

Deer Creek Shores Presbyterian Church

Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost

October 25, 2026 – 11:00 am



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

** Please stand in body or in spirit*

(**Bold** = unison; ***Bold Italics*** = sung)

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“We Praise Thy Name”

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Perrine

CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy Tims, Liturgist

(Ps. 96:2, 9)

Sing to the Lord and bless God’s name.

Tell of God’s saving power from day to day.

Worship the Lord in holy splendor.

Tremble before God, all the earth.

*** HYMN #409**

“God Is Here”

(verses 1 & 4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Perrine

(Ps. 19:12)

Let us boldly confess our sin before the One who already knows our errors and is gracious to forgive our hidden faults.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Perrine

(Matt. 22:15-22)

What a debt we owe to you, O God. You have given us all things in Christ and yet we withhold from you the honor and glory that are yours. Instead, we pay tribute to empire, plot to entrap the innocent, mock your truth with empty praise, and put your patience to the test. Forgive us, O God, and by your grace restore in us the image of your face; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Perrine

(Romans 8:34)

Friends, hear the good news of the gospel: Who is in a position to condemn?

Only Christ. And Christ died for us; Christ rose for us; Christ reigns in power for us; Christ prays for us.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

HYMN #581

*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.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Perrine

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Perrine

ANTHEM

“Blessed Assurance”

Text by Fanny Crosby

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nancy Tims, Liturgist

God of all wisdom, give us your Word and send your Spirit so that we may know Christ. **Amen.**

* *HYMN #92*

“While We Are Waiting, Come”

SCRIPTURE READING

Nancy Tims, Liturgist

Matthew 22:34-40

Holy Bible, NT p.24

SERMON

“The Greatest Rule in GA Football”

Rev. Perrine

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from A Brief Statement of Faith (1, 2 & 5)

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

Preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,

Teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,

Healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,

Eating with outcasts,

Forgiving sinners and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

With believers from every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE &
THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Rev. Perrine

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.

GIVING THANKS

CALL TO THE OFFERING
(Ps. 78:4)

Nancy Tims, Liturgist

The works of the Lord are wondrous indeed. Let us offer back to God a portion of what has been given to us, for the glory of God's name.



*To make an offering online, scan this code or
visit www.deercreekpreschurch.org.
Thank you for your support.*

OFFERTORY

“This Is My Father’s World”

*DOXOLOGY

HYMN #606

*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 THANKSGIVING

Nancy Tims, Liturgist

Holy God, we offer these gifts to you. May your favor be upon them and prosper the labor of our hands, that your glorious power may be manifest to all, through Christ, our Lord, **Amen.**

LEAVE TO SERVE

*HYMN #300

“We Are One in the Spirit”

(verses 1-3)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Perrine

POSTLUDE

“He Has Made Me Glad”

The Anthems for October will feature familiar hymns of the past arranged in style from gospel to classical. What is your favorite?

IN MINISTRY TODAY – October 25, 2026

Liturgist: Nancy Tims

Ushers: Nancy & Jim Wilson

Counters: Linda Jackson & JoAnn Mulrey

Fellowship: Potluck after Service – Join Us!

SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY, November 1, 2026
Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost - 11:00am

Rev. Nikki Perrine

Scripture: Revelation 7:9-17
“What Happens in the Hallway”

IN MINISTRY – November 1, 2026

Liturgist: Ken Terry

Ushers: Linda Hardie & Nancy Tims

Counters: Linda Hardie & Rich Wilks

Fellowship: OPEN

If you would like to assist in any of the above capacities, please contact the church office or sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

Last Sunday, October 18

In Attendance: 34 Collection: \$5,647.30

THE SESSION

Charlotte Dewberry (2026)	Jerry Scarborough (2026)
Ron Studd (2027)	Linda Jackson (2027)
Barbara Henry (2028)	Linda Oliveira (2028)
Nancy Tims, Clerk	

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor: Rev. Nikki Perrine
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Church Administrator: Keith Tims
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Audiovisual Tech: Roy Hinds

Custodian: Suzanne Vicente

For information about our Preschool:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

Please pray for these individuals throughout the week. If you would like to add a prayer request, email office@deercreekpreschurch.org. When making requests on behalf of others, please obtain the permission of the person needing prayer. Names will remain on the list for a month unless an extension is asked for.

Pray For

The family of Chip Jabaley (bereavement)
Cliff Baker (illness)
Mark Seabolt (illness)
Dee Fine (bereavement)
The family of Samantha Kessler (bereavement)
Michelle Bolden (recovery)
Jackson Jebcoat & Family (illness)
George & Loretta Marks (illness)
Sudie LaPlue (illness)

Requested by

Linda J. (10/25)
Mary B. (10/25)
Mary B. (10/25)
Mary B. (10/11)
Mary B. (10/4)
Bailey M. (10/4)
Barbara H. (9/27)
Nancy T. (9/27)
Rev. Nikki (9/27)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – SUNDAYS at 10am – Grace Cox Room. Led by Ken Terry. We are currently studying the books of the Bible starting with the Old Testament. Come join us for interesting discussion and learning. All are welcome.

