

Pickens Presbyterian Church



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

February 2nd, 2025

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Eleven o'clock

The Church Gathers

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit *“In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”*

J. Berthier

Friendship Pads

Please print your name(s), pass the pad, pass it back, note the names of those worshipping with you and greet them by name after worship.

Concerns in the Life of the Church

Prelude *“Lord of All Hopefulness”*

SLANE

***Call to Worship**

Love is patient. *Love is kind.*

Love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. *Love does not insist on its own way.*

Love is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing. *Love rejoices in the truth.*

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. *Love never ends.*

ALL: Come, let us worship the God of love.

***Prayer of Praise**

***Hymn #2130 (Insert)** *“The Summons”*

The Church Confesses

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess that we doubt your capacity to work through us. We hold on to fears and we are unworthy to speak your words, so we stay silent even as your

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

Spirit pulls at our tongues. We struggle to fathom the wholeness of your claim over us, so we ignore the light of your love as it emerges in the dark places of our lives. We seek refuge in temporary towers, and are numb to the grasp of cruelty. Forgive us. Help us to trust you, to lean upon you, to speak your word to a weary world and accept the completeness of your loving claim on our lives. . . . (silent, personal confession) Amen.

Kyrie

You are the Lord, Giver of mercy.

You are the Christ, Giver of mercy. You are the Lord, Giver of mercy.

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

Passing of the Peace Peace be with you. *And also with you.*

(Please turn to the person in front of you, behind you, and beside you to share the peace with them)

***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 Vickie Swaynham

1st Scripture Reading Jeremiah 1.4-10

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

Time with Young Disciples

2nd Scripture Reading Luke 4.21-30

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

Anthem

"Bread of Heaven, On Thee We Feed"

Arr. Hugh Davies

PPC Adult Choir

Sermon

"When God Calls"

Rev. Dr. David Torrey

The Church Responds in Faith

***Hymn #426** *"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"*

Service of Installation (insert)

Offering and Change-for-Change Food Pantry Offering

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



GIVE NOW

Offertory

"Higher Ground"

arr. Donna Williams

***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 and 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, . . . 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**

“Bless the Lord, O My Soul”

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all God’s benefits.*

Prayer after Communion

***Hymn #335** *“Though I May Speak”*

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude *“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”* arr. Cindy Berry
(Please remain seated until worship ends after the Postlude)

The Church Enters the Mission Field

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In the name of Jesus the Christ, “Welcome Home” to the House of the Lord. *If you are visiting, we offer a special welcome and invite you to participate with us in mission and ministry. If you would like to become a member of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor. Visit our website (www.PickensPresbyterian.org) to begin receiving our newsletter.*

PRAYER REQUESTS: Share prayer concerns in worship, on the pew 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

Name (relationship)	Concern
*Tommy Bowen	health concerns
*Tony Joyner (Bill Ranson’s Brother-in-Law)	health concerns
*Ken Nabors (Donna’s husband).....	health concerns
*Barbara Christopher	health concerns
<small>2/2/25</small> Lauren Carter (cousin of Darrell Cook)	health concerns
Angie Thomas (cousin of Darrell Cook)	health concerns
Jennifer Ludlum (cousin of Darrell Cook)	health concerns
<small>1/26/25</small> Lynda Still (Butch & Liza’s older sister)	health concerns
Margaret Dawkins	health concerns

Carolyn Yarborough	health concerns
<small>1/19/25</small>	
James Camp and family (June Harden's cousin).....	CA wildfires
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Faye Padgett.....	health concerns
Jan Sparks	health concerns
Susan Steedman (Sarah Mahanes' Mother).....	health concerns
Pricilla Paquet (Friend of Darrell Cook).....	health concerns
<small>1/12/25</small>	

CELEBRATIONS

**new this week*

- Peace in Ukraine.** PDA support: gifts to [DR000156](#).
Humanitarian Aid to Israel/Palestine. Text PDAIP to 41444, or check payable to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) with “**DR000081-Israel/Palestine**” on the memo line.
US Hurricane Relief (Helene, Milton, +). PDA support: gifts to [DR000169](#).
US Wildfires Relief – Southern CA. PDA support: gifts to [DR000165](#).
 *Make all checks payable to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) with DR support number on memo line.

LONG TERM PRAYER CONCERN LIST

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

CHURCH EVENTS THIS WEEK: Online calendar: <http://PickensPresbyterian.org/Calendar>

PPC FOOD PANTRY: Today we will receive the **Change-for-Change** and **Coupon Cans** special offering to support the church's Food Pantry and Little Free Pantry.

CIRCLE MEETINGS: The Sarah Emily and Eve Circles **will both meet Tuesday, February 4th**, in All Saints' Hall at 10:00am, and 5:30pm, respectively. The Sarah Emily Circle will study Lesson Five in: *In All Things*, the Eve Circle will be studying Lesson Six.

WARMTH & COMFORT MINISTRY: February Drive: Valentine Cards and body and hand lotions. Cards may be handmade or purchased. **Due by Feb 5th in Church Office Collection Box.** **Questions: Contact Tammy Ferguson @ 864-238-4652 or warmthandcomfortfortheelderly@gmail.com**

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME: 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.**

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Last Sunday's Giving: **\$2,019.00**
 Weekly Amount Needed to meet Budget: **\$6,148.**
 2025 Budget: **\$319,714.**

Service of Ordination and Installation

Sentences of Scripture

1 Cor. 12:4–7, 27

There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

Statement on Ordination

For Ruling Elders to be Installed

Profession of Faith

. . . With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Constitutional Questions

. . .
Do we, the members of the church, accept Austin as a Ruling Elder, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to pray for him, to encourage him, to respect his decisions, and to follow as he guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

We do.

Prayer of Installation

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

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

Declaration of Installation

Welcome by the Session Members

The Summons

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1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
4. Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? ___ Will you go where you don't know and
 your name? ___ Will you care for cruel and kind and
 your name? ___ Will you set the pris - oners free and
 your name? ___ Will you quell the fear in - side and
 my name. ___ Let me turn and fol - low you and



nev - er be the same? ___ Will you let my love be
 nev - er be the same? ___ Will you risk the hos - tile
 nev - er be the same? ___ Will you kiss the lep - er
 nev - er be the same? ___ Will you use the faith you've
 nev - er be the same. ___ In your com - pa - ny I'll



shown, ___ will you let my name be known, ___ will you
 stare ___ should your life at - tract or scare? ___ Will you
 clean, ___ and do such as this un - seen, ___ and ad -
 found ___ to re - shape the world a - round, ___ through my
 go ___ where your love and foot - steps show. ___ Thus I'll



let my life be grown in you and you in me? ___
 let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me? ___
 mit to what I mean in you and you in me? ___
 sight and touch and sound in you and you in me? ___
 move and live and grow in you and you in me. ___