

JANUARY 14, 2024



STEELE CREEK

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
at Pleasant Hill

WORKING TOGETHER TO FOLLOW CHRIST IN JOYFULLY SERVING OUR
NEIGHBORS AS COMPASSIONATE, CONNECTED,
CONTRIBUTING, EVERYDAY DISCIPLES.

Your yearly Bible reading plan:

Reading the Bible in order: By next Friday finish
Genesis and read through Exodus chapter 13.

Reading the Bible in chronological order:
By next Friday finish Job and read Genesis 12-24.

Next week look for the following week's plan.

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Upcoming Worship

MESSAGE: THE LORD CALLS SAMUEL
SCRIPTURE: 1 SAMUEL 3:1-10

ELDER GREETERS	
DEACON USHERS	RACHEL STEELE, BETTY HARRAMAN, JESSICA MORGAN, GENE GILLELAND, RANDALL BRUNSON
COFFEE AND BAGEL HOSTS	OUTREACH AND FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY
COUNTERS	BARRY SMALL, PAM HORACK
SIGNERS	WALTER NEELY, LEON DANIELS

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK ARE GIVEN TO THE GLO-
RY OF GOD AND IN CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTHDAYS
OF WIFE AND MOTHER CATHY FARNHAM (JAN. 27)
AND CHILDREN ZOE (JAN. 5), HARPER (JAN. 14), AND
BRADY (JAN. 23) BY THEIR HUSBAND AND FATHER
MIKE FARNHAM.



THE 2024 FLOWER SIGN-UP POSTER IS ON THE
BULLETIN BOARD TO THE RIGHT OF THE CHURCH
OFFICE. IT IS AS EASY AS WRITING YOUR NAME IN A
BLANK. THE CHURCH WILL CALL YOU FOR DETAILS
AND PAYMENT. COST IS \$50.

LAST WEEK'S MORNING WORSHIP:

INHOUSE 198	CHILDREN 25	NURSERY 4	YOUTUBE VIEWS 68	FACEBOOK VIEWS 26	TOTAL 292
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Odds and Ends

It is that time of year to pack away the sparkling decorations, to take down the greenery, to haul out the trees. And, to ask young people to help out with ladder climbing and lifting and hauling.



We will be taking down the big tree in the Sanctuary, taking down the wreaths outside and the wreaths in the foyer. We would really appreciate the assistance on **SATURDAY, JANUARY 13TH AT 10 A.M.** Since these require ladder work, we would like to have some of the younger men to help out.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you remember when Pastor Jeff walks around with those adorable babies and tells the babies how we will surround them, guide them, help them learn, support them, protect them, teach them about Jesus?

Well, we need you. We need at least 14 people to step-up and say, "I will be one of those people to guide, protect, lead and train." We need Jesus Walker volunteers.

You will be responsible for sharing a pre-planned and pre-made children's lesson to three year olds through first grade. Then watch over the children until their parents come for them at the end of a Sunday service.

You will not be alone. Each room will have two adults to help support each other in watching over the children.

The more people we have sign-up and work on your assigned Sunday, the fewer Sundays you need to serve. This fits in with your monthly service. See the right column of page four for more on Your New Year.

You must be able to pass background check. All children are fully potty trained. Reach out to Lindsey Lucariello through the church directory for more information or to sign-up.

YOUR NEW YEAR

A new year brings about a great time to start a new activity, a new way of living, a new way of thinking, a new way of conducting your daily life. Consider joining a community group to build your personal circle of support; visit with that group weekly to keep your circle close. Consider setting aside 20 minutes a day with your Bible and read through the Book by year-end. At least 12 times per year, serve. Do something for someone else that is outside your norm. Daily. Weekly. Monthly. It is as simple as that.

Lost & Found

Tap or scan QR code to go to Church Center for pictures of items.



Money is a tool well worth understanding. It isn't to be worshipped, but having it can relieve some stresses in one's life. Twice a month there will be definitions, simple tips, and suggestions to lead you to being a better steward of the money you have.

