Announcements for Sunday, September 13th

We are celebrating the Lord's Supper during worship today and as is our custom, we also accept Deacons Fund donations and Food Pantry donations (in the Fellowship Hall).

Congregational Meeting Next Sunday – There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday September 20th in the sanctuary immediately following the morning worship service. The purpose of the meeting is (1) to act upon Pastor Olson's resignation as Senior Pastor, effective August 31, 2021; (2) to make necessary adjustments to the pastor search committee, including electing members and alternates as needed as well as changing the purpose of the committee; and (3) to revise our church bylaws to allow for church officers to conduct church business remotely using platforms such as Zoom.

Outdoor Family Ministry – for families and children to gather outside behind the Fellowship Hall at 10:00am, 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. Parents should participate and remain with their children.

Evening Women's Bible Study – The Son of David: Seeing Jesus in the Historical Books, by Nancy Guthrie. This group meets weekly via Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm. Zoom links shared on CCPLife/Facebook.

40 Days of Prayer – The session is embarking on a focused 40 days of prayer beginning August 22 and ending October 1. Each day, individually, we will begin with prayer in the morning, for our shepherding groups, our congregation, friends of CCP, and the ministries and work of CCP. If you would like to join us in prayer, a suggested list of people and requests to remember in your prayers can be found on a sheet in the narthex.

Mugs and Muffins - The ladies of the church are invited to gather next Saturday September 19th from 9:30-11:30 am for a time of fellowship and prayer in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP to Joanne Janus by Wednesday, September 16. Text: 843-860-8703 or Email: <u>davejoanne2@comcast.net</u>.

Midweek Sunday School Lessons – DB Cummings is posting weekly lessons on the Westminster Shorter Catechism (video and audio versions) for adults and also a children's Catechism lesson to Sermon Audio. Check our Sermon Audio stream or look for links to be posted.

Pastoral Search Committee Requests– If you have a pastor to recommend to the committee for review, please fill out a Google Form we have created to gather this information (minister's contact information and current status, your history with this pastor and your reason(s) for recommending him). <u>https://bit.ly/Pastor-Recommendation</u>

Deacon On Call

Note: We have set up a new email address making it easier for church members to contact the deacon on call: <u>deacons@church-creek.org</u>

September: Matt Guffey - 860-449-3535; (backup – Chris Becker): 843-814-6136

The Order of Public Worship

Morning Service

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.

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PRELUDE & GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

September 13, 2020

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy. How great are your works, O LORD! Your thoughts are very deep!

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

HYMN

How good it is to thank the Lord, And praise to thee, Most High, accord, To show thy love with morning light, And tell thy faithfulness each night; Yea, good it is thy praise to sing, And all our sweetest music bring.

O Lord, with joy my heart expands Before the wonders of thy hands; Great works, Jehovah, thou hast wrought, Exceeding deep thine ev'ry thought; A foolish man knows not their worth, Nor he whose mind is of the earth. How Good It is to Thank the Lord 635

from Psalm 92

10:45 a.m.

When as the grass the wicked grow, When sinners flourish here below, Then is there endless ruin nigh, But thou, O Lord, art throned on high; Thy foes shall fall before thy might, The wicked shall be put to flight.

The righteous man shall flourish well, And in the house of God shall dwell; He shall be like a goodly tree, And all his life shall fruitful be; For righteous is the Lord and just, He is my Rock, in him I trust.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God,

we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone.

Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you!

Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has worked in us your holy will. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ABSOLUTION

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

COLLECTION & OFFERTORY HYMN

Though troubles assail us, and dangers affright, Though friends should all fail us, and foes all unite, Yet one thing secures us, whatever betide, The promise assures us, "The Lord will provide." Though Troubles Assail Us 95

The birds, without garner or storehouse, are fed; From them let us learn to trust God for our bread: His saints what is fitting shall ne'er be denied So long as 'tis written, "The Lord will provide."

When Satan assails us to stop up our path, And courage all fails us, we triumph by faith. He cannot take from us, though oft he has tried, This heart-cheering promise, "The Lord will provide."

No strength of our own, and no goodness we claim; Yet, since we have known of the Saviour's great name, In this our strong tower for safety we hide: The Lord is our power, "The Lord will provide."

SERMON TEXT

2 Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, 3 for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. 4 And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

SERMON

CONFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell: the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the guick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

James 1.2-4

"Three Notesl"

The Apostles' Creed

THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN

What Wondrous Love Is This 261

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, when I was sinking down, sinking down; when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM, while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing, while millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be, and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through eternity I'll sing on!

BENEDICTION & RESPONSE

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.

Psalm 72.18 - 19 DUNDEE

Morning Sermon Notes

James 1.2-4 "Three Notes"

A. THREE BEGINNING NOTES

- 1. Joy
- 2. Faith
- 3. Steadfastness

B. THREE NOTES OF GRACE

- 1. The gift of joy
- 2. The gift of faith
- 3. The gift of steadfastness

C. THREE NOTES OF DUTY

- 1. The imperative of joy
- 2. The imperative of faith
- 3. The imperative of steadfastness