



### **MISSION STATEMENT**

**Working together to follow Christ in joyfully serving our neighbors.**

Church Family,

By now most of you have probably heard that Lorie Lewis, our Director of Family Ministries, has resigned after 6 & ½ years serving with us. We are all very sad to see her go! Yet, we are happy for her and Cooper as they embark on a new venture. They have purchased the Ballantyne Reading Academy, a tutoring service. Lorie will be overseeing the day-to-day operations, while Cooper will be helping with all the tech related aspects of the business. Cooper will continue in his current job, but Lorie needs to be on site at the business full time. We will recognize Mrs. Lorie, as a church, on Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, and have a reception for her after the Worship Service. January 30<sup>th</sup> is also Lorie's last day with us. We want to thank Lorie for her committed service to our church for all these years. She has played a vital role over the last 3 years in helping our merger to be a success and bringing the two congregations together as one family of faith. Lorie agreed to stay with us through January, dividing her time between the church and the new business. She has been a tremendous help, preparing our dedicated members to carry on much of her work in her absence. All of us will miss Lorie, but especially our children. Please keep Lorie and Cooper and their new venture in your prayers!

Your co-workers in Christ,

The Administration and Personnel

Ministry Team

**NAME TAGS** – Be sure to wear your name tags along with your mask. It can be difficult to recognize someone with their mask on.

**VISION ROLLOUT** - Join us this Sunday as our new Vision rollout continues. If you didn't receive a phamplet, they are available in the sanctuary & office lobby, or you can call the office to have one mailed to you. Come and be a part of something that will transform the life of our church family!

**MASKS ARE REQUIRED IN CHURCH** - As you attend indoor functions at the church including Worship, please wear a mask (Elementary age and older) to help protect those who are more vulnerable to the virus.

**VIRTUAL SERVICE** – Please be sure to comment when you are watching our virtual service. This is how we are taking attendance and we want you to be counted. And remember, we are open on Sundays for worship if you are comfortable joining with us, using the precautions we have in place.

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany

SCRIPTURE FOR JANUARY 23

SCRIPTURE: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Sermon: The Common Good

**ORDER OF WORSHIP** – is available on Sunday, in a limited number, on the two stands just inside the lobby doors. You will also find the QR code in the lobby on the tables beside the main doors to the Sanctuary on Sunday morning, and it is available, every Friday on our web page (under Worship), by scanning the QR code below.



**NEW LOCATION FOR DEXTER'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** – on *A Survey of the Bible*. It will now be held in the choir room, beginning this Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. **Please remember masks are still required.** There will be masks available if you need one.

**MEMBERSHIP EXPLORATION CLASS DATE CHANGE** – The Membership Exploration Class scheduled for this Sunday (1/23) has been rescheduled for next Sunday (1/30) at 9:30 am in the parlor. This schedule change was necessary because of last Sunday's inclement weather which backed up a Session meeting Dr. Pinkston has to attend. If you were planning to attend on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and cannot attend on the 30<sup>th</sup>, please let Dr. Pinkston know. Thank you for your understanding!

**GENERAL FUND & ATTENDANCE FOR 01/16/2022** – not available due to inclement weather.

**FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT MENU JANUARY 26:** Turkey pot pie, applesauce, green beans, salad bar, bread, dessert. Reservations will be required each week by Monday at noon through Realm or by contacting the church office. Suggested donation for dinner is \$4.00/adult, \$3.00/child, under 5 yrs is free with a maximum total of \$15.00/family. Your reservation must be in Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>.

<https://onrealm.org/SteeleCreekChurch/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=Y2VkNDYxNDMtY2M5MS00NTJlLTk1ZDEtYWUyMzAxMTQwMzcz>



**THE 2022 FLOWER CALENDAR** – is now available on the bulletin board outside of the Admin Office. January 30 is currently open if you would like to provide flowers for the service. Many thanks to those who provided the beautiful flowers in the sanctuary throughout 2021!



Jeremiah 29:11 For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

## VISION NEWS

### **Daily Practice – Quiet Time with God**

#### **Suggested Outline**

#### **Starting at 15 Minutes and Growing Over Time**

Prepare your heart. Spend a few minutes in a quiet, restful state, close your eyes and pray:

God cleanse my heart and speak to me through your Word. Keep my mind alert, my soul at peace, and my spirit in connection with your Holy Spirit.

*(Note: Do not beat yourself up or get frustrated if your mind wanders at any point in your Daily Practice. When you become aware this has happened, thank God for calling you back into communion with Him and continue with your routine.)*

Read Scripture or Devotional. If reading scripture read one chapter and no more. Also, read through a whole book one chapter each day. Then spend time asking yourself questions about the devotional or scripture:

How does this apply to me?

What might God be telling me?

Is God asking me to change anything about myself or my life?

Is God calling me to some specific action?

Journal: Take a journal or index cards and write down the people and circumstances for whom you wish to pray. Be specific in your prayers and in what you write down about your prayer.

