

Pickens Presbyterian Church



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PICKENS, SOUTH CAROLINA 29671

"To the Glory of God, and the Service of People"

Prayer for Illumination

Elder Starla Taylor

1st Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-9

The Word of God for the People of God. *Thanks be to God.*

2nd Scripture Reading James 1.17-27

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Special Music

Time with Young Disciples

Sermon

“Doers?”

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 #507

“I Come with Joy”

Offering and Change-for-Change Food Pantry Offering

(Use the QR Code to the right for Online Giving)



GIVE NOW

Offertory

“O Lamb of God Most Holy” W.A. Mozart / Nikolaus Decius

*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 *(As we are one body, let us wait to eat and drink together)*

Prayer after Communion

Psalm 103:1-2

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

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Appalachian folk melody
The Worshipbook, 1972
Arr. Richard D. Wetzel, 1972

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff is the main melody with lyrics 'Bless the Lord, O my soul;'. The second staff is a 'Response Unison' with lyrics 'And all that is with - in me, bless God's'. The third staff is a 'Leader' part with lyrics 'ho - ly name! Bless the Lord, O my soul,'. The fourth staff is another 'Response Unison' with lyrics 'And for - get not all God's ben - e - fits.'.

Music: Arrangement © 1972 by The Westminster Press; from *The Worshipbook—Services and Hymns*.

*Hymn of Commitment #391

"Take My Life"

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude *"The Lord's My Shepherd (Brother James' Air)"* TRADITIONAL

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

The Church Enters the Mission Field

**You are invited to stand in spirit or in body.*

PRAYER REQUESTS: Share prayer concerns in worship, on the pew rack cards (place in the offering plates), or email the church office admin@pickenspresbyterian.org.
(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)

PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

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)

CONCERNS

<u>Name (relationship)</u>	<u>Concern</u>
Roy & Ivy Stoddard.....	health concerns
Victims of Hurricane Debby.....	disaster relief
Chapell Hughes (friend of Kay Rentz).....	health concerns
Kerry Owen.....	health concerns
Cathleen McCormick.....	health concerns
Allison Ranson.....	health concerns
Cheryl Dunham.....	health concerns
Samuel Hood (nephew of John and Jana Holland).....	health concerns

CELEBRATIONS

**new this week*

Long Term Prayer Concern List

Bert Allison, Jeanne Bowen, Katherine Acker Brooks, Barbara & Joe Christopher, Raymond and Margaret Dawkins, Jane Gillespie, Beverly Kelly, Scott Kelly, Drema LaFoy (Tina's mother) and Tina, Mary Dawn Mills (Niece of Ray & Margaret Dawkins), Tommy Owen, Jo Ann Taylor, Melvin Tolliver (Deb Holtel's uncle), John & Tiffanie Torrey (David's brother & sister-in-law), Mary Hellen Ward (sister of Ray Dawkins).

EXTRA GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Peace in Ukraine. PDA support: gifts to [DR000156](#).

Humanitarian Aid to Israel/Palestine. PDA support: gifts to [DR000081](#).

Hurricane Beryl Relief. PDA support: gifts to [DR000194](#).

Hurricane Debby Relief. PDA support: gifts to [DR000169](#).

***NOTE: Checks made payable to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**

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.

NOTICE: The side door at the top of the handicapped ramp will remain locked at all times due to problems with the lock on the door. **PLEASE** use the Narthex doors to enter the Sanctuary.

Also, All members who unlock an outside door to any of the church buildings, Please be sure that the door is re-locked upon leaving.

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God by Dianna and Butch Morris in honor of Tori Morris and Kyle Thompson upcoming wedding on October 26.

THANK YOU! To everyone who provided special music (soloists and instrumentalists) while the Choir was on break this Summer. You have truly made a valuable contribution to the worship of the congregation by sharing your gifts with us.

