

## Order of Worship

Song Leaders: Gilberto Kennedy & Gil Potter

Song #226– Trials Dark On Every Hand

Song #669– This Is My Fathers World

Welcome– Adam Hayward

Song #950– Lamb of God

Communion– Justin Briggs

Offering– Justin Briggs

Children’s Song—Gil Potter

Scripture Reading– Chris Robertson

Song #756 – When We All Get To Heaven

Sermon– Kelvin L. Briggs

Invitation Song #421– Love Lifted Me

Closing Remarks—Sovereign Simmons

Ushers: Anthony McDaniel & Rodney Jenkins

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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

## Wednesday Night Summer Series “Walking In The Light”

Series Introduction: 1 John 1:1-7

10 June- Kelvin Briggs: Part 1: What Does Walking In The Light Mean.

17 June- Kelvin Briggs: Part II: The Blessing of the Journey.

### LESSONS 1-8

24 June-Gilberto Kennedy: Lesson 1: God Is Light (1 John 1:5-7)

Big Idea: You cannot walk in darkness and claim fellowship with God.

8 July- Dewayne Alleyne: Lesson 2: Dealing With Sin Honestly (1 John 1:8–10)

Big Idea: Spiritual maturity begins with honest confession.

15 July- Henry Wigfall: Lesson 3: Obedience Is Love (1 John 2:3–6)

Big Idea: Love for God is proven through obedience.

22 July - Reese Palmer: Lesson 4: Love One Another (1 John 3:11–18)

Big Idea: Real love is sacrificial and visible.

29 July-Andray Williams: Lesson 5: Do Not Love the World (1 John 2:15–17)

Big Idea: You cannot love the world and love the Father fully.

5 August-Terrence Howard: Lesson 6: Test the Spirits (1 John 4:1–6)

Big Idea: Not every message that sounds spiritual is from God.

12 August-CJ Belton: Lesson 7: Perfect Love Casts Out Fear (1 John 4:17–19)

Big Idea: God’s love removes fear.

19-August-AJ Johnson: Lesson 8 : Faith That Overcomes the World (1 John 5:1–5)

Big Idea: Victory is found in faith in Jesus Christ.

### Sermon Notes

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# Family Life

June 21, 2026

The Weekly Newsletter

of the Family of God at Long Creek

## “Men: Break The Silence, Build The Brotherhood”

This Father's Day, as we honor the fathers, grandfathers, mentors, and spiritual leaders among us, let us remember that one of the enemy's greatest strategies is isolation. Too many men have been convinced that strength means carrying every burden alone, never asking for help, and never letting others see their struggles.

While there is value in responsibility and self-reliance, God never intended for men to walk alone. From the beginning, God called men into relationships, families, brotherhoods, and communities where they could encourage, challenge, and strengthen one another. The wise man Solomon wrote, "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another" (Proverbs 27:17). Iron is sharpened through friction. Likewise, men grow stronger when they engage, encourage, and sharpen one another through authentic relationships. It is for this reason we created the [Kingdom Men Ministry](#) rooted in the three principles below:

### How can we become stronger together?

**1. Be Vulnerable:** The world often teaches men to hide their struggles, but true strength is not found in pretending to have it all together. Strength is found in having the courage to be honest. When men share their burdens, fears, and challenges, they create opportunities for encouragement, accountability, and healing. Vulnerability builds trust, and trust builds brotherhood.

**2. Be United in Purpose:** Men accomplish their greatest work when they stand together for something bigger than themselves. Whether leading our families, serving in the church, mentoring younger men, or impacting our communities, a shared purpose creates unity. When men lock arms around God's mission, individual differences become secondary to the greater work of the Kingdom.

**3. Support One Another:** Every man needs encouragement. A simple phone call, a text message, a conversation after worship, or a prayer can make a tremendous difference in someone's life. We were never designed to fight life's battles alone. When one brother is struggling, others should step in to strengthen and uplift him.

Long Creek Men as we celebrate Father's Day, let us commit ourselves to being men who sharpen one another. Men who are willing to be vulnerable. Men who stand united in God's purpose. Men who encourage and support one another.

**Closing Thought:** Brothers the strongest men are not those who stand alone—they are those who stand together. May we continue to grow stronger through the friction of vulnerability, the power of unity, and the strength that comes from godly brotherhood.

"Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love." — 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

God Bless You!  
Minister Kelvin L. Briggs

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# Current & Upcoming Events

**LONG CREEK CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
720 Longtown Rd. Columbia, SC 29229

**Join us!**  
A Carnival of Spiritual Learning & Fun!

- Bible Lessons for All Ages
- Crafts
- Skits
- Snacks
- Games & Much More!

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**VBS begins with Lesson One June 28, during the Sunday morning Bible class at 9 a.m.**

**VBS**  
Vacation Bible School  
JUNE 28-JULY 1  
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

OPEN TO AGES 2-ADULT

**LESSON ONE—PATIENCE & FAITHFULNESS**  
Bible Story: Jesus Follows God's Will (Matthew 3:13-4:11; John 2:1-11)  
Memory Verse: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." (Proverbs 3:5-6)

**LESSON TWO—KINDNESS & GOODNESS**  
Bible Story: Jesus Heals a Leper (Mark 1:40-45)  
Memory Verse: "Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." (Hebrews 13:16).

**LESSON THREE—JOY & PEACE**  
Bible Story: Jesus Calms the Storm (Mark 4:35-41)  
Memory Verse: "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." (John 16:33).

**LESSON FOUR—GENTLENESS & SELF-CONTROL**  
Bible Story: Jesus Prays in Gethsemane (Matthew 26:36-56)  
Memory Verse: "For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control." (2 Timothy 1:7).

**LESSON FIVE—LOVE**  
Bible Story: Jesus Shows Love (Selected verses from Luke & Acts)  
Memory Verse: "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." (John 15:12).

## "The Call To Share The Gospel"

**Long Creek Television**  
**WKTC- My63**

**We're on air!**  
**7:30 AM**  
**Sunday mornings**  
**WKTC Channel 63**

**You Tube facebook**

*In Our Thoughts & Prayers*

**Improved Health**  
Linda Jackson (Ashlee Welch Grandmother), Barbara Wigfall, 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), Pelton Geter, Jr. (Debbie Kirkland's brother)

**God Bless Our Military**  
Christopher Kelsey  
Torrey Canady  
Cameron Cantrell  
CJ McLaurin  
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)  
Victoria Bookman- (Geneva Billups-Bookman's daughter)

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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 July 4**

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

**JOSHUA 24**

J H P E O P L E M D M T  
U P O D H J A G A V E H  
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AMORITES BEYOND BROUGHT  
CHOOSE COUNTRY EGYPT  
FATHER FOUGHT GAVE  
HILL ISRAEL JACOB  
JOSHUA KING LAND  
LIVED LORD MADE  
PEOPLE PIECE POSSESS  
SAID SENT SERVE  
SHECHEM THEN WITNESS

**Happy Birthday**  
JUNE

"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

(6/16) Stacy Jennings-Senghor  
(6/16) Alan Dunlap  
(6/17) Deisha Stafford  
(6/21) Adam Hayward  
(6/21) Imani Harper  
(6/23) Jidida Douglas  
(6/23) Liam Legend Goss  
(6/23) Chloe Quinones  
(6/24) Brannon Courtney  
(6/25) Christopher Kelsey  
(6/26) AJ II Johnson  
(6/27) Shiela Smith  
(6/28) Lawrence (LJ) Jones III  
(6/30) Curtis Hill

**Toddler Room Attendants**

**June 21**  
Ebony Lewis  
Jasmine Briggs

**June 28**  
Nia Harper  
Alexcia Lewis

**FAMILY NOTES**

**Ladies Bible Study**  
join us for the Virtual Bible Study/Prayer via Zoom **Every Tuesdays** at 10:00 am  
Meeting ID: 851 4629 7929  
Passcode: 506600  
Contact: Lisette Williams (803) 319-3998

**Umbrellas for Homeless**  
Please help homeless citizens by donating an umbrella to help with sun and rain protection. Either new or used umbrellas in good condition will help. Place umbrellas in the designated box in the hallway downstairs. USC Ministry students will get the umbrellas to people later this summer. Thank you!

**ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS**

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

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

**Happy Anniversary**  
"I have found the one whom my soul loves."  
Song of Solomon 3:4

**JUNE**

(6/1) Darin & Marsha Rogers  
(6/3) Raeshawn & Alycia Wells  
(6/7) Ernest & Sandra Hall  
(6/8) Rance & Janice Woodley  
(6/14) Andray & Lisette Williams  
(6/24) Thomas & Angela Nelson