



CROSS CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Cross Creek, Pennsylvania

210th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday: June 25, 1989

"Serving God in the Cross Creek Community

for 210 Years: 1779 - 1979"

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE - 11:00 a.m.

ORGAN PRELUDE AND CHORAL INTRCIT

"This Is the Day the Lord Has Made"

CALL TO WORSHIP - RESPONSE:

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: The Lord's name be praised!

*HYMN - "Come Sing, O Church, In Joy (Use Insert)

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

A LITANY OF THE CHURCH - After each Petition, please
join in the Response: "O Lord, please hear us!"

CHILDREN'S TALK - "Our Roots Go Deep" Colossians 2:6-7

As therefore you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so live in him,
rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you
were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

A TIME OF PRAYER - All join in the AMEN

SOLO - "His Eye Is On the Sparrow" Rita McCarty

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING

ANTHEM - "In This Place" Choir, Solo: Rita McCarty

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 544) - PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING - Psalm 90

SERMON - "A Thousand Ages In Thy Sight"

Rev. Robert B. Shane (Pastor here: 1945-1948)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (See Insert)

*HYMN - No. 111 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

*BENEDICTION - CHORAL RESPONSE (Unison): May the Lord,
mighty God, bless and keep you forever; Grant you peace, perfect
peace, courage in every endeavor; Lift your eyes and see his face
and his grace forever; May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you
forever. (Tune: Edelweis)

ORGAN POSTLUDE

*All who are able may stand

***AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

All: In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we believe in this God and will serve no other.
We trust in Jesus Christ, God with us in human flesh,
who proclaimed the reign of God:
he preached good news to the poor
and release to the captives;
he healed the sick and ate with outcasts;
he forgave sinners and called all to repent and believe,
Condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
giving his life for the sins of the world.
But God raised him from the dead,
vindicating his life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life.
We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who sets us free
and binds us together as one body of Christ,
one church, the communion of saints.
The same Spirit
calls male and female, old and young
to all ministries of the church.
With believers in every time and place,
we confess that nothing in life or death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus
our Lord.

(Adapted from the Proposed Brief Statement of Reformed Faith)

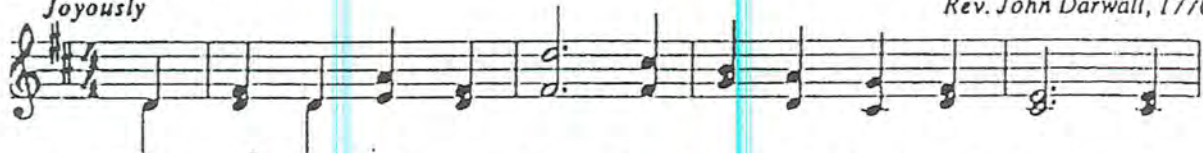
***HYMN "Glorious Is Your Name, Most Holy" Austrian Hymn**

Glorious is your name, Most Holy, God, Creator, Lord of all;
We, your servants, bow before you, Strive to answer every call.
You with life's great good have blest us, Cared for us from earliest
years;
Unto you our thanks we render; Your deep love o'er-comes all fears.
For our world of need and anguish We would lift to you our prayer.
Faithful stewards of your bounty, May we with all others share.
In the name of Christ our Savior, Who redeems and sets us free,
Gifts we bring of heart and treasure, That our lives may worthier be.
In the midst of time we journey; From your hand comes each new
day:
We would use it in your service, Humbly, wisely, while we may.
So to you, Lord and Creator, Praise and honor we accord!
Yours the earth and yours the heavens, Through all time the eternal
Word.

COME SING, O CHURCH, IN JOY

Rev. Brian Dill, 1988
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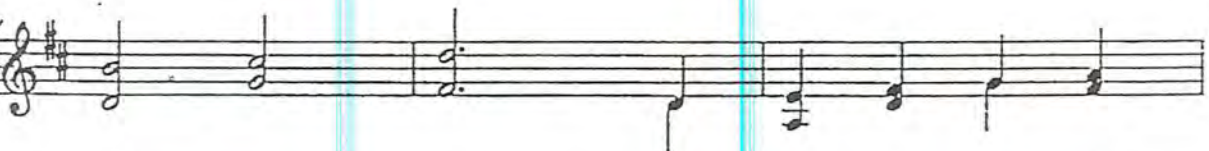
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Rev. John Darwall, 1770