PPC FOOD PANTRY: Today we receive the Change-for-Change and Coupon Cans special offering to support the church's Food Pantry and Little Free Pantry. **The Missions Committee thanks the Congregation for their generosity** in donations of goods and contributions to the food ministry. If you are able to donate, the pantries need canned/packets of meat, canned/individual fruit and canned vegetables.

CIRCLE KICK-OFF DINNER: The PPC Women of the Church (PW) will have their annual dinner at 5:30pm on Tuesday, September 3rd, at the Pickens Pizza Inn to Kick-Off the Circle year. Debbie Carmical will present an introduction and Chapter 1. This is a great time to get involved! Both Circles will be using: *In All Things: A Nine Week Devotional Study on Unshakeable Joy*, by Melissa B Kruger. The cost of the book will be: \$12.83.

CDC NEWS: The CDC is entering its 45th year of providing faith-based childcare to the community of Pickens County. Our goal is to provide affordable childcare that allows families to work and strengthen their careers. The CDC is seeking donations to strengthen our 2025 budget. A complete list of items is in the Narthex, Church Office, and Thursday's Cliffnotes. **Items can be dropped off directly at the CDC or the Church Office.**

CDC T-SHIRTS: The CDC is ordering T-Shirts with a small "pocket" CDC logo on the front and a large logo on the back. Price range: \$8 - \$24. Order forms are in the Narthex, Church Office and on Cliffnotes. **NOTE: Checks to be payable to: Hannah Gantt.** Drop orders at the CDC or Church Office. Let's promote this important ministry to our community. **Deadline: today, September 1st.**

YOUTH KICK-OFF: Our PPC Youth will kick off their new year next Sunday, September 8th. Anyone who would be interested in hosting the Youth for this event please contact Cindy Townsend, Carol Thomas or Anna Chastain. **Volunteers are also needed to serve as a Youth Leader twice a month.** Please contact Cindy Townsend.

GIRL SCOUT YARD SALE: Girl Scout Troup #1591 will hold a Yard Sale on Saturday, September 28th, from 8:00am – 3:00pm in the PPC Upper Parking. This event helps raise money for their trip to Savannah, GA to learn about their Girl Scout roots!

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME: Join us in All Saints' Hall at 10:30am for food and fellowship. **Sign up to provide snacks online at: <https://tinyurl.com/FellowshipSnacks>** or via the QR code in the Cliffnotes.

WARMTH AND COMFORT MINISTRY: September – November drive, **they are collecting Items of Warmth:** blankets, throws, socks, shawls, lap quilts, gloves, and scarves, new or handmade. **Due by November 10th in the Church Office Collection Box.** Even the smallest donation adds up. *"We thank you in advance for any and all help!"* Questions: Call/text Tammy Ferguson @ 864-238-4652 or email warmthandcomfortfortheelderly@gmail.com

CIRCLE MEMBERS: Ongoing support of the food pantry, members are encouraged to buy one or more items listed for the cakes: Cake mix, Large foil pan with lid, Container of Frosting, Small cooking oil, Package of birthday candles. Questions, see Deb Holtel.

GENERAL FUND UPDATE:

Last Sunday's Giving: \$2,538.34

Weekly Amount Needed for Budget: \$6,077.88

2024 Budget: \$316,050.00

Serving:**September 1, 2024****September 8, 2024**

Pulpit Elder:	Starla Taylor	David McCormick
Sanctuary Guild:	Cindy Wood	Cindy Wood
Ushers:	Tina LaFoy, Robert Simms	Tina LaFoy, Robert Simms
Refreshments:		
Camera Operation:	Robert Simms	Anna Chastain
Sanctuary Flowers:	Dianna Morris	Dianna Morris
Sunday Youth Meals:		
Communion Set-up:	David McCormick	
Communion Servers:	1 – Ken A, 2 – Donna, 3 – Cindy, 4 – Debbie T, 5 – David Mc	
Lectionary readings for today: Pulpit Elder: Starla Taylor Song of Solomon 2.8–13 Psalm 45.1–2, 6–9 James 1.17–27 Mark 7.1–8, 14–15, 21–23		Lectionary readings for next Sunday: Pulpit Elder: David McCormick Proverbs 22.1–2, 8–9, 22–23 Psalm 125 James 2.1–10 (11–13) 14–17 Mark 7.24–37

