

FEBRUARY 25, 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
reading Deuteronomy 5-27.

Reading the Bible in chronological order:
By next Friday finish Numbers 1-15 and Psalm 90.

Next week look for the following week's plan.

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ELDER GREETERS	MEG SALMON, AL WINGET
DEACON USHERS	KARSEN PENNINGTON, RACHEL HOLZHAUER, CRYSTAL SINIARSKI, DAN STURGE, RACHEL MCADOO
COUNTERS	BILL HARRAMAN, ANGIE NEEL
SIGNERS	BARRY SMALL, DAVID THOMPSON

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK ARE GIVEN TO THE
GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF JIMMY
EARP'S 75TH BIRTHDAY ON FEBRUARY 27TH BY HIS
MOTHER DOT EARP. THE BEAUTIFUL SAND DOLLAR
ADORNING THE FLOWERS WAS DECORATED BY
JIMMY.



THE FLOWERS ARE ALSO GIVEN TODAY TO THE
GLORY OF GOD IN CELEBRATION OF BETTY
DAVIS' BIRTHDAY ON FEBRUARY 24TH WITH
LOVE BY HER HUSBAND, GEORGE.

LAST WEEK'S MORNING WORSHIP:

INHOUSE
176

CHILDREN
20

NURSERY
5

YOUTUBE VIEWS
55

FACEBOOK VIEWS
24

TOTAL
280

Odds and Ends



Dear Friends,
Thank you so very much for the
shower of cards for Katherine. We
spent the day with her today, which
may be the last, but all the cards
are on display in her room. It did
our hearts good to read such kind
words to her. Thank you.

Sending love and hugs to
each of you.

Annette and John

Have you
downloaded
the Church
Center app
on your
phone?



It is a great way to find short
cuts to our newsletters, prayer
list, lost and found page,
YouTube videos, giving and
even calling the church without
dialing the number! ,

Download today, and I'll help
any of you to set it up.

**WHAT ARE THE "ODD'S & END'S" YOU
WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?**

**Retirement announcements? School
successes? Celebrations? Praises?**

SCPCPH's Automated Call System

Sometimes, your staff might need to communicate with you. It may concern the passing of a member or a snow/ice storm event, a reminder of activities coming up, etc. There may be a lag before you hear the beginning of the message, so please don't hang up. If you are away from your phone and don't answer the call, the system will call you three times before it records the message to your voice mail for you to hear later.

KID'S CORNER!



"I was so delighted when Harrison gave this to me after Sunday School this past week. I might have to frame it! Thank you to Miss Megan and Miss Rachel for leading this craft!"

-Kelly Burkhart

"Cross"
by Harrison B.
age 6

Calendar and Events

25 February, Sunday - Second Sunday of Lent	28 February, Wednesday
TEN CENTS A MEAL SUNDAY!	6:15 pm - Praise Team
8:30 - 12:30 am - Red Cross Blood Drive	7:00 Choir - all welcome! Age 14+
9:30 am - Sunday School, Donuts & Coffee	29 February, Thursday - LEAP DAY!
10:30 am - Worship	10 am Beyond The Word - Ladies Bible Study
5 pm - Youth Group	7:00 Handbells Choir
26 February, Monday	3 March, Sunday - Third Sunday of Lent
11 am - Intercessory Prayer Team	9:30 am - Sunday School, Donuts & Coffee
27 February, Tuesday	10:30 am - Worship
11:30 am - Staff meeting	11:30 am - Outreach and Fellowship Ministry Team
7 pm - Session 2024 Meeting	5 pm - Youth Group

Blood Drive

[Schedule a Blood, Platelet or Plasma Donation | American Red Cross \(redcrossblood.org\)](#) Click here to make your appointment. Our zip code is 28278. Scroll down until you see our church on **February 25.**

Eight appointment times available.



EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

March 31st - 7 A.M. Service will be held at the Columbarium at the rear of the church.



March 16 We will have a Spring Festival with egg hunt for our children. This event will be from 10 am-11:30 am. The egg hunt will be open to two-year-olds through fifth graders.



WE COULD USE YOUR HELP:

We are collecting small items such as candy and prizes to put inside eggs. We are collecting a few plastic eggs. We are asking for help stuffing the eggs on Wednesday, March 13 from 11 am - until, during Fun Bunch. Come, have lunch, and stuff an egg!

