

**Weekly  
Announcements  
3-26-23**



**STEELE CREEK**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
at Pleasant Hill

**Mission/Vision Framework**

We work together to follow Christ in joyfully serving our neighbors as compassionate, connected, contributing everyday disciples who value praise, family, grace and mission. Here we are committed to everyday practice, weekly community, and monthly service.

**Worship March 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14**

**Sermon: Hear the Word of the Lord**

**Sunday Bulletin** – Click [here](#) to view Sunday bulletin for March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Elder Greeters	DeWitt Lauerman, Bill Harraman
Deacons	Megan Winget, Rachel Holzhauer, Crystal Siniarski, Dan Sturge, Rachel McAdoo
Coffee and Bagels	Jon Schafer
Counters	March 21: Barry Small, Angie Neel
Signers	March 23: Linda Elliott, Dave Thompson

**Church Attendance**

**March 19**

**Inhouse – 214    Children - 34    Nursery - 5**

**Facebook & YouTube Views – 186**

**Total – 400**

**Special Events and Promotions**

**Contact Donna Moody** – to reserve a seat on the church bus to see the performance of “He’s Alive” on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **Mark Your Calendar**

You can also find these and more on the Church Center App and the calendar on the church website. [Visit the website calendar here.](#)

<b><u>March 26, Sun.</u></b>	<b><u>March 30, Thur.</u></b>
10 Cents-A-Meal	10:00 am – Beyond the Word
09:00 am – Children’s Choir	<b><u>March 31, Fri.</u></b>
09:30 am – Sunday Community Groups	09:45 am – Loaves & Fishes - help with
10:30 am - Worship	food distribution
11:30 am – South Africa Team Meeting	<b><u>April 1, Sat.</u></b>
<b><u>March 28, Tue.</u></b>	01:00 pm – Mary Hutchinson Funeral
06:30 pm – Men’s Fellowship Group Mtg.	<b><u>April 2, Sun.</u></b>
<b><u>March 29, Wed.</u></b>	09:00 am – Children’s Choir
12:00 pm – Lenten Devotion: Zoom	<b><u>April 3, Mon</u></b>
Pastor Elisa Ashley	Grief Journey 11:00 am and 7:00pm

## **Children’s Choir at 9:00am Every Sunday**

- Mother’s Day Performance May 14<sup>th</sup>
- Ages 4 and up are welcome to sing.
- Rehearsal’s each Sunday morning at 9:00am in the choir room.
- Look in the Church Center App, More, Groups, Children’s Choir: Request to join this group if your child will be joining the choir for the May performance.
- [Click here to join-up your child.](#)



## **Vacation Bible School!**

Read all about this year’s program and register now!

[Click here.](#)

## **Easter Lily Purchase Available**

You may purchase Lily’s through a paper form available through the church office or through Church Center.

- Cost is \$18
- You may list who the Lily is in Memory or Honor or Appreciation of
- [Click Here](#) to purchase and complete the form in Church Center

**The North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society's Spring Tour** - will be held this year on Friday and Saturday, April 14-15 at Montreat, Warren Wilson College, and Asheville. On Friday we will explore the resources of the Presbyterian Heritage Center in Montreat and stay at Assembly Inn. Saturday we'll visit the beautiful Warren Wilson College (Presbyterian) and the historic (1794) First Presbyterian Church in Asheville. Registration \$25. Assembly Inn (828-419-9844) must be booked by April 1 using the ID number 482875. For details and to register for the meeting, go to [www.ncphsociety.org](http://www.ncphsociety.org) or call Don McLeod at 910-695-5550.

## **Volunteer or Donate**



### **Please Give!**

We are a little behind our normal food donations. Please remember to buy a little extra to give to those in need.

**Loaves & Fishes** – needs inexpensive hand can openers. They have found people are unable to open the cans of food because they don't have an opener. Please leave your donation in the office so they can be put in the bins of food that are picked up each month.

**The Men's Fellowship** – is looking for service projects from the church congregation and outside of our church family. Please email Barry Small if you have such a project need.

### **Door of Hope in South Africa Donations: Clothes Are Wanted**

The Mission Team is collecting new and gently used children's clothing, birth to 3-years. There is a tub in both the sanctuary lobby and Admin lobby for you to put the clothing in. They have all the suitcases they need! Thank you to everyone who has donated so far!

