

# Pickens Presbyterian Church



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PICKENS, SOUTH CAROLINA 29671

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

August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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**

*“Gather Us In”*

*Marty Haugen*

**\*Call to Worship**

We come, carrying just what we need for the journey: *five loaves, two fish.*

We come, bringing whatever we have to offer: *our time, our talents, our gifts.*

We come, knowing God will multiply our offerings: *in God’s hands, what we have is enough.*

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

**\*Prayer of Praise**

**\*Hymn (see #645, pg 6-7)**

*“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”*

## *The Church Confesses*

**\*Invitation to Confession**

**\*Prayer of Confession:**

*Generous God, you freely offer us all we need. You offer us the bread of life, so we may never be hungry again. You offer us living water, so we will never thirst. But we scoff at your gifts, wasting our money, time, and energy on things that do not satisfy. Forgive us and call to us again, reminding us of your gifts of new life that are ours if we would only accept them. . . . (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.*

**\*Corporate Passing of the Peace**

*Peace be with you. And also with you.*

**\*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 Starla Taylor*

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

**1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading:** Genesis 32.22-31  
The Word of God for the People of God. *Thanks be to God.*

**Special Music** “*Life is Like a Mountain Railroad*” C.D. Tillman  
*Katie Goldsmith Bryson – Vocalist, Robert Wood – Guitar, Steve Ellison – Piano*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Reading:** Matthew 14.13-21  
The Word of God for the People of God. *Thanks be to God.*

**Time with Young Disciples**

**Sermon** “*How Much is Enough?*”  
**The Reverend Dr. David Torrey**

**The Church Responds in Faith**

**Affirmation of Faith** *The Nicene Creed*  
*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 #523, pg 7)** “*You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*”

**Offering & Change-for-Change Food Pantry Offering**

**Offertory** “*This Is the Day of New Beginnings*” Carlton R. Young/Mark Hayes

**\*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.*

. . .

**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 #816, pg 8)**

*“If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee”*

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*“Blessed Assurance”*

*Phoebe P. Knapp*

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

**Worship Has Ended – Service Begins**

**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 by 12:00 pm Thursday – [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)*

<b><u>Name (relationship)</u></b>	<b><u>Concern</u></b>
*Mary & Charles Barron .....	his health concerns
*Rick Carter (friend of Jessica McCormick) .....	health concerns
*Aspyn (Butch and Dianna’s grand-daughter) .....	health concerns
Cyndi Banks .....	health concerns
David Goldsmith .....	health concerns
Jo Ann Taylor .....	health concerns
Kassidy (Deb Holtel’s granddaughter-in-law) .....	health concerns
Jayden Harden .....	health concerns
Jane Townsend .....	health concerns
Christine (cousin of Allison Ranson) .....	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, John Owens, Faye Padgett, Patti Rivers, Jo Ann Taylor, Melvin Tolliver (Deb Holtel’s uncle), John & Tiffanie Torrey (David’s brother and sister-in-law)

## **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.

***PPC welcomes former member, Katie Goldsmith Bryson, back home to sing for us today. She now lives in Seneca and sings in her church there.***

**PPC FOOD PANTRY:** We will be accepting the Change-for-Change special offering during Worship this morning and on each 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday, for financial support of the church’s food pantry, and the Little Free Pantry on Ann St. Thank you!

**YOU ARE INVITED:** A “Table Shower” is planned for next Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> for Kristen Blackwood Frawley (daughter of John and Cindy Blackwood) and her new husband, Colin Frawley, who were recently married in Scotland. A decorated table will be in ASH with snacks and a basket to drop off notes of congratulations or gift cards (Amazon or Target especially appreciated). Congratulations!

**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.**

### **GENERAL FUND UPDATE:**

Offering last Sunday: General Fund: **\$16,650.00**, Building Fund: **\$0.00**.

Total General Offering Year-to-Date: **\$133,278.03**, includes **\$11,120 online**.

Total General Expenses Year-to-Date: **\$161,314.92**.

**Contributions Needed Weekly to Maintain 2023 Budget: \$5,316.60.**

### **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)

#### **Serving:**

Pulpit Elder:

Sanctuary Guild:

Ushers:

Refreshments:

#### **August 6, 2023**

Starla Taylor

John Blackwood

Holly & Rocky Harden

TBD

#### **August 13, 2023**

Cindy Townsend

John Blackwood

Liza Holder & Donna Owen

TBD

Camera Operation: Anna Chastain Carole Thomas  
 Communion Servers: Roy, Tina, Ken A, Ken T, Robert

**Lectionary readings for today:**

Pulpit Elder: Starla Taylor  
 Genesis 32.22–31  
 Psalm 17.1–7, 15  
 Romans 9.1–5  
 Matthew 14.13–21

