

# Pickens Presbyterian Church



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PICKENS, SOUTH CAROLINA 29671

*“To the Glory of God, and the Service of People”*

June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Trinity Sunday

Eleven o'clock

## *The Church Gathers*

*The Session invites members to wear masks to worship and other gatherings, if you are more comfortable doing so in a group situation, and of course if you are sick to please stay home.*

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Concerns of the Church**

**Preparation for Worship**

*Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship, first in silence, then as we listen to the prelude.*

**Prelude**

*“Bring Many Names”*

*Carlton R. Young*

**\*Call to Worship**

We gather to worship the God of all creation  
*who crafted the seas and mountains, and yet cares for each of us.*

We gather to worship the God of all mystery  
*who rejoices in our being, and invites us to join the cosmic dance!*

**ALL: Come, Let us worship God!**

**\*Prayer of Praise**

**\*Hymn (see #15, pg 6 & 7)**

*“All Creatures of Our God and King”*

## *The Church Confesses*

**\*Invitation to Confession**

**\*Prayer of Confession:**

*Majestic God, You have called us to live in peace, but we turn to conflict and hatred.  
You yearn for us to work together, but we keep finding reasons to dismiss each other.  
Forgive us and show us a better way to be your people, your body, your church. . . .  
(silent, personal confession) Amen.*

**\*Kyrie #572**

*Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us.  
Christ, Have Mercy Upon Us.  
Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us.*

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

. . . in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. *Thanks be to God.*

**\*Gloria Patri #579**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world  
without end. Amen, Amen.*

**The Church Proclaims God's Word**

**Prayer for Illumination**

*Elder Ken Townsend*

**1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading:** Genesis 1.1-2.4a (selected verses)  
The Word of God for the People of God. *Thanks be to God.*

**Special Music**

*"Be Still, My Soul"*  
*Dr. Marianne Holland - Pianist*

*Jean Sibelius*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Reading:** Matthew 28.16-20  
The Word of God for the People of God. *Thanks be to God.*

**Sermon**

*"Where Do We Go from Here?"*  
**The Reverend Dr. David Torrey**

**The Church Responds in Faith**

**Affirmation of Faith:** The Nicene Creed *(Traditional, p. 14)*

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all  
that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the  
Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not  
made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and  
for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and  
the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under  
Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in  
accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right  
hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father  
and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has  
spoken through the prophets.*

*We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of  
the world to come. Amen.*

**\*Hymn (see #32, pg 8)**

*"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

**Offering**

**Offertory**

*"O Great God"*

*Traditional, Arr. Fred Bock*

**\*Doxology #592**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

## The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

### Invitation to the Lord's Table

#### The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them up to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God:

... we will celebrate victory with him.

*Remembering the Lord Jesus, we break bread and share one cup, announcing his death for the sins of the world, and telling his resurrection to all people and nations.*

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#### The Lord's Prayer (debts/Debtors)

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our Debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

### Breaking of the Bread

#### Communion of the People

#### Prayer after Communion

Bless the Lord, O my soul, *and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!*

Bless the Lord, O my soul, *and forget not all God's benefits.*

#### \*Hymn (See #298, insert)

*"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"*

#### \*Benediction

#### Postlude

*"Praise the Savior, Ye Who Know Him!"*

*Arr. Tedd Smith*

*(Please remain seated until worship ends with the end of the Postlude)*

### **Worship Has Ended – Service Begins**

*\*Those who are able please stand in body or spirit.*

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**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please share prayer concerns and celebrations in worship, or on the pew rack cards placing them in the offering plates, or email the church office – [admin@pickenspresbyterian.org](mailto:admin@pickenspresbyterian.org).