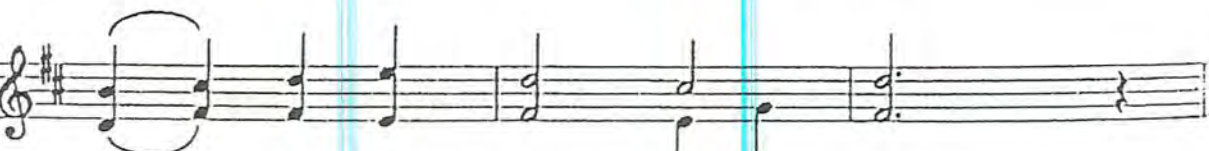
1. Come sing, O Church, in joy! Come join, O Church, in song! For
 2. Long years have come and gone, And still God reigns su - preme, Em -
 3. Let cour - age be our friend, Let wis - dom be our guide, As
 4. Come sing, O Church, in joy! Come join, O Church in song! For



Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long! In
 power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream! In
 we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the cru - ci - fied! In
 Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long! In



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RE: LOWER BUFFALO CHURCH'S 200th ANNIVERSARY SERVICE - ALSO TODAY!

"Will come at 2:30 p.m. after celebrating with Lower Buffalo's 200th." Rev. Nathaniel C. Roe, Executive Presbyter, Washington Presbytery

"Would love to be able to attend, but on that same day our church, Lower Buffalo Presbyterian Church, Independence, is observing her 200th Anniversary and I am the church historian. I am also on the Cross Creek Cemetary Board and will also miss the (afternoon historical program). Albert Miller "

GENERAL REGRETS:

"Can not make it - Sorry - Health" Willard Welch (He has been at each of these Anniversaries for the last 75 years.)

A LETTER FROM HENRIETTA KAUFMAN (Widow of Rev. Ralph Kaufman, Pastor 1926-39):

"Dear Friends and Members of the Cross Creek Church. I am so sorry not to be with you on this Special Day in the life of the church. I recall the first Planning Committee Meeting at the home of Mrs. Mary Duncan in 1929 to plan for the 150th Anniversary of the Cross Creek Church. The almanacs were consulted to see if the weather would be fair on the dates selected. It was a beautiful day in June. The Good Lord sent sunshine and balmy weather. That was my first time to attend the celebration. Since then many present on that day have entered the Church Triumphant.

As I recall, Mr Kaufman and I were present each tenth year since 1929, including 1979. We thoroughly enjoyed meeting members and friends of former years at each Anniversary Celebration, including the 200th Anniversary ten years ago. I have such fond memories of how the members of the congregation welcomed me a stranger into their hearts and homes, also into the life of the church. The kindness and patience of being my mentor and "way-sharer", for which I am truly grateful.

I send greetings with my regrets. May the life of the Cross Creek Church continue as you strive to serve our Lord and Savior. May God send his richest blessings on each and every one as you follow Him and endeavor to do His will for each one of you.

God bless each one and all. Sincerely and with love. Henrietta Kaufman"

A LETTER FROM HELEN RHODES SCOTT (Daughter of Rev. Harry A. Rhodes, Pastor 1906-08):

Dear Mrs. Anderson:

Thank you for your persistence in locating us. We moved from western North Carolina to California last August. Cross Creek Presbyterian Church deserves to celebrate its 210 years as the people of God. The church has faithfully witnessed to the Good News of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. We congratulate you even though we are unable to attend.

This is the church where my father - Rev. Harry A. Rhodes - was pastor prior to going to Korea as a missionary. This church faithfully supported Harry and Edith Rhodes the 38 years that they were in Korea. When Rev. Kaufman was pastor my brothers and I became communicant members of the church. What a wonderful memory we have of our wedding day in Philadelphia - June 25, 1937 - when the Kaufmans and Cross Creek Church friends attended and presented us with a generous gift of silver flatware! It meant so much because our parents were far away in Korea and China. We still have the silver!

Westminster Garden, where we now live, is a retirement community for Presbyterian missionaries and pastors. May God bless you and enable you to be a continued beacon of faith in a new century.