## **Family Ministries**

### **Candy Donations Needed**

We need candy donations for the *He is Risen! Party* for ages 3yrs – 5<sup>th</sup> grade Easter Sunday. Please drop candy off with Jamey or Keri during office hours or on Sunday mornings.

### **J-Walkers**

We are engaging in a series called *Praise Party*. The kids will be engaging in creative ways with what it means to live a life of praise. Be sure to register your 3year-1<sup>st</sup> grader today!

### **Pre-school-5<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School**

Please have your child join us for the 4-week series, *Changing Gears 4-WEEK SERIES FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT ON JESUS' MINISTRY*. See the parent series email for tips and themes to encourage your child's learning.

### **Middle-High School Sunday School**

Join us for *Focus* a four-week study on the Gospels and Psalms focusing upon spiritual growth. Find postcards to access the series devotional in the lobby on the member information table or in the youth center.

### **Student Life Mission Trip July 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>**

Both the High School and Middle School Summer Mission Trips are open on Church Center for Registration. Registration closes on the 1st of April so if your student is attending, please register ASAP. If you need a scholarship, please email [keri@steelecreekchurch.org](mailto:keri@steelecreekchurch.org). If you are interested in chaperoning, please also contact Keri.

## **Adult Community Groups**

### **Grief Journey Groups**

These groups are a time of sharing where you are on your grief journey, how you got to this place, and to seek the grace of God for how he is directing your path forward. In these groups sharing of both pain and healing are welcomed – tears and smiles. In most situations, grief expressions or discussions are not welcomed. They can make people feel uncomfortable, not knowing what to say or do. This space is different. In these groups all are deeply intimate with grief and will welcome your sharing. We will additionally engage in learning and reflecting on the Biblical model of mourning and healing as well as prayer. Let's journey and heal together!

- Starting: April 3rd
- Day Option: 11:00 am
- Night Option: 7:00 pm
- **Please register** through Church Center app (links below) or by emailing [Elisa@SteeleCreekChurch.org](mailto:Elisa@SteeleCreekChurch.org)

We are keeping the number of these groups small for sharing purposes. So please secure your spot by requesting to join now!

Some of you have already requested to join these groups through Church Center. Wonderful! If you'd like to attend and haven't requested to join yet, please do so!

If you'd like to chat further with Pastor Elisa before deciding, you may call her at 803-810-7661. Attendees are not required to be church members, so you're welcome to share this information and invite others. You are welcome to request to join both groups, visit both, and then decide which one you want to continue attending.

Anyone can request to join through Church Center: [Click here](#) for day. For the night offering [click here](#). They can also join by emailing me directly. Please join a group so we can prepare for your attendance and have enough materials ready.

### **Overview of all groups.**

All these groups are “Open Door” for you to attend. Feel free to move between them based on what and how you desire to journey in your faith formation.

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Lead</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Current Topic</b>
<b>Sunday Weekly</b>	9:30	210: Conf. Rm.	Digging Deep	David McAliley	Faith Formation. Video/Discussion format with a more academic bent. Multi-generational.	Jesus Revealed: The I Am Statements in the Gospel of John
		302: Dining Room	Fellowship 55+	Bill Harraman	Faith Formation. Video/Discussion format. Generally age 55+	Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws
		106: Parlor	Open Forum	Clara Giles & Grace Saylor	Mixed age men and women that come together to share and discuss scripture and/or faith-based videos.	Final Words from the Cross
		211: Billie Watt Rm.	Faith Builder	Pastor Elisa Ashley	Faith Formation. Video/Discussion series from the GROW curriculum. Generally, adults 50 and under.	We'll learn Jesus is who he says he is and says not to be afraid. Jesus wants to hear what we have to say and let us know that peace is possible. Faith Builder/Sun/9:30am
<b>Thursday Weekly</b>	10:00am	210: Conf. Rm.	Beyond the Word	Grace Saylor & Becky Neely	Faith Formation. Women's study group, book and discussion based. Multi-generational.	Jesus' Final Week (Life Guide)
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> of the month</b> <b>NEW</b>	7:00pm	Conference Room	Saints & Aints	Jenn Michel	Women's Faith Formation book study and discussion	Rise and Rest: Be Refreshed in Your Work

<b>Mondays 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of the month NEW</b>	11:00am or 7:00pm	Parlor	Grief Journey	Pastor Elisa	Multi- Generational and Co-ed. All stages of the grief journey welcomed.	Discussion. Support. Healing. Prayer.
<b>Tuesdays 2<sup>nd</sup> of month</b>	10:00 am	Dining Room	Women's Fellowship Circle	Susan Kurt	Senior women's group engaging in book studies.	Friendship: Growing Side by Side Life Guide
<b>Tuesdays 4<sup>th</sup> of month</b>	6:30pm	John's Family Restaurant	Men's Fellowship	Barry Small	Men of all ages invited for food and fellowship.	Fellowship and projects.