### **Prayer Concerns and Celebrations List**

*Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. – Philippians 4:6 (NRSV)*

*(Prayer concern list policy: Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks, after which they may be either renewed for another 4 weeks, or moved to the Long-Term Prayer Concern List)*

<u><b>Name (relationship)</b></u>	<u><b>Concern</b></u>
Sylvia Erickson.....	health concerns
Starla Taylor.....	health concerns
Joe Lee (Ivy's nephew) .....	health concerns
"Kappy" Kelly (Allison Ranson's sister) .....	health concerns

Bill & Phyllis Durham ..... health concerns  
Bill Patterson (Bob Allison's cousin)..... health concerns  
Legacy Partnership Project Team..... discernment  
*\*new this week*

**Peace in Ukraine.** PDA support: gifts to [DR000156](#) or text PDAUKR to 41444.  
*Make checks payable to Presbyterian Church USA and put the gift number in the memo line.*

### **Long Term Prayer Concern List**

“Gig” Alexander, Barbara & Joe Christopher, Mary Sue Day, Doug Finney, Jane Gillespie, Scott Kelly, Faye Padgett, Patti Rivers, Jo Ann Taylor, Melvin Tolliver (Deb Holtel's uncle), John & Tiffanie Torrey (David's brother and sister-in-law)

*Thank you for all the cards, texts, phone calls and prayers after my recent surgery. I'm so fortunate to have such a caring and loving Church family and I appreciate each of you.*  
Starla Taylor

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Blessings and greetings to one and all. In the name of Christ, you are welcome today and every day!** *If you are visiting, we offer a special welcome and invite you to participate with us in mission and ministry.* Contact the church office to begin receiving our newsletter.

**BLOOD DRIVE:** PPC is partnering with the American Red Cross to collect blood for distribution to patients across the country. The Red Cross requests that 30 people express interest in donating prior to setting a date. If you are interested, **please sign up on** one of the sheets taped to the exit doors of All Saints Hall.

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME:** Please join us in All Saints' Hall at 10:30am for food and fellowship. **Sign up on the schedule on the refrigerator to help out.**

**SPECIAL EVENT AT GRIFFIN EBENEZER:** Our friends at Griffin Ebenezer Baptist Church invite all to a special **Juneteenth Day of Remembrance celebration next Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>.** See the Cliffnotes for more details.

**WARMTH AND COMFORT MINISTRY:** **Celebrating “Summertime At The Facilities!!” through June 16<sup>th</sup>!** They are collecting items that say “summer” for our elderly to enjoy at the facilities!! See the Cliffnotes for item suggestions. Boxes are located in ASH and Office Hallway.

### **GENERAL FUND UPDATE:**

Offering last Sunday: General Fund: **\$1,080.00**, Building Fund: **\$0.00**.  
Total General Offering Year-to-Date: **\$84,441.59, includes \$7,270 online.**  
Total General Expenses Year-to-Date: **\$117,160.74.**  
**Contributions Needed Weekly to Maintain 2023 Budget: \$5,316.60.**

**FOOD PANTRY: Ongoing need:** *fruit juices, shelf-stable milk, canned meats / entrees, cereal bars, or any other non-perishables* to fill boxes for the hungry in our community. Thank you for your generosity!

### **REMINDER--NEW EMAILS FOR OFFICE STAFF:**

David Torrey: [pastor@pickenspresbyterian.org](mailto:pastor@pickenspresbyterian.org)  
Cyndi Banks: [admin@pickenspresbyterian.org](mailto:admin@pickenspresbyterian.org)  
Linda Banks: [office@pickenspresbyterian.org](mailto:office@pickenspresbyterian.org)

<b><u>Serving:</u></b>	<b><u>June 4, 2023</u></b>	<b><u>June 11, 2023</u></b>
Pulpit Elder:	Ken Townsend	Cindy Townsend
Sanctuary Guild:	Ginger Chastain	Ginger Chastain
Ushers:	Kathy & David Chamlee	Cindy & Austin Townsend
Refreshments:	Debbie Teeple	Nancy Goldsmith
Communion Servers:	Ken T, Robert, Donna, Roger, Rocky	

