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Red Clay Creek
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

RECOGNITION SUNDAY / SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026 / 10 AM

Rooted in Love, Lighting the Way

Welcome to worship, welcome to Red Clay, welcome home!

We're glad you're here. If needed, a family area with CCTV is in the narthex near the front doors, and our nursery is open for young children. Restrooms are available by exiting out the side door near the pulpit and turning left. After worship, join us for Coffee Hour in Founders Hall by the main parking lot. Please silence your cell phone as we enter into worship.

GATHER

PRELUDE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

One: The Lord be with you.
Many: And also with you.

Sign-Up!

RECOGNITION OF OUR VETERANS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God has brought us this far—through generations of faith, through seasons of change, through grace upon grace.
Many: And God is not finished with us yet.
One: Christ draws us closer—to him and to one another.
Many: Together, we FOLLOW.

(continued)

*Indicates all who are able may stand

One: God opens our eyes to wonder, wisdom, and possibility.
Many: Together, we DISCOVER.
One: The Spirit gathers our voices, our hearts, our whole lives.
Many: Together, we WORSHIP.
One: Grace received becomes grace given away.
Many: Together, we SHARE.
One: God has brought us this far. God will lead us on.
Many: FOLLOW. DISCOVER. WORSHIP. SHARE. Let us be the church together!

*HYMN 41 **O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!**

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Many: God of grace, you give us more than we can see, and still we are afraid there will not be enough. We hold back when you call us forward. We overlook the gifts already among us. We forget to give thanks. We keep for ourselves what you meant us to share. Forgive us. Open our eyes. Open our hearts. Open our hands. Take what we have, take who we are, and make of us more than we imagined.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hear the good news: God's grace is not scarce. God's mercy does not run out. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and given another beginning.
Many: There is grace enough for all of us.
One: Thanks be to God.
Many: Amen.

*SUNG RESPONSE You Satisfy the Hungry Heart
(Hymn 523; congregation joins on cue)

You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat;
come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Please greet those around you, wishing them "peace" or "the peace of Christ."

CHILDREN'S MOMENT & THE LORD'S PRAYER

At the conclusion, we look forward to welcoming all children through 8th grade to the nursery or their Sunday school classes, as the congregation prepares to hear the sermon.

SUNG RESPONSE You Satisfy the Hungry Heart (see previous)

PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

UPDATE FROM *HOPE FOR TOMORROW* CAMPAIGN

Lois Galinat & Linda Reisor

CALL TO THE OFFERING

We invite you to make an online donation or by placing a check or cash in the collection plate. Envelopes are available in the pews for specified giving. The gray envelopes are for our Roots & Rays Fund, which goes to creative outreach projects in the community.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE We Lift Our Voices (Hymn 710)

We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands;
Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering; we are an offering.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN **Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me** (see next page)

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

(as published by CityAlight Music)

Words and Music by
Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson and Michael Farren

INTRO

D G6/B D/A G6/B

♩=75



VERSE

D

What gift of grace is Je - sus, my Re-
The night is) dark, but I am not for-
No fate I) dread, I know I am for-
With ev - 'ry) breath I long to fol - low

6

G D Bm A



- deem- er. There is no more for heav - en now to give. He is my
- sak - en, for by my side the Sav - iour, he will stay. I lab - our
- giv - en, the fu - ture sure, the price, it has been paid. For Je - sus
Je - sus, for he has said that he will bring me home. And day by

9

D G D Asus A



joy, my right - eous - ness and free - dom, my stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less
on in weak - ness and re - joic - ing, for in my need, his pow - er is dis -
bled and suf - fered for my par - don, and he was raised to o - ver - throw the
day I know he will re - new me un - til I stand with joy be - fore the

12

Dsus D G D D/F♯



peace. To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. For my
- played. To this I hold: my Shep - herd will de - fend me. Through the
grave. To this I hold: my sin has been de - feat - ed. Je - sus
throne. To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. All the

15

G D Asus A D Em7



life is whol - ly bound to his. Oh how strange and di - vine, I can
deep - est val - ley he will lead. Oh the night has been won, and I
now, and ev - er, is my plea. Oh the chains are re - leased, I can
glo - ry ev - er - more to him. When the race is com - plete, still my

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TURNAROUND

1,2,3

18 D/F♯ G D/A Asus A D G6/B D/A

sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
shall o - ver-come! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
lips shall re - peat: Yet not

(1,2,3) **4** **ENDING**

23 G6/B D/A Asus A D A D Em7

The night is I, but through Christ in me. When the race is com-plete, still my
No fate I
With ev - 'ry

27 D/F♯ G D/A Asus A Bm G D/A Asus A

lips shall re-peat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me. Yet not I, but through Christ in

OUTRO

D G6/B D/A G6/B D

me.

LISTEN

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 6:1–13

SERMON Second Serving: The Greatest Show Rev. Dr. Phillips

RECOGNITION SUNDAY

RECOGNIZING OUR SENIOR SAINTS (New 50 Year Members)

RECOGNIZING OUR OUTGOING OFFICERS

COMMUNITY RECOGNITIONS

SEND

*HYMN 611 **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Second Serving: A Sermon Series on the Feeding of the 5,000

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near.

