



# Red Clay Creek *Presbyterian Church*

Sunday | May 27, 2018 | 8:30 am & 10:30 am

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## WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Transitional Pastor for Pastoral Care:  
Rev. Emily Schwenker  
Director of Music: Jeffrey Miller  
Lay Readers: Donna Reilly (8:30 am)  
Miles Julian (10:30 am)  
Usher Captain: Ray Krout  
Greeters: Melissa Levy (8:30 am)  
John & Lucie Wilkens (10:30 am)

The flowers are given in loving memory  
of Jean C. Nichols from Ray & Lisa  
Nichols.

Deacons being ordained (notated with  
an \*) and/or installed today: John  
Graham \*, Amy Jones \* and Shirley  
Tielleman.

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.

### Holy Spirit,

**dance your light into the corners of our lives:**

**when we are cold, bring us warmth;**

**when we are afraid, bring us comfort;**

**when we are lost, brighten the path;**

**when we are unsure, mark the way;**

**when we are in need, come into our presence.**

**Come, Holy Spirit, come.**



**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 SHARING OF OUR LIVES

### THE MINUTE FOR MISSION

*Friendship House—Panera Bread Mission* Miles Julian

### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Children of God, come and worship!

People: **We are led by the Spirit of God.**

Leader: Our Redeemer accepts us and invites us to gather as people of faith.

People: **We come just as we are, ready to listen and receive the Good News of the Gospel.  
Thanks be to God.**

### THE HYMN\*

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!* | HYMN 1

### THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION\*

Spirit of God, you are the breath of creation, the wind of change that blows through our lives, opening us up to new dreams and new hopes, new life in Jesus Christ. Forgive us our closed minds that barricade themselves against new ideas, preferring the past to what you might want to do through us tomorrow. Forgive our closed eyes that fail to see the needs of your world, blind to opportunities of service and love. Forgive our closed hands that clutch our gifts and our wealth for our own use alone. Forgive us our closed hearts that limit our affections to ourselves and our own. Spirit of new life, forgive us and break down the prison walls of our selfishness that we might be open to your love and open for the service of your world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(A time of silent confession)

### THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*

God's unfailing love sustains and upholds us; God will never let us go. Where the Spirit is, there is freedom. Receive God's forgiveness and come alive in Christ!

### THE RESPONSE\*

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* | HYMN 582

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free,  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.  
Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.**

**World without end, without end, Amen.**

**World without end, without end, Amen.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.  
Amen.**

### THE PASSING OF THE PEACE\*

### THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(at the 10:30 am service)

### THE MUSICAL OFFERING

*Sicilienne* von Paradis

## Proclaiming the Word

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

Romans 8:1-5

John 3:1-17

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### THE SERMON

*Nick at Night*

Rev. Emily Schwenker

## Responding to the Word

### THE HYMN

*Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* | HYMN 291

### THE RECOGNITION OF OUR VETERANS

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

THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION  
OF CHURCH OFFICERS (at the 10:30 am service)

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH\*

*The Apostles' Creed*

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.

Leader: Do we, the members of the church, accept Amy, John, and Shirley as Deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? Do we?

Congregation: We do.

Leader: Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? Do we?

Congregation: We do.

THE PERMISSION

*New Orleans Multigenerational Mission Trip*

In June, RCCPC is sending 7 adults and 13 youth to New Orleans to work with the Lakeview Agape Mission Project (LAMP), where Kristen Reisor is currently spending the year as a Young Adult Volunteer (YAV). Each day the team will explore a different form of mission work in the city of New Orleans and learn about the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the city and its communities. Each of the participants is funding their own airfare, and the REACH committee and Mission fundraising events are supporting the other trip costs. If you'd like to learn more about this trip, please contact Linda Reisor at [lreisor@mac.com](mailto:lreisor@mac.com).

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

*Invocation/Sweet Hour of Prayer*

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

Holy God, your love overflows in the gifts of your Spirit. May your Spirit be upon these offerings that we bring to you this day. Bless them and use them to bring healing, hope and wholeness to our hurting and needy world. Amen.

## Going Forth to Serve in Christ

THE HYMN\*

*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand* | HYMN 331

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><b>Weekly</b></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 &amp; Love Quilters, Fellowship Hall, 9:30 am Bible Study, Crossan Lounge, 9:45 am</p> <p>Tues   Craft Group, Fellowship Hall, 9:30 am IPNC Comm. Mtg., Rm. 206, 5:00 pm</p> <p>Wed   Bible Study, off-site, 7:00 am</p> <p>Thur   Red Clay Artists, Rm. 206, 1:00 pm Transition Team Mtg., Rm. 107, 4:00 pm</p> <div data-bbox="235 514 519 735" style="text-align: center;"> <p><i>Memorial Day</i> In Memory</p> </div>	<p><b>Monthly</b></p> <p>May 28   Emmanuel Dining Room, Fellowship Kitchen, 8:30-11:30 am</p> <p>June 16   Phix-It Corp., Rm. 206, 8:30 am</p> <p>June 21   R.O.M.E.O.'s Luncheon</p> <p><b>Events</b></p> <p>May 28   RCCPC Office Closed: Happy Memorial Day</p> <p>June 1   Walking4Wellness.2 begins!!!</p> <p>June 3   Celebration Picnic, Upper Meadow, 11:30 am</p> <p>June 3, 10, 17 Beginner/Intermediate Vinyasa Yoga, Founders Hall, 6:30 pm</p> <p>June 6, 13, 20 Chair/Gentle Beginner Yoga, Founders Hall, 1:00 pm</p> <p>June 10   Summer Worship Schedule begins</p> <p>June 16-23 Lakeview Agape Mission Project, New Orleans, Louisiana</p> <p>July 23-27 Vacation Bible School</p>	<p><b>Not on our email list yet? Please email <a href="mailto:office@rccpc.org">office@rccpc.org</a> to join the list or contribute to the calendar.</b></p> <p><b>Please send prayer concerns to <a href="mailto:office@rccpc.org">office@rccpc.org</a>. 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.</b></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

### 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](mailto: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 2<sup>nd</sup> left); the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor by the Fellowship Hall; in the classroom hallway; on the 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:pastor@rccpc.org) or the church at [office@rccpc.org](mailto: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](mailto:office@rccpc.org). If you are interested in joining the serving team, please contact Sue Anderson at 302-368-0359 or [suang@mac.com](mailto:suang@mac.com).