DEER CREEK SHORES PRESCHOOL NOMINATED FOR “BEST OF FORSYTH” – We’re excited to announce that our preschool program has been nominated as part of the Forsyth County News’ “Best of Forsyth” for 2026! We’d love everyone to vote for them to give them the recognition they deserve. Go to <https://www.forsythnews.com/> and vote for us! Polls close Oct. 31.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FORMING - Your session is forming the **Nominating Committee** and are seeking **three** Deer Creek Shores Presbyterian members to serve with Elder Jerry Scarborough and Rev. Perrine (ex-officio).

The Nominating Committee's job is to **find candidates to become Ruling Elders on the Session**. The Nominating Committee members aren't made Elders themselves, but they are called to help find the next leaders of the church.

We invite you to take the insert in the bulletin and share your name and the names of three members of our congregation who YOU think would be great to serve on this Nominating Committee. We will collect these sheets at the Covered Dish following service today. The top three names will be put before you for approval at the Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 1st. Any questions please contact Rev. Perrine or Elder Jerry Scarborough.

FALL POTLUCK – The fall potluck luncheon will be held immediately following worship service **today in Celebration Hall**. We'd love to have you!

SHADY GROVE RV PARK - Thank you for your monthly contributions! **Items especially needed for November are instant coffee (individual packets), tall kitchen trash bags, canned spaghetti, canned corn, canned meat (chicken, beef stew, or chili), small jars of mayonnaise, and Hamburger**

Helper. Additional items needed are cleaning supplies such as dishwashing liquid, 409, multi-surface cleaner, Spic and Span, sponges, toilet paper, paper towels, laundry detergent, fabric softener, dishwashing liquid, Pine Sol, disinfectant wipes; personal care items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, deodorant, band aids, Neosporin and Bactine spray. Please leave your donation in the Fellowship Hall by **Sunday, November 8th**. Questions? Contact Linda Jackson at linda.s.jackson25@gmail.com.

LITURGISTS CALL - Are you interested in **serving as a liturgist on Sunday mornings**? Liturgists assist with readings and help Rev. Nikki lead worship. There will be a brief training after worship on Sunday, November 22nd for half an hour. Your voice is important and this is one way to use it in your church!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - The congregation will meet briefly after the Worship Service on November 1st for the purpose of electing a nominating committee and to receive a budget. Please plan to attend.

CHURCH BUILDING AND GROUNDS - We are looking for **Buildings and Grounds committee members!** Interested? Please see Jerry Scarborough or Rev. Nikki.

ADMIN COMMITTEE MEETING – The Administration Committee will hold its next meeting on **Sunday, November 8** in the Grace Cox Room immediately following worship.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE – *Save the date!* The Presbyterian Women will hold their annual Christmas sale on **Saturday, November 14, from 9am-2pm** and on **Sunday, November 15, from Noon-2pm** in Celebration Hall. Proceeds go to local charities. Donations of items for sale are invited. Drop off and pick up can be coordinated with sale co-chairs Mary Bouffard and Brenda Gossett. Volunteers are needed to receive donations, price and display them, work the sale hours, and help clean out leftovers. Contact either co-Chair for additional information.

SLEEPERS IN SEPTEMBER – Thank you everyone who donated to help Newborns in Need last month. We were able to collect 42 sleepers, 7 sleep sacs, 34 onesies, 8 swaddles and more. As the weather turns colder, let us remember those in need.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS – Giving flowers is a lovely way to beautify the sanctuary, remember someone, or commemorate a special occasion. You may sign up to give flowers on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall or contact Tanna Savage with any questions at tannasavage@bellsouth.net.

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR CHURCH? - Reach out to Rev. Nikki at nikki@deercreekpreschurch.org. We'd love to hear from you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 25 th	All-Church Covered Dish Nominating Committee Forms Due
Oct. 27 th	Session Brainstorming Meeting 5:00pm
Oct. 30 th	Memorial for Debbie Field
Nov. 1 st	Congregational Meeting All Saints Sunday Retired Teachers Appreciation Sunday
Nov. 8 th	Administration Committee Meeting Mission: Hygiene Bags for Treat the Troops
Nov. 14 th	Christmas Sale
Nov. 15 th	Christmas Sale
Nov. 22 nd	Christ the King Sunday Liturgist Training
Nov. 29 th	1st Sunday in Advent - Greening of the Church

Join us LIVE on Facebook Sunday at 11am.

Connect and catch up with us at any time on
Facebook and YouTube!

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Bulletin announcements due by Noon on Wednesday.
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LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

