

## Order of Worship

Song Leader: Reese Palmer

Song #351– Jesus Is Coming Soon

Song #867 – To Canaan’s Land

Welcome– Sammie Taylor

Song 29– I Surrender All

Communion– Nick Starks

Offering– Nick Starks

Children’s Song – Gil Potter

Song #829 – Mansion Over The Hilltop

Scripture Reading– Cameron Cantrell

Song #667 – Power In The Blood

Sermon– Kelvin L. Briggs

Invitation Song #584 – Softly & Tenderly

Closing Remarks – Gilberto Kennedy

USHERS: Akeim Middleton & Anthony McDaniel

WELCOME STATION: Katrina Howard

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### Additional Ministries

Little Sprouts ( Kaylan Quinn)  
Roots & Wings (Reese & VaLisa Palmer)  
Young Adults (Gilberto Kennedy)  
Kingdom Men (AJ Johnson & Jack McNeil )  
Women of Light (Lisette Williams)  
Titus 2 Women (VaLisa Palmer & VerRonda Calloway)  
Singles Kingdom Connection (Sa’De Ross)

### Office Administrator

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## Schedule Of Services

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 A.M

Sunday Worship 10:15 A.M

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 P.M

## Sermon Notes

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### M-25 MINISTRY

SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY THROUGH  
FEEDING THE HOMELESS MINISTRY  
(RAPID RELIEF)

1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY EACH MONTH  
Next Schedule **May 2, 2026**

POINT OF CONTACTS TO VOLUNTEER  
David Redmond, Gary Bell & Donna Boston

### Plan of Salvation

#### Hear-Romans 10:17

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

#### Must Believe - Hebrews 11:6

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

#### Must Confess Jesus is The Son of The Living God- Confess - Matthew 10:32-33

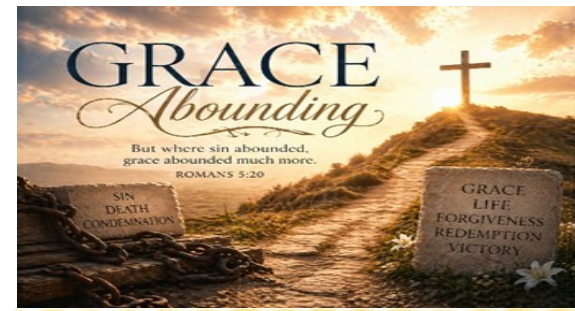
“Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. <sup>33</sup> But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.

#### Repent - Luke 13:3

I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.

#### Baptism– Acts 2:38

Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.



# Family Life

April 26, 2026

The Weekly Newsletter

of the Family of God at Long Creek

## “Grace and Truth in a Growing Church”

As Long Creek continues to grow, we are seeing more people come through our doors—people that are searching, hurting, and trying to find their way back to God. With that growth comes both a beautiful opportunity and a real challenge to extend the love of God as the answer to their broken lives; however, we must strike the right balance between God’s grace and His truth.

One way we do this is by remaining humble enough to acknowledge that some of us are still battling brokenness ourselves.

We must never lose our footing on God’s Word. **Sin is still sin.** It cannot be renamed, excused, or ignored. Real love tells the truth, even when it is uncomfortable. If we stop calling sin what it is, we stop pointing people to the very thing that can set them free but at the same time, truth must never be used as a weapon.

My Long Creek family we must also remember who we are. The apostle Paul reminds us in 1 Corinthians 6:11, “*And such were some of you...*” That means:

- We were lost too.
- We struggled too.
- We needed grace too.

So when broken people walk in, they should not feel judged—they should feel hope.

- Grace says, “You can change.”
- Grace says, “God is not done with you.”
- Grace says, “We will walk with you.”

As a church, we must hold one another accountable without placing a permanent label on anyone. When someone repents, we do not keep reminding them of their past. We do not hang a “scarlet letter” around their neck. We believe in transformation (2 Cor 5:17).

We walk in the confidence that with Jesus came both grace and truth (John 1:17). Therefore, we must clearly identify sin where it exists, while showing love to help one another overcome it. We must never forget: if God can wash, sanctify, and justify us (1 Corinthians 6:11), then we must be willing to see people not just for who they were but for who they are becoming.

**Closing Thought:** Long Creek is not meant to be a place for perfect people (Sinless), only Jesus did that (He knew no sin, 2 Cor 5:21). It is a place where truth is preached clearly, grace is extended freely, and people are restored fully. In this season of growth, we must guard our hearts—not to compromise truth, not to lose compassion, and not to forget our own story. This is not a new struggle. This is an age-old battle the church has always faced: holding firmly to truth while extending genuine grace. **Long Creek must unite behind both—not truth alone, not grace alone, but truth and grace—together.**

*God Bless You!*  
Minister Kelvin L. Briggs

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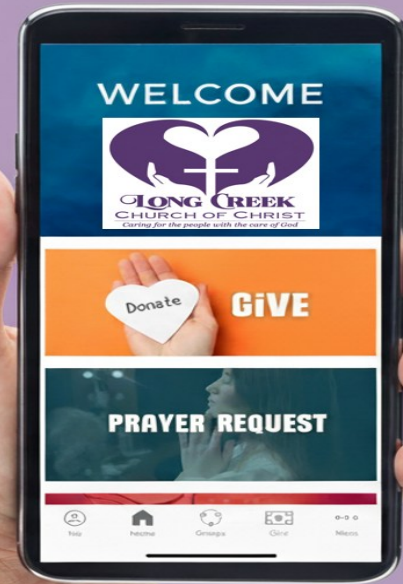
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# Current & Upcoming Events

Get Connected and Get Involved!



