it teaches us that nothing can happen to us by chance
but only by the arrangement of our gracious heavenly Father.

*He watches over us with fatherly care,
keeping all creatures under his control,
so that not one of the hairs on our heads (for they are all numbered)
nor even a little bird can fall to the ground
without the will of our Father.*

In this thought we rest, knowing that he holds in check
the devils and all our enemies,
who cannot hurt us without his permission and will.

COLLECTION

‡ OFFERTORY HYMN

Be Still, My Soul 689

*Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to thy God to order and provide;
In ev'ry change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heav'nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.*

NOTE: Italicized
words in readings are
read by the
congregation

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...)

*Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as he has the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.*

*Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,
And all is darkened in the vale of tears,
Then shalt thou better know his love, his heart,
Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.
Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay
From his own fullness all he takes away.*

*Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
When we shall be for ever with the Lord,
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last. Amen!*

MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD AND SPIRIT

*Hebrews 10:32-39
and 11:1-3*

SERMON TEXT

³² But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, ³³ sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. ³⁴ For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. ³⁵ Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. ³⁶ For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. ³⁷ For, "Yet a little while, and the coming one will come and will not delay; ³⁸ but my righteous one shall live by faith, and if he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him." ³⁹ But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

(continued...)

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³ By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

SERMON

“Living With the Unseen”

Pastor John Olson

✠ **HYMN**

Now Thank We All Our God 98

*Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.*

*O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.*

*All praise and thanks to God, the Father, now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore. Amen!*

✠ **BENEDICTION**

✠ **RESPONSE**

Psalm 7:18 – 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

Hebrews 10:32-11:3

“Living With the Unseen”

A. REALITY OF SUFFERING AND TROUBLE

1. Everyone

2. Christians

B. RESPONSE TO SUFFERING AND TROUBLE

1. The message of Hebrews 1-10

2. The message of Hebrews 11-13

C. RESOURCES FOR ENDURING TIMES OF SUFFERING AND TROUBLE

*Faith is permitting ourselves to be seized
by the things we do not see.*

- Martin Luther

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