Last week you learned to spend less than you make. Tip #2 is to build an emergency fund. That bit leftover from spending less than you make should be saved for a day you have an unplanned and unexpected event, such as paying to have a tire fixed, an urgent care visit, a dead car battery. Once you build a good emergency fund, the emergencies aren't as financially stressful.

Eventually, you'll recognize many unexpected events are to be expected. Example: after 5 years or so, a dead car battery is expected. It will no longer be a financial emergency, just a task that needs to be addressed.

This corner will never give financial advice regarding investing or any individual money advice. You will need to seek financial council for concerns relating to your specific situation.



Calendar and Events

13 January, Saturday	11 am - Intercessory Prayer Team
9:00 am - Officer Training	16 January, Tuesday
10:00 am - Take down Sanctuary tree	7 pm - Handbell Choir
14 January, Sunday	17 January, Wednesday
9:30 am - Sunday School (Maui trip special presentation in Choir Room - all invited)	6:30 Praise Team
10:30 am - Worship	18 January, Thursday
11:45 am - South Africa mission trip meeting - conference room	10 am Beyond The Word - Ladies Bible Study
15 January, Monday	19 January, Friday
Office Closed for MLK Day	2:45 pm- Meal for Palisades Sports Team

January 13, Officer Training at 9 am.

January 13, 10 a.m. We need help with Christmas tree and wreaths coming down. [See details page 2.](#)

January 14, Officer Installation and Ordination during service.

January 14, 9:30 a.m. Special program, with photos and Q&A in the choir room about the mission trip to Maui taken by Dexter, Donna and Tom.

January 14, 11:45 a.m. Door of Hope Ministry mission trip meeting in conference room. [More details - page 4.](#)

January 18, 10 a.m. Meals for out shut-in members are prepared in the multipurpose room, packed and then delivered by a group within the Outreach and Fellowship Ministry team. Want to help? Call the office and we will get you connected.

January 21, 12 pm BASIC Training and Youth Group

LAST WEEKEND TO PLEDGE

Stewardship Campaign of 2024

The 2024 pledge drive has started. This pledge made by you/your family assists the church by allowing the church to create a budget for the coming year. This budget allows the church to plan personnel, luncheons, activities, VBS and support our missions, curriculums, trips, scholarships, etc.

You may pledge with the brochures in the back of the pews. You can tap or scan the QR code to the right to pledge. You may also pledge in the church lobby on the provided blue Apple tablets.



All pledges are private and can be changed up or down anytime throughout the year as your family needs. Reach out to the financial office to change your pledge if necessary.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

WOMEN'S RETREAT

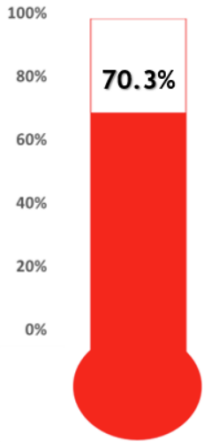
The Women's Retreat will be happening May 18-19 with Friday night, the 17th, optional. The stay will be at the William Black Lodge in Montreat, NC.

Lori Lewis, formally of SCPCPH staff, will be our retreat leader. More details and registration information to follow.

If You Missed Epiphany Sunday last week, then you missed getting your "star!" Stars will be available in an offering plate in the sanctuary lobby on a table. Please feel free to pick one up for yourself, or for anyone else you know who would appreciate receiving one.

MINISTRIES

You may request to join the following ministries anytime.



Stewardship Campaign

Goal: \$700,000
Pledged: \$492,100
Remaining: \$207,900

**Consider your 2024 pledge today.
See the QR code on page 3.**

Your support makes a difference!

Door of Hope Mission

Our first meeting for those interested in being part of the mission team to the Door of Hope Ministry in South Africa in May 2024 will be held in the conference room at 11:45am Sunday, January 14, 2024. Attending the meeting does not require you to make a commitment to be part of the team. The meeting will be on Zoom if you are unable to attend.

