

Deer Creek Shores Presbyterian Church

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 26, 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 &
CHIMING OF THE HOUR

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Passante

CALL TO WORSHIP

Linda Hardie, Liturgist

(Ps. 105:1-6)

O Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,

Make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him;

Tell of all his wonderful works.

** HYMN #65*

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Passante

(Ps. 105:8)

Sisters and brothers, God’s covenant endures in each new generation.

We are free to speak the truth about our lives because God’s faithfulness embraces us as we examine our hearts.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Passante

(Matt. 13: 31-33, 44-52)

God of mystery, God of life, we imagine that we are capable judges of power and wisdom and goodness. We trust our own standards; we separate and categorize; we mark the performance of others. We fail to trust your power, hidden in all things. We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes. Gracious God, hidden and manifest transform our withered imaginations until we yield the judgments we trust to a love we cannot control. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Passante

(Rom. 8:31-39)

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? Nothing we have done is enough to separate us from the love of God made known in Jesus Christ. In him 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. Passante

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. Passante

ANTHEM

“Thy Word”

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.”

-Psalm 119

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Linda Hardie, Liturgist

(Rom 8:26)

**Spirit of life, meet us in words written, in words spoken;
intercede for us with sighs too deep for words. For we pray in the
name of Jesus. Amen.**

*HYMN #175

Seek Ye First

SCRIPTURE READING

Linda Hardie, Liturgist

Genesis 29:15-28

Holy Bible, OT p. 26

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I Believe in the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, The Living, the Promise. I Believe in the God of Jesus of Nazareth; the deceased, the tortured, the crucified, then, now, all over the world, again and again. I Believe in a God who raises the oppressed and brings the exiles home. I Believe in Jesus who gave himself for all mankind to gather all the scattered children of God together is one house. He is the hope of the world. I Believe in the God of Jesus, the risen one, the happy one, the perfect one. I believe that we will become like Him. I Believe in the all-embracing Love, in the Spirit of peace and unity who makes us speak the same language who will fulfill what was promised to us. He is the Spirit of the promises.

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

Rev. Passante

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**

Linda Hardie, Liturgist

It is our privilege to participate in the unfolding of God’s grace in the world. We trust that God will bring forth good from that which we offer today. Let us give with grateful and expectant hearts.



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

OFFERTORY

*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

Linda Hardie, Liturgist

Holy One, receive these offerings as you receive our lives. Gather our false starts and uncertain efforts, our generosity and our reluctance. Enliven us with your breath and make your purposes known, that our lives might show forth your glory. In the power of the Spirit we pray, **Amen.**

LEAVE TO SERVE

*HYMN #321

The Church's One Foundation

(verses 1, 2 & 5)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Passante

POSTLUDE

“Awesome God”

IN MINISTRY TODAY – July 26, 2026

Liturgist: Linda Hardie

Ushers: Nancy & Jim Wilson

Counters: Linda Jackson & JoAnn Mulrey

Fellowship: OPEN

Flowers: OPEN

SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY, Aug 2, 2026

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost - 11:00am

Rev. Nikki Perrine Passante

Scripture: Genesis 32: 22-31

“The Blessing in the Wrestling”

IN MINISTRY – Aug 2, 2026

Liturgist: OPEN

Ushers: Linda Hardie & Nancy Tims

Counters: Linda Hardie & Rich Wilks

Fellowship: OPEN

Flowers: 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, July 19

In Attendance: 35 Collection: \$1,430.00

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 Passante nikki@deercreekpreschurch.org
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Preschool Director:	Lauren McNamara 770-888-5101 deercreekpreschool@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

Please pray for these individuals throughout the week. If you would like to add a prayer request, contact Rev. Nikki or the church office (office@deercreekpreschurch.org). When making requests on behalf of others, please obtain the permission of the person needing prayer.

George Marks, Lorretta Marks, Chantel Druivenga, Sudie LaPlue, Don Shuman, Jerry and Linda Snowden, Reverend Sid

Gunter, Isaac Bucks, Jim Wilson, Bobbye Wright, The family of Jim Byrd, Jackson Jebcoat and his parents, Chip Jabaley, Milly Whatley, Linda Hughes Hardy, Sharon Gossett, Penny & Don Irwin, The family of Sally Witherington, Tina Chastain, Roger Easley, The family of Suzanne Vicente, Jennifer Pennigton, Wanda Hernandez, Ashton Broeker

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.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL GIVING TREE - Please support our mission to help 3 young girls at the RV Park and our Preschool with Back-to-School supplies. **Items needed are listed on the Giving Tree ornaments in the Sanctuary.** Please return your unwrapped donation to the church by **August 2nd** and place it in the tub in the Fellowship Hall corresponding to the class or RV Park **with the ornament tag taped to the item.** If you'd like to contribute but do not want to shop for school supplies, you may place a check in the offering plate made out to DCSPC indicating *Missions - Back to School* in the memo line and we'll shop for you. Questions? Contact Linda Jackson at linda.s.jackson25@gmail.com.

SHADY GROVE RV PARK - Thank you for your monthly contributions! **Items especially needed for August are canned corn, canned spaghetti, canned meat (chicken, beef stew, or chili), 409, hamburger helper, dishwashing liquid and toothpaste.** Additional items needed are cleaning supplies such as Spic & Span, multi-surface cleaner, sponges, toilet paper, paper towels, instant coffee (individual packets), tall kitchen trash bags, Pine Sol, Palmolive, disinfectant wipes; personal care items such as toothbrushes, deodorant, band aids, Neosporin and Bactine spray. Please leave your donation in the Fellowship Hall by **Sunday, August 2nd.** Questions? Contact Linda Jackson at linda.s.jackson25@gmail.com.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS – Giving flowers is a lovely way to beautify the sanctuary and remember someone or commemorate a special occasion. You may sign up to give flowers on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

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

Bulletin announcements due by Noon on Wednesday.
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