



Red Clay Creek *Presbyterian Church*

Sunday | April 15, 2018 | 8:30 am & 10:30 am

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Transitional Pastor for Pastoral Care:
Rev. Emily Schwenker
Director of Music: Jeffrey Miller
Music Ministry: Chancel Choir (8:30 am)
Lauda (10:30 am)
Lay Readers:
Barb Vanderkraats (8:30 am)
Meg Aument (10:30 am)
Usher Captain: Bob Kissell
Greeters: Sandy Dudley (8:30 am)
Ellen Hinrichs (10:30 am)

The flowers are given in memory of Christian and Matalée Senft from their daughters Christine and Cindy and their families.

We welcome Kim Eppheimer,
Executive Director of Friendship House
to our worship service this morning.

We are delighted you joined us for worship this morning!

At Red Clay, our vision focuses on belonging, nurturing, reaching and rejoicing. Our prayer is that you will experience the delight of belonging to God as we rejoice together in God's love.

Please note, our church family cherishes children and youth! Look on the back of this bulletin for information about our nursery and Sunday School classes.

As you prepare for today's worship, please join us in silent reflection and prayer.

“See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!” (1 John 3:1, NIV)

Bountiful God,
What great love you daily lavish upon me.
Thank you for your exceeding generosity.
I will share this abundant love with others
in my thoughts, words and actions. Amen.

—Joyce Rupp, in Inviting God In: Scriptural Reflections and Prayers Throughout the Year
(Ave Maria Press, 2001)



Stay on the PATH

P—for PRAYER and for the PEACE which passes all understanding;

A—for ACCEPTANCE; of the situation and each other;

T—for THANKFULNESS for: Red Clay; for pastors past, present, and future; for the members of the Mission Study team, Transition Team, and for Session; and,

H—for HEALING, and for HOPE for the future.

— Al Behringer

Calling the Community to Worship

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE GREETING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE INTRODUCTION OF THE INTERIM PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Marcia Kelly

THE MINUTE FOR MISSION

“Using our Voices” - Linking U.S. & Nicaraguan

Neighbors *Sarah Junkin Woodard*

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O God, who called all life into being,

People: **the earth, sea and sky are yours.**

Leader: Your presence is all around us,

People: **every atom is full of your energy.**

Leader: Your Spirit enlivens all who walk the
earth,

People: **with her we yearn for justice to be done.**

Leader: For creation to be freed from bondage,

People: **for the hungry to be fed,**

Leader: for captives to be released,

People: **for your kingdom of peace to come on
earth.**

THE HYMN *

Let Us Build a House | HYMN 301

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

O God, we gladly live and move and have our being
in you. Yet, in the midst of this grace, we see sin's
shadow and feel death's darkness: around us in the
earth, sea and sky, beside us in the broken, the
hungry and the poor, over us in the betrayal of one
another; and often, deep within us, a pushing
against your Spirit. O Trinity of Love, forgive us
that we may forgive one another; heal us that we
may be people of healing; and renew us that we also
may be makers of peace. Amen.

(A time of silent confession)

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

Leader: In the name of God, the Father, Son, and
Holy Spirit, our plea for forgiveness has
been heard. God's promises are sure:
our sins are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE*

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing | HYMN 610

**O for a thousand tongues to sing
my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of God's grace!**

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE*

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(at the 10:30 am service)

THE MUSICAL OFFERING

Proclaiming the Word

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 11:1-9

Luke 10:25-37

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

Friendship House

Kim Eppheimer

Responding to the Word

THE HYMN

Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak | HYMN 722

*Please stand. The congregation is invited to read
aloud text in **bold print**.

THE PERMISSION

5K For Mission

Our annual 5K event takes place on Saturday, May 5th. This is a wonderful community event that benefits our Mission Trips to New Orleans and Appalachia. You can register or volunteer to help on Race Day at www.rccpc.org/5k. We are also looking for raffle basket items from local retailers. If you want to help with this or have any other questions, please email Nancy James at njames58@comcast.net.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please take this time to fill out the connection cards. If first time visitors provide us with your address, we can send you a midweek treat!

THE MUSICAL OFFERING

THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE*

Doxology | HYMN 606

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

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of abundance, like the Good Samaritan, we want to be agents of generosity and healing in our broken world. Accept these offerings, we pray, and teach us to be kind and loving, giving ourselves fully that we might truly be the body of Christ in the world. Amen.

Going Forth to Serve in Christ

THE HYMN*

Called as Partners in Christ's Service | HYMN 761

THE BENEDICTION*

Please join us in Founders Hall for fellowship and refreshments following the worship service!