Yours in Christ, Helen Rhodes Scott

CROSS CREEK CHURCH'S CONNECTION WITH PITTSBURGH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Cross Creek Church was already a congregation with a church "a-building" when they met with Buffalo on June 21, 1779 for the purpose of calling a preacher. Mr. Joseph Smith had been in the "West Country" for a month in April, 1779 and had preached to both congregations. In addition to preaching, Mr. Smith with the urging and aid of Dr. John McMillan started a "preaching school" which was the forerunner of the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Cross Creek's main contribution to this effort was the "marthaing" (providing the practical means) of getting the Smiths from near Carlisle, Pa. via wagon train master Joseph Reed and the expert axmen who hewed the road from Washington, Pa. to Buffalo Village to the farm which that congregation had applied for, where the Smiths were to live. The payment to Joseph Smith was a farm - offered by Col. William Marshall of Cross Creek. (Information provided by William H. Lee, a 4th generation elder in Cross Creek, who recently attended the Bicentennial General Assembly in Philadelphia. Bill still brings a bearded, red suited friend to Cross Creek every Christmas S.S. Program.)

GREETINGS FROM FORMER PASTORS (AND/OR SPOUSES) - EXCERPTS:

"Congratulations on your 210th Anniversary. Sorry we shall not be able to be with you, as I have a preaching commitment that day.... Yours in Christ, Dick Buterbaugh" (Pastor 1959-61)

"Wish we could be with you, but the plans do not include a trip to Pa. at that time. Tom will write a note to Mr. Adams. Have a wonderful day.... Lois Conboy."

"... We wish to be remembered to the folks on that occasion and extend to you and the congregation our best wishes for continued ministry in that portion of God's kingdom. Two weeks ago we used the special Bicentennial Communion Service prepared by the worship unit of the General Assembly. I reminded some of the people that Cross Creek Church was meeting and organized 10 years before the first General Assembly. In this portion of New England [Cumberland, Rhode Island] where 110 years seems old for a Presbyterian congregation your 210 years is quite an accomplishment. Our best wishes and prayers will be with you. In Christ, Thomas F. Conboy, Jr. (Pastor 1955-58)

The Phillips' sent regrets and a letter plus a family and professional resume. "We always think of Cross Creek Church with its wonderful people. We received so much from you all. Your patience, guidance and wealth of spirit certainly must be anchored solidly in the spirit of those faithful who have lived and proclaimed Christ as Lord at Cross Creek for more than two centuries. Lois and Don Phillips (Student Pastor 1952-54 - currently in Reston, Va. after service in Community Development)

"Dear Jane, Thanks so very much for this invitation. Sorry we can't make it at this time. Congratulations and regards to friends". (Rev.) Lloyd Hindman (Main speaker at 200th and a Child of the Church)

"Sincere congratulations" come from Mrs. Martha Say, as well as a donation. She is both a former pastor's wife (D. Lester Say, Pastor 1917-23) and a child of the church. Her parents were Samuel and Cynthia Dunbar. She was born Nov. 21, 1893.

The Douglas Vances say: "Thank you for the invitation. Sorry we just can't make it. Please share our good wishes to those old enough to remember us after 45 years! (Pastor 1940-44)

Rev. & Mrs. Jack Angerman visited Cross Creek Church on Sunday, June 4th, which was our celebration of Graduation Sunday. Jack Angerman was our Student Pastor from 1948-51. The Angermans were recommended to each other by the Rev. Herbert B. Hudnut. In Mr. Angerman's remarks he said that he had learned so much more from Cross Creek Church than he did from the Seminary that he had always felt he had graduated from it. - What a gracious thing to say! Visit again soon, Jack and Sue!

A letter from Mrs. Henrietta Kaufman was received on June 14, 1989. Rev. Ralph W.E. Kaufman was pastor here from 1926-39.

A letter from Helen Rhodes Scott - daughter of former pastor, Rev. Harry A. Rhodes (Pastor, 1906-8). She is also a child of the church, as she and her brothers Paul and Howard became communicant members on April 15, 1934.

GENERAL REGRETS:

From Jim & Martha Belle Lee: "Thank you so much for inviting Jim & me to this very 'special' celebration of the Cross Creek Church. I have so many fond memories associated with that building and would dearly love to be there to join in with everyone. However, I am committed to being 'grandma' and babysitting with two precious grandsons in Minneapolis over that very weekend and will be unable to attend. Please know that I will be thinking of everyone on the 25th of June and will definitely be there in spirit. Sincerely, Martha Belle Lee."

From Mrs. Hazel Marquis Henderson: "Sorry, but will not be able to attend. Would have enjoyed being there, but will have to decline. Hope you have an enjoyable event. Best wishes to everyone."

From Hazel & Wilda Vance: "Sorry - cannot attend - We send our Greetings!" (Hazel is an official in the Synod of the Southwest. Wilda was our church organist. They live in Scottsdale, Arizona.)