When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has 5 barley loaves and 2 fish. But what are they among so many people?"

Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they sat down, about 5,000 in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted.

When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the 5 barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled 12 baskets. --John 6:1-13



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Thanks to today's worship participants:

Lauda, *Music Ministry*
Karen & Greg Tronto, *Usher Captains*
Debbie & Rich Behling, *Greeters*

The flowers today are given in loving memory of Richard E. Clement,
by Marcia Clement Kelly.

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Join us for refreshments & fellowship in Founders Hall following the postlude.

Through a series of in-person messages, devotionals, and worship opportunities, we hope to keep you connected to—and nurtured by—the Red Clay Creek Presbyterian Church community. Make sure you're signed up for our Thursday eNews, Facebook, and Instagram accounts. Visit www.rccpc.org.

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Red Clay Creek Presbyterian invites you to its *Signature Services & Events* during the coming year.

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY — November 15th, 2026 | 10AM

We give thanks for God's many blessings and our rich history of over 300 years.

SERVICE OF LIGHT & HOPE — December 6th, 2026 | 3PM

A time of reflection and healing for those carrying burdens this season.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES — December 24th, 2026

- **Family Service with Impromptu Pageant | 4PM**
- **An Acoustic Candlelight Service | 6PM**
- **Holy Night Service with Candlelight | 8PM**
- **Candlelight & Communion Service | 11PM**

ROOTS AND RAYS SERVICE CHALLENGE — February –March, 2027

A month-long service effort each year, that directs our intention to the needs of our community.

HOLY WEEK 2027

- **Maundy Thursday — March 25th ; Good Friday — March 26th**
- **Resurrection Remembrance Service — March 28th | 9:30AM Worship**
- **Easter Sunday — March 28th | 10AM Worship**

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTAN — May 2027 | 10AM

Kirk is the Scottish word for church, so a church celebration and blessing of the tartans in our Presbyterian church honors both local and church heritage since it was the Scots who brought the Presbyterian Church to America.

OUTDOOR SERVICE & PICNIC — June 2027 | 10AM

Join us in the back meadow for worship and our annual picnic.

CAMP RED CLAY — July 2027 | 9AM-12PM

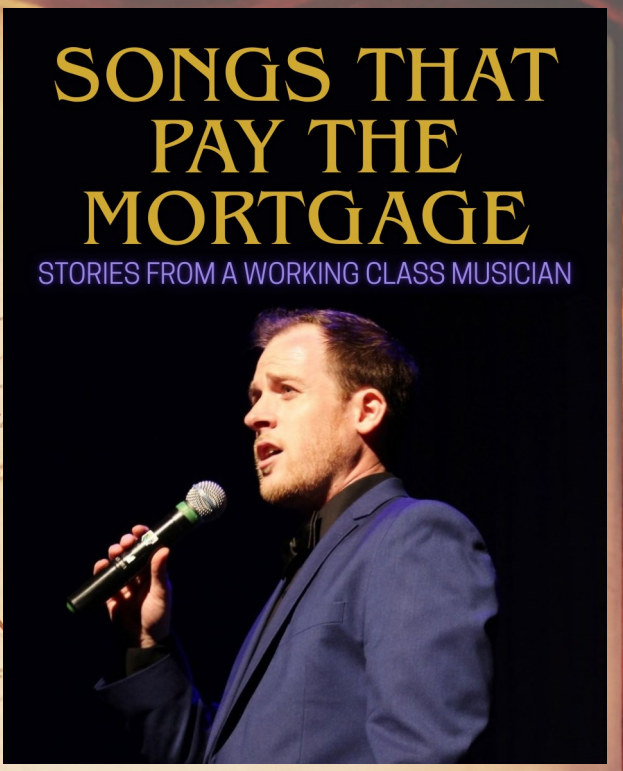
Kids (K-5th grade) can attend one of our three Camp Red Clays! More info coming soon.

HOMECOMING SUNDAY — September 2027 | 10AM

We mark our return to regular church programming with the start of our fall sermon series and Sunday School & youth ministry kick offs.

CELEBRATING OUR 304TH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, November 15th: 10 am Worship



ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

Saturday, November 14th - 7 pm

The working-class musician's journey is intimately woven into the very fabric of our cultural heritage. These timeless songs, regardless of genre, have served as the soundtrack to our lives, shaping our upbringing through every celebration, tragedy, and each moment in between. Join Charlie Hannagan as he embarks on a three-part exploration of these songs and stories, drawing from the perspectives of a solo "bar" musician, a church musician, and a band leader for a party band
(and yes, there will be a full band!).

There will be a free-will offering that will benefit our RCCPC music program.

WELCOME TO RED CLAY

For LARGE print bulletins, please ask an Usher.
Restrooms are available. Just ask!

