

**Weekly
Announcements
12-18-22**



STEELE CREEK
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
at Pleasant Hill

MISSION STATEMENT

Working together to follow Christ in joyfully serving our neighbors.

VISION

Committed to being Everyday Disciples who are Compassionate, Connected, and Contributing through Daily Practice, Weekly Community, and Monthly Service.

Congregational Notices

Stewardship 2023

Don't forget to turn in your 2023 Pledge Card this Sunday! We are looking for 300 giving members and we don't want you to miss out. You can put it in the collection plate, drop it off at the church, or mail it in. If you need a pledge card, you can pick one up on Sunday. The office can mail one to you if needed - just let Jamey know. We'll continue collecting pledge cards until we hit our goal.

Church Center Giving

As we move from Realm to Church Center, you will need to update your online Giving. Log in to Realm and be sure your last automated gift is complete by the end of December. Beginning December 18th, you will be able to set up your regular contributions for the new year directly in Church Center.

Church Center App

You can find the computer login link by going to the church website and clicking on the menu tab in the top right labeled Church Center Login. SteeleCreekChurch.org or you can use the Church Center app on your phone. QR codes are available in the church lobby or office.

Covid, Flu, RSV? – The two most common symptoms, of these viruses, are sinus issues and feeling like you have a head cold. All three are easily transmittable. If you are sick or not feeling well, please respect others around you and stay home. Masks are once again available in the Sanctuary lobby and Admin lobby if you choose to use them. Your staff members are only a phone call away should you need them.

Worship December 18th

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.

Ten-Cents-A-Meal – Donations taken

Name Tags – Be sure to wear your name tags so we can get to know one another. Need one? Just sign up at the Member Info table in the church lobby.

SUNDAY BULLETIN – Click [here](#) to view Sunday bulletin for December 18th.

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| Elder Greeters | Mike Farnham, Cheryl Simerly |
| Deacons | Deborah O’Conner, Donna Moody, Paul O’Conner, Mary Turner |
| Coffee and Bagels | Cancelled |
| Counters | Dec 6: Barbara Burns, Donna Moody |
| Signers | Dec 8: Bill Harraman, Mike Morgan |
| Coffee and Bagels | None will be offered. No one volunteered. |

CHURCH ATTENDANCE DECEMBER 11

Inhouse – 293 Kids – 40

Facebook & YouTube – 294

Total – 587

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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| December 18 | December 21 |
| Ten-Cents-A-Meal | 09:00 am – Preschool Christmas Break |
| 10:30 am – Christmas Musical Program | 08:00 pm - AA |
| 11:30 am – Christmas Fellowship Lunch | December 23 |
| 01:00 pm – Christmas Caroling | 10:00 am – Love Feast Set Up |
| 05:00 pm – Student Life Mtg . | December 24 |
| 06:30 pm – AA Meeting | 05:30 pm – Candlelight & Love Feast |
| December 19 | December 25 |
| 06:45 am – AA Meeting | Communion |
| 11:00 am – Homebound Meal Delivery | No Sunday School, J-Walkers, or Nursery |
| 06:00 pm – Women of Faith | 10:30 am – Lessons and Carols |
| 06:00 pm - Seagals | 08:00 pm - AA |
| December 20 | December 27 |
| 08:30 am – Preschool Christmas Program | 06:30 pm – Men’s Fellowship Dinner |
| 11:30 am – Staff Meeting | January 1 |
| 06:00 pm – Stated Session Meeting | No Sunday School or J-Walkers |

Special Events and Promotions

Christmas Toy Collection - We are accepting toy donations through this Sunday Dec. 18th to support West Boulevard Ministries' toy drive. These gifts will be distributed to kids in the West Boulevard corridor on Christmas Day. Gifts are for boys and girls ages 3-15. A collection bin will be in the office foyer. Thank you for helping make the season bright for those less fortunate!

Fundraiser for the Youth - The Youth are raffling off gift baskets to fundraise for their summer trips! Tickets can be bought before and after church this Sunday, December 18th. You will be able to view the baskets and buy tickets to be entered for the basket of your choosing. The tickets will be \$10 for 2 or \$20 for 5. Winners will be drawn during the Christmas Luncheon on the 18th. You do not have to be present to win. Should you win, you will be contacted. Thank you for your continued support of our youth programs!

Donate Men's Coats - New or gently used for the Charlotte Rescue Mission. You will find a blue tub in the sanctuary lobby where you can place the coats. Thank you.

Mark Your Calendars for the New Year!

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| Women's Retreat | May 19 th -21 st |
| VBS | June 19 th -23 rd |
| Family Retreat | September 15 th -17 th |

Advent and Christmas

Dec 18th

10:30am, Worship, Adult musical presentation

After Worship, Christmas Fellowship Luncheon

- Meal provided at no cost
- Bring your favorite dessert to share
- There will be a photo booth
- And we've heard that Santa will be here!
- Baked turkey, gravy, green beans, rice, and dressing.

1:00pm, after lunch, caroling (bus transportation provided)

All families and ages are welcome to join-in the fun.

3:00pm, after Caroling, Cookies and Hot Chocolate – back at the church.

