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Morning Worship
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Welcome to Church Creek Presbyterian

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

Visitors, we are so glad you are here! Please locate a 'Visitor's Card', and fill out any info you'd like to share with us so that we may get to know you better. You can place it in the offering plate during the collection or hand it to one of the pastors, ushers, or greeters

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****Due to allergy sensitivities, CCP is a scent-free congregation****

Announcements for Sunday, October 18th

We welcome Bill Nikides, one of our supported missionaries, to the pulpit today!

If you or anyone in your household becomes infected with COVID-19 and you attended worship in person at CCP, please notify the church by e-mailing session@church-creek.org or call and leave a message at the church office: 843-766-1381. Your identity will be kept confidential.

New Member/Inquirers Class – If you are interested in church membership or in learning more about the church, please join this class for the next 6 weeks. The class will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 am. Contact David Walters, Sr. if you want to participate in the class (843-297-2517 or kingsman12@aol.com).

Outdoor Family Ministry – Families and children gather outside, behind the Fellowship Hall at 10:00am, weather permitting. This time will include some singing and a Bible lesson, followed by time for fellowship and for children to play outside prior to the worship service. Parents should participate and remain with their children.

Women's Bible Study Options:

- Morning group is studying *The Wisdom of God: Seeing Jesus in the Psalms and Wisdom Books*, by Nancy Guthrie every Wednesday from 10:30am-noon at Mary McLellan's. Contact Karyl Doyle for details.
- Evening group is studying *The Son of David: Seeing Jesus in the Historical Books*, by Nancy Guthrie every Wednesday at 7:30 pm via Zoom - links for joining are shared on CCPLife/Facebook each week.

Pastoral Search Committee Requests– If you have a pastor to recommend, please fill out a Google Referral Form (minister's contact information and current status, your history with this pastor and your reason(s) for recommending him). <https://bit.ly/Pastor-Recommendation>

Deacon On Call

October: Chris Becker - 843-814-6136; backup Troy Watson

REMINDER

Please turn off, use airplane mode, or cell data only on your phones during the service in order to reduce interference with the webcast.

NEW

Only the audio livestream of today's service is being broadcast in the Fellowship Hall, which is designated as a no-singing space and offers physically distanced seating

Calendars for the month of October are available in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall.

The Order of Public Worship

October 18, 2020

Morning Service

10:45 a.m.

Our passion is that Church Creek Presbyterian
be a place where people experience
the awesome presence of God in Word and worship,
the restful presence of Jesus through a transformed community,
and the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit in witness and ministry.

Prelude:
Dr. Soohyun Yun



Greeting:
Pastor John Olson

PRELUDE

GREETING

✠ Congregation
Standing

THE WORSHIP OF OUR GLORIOUS KING

✠ DOXOLOGY OF PRAISE

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

✠ PRAYER OF INVOCATION

✠ HYMN

O Worship the King 2

*O worship the king all glorious above,
O gratefully sing his power and his love;
Our shield and defender, the ancient of days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.*

*O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.*

(continued....)

*The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy pow'r hath founded of old;
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.*

*Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.*

*Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!*

*O measureless might! ineffable love!
While angels delight to hymn thee above,
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
With true adoration shall lisp to thy praise. Amen!*

THE EXPERIENCE OF GOD'S UNFAILING LOVE

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Q105 What do we pray for in the fifth petition?

- A. *In the fifth petition
(which is, And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors)
we pray,
That God, for Christ's sake, would freely pardon all our sins;
which we are the rather encouraged to ask,
because by his grace we are enabled from the heart
to forgive others.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

from Psalm 25 NLT

Remember, O LORD,
your compassion and unfailing love,
which you have shown from long ages past.

The Shorter
Catechism

NOTE: Italicized
words in readings
are read by the
congregation

(continued...)

*Do not remember the rebellious sins of my youth.
Remember me in the light of your unfailing love,
for you are merciful, O LORD.*

The LORD leads with unfailing love and faithfulness
all who keep his covenant and obey his demands.

*For the honor of your name, O LORD,
forgive my many, many sins.*

Turn to me and have mercy,
for I am alone and in deep distress.