Church Events This Week:Online calendar: <http://PickensPresbyterian.org/Calendar>

Day	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, September 1	9:30am	Sunday School	
	10:15am	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	10:30am	Fellowship Time	All Saints' Hall
	11:00am	Worship Service – 13 th Sunday after Pentecost	Sanctuary
	2:00pm	Morris Family Bridal Shower	ASH
Monday, September 2	8:30am	Food Pantry	Education Bldg
	10:30am	CDC Reading Buddies	CDC
	11:00am	Centering Prayer	Church Parlor
Tuesday, September 3	1:00pm	CDC Reading Buddies	CDC
	3:00pm	Building & Grounds Committee Meeting	All Saints' Hall
	5:30pm	Joint Circle Kick-off Meeting	Pizza Inn
Wednesday, Sept 4	8:30am	Food Pantry	Education Bldg
	10:00am	Children's Chapel	Sanctuary
	10:30am	CDC Reading Buddies	CDC
	4:30pm	Bible Study Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church Parlor Sanctuary
Thursday, September 5	10:30am	CDC Reading Buddies	CDC
	12:00pm	DEADLINE – Bulletin & Cliffnotes	
	3:30pm	Sailboat Prayer Group	All Saints' Hall
	6:00pm	CDC Infant/Toddler Training	ASH
Friday, September 6		<i>Office Closed</i>	
Saturday, September 7			
Sunday, September 8	9:30am	Sunday School	
	10:00am	Fall Kick Off	All Saints' Hall
	10:15am	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	10:30am	Fellowship Time	All Saints' Hall
	11:00am	Worship Service – 14 th Sunday after Pentecost	Sanctuary
	12:30pm	Worship Committee Meeting	ASH
	5:30pm	Young Adult Meeting	ASH

PICKENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Ministers – All Members

Transitional Pastor – The Reverend Dr. David A. Torrey pastor@pickenspresbyterian.org

Parish Associate – The Reverend Beverly Kelly

Church Administrator/Treasurer – Mrs. Cyndi Banks admin@pickenspresbyterian.org

Church Administrative Assistant – Ms. Linda Banks office@pickenspresbyterian.org

Interim Choir Director – Dr. Marianne Holland

Interim Organist – Mr. Steve Ellison

Director of Child Development Center – Mrs. Chasity Lesley chasitylesley@ppcdc.net

SESSION & COMMITTEES

Class of 2024

Tina LaFoy
Donna Owen
Debbie Teeple
Cindy Townsend

Class of 2025

Nancy Goldsmith
David McCormick
Robert Simms
Starla Taylor

Class of 2026

Joe Padgett
Jeff Price
Sharon Stark

Trustees

Debbie Carmical

Tim Crocker

Norm Rentz

Moderator: Rev. Dr. David A. Torrey

Phone: 864.878.9422 ext. 2, 803.317.3331 (cell)

Clerk of Session: Kay Tilley

Building and Grounds: Joe Padgett (Moderator) and David McCormick

Child Development Center: David McCormick

Christian Education: Cindy Townsend (Moderator) and Robert Simms

Administration: Budget & Finance: Jeff Price (Moderator),

Administration: Donna Owen

Fellowship and Care: Tina LaFoy and Nancy Goldsmith (Co-Moderators)

Missions: Sharon Stark

Worship: Starla Taylor (Moderator) and Debbie Teeple

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Presbyterian Women Moderator – Debbie Carmical

Sarah/Emily Circle Co-Moderators – Christa Schwab and Kay Tilley

Eve Circle Co-Moderators – Sherry Schell and Nancy Goldsmith

THE GREAT ENDS OF THE CHURCH

(Book of Order) F-1.0304

The proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind
The shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God
The maintenance of divine worship
The preservation of the truth
The promotion of social righteousness
The exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world

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