

Pickens Presbyterian Church



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PICKENS, SOUTH CAROLINA 29671

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

July 6th, 2025

4th Sunday after Pentecost

Eleven o'clock

The Church Gathers

Chiming of the Hour
Choral Introit

“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

J. Berthier

Friendship Pads

Please print your name(s), and contact information, 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

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Mark Andrew’s

***Call to Worship**

(adapted from Psalm 66:1-5)

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; *sing God’s glorious name; shout glorious praise.*

Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds! *All the earth worships and sings praises to you.*”

Come and see what God has done: *tell of God’s awesome deeds among all people!*

ALL: Come, Let us worship God.

***Prayer of Praise**

***Hymn #483**

“Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

The Church Confesses

Prayer of Confession

Patient God, you call and call and we come up with every excuse why we can’t answer, at least not right now. Forgive our fear. Remind us that when we answer your call, we will not be sent out alone, but filled with your gifts, surrounded by your children, and held in your love. . . . (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 Christ’s 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.

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

The Church Proclaims God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Elder Jeff Price

1st Scripture Reading

2 Kings 5.1-14

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

Time with Young Disciples

Elder Tina LaFoy

2nd Scripture Reading

Galatians 6:1-16

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

Special Music

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

W. Bradley, Arr. R Bonam

Jessie Cole – Clarinet Solo

Sermon

"How are Your Shoulders?"

Dr. David Torrey

The Church Responds in Faith

*Hymn #358

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

*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.

Offering and Change-for-Change Food Pantry Offering

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



GIVE NOW

Offertory

"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"

arr. Christine Sullivan

*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 #261**

“God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us”

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

arr. Anne Krentz Organ

(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 register for our newsletter.*

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)

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)

CONCERNS

<u>Name</u> (relationship)	<u>Concern</u>
Lorraine Moore (Friend of Rocky Harden) ..	health concerns
Howard Harden ..	health concerns
Chasity Lesley ..	health concerns
Joey Gould (son of Mike & Laurie Gould – friends of Goldsmiths).....	end of life issues
President Trump ..	Leadership challenges
Larry Milliken (Relative of Deb Holtel).....	passed recently
<small>6/29/25</small> ..	
Emily Callaham Collins ..	health concerns
<small>6/22/25</small> ..	
Bev Timerding (Deb Holtel’s sister).....	continued health concerns
<small>6/01/25</small> ..	
Rocky Harden III ..	health concerns
<small>5/25/25</small> ..	

**new this week*

**The Christian love and sympathy of the congregation are extended to the Family and Friends of Raymond Dawkins who died to this life on Sunday, June 29, 2025. His service will be Monday, July 7, 2025 at 11:00am followed by the Interment in the Pickens Presbyterian Cemetery.*

CELEBRATIONS

LONG TERM PRAYER CONCERN LIST

Bert Allison, John Blackwood, Jeannie Bowen, Katherine Acker Brooks, Barbara & Joe Christopher, Margaret Dawkins, Shawn Erickson (Ron & Sylvia's son), Jane Gillespie, Samuel Hood (nephew of John & Jana Holland), Beverly Kelly, Scott Kelly, Drema LaFoy (Tina's mother) & Tina, Bob Michael (& Son), Hank Owens, Susan Steedman (Sarah Mahanes' Mother), Kay Tilley, Melvin Tolliver (Deb Holtel's uncle), John & Tiffanie Torrey (David's brother & Sister-in-law).

EXTRA GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

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

Humanitarian Aid to Israel/Palestine. Text PDAIP to 41444, or gifts to "DR000081-Israel/Palestine".

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

US Wildfires Relief. PDA support: gifts to [DR000165](#).

*Make checks payable to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) with DR support number on memo line.

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

PPC FOOD PANTRY: Today we receive the **Change-for-Change special offering** to support our Food Pantry and Little Free Pantry. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our neighbors.

WARMTH & COMFORT MINISTRY: July Drive: pens, pencils, stationery, sketch pads, finger paint, etc. **Due by July 10th 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: **\$1,733.**

Weekly Amount Needed to meet Budget: **\$6,148.**

2025 Budget: **\$319,714.**

SERVING:

TODAY (July 6th)

JULY 13, 2025

Elder of the Week:	Vickie Swaynghan	Vickie Swaynghan
Liturgist:	Jeff Price	Starla Taylor
Sanctuary Guild:	Debbie Hendricks	Debbie Hendricks
Ushers:	Meg and Chad Cole	Meg and Chad Cole
Refreshments:		
Camera Operation:	Anna Chastain	Carole Reed
Nursery Volunteers:		
Sanctuary Flowers:	Debbie Teeple	Dianna Morris
Communion Set-up:	Nancy Goldsmith	
Communion Servers:	1-Vickie, 2-Tina, 3-Sharon, 4-Deb T, 5-Donna	
<u>Lectionary readings for today:</u> Liturgist: Jeff Price 2 Kings 5.1-14 Psalm 30 Galatians 6.[1-6] 7-16 Luke 10.1-11, 16-20		<u>Lectionary readings for next Sunday:</u> Liturgist: Starla Taylor Amos 7.7-17 Psalm 82 Colossians 1.1-14 Luke 10.25-37