THE YOUTH GROUP IS ASKING FOR YOUR HELP

Parents and leaders of the youth group are the primary provider of meals for our ever growing group of 6th - 12th graders. The group is asking for help from *individuals or a ministry team or another group* to provide a meal one evening. From [Sign-Up Genius](#), they are asking for dinner and drinks (dessert optional but always appreciated) for 25-30 people. You can cook or

Congregational Care Ministry Team

The Congregational Care Ministry Team is updating its list of church members who are willing to provide transportation to our members. From time to time there are needs for rides to doctor's appointments, grocery shopping, rides to church on Sunday or events during the week. This isn't an everyday thing, but it's something that is greatly needed. If you are willing to help with this mission, please let the church office know. You will be included on a list of available folks who can help. Your willingness will mean a great deal to those in need and to all church members. Thanks for your consideration. Also, if you are aware of anyone who needs this kind of assistance, please let the office know as well. We can't help folks if we don't know they need us.

YOUTH GROUP

purchase food for the group. Pizza, tacos, spaghetti, burgers, hot dogs, etc. are fan favorites. [The following dates are available: Feb. 9 and 25, March 10 and 17, April 14 and 21.](#)

Please sign-up below through Sign-Up Genius and give those parents and leaders a break. If you would prefer to call the church office, ask for Jamey or Tiffany. The link for sign-ups: [Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill: Youth Group Meals \(signupgenius.com\)](#)

Music Notes

Westminster

CONCERT BELL CHOIR

CONDUCTOR | KATHLEEN EBLING SHAW

THURSDAY | JAN 18, 2024 | 7PM

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JANUARY 18, 7 PM

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Prayer Concerns

Praise

- ♦ Kevin, Anne Moore's father, is doing much better, and it looks as if he will be going back to work soon.
- ♦ Gloria Smith's Aunt Alma Simms is at home doing well.
- ♦ Mandy Beck's Aunt Cheryl is home doing well following her hip replacement.

Condolences

- ♦ Lynn Kuehl, a friend of Allyson Rogers, passed away on January 7th following a long battle against cancer. Please pray for her husband Alan, her daughters, family and friends.

Special,

Congregational, and Community Concerns

- ♦ Prayer for the country of Ukraine and its people.
- ♦ Prayer for the country of Israel and its people.
- ♦ For Christians who are persecuted around the world.
- ♦ For youth in all circumstances who are facing bullying.
- ♦ Agape Dental Ministry
- ♦ Kairos Prison Ministry, for the inmates and those serving in the ministry, that they would know Jesus as their Savior.
- ♦ Pray for the current foster parents and pray that more

foster parents come forward. There is a drastic shortage and such a strong need.

- ♦ Please pray for the organization *Fostering the Family* and the following children that are looking to be adopted:
- ♦ Mario—pray for his adoption to be completed. Mario has been in foster care for three years.
- ♦ Laila—pray for permanency with the family she is with and an adoption. Laila has been in foster care for four years.
- ♦ Jenifire—a child waiting for adoption—foster parent undecided about whether she can do it, but another family would be thrilled to adopt her. Jenifire has been in foster care for four years.
- ♦ Princeton, Desiyah, Destiny – parent's rights were terminated, and adoption prospects are scarce for the girls. Need permanency soon. They have been in foster care for four years.
- ♦ Brittany—has a court case. Parents may lose their parental rights so permanence can happen. Brittany has been in foster care for 18 months.

General Health Concerns

- ♦ Ernie and Mary Coskrey had COVID. They are doing well and coming to the end of their isolation period.
- ♦ Betty Small has recovered from COVID, but is battling an ear infection.

- ♦ Danny Martin out of Presbyterian Hospital but not yet home.
- ♦ Becky Beck, the grandmother of Spencer and Gavin Beck, is suffering from a number of different health issues and appreciates all the prayers you can send.
- ♦ Johnny Simms, the brother of Gloria Smith, is home recovering after a two-month hospital stay for a blood infection.