<b><u>Lectionary readings for today:</u></b>	<b><u>Lectionary readings for next Sunday:</u></b>
Pulpit Elder: Ken Townsend	Pulpit Elder: Cindy Townsend
Genesis 1.1 – 2.4a	Genesis 12.1–9
Psalm 8	Psalm 33.1–12
2 Corinthians 13.11–13	Romans 4.13–25
Matthew 28.16–20	Matthew 9.9–13, 18–26

**Church Activities and Events This Week:**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, June 4	9:30am	Sunday School	
	10:30am	Fellowship Time	All Saints' Hall
	11:00am	Worship Service – Trinity Sunday	ASH
	12:30pm	Congregational Listening Session #3	ASH
Monday, June 5	8:30am	Food Pantry	Church Office
	11:00am	Centering Prayer	All Saints' Hall
	10:00am	Building & Grounds Committee Mtg	ASH
	6:00pm	Foothills Presbytery Minutes Review	ASH
Tuesday, June 6			
Wednesday, June 7	8:30am	Food Pantry	Church Office
	10:00am	Children's Chapel	All Saints' Hall
	10:30am	Bible Study	ASH
	5:30pm	LPP Team Meeting	ASH
Thursday, June 8	12:00pm	<b>DEADLINE</b> – Bulletin & Cliffnotes	
Friday, June 9		<i>Office Closed</i>	
Saturday, June 10			
Sunday, June 11	9:30am	Sunday School	
	10:30am	Fellowship Time	All Saints' Hall
	11:00am	Worship Service – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	ASH
	12:30pm	Session Meeting	TBD
	1:00pm	Owens Family Event	ASH

Online calendar: <http://73970421.view-events.com>

# 15 All Creatures of Our God and King

*Unison*

1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice  
 2 O broth - er wind with clouds and rain, you nur - ture gifts  
 3 O broth - er fire, so warm and bright, chase off the shad -  
 4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain

*Harmony*

and with us sing, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 of fruit and grain. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ows of the night. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 or sor - row grieve, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Unison*

O broth - er sun with gold - en beam, O sis - ter moon  
 O sis - ter wa - ter, flow - ing clear, make mu - sic for  
 Dear moth - er earth, who day by day un - folds such bless -  
 Christ bears your bur - dens and your fears; so, e - ven in

Sometimes called "The Canticle of the Sun," this cosmic roll call allows human beings to give voice to all creation. One of the earliest religious poems in the Italian language, it is made even more expansive by this broad, repetitive melody with interspersed "Alleluias."

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

*Harmony*

with sil - ver gleam, sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 your Lord to hear. Sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ings on our way, sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 the midst of tears, sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Unison*

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

5 And you, most gentle sister death,  
 waiting to hush our final breath:  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,  
 fair is the night that leads us home.  
 Sing praises! Alleluia!  
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 O sisters, brothers, take your part,  
 and worship God with humble heart.  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 All creatures, bless the Father, Son,  
 and Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
 Sing praises! Alleluia!  
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## 32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y  
 God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them  
 And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy

skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.  
 good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,  
 throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn written for children and originally headed "Praise for Creation and Providence." The anonymous German tune provides a fitting sense of breadth and wonder.



## Lord, You Give the Great Commission



1 Lord, you give the great com-mis-sion: "Heal the sick and  
 2 Lord, you call us to your ser-vice: "In my name bap-  
 3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This, my bod - y;  
 4 Lord, you show us love's true measure: "Fa - ther, what they  
 5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur-ing: "I am with you



preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis-sion,  
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your promise,  
 this, my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,  
 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate treasure  
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor-ing,



13

and the gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness to your  
 life a - bun - dant meant for each, give us all new fer - vor,  
 dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the world a -  
 all that you so free - ly give. May your care and mer - cy  
 may we serve as you in - tend, and, a - mid the cares that

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pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:  
 draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:  
 round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty: with the Spir - it's  
 lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:  
 claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:

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gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

*Glory to God 298*

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