

# Deer Creek Shores Presbyterian Church

**Fifth Sunday After Pentecost**

**June 28, 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        “Sing to God, With Joy and Gladness” (Psalm 147)

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Passante

CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy Tims, Liturgist

Where there is anger, where there is hurting, where there is injustice,  
where there is sorrow

**We are called to love.**

We are called to love when our hearts are fearful, when our lives are  
numb, when our spirits are weary, when our hope is gone

**We are called to love.**

We love the people, the many people: whose songs and prayers,  
whose faces and fears are alike and unlike us

**We are called to love.**

We covenant this day to be healing workers and blessing givers

**Within the church and among the people**

Through the gospel, and beside one another

**With our feet on the pavement and our arms around our  
neighbors**

With courage burning like a fire in our hearts

**We journey together the way of hope, and our hands in the hands  
of God.**

\* **HYMN #401**

*Here in This Place (Gather Us In)*

(Verses 1, 2 & 4)

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Passante

Sisters and brothers, the Apostle Paul reminds us that without love, our best deeds, our boldest faith, and our greatest gifts are nothing. Knowing that our love so often fails, yet trusting in God's unfailing mercy, let us confess our sin together.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Passante

Lord, your Word says love is patient and kind.

**But we confess the times when we have been impatient and unkind.**

Your word tells us that love does not envy, that it does not boast, and that it is not proud.

**But we confess that sometimes we have been envious, and boastful, and proud.**

Your word says that love is not rude, and that it is not self-seeking.

**But we confess that in many ways we have been inconsiderate of those around us, thinking only of ourselves.**

Your word tells us that love is not easily angered, and that it keeps no record of wrongs.

**But we confess how quickly we fly off the handle, and how carefully we keep score when we have been wronged.**

Your word says that love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth, that it always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

**Help us Lord, not to take pleasure in what is evil, but to always rejoice in the truth of your love. Protect us with Your love, Lord, and help us to choose the way of trusting You, putting our hope in You, and persevering in Your ways, knowing that love never fails, and that you never fail. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Passante

Hear this Good News: While our love is flawed and falters, the love of God in Christ Jesus is steadfast and eternal. You are known, you are loved, and you are called to walk in newness of life. In the name of 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. 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

Lorretta Marks, Harp

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nancy Tims, Liturgist

**Give us, Lord, a clear vision of the truth, faith in your power,  
and confident assurance of your love. Amen.**

\**HYMN #688*

*Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*

(verses 1, 3 & 5)

SCRIPTURE READING

Nancy Tims, Liturgist

1 Corinthians 13

*Holy Bible, NT p. 175*

SERMON

“The Workhorse”

Rev. Passante

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER: Evie Studd

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Hymnal p.35*

Apostle’s Creed

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE &

Rev. Passante

THE 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.**

GIVING THANKS

CALL TO THE OFFERING

Nancy Tims, Liturgist

We have been called to speak and to live out the radical, abiding love of God in the world. We do so by offering all that we are, all that we do, and all that we have knowing that God will use us and our gifts to bring Beloved Community ever close to being realized in this world.



*To make an offering online, scan this code or visit [www.deercreekpreschchurch.org](http://www.deercreekpreschchurch.org).*

*Thank you for your support.*

OFFERTORY

“We Gather Together”

\*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

Gracious and loving God, receive our gifts of self and substance. They have belonged to you since our very beginning. We give them freely, joyfully, prayerfully. With them we praise you. With them we celebrate the great power that is love – a love that abides always, a love that radically transforms, a love that makes us whole. **Amen.**

LEAVE TO SERVE

\*HYMN #703

*Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Passante

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**HYMN #765**

*May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all; working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.*

POSTLUDE

“Stand Up for Jesus”

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**IN MINISTRY TODAY – June 28, 2026**

*Liturgist:* Nancy Tims

*Ushers:* Jim & Nancy Wilson

*Counters:* Linda Jackson & JoAnn Mulrey

*Fellowship:* Potluck Lunch in the Kelso Room

*Flowers:* OPEN

**SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY, July 5, 2026**

**Sixth Sunday After Pentecost - 11:00am**

**Rev. Nikki Perrine Passante**

Scripture: Romans 7:15-25a

“The True Sacraments”

**IN MINISTRY – July 5, 2026**

*Liturgist:* Ken Terry

*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, June 21

In Attendance: 55    Collection: \$402.00

**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**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**IN PRAYER**

*(Please review the prayer list and notify the office of updates.)*

Leslie Etherton, George Marks, Loretta Marks, Chantel Druivenga, Sudie LaPlue, Don and Betty Shuman, Jerry and Linda Snowden, Reverend Sid Gunter, Isaac Bucks, Jim Wilson, Bobbye Wright, The family of Jim Byrd, Glenn Simpson, Jackson Jebcoat and his parents, Chip Jabaley, Milly Whatley, Linda Hughes Hardy, Sharon Gossett, Penny & Don Irwin, The family of Sally Witherington Tina Chastain.

**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.

**POTLUCK LUNCH** - We're gathering for food and fellowship **after today's service in the Kelso Room in Celebration Hall!** All members of the congregation and visitors are invited. We hope to see you there!

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN** - Our annual dinner out will be held on Thursday, July 9, at Barbara Henry's home. All women of the church are invited. Dinner and dessert will be provided. Social hour starts at 5:30PM, with dinner at 6PM. Carpooling is suggested, as parking can be a challenge. Your response is requested by Sunday, June 28, by text or email to Barbara at [barbarastevenshenry@yahoo.com](mailto:barbarastevenshenry@yahoo.com) or (404)771-3357.

**SHADY GROVE RV PARK** - Thank you for your monthly contributions! Items especially needed for July are: **instant coffee** (individual packets), **hamburger helper**, **canned meat** (chicken, beef stew, or chili), **canned spaghetti**, **dishwashing liquid and toothpaste**. Additional items needed are canned vegetables, cleaning supplies such as Spic & Span, 409, multi-surface cleaner, sponges, toilet paper, paper towels, 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, July 5th*. Questions? Contact Linda Jackson at [linda.s.jackson25@gmail.com](mailto:linda.s.jackson25@gmail.com).

**CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM** - The Session has decided our church needs to evolve the Shepherds Program into a *Congregational Care Team* to help us care for our church family in a more intentional way. If caring for others is one of your gifts and you'd like to be involved, we'd love to have you on the team. The Congregational Care Team will be empowered to determine their activities. If you're interested or would like more information, please contact Rev. Nikki.

**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.

**PRAYER REQUESTS & OTHER NEEDS** - Please send all prayer requests or other needs to [office@deercreekpreschurch.org](mailto:office@deercreekpreschurch.org) or reach out to a church Elder.

**INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR CHURCH?** - Reach out to Rev. Nikki at [nikki@deercreekpreschurch.org](mailto:nikki@deercreekpreschurch.org). We'd love to hear from you!

Bulletin announcements due by Noon on Wednesday.  
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