## *Praise and Gratitude*

Mike and Levi Purvis, recovered from COVID.

Linda Neely is home and continuing to attend rehab.

Thanks to the Bill Harraman and the meal crew for Thursday night's great meal at Faith & Family Fun Night! Thanks also to our volunteers: Cathy Farnham, Kate Lemond, Rachel and Taylor Steele. (Thanks to Mary Beth and Larry for being willing to volunteer if we needed!)

## *Prayer Concerns*

### **Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns**

For Christians who are being persecuted around the world.

For the new Grief Journey Groups that will begin in April, as many of our church family and loved ones continue on their journey of grief and healing.

For wisdom for our church staff as they move forward.

For youth in all circumstances who are facing bullying.

Rowan Haston, as she travels to Germany for a two-week exchange trip.

For CJ's daughter, a local man struggling.

Philip, a man new to the area praying for work.

### **Surgery**

Derrick Davis and his wife, brother-in-law of Trey Horack, as he recovers from surgery due to a biking accident.

Friend of Karen Rawls who had emergency surgery after having a car accident due to experiencing a heart attack.

### **General Health Concerns:**

Barbara Thompson

Felicia Clark Peaseley, sister of Marcia Henderson and Rachel Howell, is in rehab.

Harvey & Margi Cole, grandparents of Kelly Burkhart – Health concerns.

Grace Kuto, return visitor, long COVID.

Catherine Day, friend of Gail Brenner, is in rehab recovering from hip surgery.

Nancy Starnes, Judy Watkins's mom, in skilled nursing and is on O<sup>2</sup> at the age of 93.

Darrell Bonapart is a veteran, member of the American Legion, and friend of Bill Harraman. His wife is having heart issues due to long COVID.

John Williams, Mary Beth Monroe's brother-in-law, on dialysis again.

DJ & Amanda LeGate, cousins of Ragan Haston, serious health conditions.

Louise Freeman, Bob Freeman's wife, is at the Peak Resources rehab in Gastonia.

### **Cancer**

David Lindsey, son-in-law of Phil and Ann Seaman, more advanced chemo treatments.

Sara Aldridge, friend of Caroline Miller, now well enough to receive liver transplant, praying she gets one.

Justin Williamson, friend of the Hastons, both parents are battling cancer.

Jim Conner, father of Beckie Ennis, doing well on chemo.

Donna Garrison, pancreatic cancer, starting chemo with a very serious condition.

Dan Baird, Kate Lemond's co-worker's father, recently diagnosed with cancer.

Mick O'Donnell, Keri Schafer's father, surgery delayed due to a stroke-like event.

Diana Hunter, pancreatic cancer, in a worsening situation with a grim diagnosis.



Joan Brown

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

Sammy Gatewood

Forest Nunnerly

Frances Campbell

Elaine Kotraba

Tink Helms



Brian Cox – US Air Force, Italy

Olivia Hommes – US Air Force Academy, Colorado

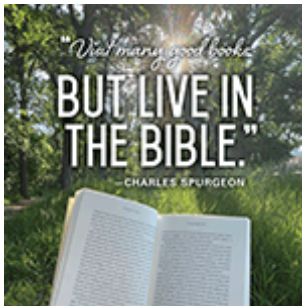
Lexie Simerly – US Army – South Korea

Will Warsaw – US Navy, Virginia

Gabe White – US Army – Fort Wainwright, Alaska

Bradley Lauerman, Sandi and Dewitt Lauerman's grandson, US Navy, Northern Mediterranean.

Dennis Rawls, Karen Rawls son, in Qatar working with a medical evac unit.



### **Higher Ed Students**

Parker Beachley

Kelly Ferguson

Connor McAliley

Regan Snyder

Leah Warnke

Sarah DeBerry

Donald Horack

Melinda Moore

Andrew Tanner

Erin Whitaker

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