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**2026 VBS**  
 REGISTER NOW  
 Bible Lessons for All Ages  
 • Songs  
 • Crafts  
 • Skits  
 • Snacks  
 • Games & More Fun!  
 OPEN TO AGES 2-ADULT  
 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
**JUNE 28 - JULY 1**  
 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM  
 PROMISE VBS  
**FRUIT FULL**  
 LIVING A SPIRIT-FILLED LIFE IN JESUS  
 GALATIANS 5:22-23  
 LONG CREEK CHURCH OF CHRIST  
 720 Longtown Road, Columbia, SC 29229  
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**HEALING WORKSHOP #4**  
 16TH MAY 12PM-3PM  
 KINGDOM CONNECTIONS  
 GUEST SPEAKER  
**PAMELA HEMPSTEAD**  
 LCMHCA, Author, Fitness Instructor  
 POC's  
 Sa'de Ross  
 Tiffanie Quinones  
 FAITHFUL IN REAL LIFE: FOLLOWING GOD WHEN LIFE BE LIFE'ING!  
 Life can be unpredictable, overwhelming, and real, but our faith doesn't have to waver. In this workshop, we'll have honest conversations about navigating everyday challenges while staying grounded in God. From temptation to perimenopause, from pain to learning how to control what we can, this session will equip you with practical and spiritual tools to remain faithful in every season.  
 Long Creek COC FLB  
 720 Longtown Rd.  
 Columbia, SC 29229  
 DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR JOURNAL!  
 SCAN ME



**Toddler Room Attendants Schedule**  
 April 26  
 Courtney Kelsey  
 Cierra Quinn  
 May 3  
 Brianna Kennedy  
 Jasmine Goss

## FAMILY NOTES

- **Men's Meeting: April 26** immediately after worship service.
- **Titus 2 Women: Rooted in Faith: A 14- Week Women's Study** May 5 at 7:30 pm via Zoom . Contact VaLisa Palmer for log-in Information
- **Ladies Tuesday Bible Class (10-11am)** via Zoom. Contact Lisette Williams for Log-in information

## ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS

**CashApp:** (\$longcreekcoc5) **Zelle:** thechurch@longcreekchurchofchrist.org

**TEXT TO GIVE:** Longcreek89 send to (888) 364-4483

## "The Call To Share The Gospel"

Long Creek Television Ministry

WKTC- My63

We're on air!

7:30 AM

Sunday mornings

WKTC Channel 63



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## Philippians 3

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GAIN	GLORY	HEBREW
JESUS	KNOW	LIKE
LOOK	LORD	LOSS
MADE	POWER	RIGHTEOUSNESS
SUFFERED	THING	THINK

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

### Cancer Patients

Taylor Courtney- White (Angela Smith's Niece),  
 Alcess Cyrus ( Tony Cooper's Aunt),  
 Pelton Geter, Jr. ( Debbie Kirkland's brother)

### Improved Health

Annie Pushpanathan, Linda Jackson (Ashlee Welch Grandmother), Barbara Wigfall, Dwayne Alleyne, James Hayward, Brenda Roseborough, Stacey Senghor, Stacy Cooper, Joe Ritter, John Asbury, Alma Tillman (Judy Taylor's mom) , Verna Morsby, Virginia Thompson (Lisette William's mother), Sandy Gray (Carol Wiley's niece), Ora Woodley, Bennye Moseley (Nikita's Cousin), Leroy Bell (Gary Bell's Father), Cooper Davis, Nikolay (Irina's dad), Herschel Robertson (Chris Robertson's dad), Juana McDaniel, Ruthene Cooper (Tony Cooper's mother)

### God Bless Our Military

Brianna Lewis- (Clarence & Alexcia's daughter)  
 Brandon Elkins - (Tony & Constance son)  
 Jevon & Flavuse Briggs-  
 (Kelvin & Nikita son & daughter-in-law)  
 Keturah Miles - (Angela Smith daughter)  
 Sovereign Simmons  
 Victoria Bookman- (Geneva Billups-Bookman's daughter)

Happy Birthday  
 APRIL

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in faith so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

ROMANS 15:13

- (4/19) Sammie Taylor
- (4/20) Katya Stevens
- (4/21) John Asbury
- (4/23) Joshua Flagler
- (4/24) Gil Potter
- (4/24) Brianna Turner
- (4/24) Toni Seabrooks
- (4/25) Alisha Matthews
- (4/26) Anthony McDaniel
- (4/27) Donna Boston
- (4/30) Xavier Alleyne
- (4/30) Kea Canady

### MAY

- (5/3) Ashlee Welch
- (5/7) Kendra Hyman
- (5/7) Jessica Seabrooks

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

## Happy Anniversary

"I have found the one whom my soul loves."

Song of Solomon 3:4

### APRIL

- (4/19) David & Susan Redmond
- (4/20) Jack & Dominique McNeil
- (4/22) Gilberto & Brianna Kennedy

### MAY

- (5/3) Leroy & Sophia Dunlap