(Ex: I am praying for Mr. Jones' heart to be healed after losing his good friend).

Pray: Use your journal/cards as a guide. If you think of something or someone else to pray for, do so and then write it down in your journal/cards afterwards.

Listen: Allow some time to just listen for God after you have made your prayer to Him.

*One helpful way to pray more fully is using the acronym, ACTS: Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving and Supplication (Asking for others and then yourself)*

Repeat the Next Day: Each day when you begin – go through the last several days of your journal/cards and make notes of which prayers have been answered and how! Use these answered prayers as part of your Adoration and Thanksgiving!

### Weekly Community

If you're looking for a Weekly Community group in which to participate, consider joining Pastor Jeff on Wednesday evenings for his class, "Draw the Circle" by Mark Batterson. You can attend just the class at 6:30 pm or you can come and share in the meal that starts at 5:30 pm. Reservations need to be made each week for the meal, but you can attend the class without registering. Additionally, the class is all about Daily Practice and the 40-Day Prayer Challenge. Even if you choose not to participate in the class, Pastor Jeff invites you to join in with the 40-Day Prayer Challenge. For the next 40 days, spend a period in prayer and reflection at a regularly appointed time and space in your daily life. If you need some direction on how to proceed with your Daily Practice check out the article above. In addition to other things God lays on your heart, please pray for our leaders and the implementation of our new Vision! If you plan to join the 40-Day Prayer Challenge and not attend the class, please let Pastor Jeff know. Thanks!





### Sunday, January 23

09:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship/Officer Installation  
12:00 pm Session Meeting  
02:00 pm GS Troop 3693  
08:00 pm AA Meeting

### Monday, January 24

06:00 pm Riverpoint HOA Mtg.

### Tuesday, January 25

09:00 am Preschool Pancakes & PJ Day  
12:00 pm Staff Meeting  
05:00 pm Wiltshire Manor HOA Mtg.  
05:30 pm Alianza Youth Meetings

### Wednesday, January 26

05:30 pm Faith & Family Night  
06:30 pm Worship Team  
08:00 pm AA Meeting

### Thursday, January 27

05:45 pm GS Troop 7012  
07:00 pm Handbell Practice  
07:30 pm Tech Team Teleconference

### Saturday, January 29

12:00 pm Bob Capps Birthday Party

### Sunday, January 30

10 Cents a Meal  
09:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship  
11:30 am Reception for Lorie Lewis  
11:30 am Shower  
05:00 pm Youth Group  
08:00 pm AA Meeting





Marguerite Aycoth

Joan Brown

Joy Burton

Betty Byrum

Joyce Carpenter

Frances Currie

Charlie Earp

Dot Earp

Katharine Freeman

Louise Freeman

Joe Furr

Price Gwynn

Hannah Mauer

John McKay

Margaret Niell

Ann Preslar

Marilyn Price

Gerry Roberts

Marjorie Smith

Mike Spratt

Margaret Wert

Wayne Whiteside

Lois Yandle



**PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR:**

Condolences to the family of Lenora Fincher who passed on January 18<sup>th</sup>

Susan Kurt – Health concerns – upcoming surgery

Trey Horack – Shoulder surgery

Bob Hudson – Open heart surgery on January 25<sup>th</sup> – Brother of Ken Saylor

Karen Freeman – Wickshire Assisted Living - Covid – daughter of John & Annette Freeman

Patients & Staff of Wickshire Assisted Living

Bob Capps – Health concern – further testing – staying with his daughter

Ron – Health concerns – home – brother of Sandi Lauerman

Joan Brown - Shingles

Mary Jo Shannon - Inoperable cancer, going through treatments - friend of a friend of Kate Lemond

Jan Lemond – Surgery & recovering at home - aunt of Jeff Lemond

Andrea Gibson – In hospital with pregnancy complications - friend of the Lemonds

Anisa - Congestive heart failure - Mother of 4 children - daughter of a co-worker of Kate Lemond

Andy Griffin – Underwent surgery for liver cancer and is now seeking a referral to the Mayo Clinic – friend of Cheryl Simerly

Pauline Himler - Back in ICU with complications from Covid – Linda Freeman’s brother’s sisters-in-law and also the sister of Sam Wilder.

Susan Brown – Health concern

George Thrower – Has been put on the list to receive a kidney and is waiting for the phone to ring!

Richard Meeks – Throat cancer. He says prayers are helping and the tumor is shrinking – friend of Marcia Henderson.

Linda Clark – Out of Rehab – staying with her daughter

Jeannie Purvis – Cancer – Wife of Mike Purvis

**Please pray for our Members of the Armed Forces**

Brian Cox – US Air Force, South Korea  
Olivia Hommes – US Air Force Academy, Colorado  
Lexie Simerly – US Army – Fort Carson, Colorado  
Will Warsaw – US Navy, Japan  
Gabe White – US Army – Fort Wainwright, Alaska



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill  
15000 York Road  
Charlotte, NC 28278  
704-588-1290, 704-588-0686

01-21- 2022