Dec 24th, 5:30pm, Christmas Eve Service, Love Feast, and Candlelight

Dec. 25th, 10:30am, Lessons & Carols, Communion

No Sunday School, J-Walkers, or Nursery

Jan. 1st: No Sunday School or J-Walkers, Nursery Provided

Family Ministry

J-WALKER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: DEAR FAMILIES - We hope that you and your children are enjoying J-Walkers. Your kiddos are currently learning about the parables of Jesus. In the following weeks we will be asking each family who uses this service to consider volunteering once or twice a year. We would especially love if dads would consider serving as that male influence is also so important for our children to experience. I will have a QR code and slips with the web address for you to register while picking your children up. Thank you in advance for helping us provide this service to families like yours and to foster a fun and loving learning environment for our children. Families are what make SCPCPH such an engaging and formative community of faith. Keri Schafer

Church Volunteer

A Roof Above - will host 5 homeless women on the 3rd Thursdays of each month from December through March.

Questions or input please contact Grace Saylor or Mary Hammond. You can also request to join the A Roof Above group on your Church Center App. Just tap Groups at the bottom of your app.

A few spots remain that need volunteers:

Jan 19th: Overnight hosts, 8pm-6am

Feb 16th: Set up, 4-4:45pm

Overnight hosts, 8pm-6am

Please prayerfully consider filling these last few slots.

Coffee and Bagels – Coffee and donuts will not be available this Sunday, December 18th as there were no volunteers to help set this up. If you would like for this to continue, volunteers are needed! Please consider signing up for January. Signup [Here](#). Without volunteers, this offering will go away. So if you like ‘em, sign up!

Make/Sign Christmas Cards – At this Sunday’s lunch there will be a card station for anyone and everyone to make or sign a card to be delivered to our homebound or firefighters when meals are delivered on Dec. 19th.

Ministry Team – Consider joining a ministry team in the new year! The Outreach Team will be hosting a ministry fair in March.

Props & Praise

- Praise the Lord John Shaver is home and doing much better.
- Deep thank you to Kelly Byrum, Cathy Farnham, Laura Thompson, and Rachel Steele for their hard work and dedication to making the children and youth presentation so wonderful! Thank you parents for coming in early all those Sundays! We so appreciated it them sharing their talents.
- The Staff thanks the Women’s Fellowship Circle for sharing their delicious Christmas lunch with us!
- Thanks to the Finance Team is working hard to both close out the year and prepare for a new one. Thanks especially to Pam Horack for the hours she’s been putting in on Tuesdays!
- Thanks to the Outreach Team who met this week...also they’d love for you to join them! Chat with Mike Farnham if you’re interested.
- Thanks to A Roof Above volunteers this week: Grace Saylor, Mary Hammond, Stew Gilgis, Barry Small, Becky and David Faircloth, Gloria Smith, Judy Watkins, Barbara Burns, Bonnie and David Thompson, Deborah O’Conner, Emily Warnke, Mary Turner, Charlotte Stangy, and Donna Moody.
- Even though the Shoebox packing was cancelled by Samaritan’s Purse, as they didn’t need anymore packing nights, we still want to thank everyone who signed up and Mandy Beck for all her efforts.

Prayer Concerns



Joan Brown

Betty Byrum

Joyce Carpenter

Frances Currie

Dot Earp

Katharine Freeman

Louise Freeman

Joe Furr

Danny Martin

Hannah Mauer

Margaret Niell

Gerry Roberts

Mike Spratt

Margaret Wert

Wayne Whiteside

Lois Yandle

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill extends their condolences to the family and friends of Marjorie Smith who passed December 8th.

Family of Milan Yongue – who passed unexpectedly on December 14 – Nephew of Hester Shank

Kathy Freeman Cuff – Corneal transplant – Daughter of John & Annette Freeman

Karen Freeman – Health concern - Daughter of John & Annette Freeman

Shirley Crump – In hospital with health concern – Sister of Gail Brenner

Harvey & Margi Cole – Grandparents of Kelly Burkhart.

Andy Swetta – Inoperable brain tumor - Husband of Erin Deal Swetta.

Cooper Freeman, III – Health concerns.

David Lindsey- Diagnosed with colon cancer – son-in-law of Phil and Ann Seaman.

Gloria Smith – Health concern.

Melinda Shows – Cancer – daughter of Betty Byrum.

Maxine Haskett – Liver cancer - Mother of Rebecca Economon.

Sara Aldridge - Liver failure & in need of a transplant -friend of Caroline Miller.

Nathan Doty – Eleven-year-old fighting blood cancer. Currently undergoing chemo. He is the son of Ken Doty – friends of the Hastons.

Justin Williamson – Both parents are battling cancer – friend of the Hastons.

David Manning – Lung cancer and numerous medical issues – neighbor of Sandy & DeWitt Lauerman.

Addie Williams – Lung cancer – niece of David & Clara Giles.

Andy Griffith – Has started another round of chemo – friend of Cheryl Simerly.

Jim Conner – Cancer – Father of Beckie Ennis.

Lynn Kuehl – Brain cancer, friend of Allyson Rogers.

Chickie Miller – Undergoing chemo treatment for cancer - friend of John and Karen Shaver.



Brian Cox – US Air Force, Italy
Olivia Hommes – US Air Force Academy, Colorado
Lexie Simerly – US Army – Germany
Will Warsaw – US Navy, Virginia
Gabe White – US Army – Fort Wainwright, Alaska

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