Cancer

- ♦ Janet Harlan, friend of Kate Lemond, was recently diagnosed with cancer.
- ♦ Elaine Scarborough, friend of Becky Neely, has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung and brain cancers. She has started chemo.
- ♦ Teresa Hartman, neighbor and friend of Angie Neel, is receiving treatments for stage 4 neck/throat cancer.
- ♦ Fletcher Wilson, father of Ashley Rawls, has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Ashley's prayer request is that his body responds to the chemo and radiation treatments and stop the spread of cancer and heal him.
- ♦ Ruth McGaha is doing well. Her next cancer scan is scheduled for February.
- ♦ Johnny Bethea, cousin of Anne Moore has been diagnosed with pancreatic

cancer. He's undergoing chemo treatment.

- ♦ Margaret Renward, a family member of Deb & Paul O'Connor has been diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic, lung and liver cancer. Please pray for Margaret and her family.
- ♦ Dan Baird, Kate Lemond's co-worker's father, had another scan and is praying for the best.
- ♦ Jim Conner, Becky Ennis' father, is coming to the end of his chemo treatment.
- ♦ Diana Hunter, a friend of David McCorkle, has pancreatic cancer. Recently, she entered a clinical trial and is seeing good results. Praise God for the good results.
- ♦ Larry Aaron, co-worker of Kate Lemond, asks for prayer for healing, a treatment plan, and understanding of the situation.
- ♦ Dave Prouty, a friend of the Morgan's, had a recent cancer scan that reveals his cancer has advanced. Please pray for him, his wife and twin daughters.

Ongoing Illness

- ♦ Donna Garrison had surgery in August and was advised by her doctor her recovery could take up to a year.
- ♦ Paul Brenner, Gail Brenner's nephew, needs prayer for ongoing medical issues.
- ♦ Pat McCorkle, David McCorkle's mother, is in Lake Wylie Assisted Living. She is suffering from pneumonia and issues with her legs. Please keep Pat in your

prayers.

- ♦ Darrell Bonapart is a veteran, member of the American Legion, and friend of Bill Harraman. His wife has now been diagnosed with congestive heart failure, diabetes, nerve damage, and high blood pressure. He appreciates our prayers.
- ♦ Daniel Morris, a friend of Bruce Doane, has been diagnosed with Wegener's disease. There is no cure for this disease and will require lifetime treatment. Please pray also for his wife and two children.
- ♦ Cooper Freeman III has kidney disease and diabetes. Please pray for healing for the issues he's experiencing with his feet.
- ♦ Andy Griffith as he struggles with Cystic Fibrosis.

Homebound

- ♦ Joan Brown
- ♦ Linda Clark
- ♦ Joyce Carpenter
- ♦ Dot Earp
- ♦ Katharine Freeman
- ♦ Louise Freeman
- ♦ Joe Furr
- ♦ Elaine Kotraba
- ♦ Danny Martin
- ♦ Hannah Maurer
- ♦ Sarah Middleton
- ♦ Margaret Niell
- ♦ Forest Nunnally
- ♦ Gerry Roberts
- ♦ Mike Spratt
- ♦ Margaret Wert

- ♦ Wayne Whitesides
- ♦ Lois Yandle

Students

- ♦ Clay Ferguson
- ♦ Kelly Ferguson
- ♦ Donald Horack
- ♦ Melinda Moore
- ♦ Ben Shanti
- ♦ Casey Snyder
- ♦ Regan Snyder
- ♦ Sydney Snyder
- ♦ Andrew Tanner
- ♦ Charlie Warnke

Military

*****When we have someone serving outside of the U.S., we remember them, by lighting a candle, until they return. Please be in prayer for them.***

- ♦ **Brian Cox, US Air Force, Italy
- ♦ Olivia Hommes, US Air Force Academy, Colorado
- ♦ Bradley Lauerman, US Navy, Virginia
- ♦ **Lexie Simerly, US Army, South Korea
- ♦ Will Warsaw, US Navy, Virginia



If you would like to add or remove a church member who is in college or the military from the prayer list, please reach out to tiffany@steelcreekchurch.org, jamey@steelcreekchurch.org, and/or Betty Small our Congregational Care leader.