From the Milton Marquis': "Thanks for inviting us - Sorry we will be out of town - Our thoughts will be with you nevertheless - Thelma"

From Margaret & Joe Kiefer: "Thank you for the Celebration invitation. Alas, we are not able to be part of the Day. May all who attend be renewed and refreshed for having been at C.C. Presbyterian Church's 210th."

PASTOR: Rev. John Adams PHONE: 947-4871
GUEST WORSHIP LEADER: Rev. Robert B. Shane
ORGANIST: Jane Rankin
GREETERS: Leroy & Genevieve Cooke
USHERS: Sharon Pancari, Carol Griffith
Bruce Kidd and Ronald Zibert
ACOLYTES: Jennifer Rankin, Lisa Rankin

The worship leaders and their families will lead us all downstairs for a COVERED DISH DINNER. The Blessing for the meal will be included with the Benediction upstairs.

Following the Dinner, please take chairs out on the front lawn facing the church driveway. Our afternoon program will include:

"REMINISCENCES": brief informal words of greetings from visitors and former members who are so led.

"AN HISTORICAL TABLEAUX: The First Worship at Ft. Vance" will be presented by children of the Sunday School.

"CEMETARY MONUMENT DEDICATION CEREMONY" will be led by Mr. Alvin D. White. A monument memorializing veterans of the early American wars buried in Cross Creek Graveyard & donated by James N. Simpson and a Cemetery Monument in memory of Leonard L. Cooke will be dedicated.

ANNIVERSARY STEERING COMMITTEE: Gloria Smith, Mary Jo Brown, Hazel Rea, Mildred Underwood.... INVITATIONS COMMITTEE: Jane Anderson, Hazel Cooke, Mildred Underwood, Alice Zellars.... HISTORICAL DISPLAY COMMITTEE: Wayne & Betty Cooke, Bill & Jackie Kidd.... PUBLICITY: Mary Jo Brown.... DINNER COMMITTEE: Bonnie Jean Rankin, Agnes Anderson, Ruth Cantaral, Martha Jane Carroll, Becky DelPrato, Frances Schulte.... FLOWERS: Bonnie Cowden.

Please sign the ANNIVERSARY REGISTRATION BOOK in the hall downstairs..... THANK YOU to all who have helped in many ways to make our Anniversary Celebration possible....

THANKS ALSO to those who have made special donations to the church for her 210th Birthday.... Copies of HISTORY OF THE CROSS CREEK CHURCH by A.D. White are available for \$6.00 on the platforms upstairs.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES meet at 9:45 a.m. for adults as well as children.... WORSHIP with us next Sunday (July 2) at 11 a.m. if you are in need of a long-lasting, tried-and-true church home.... THESE DAYS July/Aug. are available.

The Session / Trustees

Moderator: Rev. John Adams
Clerk of Session: Gloria Smith

<u>Class of 1990</u>	<u>Class of 1991</u>	<u>Class of 1992</u>
Bruce Kidd	Van Cowden	Mary Jo Brown
Hazel Rea	James Crayne	Joan Roman
Gloria Smith	Becky DelPrato	Ralph Rankin
Joe Warnock	Marilyn McClain	Thomas Zellars

The Congregation (Corporation)

James Brown, Chairman
Thomas Zellars, Vice Chairman
Betty Cooke, Secretary/Asst. Treasurer
Jacqueline Kidd, Treasurer

The Sunday School

Millie Adams, Supt./ Youth Class
Becky DelPrato, Adult Class
Dorie Mallas, Junior Class
Ella Stein, Primary Class
Frances Schulte & Agnes Anderson:
Pre School/Kindergarten

Organizations:

Women's Missionary Society - Eleanor Lee
Ladies Aid - Agnes Anderson
Mariners - Jim & Mary Jo Brown
Dartball - Howard Smith, Bruce Kidd

Custodian - Martha Jane Carroll

Longest Membership in the Cross Creek Church (50+ Years)

Evelyn Walker (79)	Albert Yeager (60)	Betty Cooke (55)
Florence Lee (75)	John T. McNelly (60)	James Brown (53)
Alice Zellars (70)	Eleanor Lee (59)	David Underwood (52)
Edna Griffith (66)	Hazel O'Donnell (57)	Frances Schulte (52)
Jane Anderson (66)	Helen Riggle (57)	Mabel Lee (51)
Mildred Underwood (64)	Maynard Rea (56)	Gladys Byrd (51)
Naomi Johnston (61)	Wayne Cooke (56)	Wilford Rankin (51)
Hazel Cooke (60)		Howard Smith (50)