*My problems go from bad to worse.
Oh, save me from them all!
Feel my pain and see my trouble.
Forgive all my sins.*

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ABSOLUTION

THE EXPRESSION OF OUR CONFIDENCE

Pastor John Olson

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name;
Thy kingdom come;
Thy will be done, in 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, the power, and the glory, for ever.
Amen.*

COLLECTION

(continued...)

*The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; he leadeth me
The quiet waters by.*

*My soul he doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for his own name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill,
For thou art with me; and thy rod
And staff me comfort still.*

*My table thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.*

*Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me:
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling place shall be. Amen!*

THE MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD

SERMON TEXT

1 Peter 2.9-17; 3.13-17 ESV

1 Peter 2:9-17 ⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. ¹¹ Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. ¹² Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

You may carry your offering to the plate on the table in the front of the church during the Offertory or place it in the plate nearest you as you leave

¹³ Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, ¹⁴ or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. ¹⁵ For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. ¹⁶ Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. ¹⁷ Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

1 Peter 3:13-17 ¹³ Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵ but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶ yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

Bill Nikides

SERMON

“Ambassadors in Exile”

✠ **HYMN**

Lead On, O King Eternal 580

*Lead on, O King eternal,
The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest
Thy tents shall be our home:
Through days of preparation
Thy grace has made us strong,
And now, O King eternal,
We lift our battle song.*

*Lead on, O King eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And Holiness shall whisper
The sweet amen of peace;
For not with swords loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums,
But deeds of love and mercy,
The heav'nly kingdom comes.*

(continued...)

*Lead on, O King eternal,
We follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning
Where'er thy face appears;
Thy cross is lifted o'er us;
We journey in its light:
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might. Amen!*

✠ **BENEDICTION**

✠ **RESPONSE**

Psalm 72.18 – 19 DUNDEE

*Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel,
For He alone doth wondrous works in glory that excel.
And blessed be His glorious Name to all eternity:
The whole earth let His glory fill. Amen, so let it be. Amen.*

POSTLUDE



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September Financial Report

	<u>September</u>	<u>2020 Totals</u>
General Fund Income	26,885	251,187
Operating Expenses	(25,976)	(226,778)
OPERATIONAL GAIN/LOSS	909	24,409
Designated Income	6,350	18,159
Designated Expenses	(250)	(113,268)
Bank Balance at end of July		58,062

Bill Nikides
Reformed Evangelistic Fellowship
Director, International Church-Church Partnerships

Areas of Activity:

Bill Nikides

Reformed
Evangelistic
Fellowship

- Presbyterian Church in Bangladesh
- Church Plant in Great Plains reaching 7 different Native American tribes and other multi-cultural groups
- Training/Teaching at Bible Colleges and Seminaries in Sri Lanka
- Training with Taiwanese PCA church plant and others

News from Bill and Cheryl's travels in early 2020 to Bangladesh

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Elizabeth School: Most of you know that the Elizabeth Memorial School is named for our daughter who died in 2004. The school started in 2006 and now has 125 students in 5 grades located in the far north. The people there are illiterate and desperately poor. The Muslim girls, often the best students, get married off when they are 12 or 13. With each grade, the number of girls to boys goes down. An American friend with us was appalled by that fact. All I can say is that Christians are seeing people educated and the gospel is being preached. These Muslims have no hope outside of what Christians are doing in their midst. The situation underscores why the school and associated church are necessary. Before the Elizabeth School opened its doors, there was no Christian presence in this, the poorest and darkest part of Bangladesh. Today, we have the school, church and church plants. I call that progress. It contrasts to the general darkness that surrounds. It brings the light of hope.

Retooling Training: It is a strange year: lots of international travel at the beginning and end. It is a good thing. In addition to attending General Assembly and visiting churches back East, preaching in several, chairing the Bangladesh Partnership, I have to create four new courses from scratch that I will give in Bangladesh and Sri Lanka for four weeks in the fall. If they work out, I will also use them as a model for building a theological curriculum designed specifically for Non-Western audiences. I will let you know later exactly what that means. For now, it is worth saying that Western teaching in non-Western settings often stumbles because of the way we teach. The same thing applies to the work we do now in Montana with Native American Christians. People do not learn the same way. This could be a very important development in boosting the quality of theological education in Asia and Montana The courses I will teach are hermeneutics, Biblical Theology and Systematic Theology in 4-5 weeks, 40 hours per week.

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