Welcome to worship, welcome to Red Clay, welcome home! Rooted in God's abiding love for all, our church is lighting the way for friendship, compassion, and service. All are welcome, for Jesus gathers us together even as we divide ourselves by politics, denomination, or whatever labels the world puts on us. Please join us for coffee hour in Founder's Hall after service. We hope you will worship with us again soon! If you are interested in deepening your participation, or if you just love Red Clay, it's time to think about membership! Contact Elder Karen Vordemberge at kvordemberge@gmail.com.

Here at Red Clay, we have numerous groups that are open and that welcome newcomers, including, e.g., Quilters, Crafters, "Friends and Fellowship" luncheon for seniors, Bible study, ROMEOs ("Retired Old Men Eating Out"), Centering Prayer and "The Arcaders" social group for GenX and Millennials. Details can be found at *www.rccpc.org*!

Children: Nursery care is available from 9:45AM through the conclusion of worship in Room 125 (just down the hallway from the sanctuary). After the Children's Moment, Pre-K - Kindergarteners will adjourn to Room 123, Grades 1-3 will adjourn to Room 208, and Grades 4-8 will adjourn to Room 204/206.

UPCOMING EVENT SPOTLIGHT

TONIGHT: Sunday, November 8 at 7 PM

UNPLUGGED—Live Aid "Greatest Hits of the '80s"

Join us in Heritage Hall for an unforgettable evening as our Unplugged Coffeehouse is transformed into a "Live Aid" style benefit concert—featuring the **Greatest Hits of the '80s**! We'll collect a free-will offering to purchase Thanksgiving turkey gift cards for local families in need. Last year, we helped provide turkeys for 100 families, and with your support, we hope to reach even more neighbors this Thanksgiving. Doors open at 6:30 PM—come enjoy a fun evening of music while helping make the holiday brighter for local families!

RED CLAY CREEK PRESBYTERIAN — MINISTERS, STAFF & CHAIRS

Rev. Dr. Nathaniel D. Phillips, *Senior Pastor/Head of Staff*
Rev. Emily Schwenker

Jeffrey Miller, *Director of Music*
Deena Andrews, *Director of Children's Choir*
Lisa Nichols, *Bell Choir Director*

Rachele Gilmore, *Director of Community Life*
Jamie Russell, *Director of Children & Youth Ministries*
Barbara Vanderkraats, *Pastoral Care Coordinator* ❖ Ben Andrews, *Seminary Resident*
David Newby, *Youth Coordinator* ❖ Judy Lozier, *Nursery Director*
Delaney Christel & Josephine DeCaire, *Sunday School Teachers*

Julie Reeder, *Office Coordinator* ❖ Dinyar Vania, *Facilities Manager*
Kelley Norton, *Administrative Assistant* ❖ Anthony M. Condoluci-Smith, *Financial Associate*

Charlie Hannagan, *Technology Support*
A. Leonhard, S. Armstrong, A. Bloom, D. Howarth, *Livestream Production*

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Bill Ciabattoni, *Belong Chair* ❖ Darlyn Green-Kocher, *Nurture Chair*
Linda Reisor, *Reach Chair* ❖ Lois Galinat, *Rejoice Chair*
Brandon Wallace, *Finance Chair* ❖ Christine Fischer, *Personnel Chair*
Mark Cozine, *Home Chair* ❖ John Gast, *Administration Chair*
Andrew Bloom, *Community Partners* ❖ Marcia Kelly, *Memory Garden Chair*
** For a complete list of all Session Ruling Elders and Board of Deacons members, please refer to https://www.rccpc.org.**

A NOTE ON THE LOGO

Our church has "**roots**" in the community that date back to 1722. We have been a good neighbor when we were surrounded by farmland up until now when we are surrounded by the suburbs. Our history helps us remember a time when people helped one another out because that was the right thing to do. We hope to be a sign that this kind of community can still exist. We also believe that, in order for that community to exist, we need to stay "rooted" in the Good News that God has chosen to love us - not because of who we are, but because of who God is. We call that grace.



That is where the "**rays**" come in. We hope to extend our love, and the love we know from the graciousness of God, in many ways today. This means engaging in friendships with those that Jesus would have made friends with - those that feel isolated for any number of reasons. We know we will never be perfect at that, but we will try! We are especially aware that churches have long held back from friendship with others based on age, economics, sexuality, race, disability, and the list goes on. We seek to be something different than that. There are so many stories about how Jesus entered into life-affirming friendships with those that others wouldn't. We seek to be like Jesus.

Right there, in the center of it all, is the **cross**. For us, the cross is a "Tree of Life." It represents how God broke into this world to establish a new way of being alive. It symbolizes how God calls us to love with freedom, with recklessness even, if it means connecting the world to the wonder of God's transformative presence.

41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!



Addressing the first two stanzas to the singers of the hymn and the last three to God, this free paraphrase of Psalm 104 recasts the psalmist's imagery with baroque verve. Though it was first published in England, the tune has been more popular in North America than there.

611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee



This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J. C. F. von Schiller's poem, "An die Freude" (To Joy), as the final movement of the composer's *Ninth Symphony*. The author, a prominent Presbyterian pastor and author, wrote the words with this tune in mind.