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WELCOME GUESTS!

We are glad you are worshiping with us today!
On our welcome table in the Fellowship Area, you will find cards for prayer requests, a sign-in sheet, and the worship bulletins.

Please sign in at the welcome table and include your phone number.
Those entering our church may choose to mask at any time.
If you are feeling ill, please stay home.

If you are worshiping with us virtually, you may easily find our YouTube live stream by going to www.crossroadsgibsonia.org and clicking the link on the homepage.

CROSS ROADS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 5, 2024



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Our Mission:

Love God. Love Neighbors. Grow Disciples.

Our Vision:

As Christian believers, we gather for worship in the strength of the Holy Spirit. We teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ by ministering in His name to the needs of those in our community, seeking the transformation of people's lives, and equipping them to reach out to the larger world for the sake of the glory of God.

Order of Worship

May 5, 2024 at 10:00 AM

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Prelude Great is Thy Faithfulness W. Runyan
Roberta Breninghouse

Welcome / Announcements & Prayer Concerns

Minute for Mission Jim Hoke

Passing of the Peace

Call to Worship [responsive]

Leader: Friends, we gather this morning as a community of God's people:

People: To offer ourselves afresh in adoration to God. To conform our minds more nearly to the mind of Christ, to receive the renewing gift of the Holy Spirit.

Leader: We unite as God's people in the company of Christ:

People: To hear and proclaim God's holy word, to pray for ourselves and the whole world, to dedicate this day and all we are to the glory and service of God; through Jesus Christ who is our peace.

***Hymn** Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine! GTG-red, #839

*Prayer of Confession [unison]

O God, You who raised from death our Lord Jesus, resurrect us, we pray. When we succumb to shallowness, deepen us. When our principles become shabby, renew us. When our hopes become faded, revive them. When our loyalties grow dim, brighten them. When our values become confused, clarify them. When our horizons narrow, expand them. Lead us, O God, into wholeness, vibrancy, faithfulness and peace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.
(moments of silent, personal confession)

*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: When we sin, God wants only our restoration.

People: Surely, God welcomes our prayers when we ask for forgiveness.

Leader: Now we must commit to living out what we have prayed for.

People: May God's Spirit sustain and strengthen us that we might prove useful to His will. As God gives us life as a gift, may we give Him pleasure in return.

Hymn Create in Me a Clean Heart GTG-red, #422

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson John 15:1-5 p. 103, NT

Sermon "Down to the Roots"
Rev. John C. Free, Guest Pastor

Our Joyful Response - Tithes & Offerings
Offertory Sweet, Sweet Spirit D. Akers

***Congregational Response** Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying
GTG-red, #469

*Prayer of Gratitude for God's Abundance

***Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed** [GTG-red, p. 35]

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, Our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Holy Communion -

Choir Anthem Can You Drink the Cup? CRPC Choir
Invitation

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup
Prayer Following Communion

***Hymn** When Peace like a River GTG-red, #840

*Charge and Benediction

Choral Postlude Go Now In Peace CRPC Choir

[Please remain seated during the Postlude. Thank you.]

What's Happening at Cross Roads?

We welcome back **Rev. John C. Free** as he leads us in worship this morning.

Blessings Box - Our Mission committee has allotted \$100/month from your mission giving to purchase items for the Blessings Box. We are looking for people in our congregation to shop for the Box each month. Contact Doris Lemmon to sign up!

Prayer List:

Please pray for: George A., Alex G., Eleanor B., Diane L., Dave B., Betty W., Esther Quinn & family (Esther V.'s great-granddaughter), our troops, frontline workers, healthcare workers, and all those impacted by illness.

Adult Sunday School, led by Tom Lyons, is held each Sunday, 9 AM in the Library near the office.

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, May 12 - Mother's Day Cookie Sunday following worship, courtesy of the men of the church

Sunday, May 19 - Pentecost and Teacher Recognition

Thursday, May 23 - Concert featuring Chad and Elissa Winkler (trumpet & piano) at 7 PM. A free will offering will be taken. A dessert reception will be held immediately after the concert.

Christmas in May - During the month of May we will be supporting our mission partner, the Mars Home for Youth, by collecting various items that are most needed by the facility. Please select items from the Christmas tree and bring in (unwrapped) by Sunday, May 26, 2024. Thank you for your generosity and May God bless! Here's a list of the requested items - individually wrapped snacks such as: protein bars, breakfast bars, granola bars, chips, pretzels, cookies, crackers, trail mix, fruit snacks, Pop Tarts, cereal, squeezable applesauce, bottled water, and Gatorade. Also, toiletries, such as: shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and female personal hygiene items.

Trunk Sale - Saturday, June 1, 8 am-1 pm. Bring your own table. Each space is \$10. Sell your junk from your trunk. Pre-register at 724-713-2413.

Calendar at a Glance

(see the full calendar on our website homepage)

Sunday, May 5

9:00 AM Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship & Communion, in-person in the Sanctuary, streaming online via YouTube

11:00 AM Mission Committee

Thursday, May 9

6:15 PM Bells

7:00 PM Choir

Sunday, May 12 **Mother's Day**

9:00 AM Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship, in-person in the Sanctuary, streaming online via YouTube

11:00 AM Cookie Sunday

Thursday, May 16

6:15 PM Bells

7:00 PM Choir

Sunday, May 19

9:00 AM Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship, in-person in the Sanctuary, streaming online via YouTube

Monday, May 20

11:00 AM Finance Committee

Tuesday, May 21

6:30 PM Fellowship Area Reserved

Thursday, May 23

7:00 PM Concert, featuring Chad and Elissa Winkler

Sunday, May 26

9:00 AM Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship, in-person in the Sanctuary, streaming online via YouTube

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day - Church Office Closed