If you are new to Red Clay, we hope you will visit us at the Welcome Cart in the middle of Founders Hall. We look forward to getting to know you!

CALENDAR

<p>Weekly</p> <p>Sun Worship, 8:30/10:30 am Adult Forum, Room 201, 9:30 am Sunday School, 10:30 am Youth Group, 10:30 am</p> <p>Mon Faith, Hope & Love Quilters, Fellowship Hall, 9:30 am Bible Study, Crossan Lounge, 9:45 am Food Bank, off-site, 1:00 pm</p> <p>Tues Care Team Mtg., Rm. 107, 9:15 am Craft Group, Fellowship Hall, 9:30 am Sarah Circle, B.Tostrup's home, 9:30 am Psalms Women's Bible Study, The Well, 10:00 am IPNC Comm. Mtg., Rm. 107, 5:00 pm Session Mtg., Rm. 202/204, 7:00 pm</p> <p>Wed Bible Study, off-site, 7:00 am Women's Bible Study, Library, 12:00 pm Urban Promise Mtg., Rm. 206, 6:00 pm Cemetery Corp. Mtg., Rm. 200, 7:00 pm Bell Choir/Lauda Rehearsal, 7:15/7:30 pm</p>	<p>Thur Quilts for Comfort, F.ship Hall, 9:30 am Red Clay Artists, Rm. 206, 1:00 pm Staff/Committee Planning Mtg., Rm. 202/204, 1:00 pm Transition Team Mtg., Rm. 107, 4:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 pm</p> <p>Sat Friendship House - Board Retreat, Fellowship Hall, 9:00 am</p> <p>Monthly</p> <p>April 19 R.O.M.E.O.'s Luncheon April 21 Phix-It Corp., Rm. 206, 8:30 am May 8 Tuesdays Together, 12:00 pm</p> <p>Events</p> <p>April 15 Guest Speaker Sarah J. Woodward, Fellowship Hall, 9:30 am April 28 Quilters/Crafters Garage Sale, Fellowship Hall, 9:00 am-1:00 pm April 29 PerMission Sunday Mission Fair May 5 RCCPC 5K for Mission</p>	<p>Not on our email list yet? Please email office@rccpc.org to join the list or contribute to the calendar.</p> <p>Please send prayer concerns to office@rccpc.org. Please keep us updated with your loved one's well-being. Friends and family will be kept on the printed prayer list for two months.</p>
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SOME HELPFUL INFORMATION

Nursery Care is provided in Love nursery during worship for newborn to age 3. Before the service, children up to age 3 can be taken directly to the nursery (room 305). Childcare is provided from 8:30—11:30 am.

Adult Education Hour, 9:30 am

- Adult Forum with Hank Smithies, Room 201

Confirmation Class, 10:00 am

- For all 8th & 9th grade students, Tunnel

Sunday School Information

During the 10:30 service the children will be dismissed from worship during the Children's Moment and proceed to the following classrooms:

Ages 2-3	Room 305 (Nursery)
Ages 4-5-K	Room 302
Grades 1-2	Room 303
Grades 3-4	Room 206
Grades 5-7	Room 202
Grades 10-12	Room 112 Youth Service

Youth Group (Grades 8-12)

An active program exists featuring fellowship, service, spiritual growth and fun! To learn about up-to-date details on activities, contact Fred Crowley: 302-994-4700 or fjc@crowleywealthmanagement.com.

Join us for **Fellowship Time** in Founders Hall following the worship services for juice, coffee, snacks, and fellowship. To get to Founders Hall, exit the door at the front of sanctuary, turn left and then follow the hallway.

Restrooms are located on all three floors of the building: out the side door near the pulpit (then a 2nd left); the 2nd floor by the Fellowship Hall; in the classroom hallway; on the 1st floor in the hallway; and in Founders Hall.

A **Stephen Minister** is available in the Crossan Lounge following the Sunday morning worship services to speak or pray with you confidentially about any personal concern. To learn more about Stephen Ministry or to request a Stephen Minister, please contact one of the pastors or call one of our Stephen Ministry Coordinators: Suzanne Courter-Jann, 302-530-3468 or Leslie Gast, 302-239-2006.

Pastoral Care To be visited in the hospital, notify the hospital of your association with Red Clay. To be added to the prayer list, contact the pastor, Rev. Emily Schwenker, at pastor@rccpc.org or the church at office@rccpc.org.

Homebound Communion is delivered three times per year (just before Easter, World Communion, and Christmas). If you or someone you know should receive communion at home, please contact the Church Office at 302-998-0434 or office@rccpc.org. If you are interested in joining the serving team, please contact Sue Anderson at 302-368-0359 or suang@mac.com.