**Lectionary readings for next Sunday:**

Pulpit Elder: Cindy Townsend  
 Genesis 37.1–4, 12–28  
 Psalm 105.1–6, 16–22, 45b  
 Romans 10.5–15  
 Matthew 14.22–33

**Church Activities and Events This Week:**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, Aug 6	9:30am	Sunday School	
	10:30am	Fellowship Time	All Saints' Hall
	11:00am	Worship Service – 10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	ASH
Monday, Aug 7	8:30am	Food Pantry	Church Office
	11:00am	Centering Prayer	ASH
	6:00pm	Girl Scouts	ASH
Tuesday, Aug 8			
Wednesday, Aug 9	8:30am	Food Pantry	Church Office
	10:00am	Children's Chapel	All Saints' Hall
	10:30am	Bible Study	ASH
	4:00pm	Sailboat Church Discussion Group	ASH
	5:30pm	LPP Team Meeting	ASH
Thursday, Aug 10	12:00pm	<b>DEADLINE</b> – Bulletin & Cliffnotes	All Saint's Hall
Friday, Aug 11		<i>Office Closed</i>	
Saturday, Aug 12			
Sunday, Aug 13	9:30am	Sunday School	
	10:30am	Fellowship Time	All Saints' Hall
	10:30am	"Table Shower" for Kristen and Colin Frawley	ASH
	11:00am	Worship Service – 11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	ASH
	12:30pm	All Committee Meetings	TBD

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

**SESSION & COMMITTEES**

**Building and Grounds:** Roy Stoddard ('23) and David McCormick ('25) (Co-Moderators)  
**Child Development Center:** Jim Mahanes ('22), Roy Stoddard ('23), and David McCormick ('25)  
**Christian Education:** Cindy Townsend ('24) and Robert Simms ('25) (Co-Moderators)  
**Administration:** Ken Acker ('23),  
**Administration:** Donna Owen ('24),  
**Finance:** Ken Townsend ('23)  
**Fellowship and Care:** Tina LaFoy ('24) and Nancy Goldsmith ('25) (Co-Moderators)  
**Missions:** Roger Gettys ('23) and Rocky Harden ('23) (Co-Moderators)  
**Worship:** Debbie Teeple ('24) and Starla Taylor ('25) (Co-Moderators)  
**Trustees:** Allison Ranson ('23), Debbie Carmical ('24), Tim Crocker ('25)

**Moderator:** Rev. Dr. David A. Torrey  
**Phone:** 864.878.9422 ext. 2, 803.317.3331 (cell)  
**Clerk of Session:** Kay Rentz **Co-Clerk of Session:** Karen Brown

## 645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above



1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all  
 2 What God's al-might - y power has made God's gra - cious mer -  
 3 The Lord is nev - er far a - way, but, through all grief  
 4 Thus all my toil - some way a - long I sing a - loud



cre - a - tion, the God of power, the God of love,  
 cy keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade  
 dis - tress - ing, an ev - er - pres - ent help and stay,  
 thy prais - es, that all may hear the grate - ful song



the God of our sal - va - tion. With  
 God's watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth. With -  
 our peace and joy and bless - ing, as  
 my voice un - wea - ried rais - es. Be



heal - ing balm my soul is filled, and ev - ery faith - less  
 in the king - dom of God's might, lo! all is just and  
 with a moth - er's ten - der hand God gent - ly leads the  
 joy - ful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and bod - y,



mur - mur stilled:  
 all is right:  
 cho - sen band: to God all praise and glo - ry!  
 take your part:

# You Satisfy the Hungry Heart 523

*Refrain* D Bm G F#m D/F# Em A D

You sat-is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat;

Bm F#m Em A D *Fine*

come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.

Bm G F#m G A7 Bm

- 1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice,
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out - poured?
- 4 The mys - tery of your pres - ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your - self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,

Em A Em Em7 A *to Refrain*

so when you call your fam - ily, Lord, we fol - low and re - joice.  
 that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav - en - ly food.  
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?  
 whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.  
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

## If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee 816

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, with hope - ful  
 2 On - ly be still, and wait God's lei - sure in cheer - ful  
 3 Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways, but do thine

heart through all thy ways, God will give strength, what - e'er be -  
 hope, with heart con - tent to take what - e'er thy Keep - er's  
 own part faith - ful - ly. Trust the rich prom - is - es of

tide thee, to bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in  
 plea - sure and all - dis - cern - ing love hath sent. No doubt our  
 grace; so shall they be ful - filled in thee. God nev - er

God's un - chang - ing love builds on the rock that nought can move.  
 in - most wants are clear to One who holds us al - ways dear.  
 yet for - sook at need the soul se - cured by trust in - deed.

This hymn is a testimony of experience. The original seven-stanza German text (based on Psalm 55:22) and its tune were created by the author/composer at the age of twenty in thanksgiving for finding employment many weeks after being left almost penniless following a robbery.