Donations accepted until March 13 at lunch time.

April - Outreach and Fellowship ministry will host a FREE shred day in April. Date to be announced. There will be a truck onsite to accept your papers that you need securely shredded in order to protect your information.



April is also tax month, so maybe you have old taxes, business papers, old ledgers, etc. from many years past that could be shredded. Start pulling together your papers and be ready to bring them onsite in April for secure shredding.

Ministries

February 25 *Ten Cents A Meal Sunday.* If you are unfamiliar with “ten cents a meal Sunday”, the last Sunday of every month, the children race around the sanctuary collecting money to support people without the finances to have three regular meals per day. Can you afford 10¢ per meal per month? This comes, on average, to \$9 per month per person. Do you have loose change? Every little bit helps.

A Year of Events!

Outreach and Fellowship, formerly known as Community Engagement Ministry, is planning monthly events for the our church family and community each month. Join this active group and assist in its ministry. Upcoming events *and* brainstorming ideas you could participate in are:

Spring Festival, Shred Day in April, Fall Festival, Assisting with Loaves and Fishes, Child Safety Day, Bazaar, Operation Christmas Child, Community Yard Sale.

What other brainstorming ideas do you have? Meet with the group on March 3 right after church in the conference room.

Church Directory

Congregational Care has created a committee of six to build and publish a traditional directory with professional family photos of our church members. The last directory published was five years ago in 2019. You will hear much more about this project in the future.

Update:

Digital forms and paper forms are about ready to be distributed! Finessing a few of the final details and the Directory Committee is ready to help you be part of this great tradition.

Door of Hope Ministries in South Africa

We are accepting new and gently used baby clothing for the Door of Hope Ministry. Two collection bins are available for drop offs. One in the narthex and one at the front office.

These clothes need to be for children birth to three years old. Thank you everyone for helping with this mission effort.



Women's Retreat registration is opening on Friday, March 1.

The online registration for the women's annual retreat is open on March 1. The event details will be available for viewing earlier in the week on the Signups page of Church Center.

Registration will be available March 1 - April 15. No deposit is required but full payment is expected no later than April 15.



BEN BROWN SCHOLARSHIP



The Ben Brown Scholarship application is now active. You must be a member of Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill to apply. You must be pursuing a college degree.

The Finance Committee at Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill is proud to administer the Ben Brown Scholarship Fund. This fund was established by his family for the purpose of helping our congregation members further their learning through higher education.

To be eligible for this scholarship you must plan on attending a college, university, trade school or equivalent. You must also be a member of our congregation.

The Scholarship Committee may, at their discretion, award all funds to a single applicant or divide the funds among several applicants.

Prayer Concerns

Please be in prayer for the following that they receive peace, comfort, support, healing, strength, and the love of Christ as He knows all the needs of all people. For more details on each, please see Church Center's Prayer List.

Condolences

- ◆ Our condolences to the family and friends of Danny Martin on his passing on February 22.

Praise

- ◆ Barry Small's had five bypasses done. Praise God this surgery went well and continue to pray for a complete recovery.

Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- ◆ Becky Faircloth asks for prayer for all early voting and Election Day works that the election goes safely and without incident.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ For teachers.
- ◆ Kairos Prison Ministry, for the inmates and those serving in the ministry, that they would know Jesus as their Savior.
- ◆ Mason Freeman, Bob and Louise Freeman's grandson. Louise would like prayers that he will be successful in college.
- ◆ Fostering the Family asks for prayers for all of our support churches and care communities that are wrapping around these vulnerable families.
- ◆ Fostering the Family (FTF) is asking for prayers for Jessica. FTF is praying a church in Pageland, SC will step into assisting Jessica's family.

- ◆ 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:
- ◆ Laila: found a permanent home. Please pray for her adoption to be completed by summer. Laila has been in foster care for four years.
- ◆ Jenifire: still waiting for a permanent home. Jenifire has been in foster care for four years.
- ◆ Princeton, Desiyah, Destiny: Continue to pray for these three children. The oldest has run away from foster care, and her whereabouts are unknown. Please pray this child is found safely and quickly. One is struggling with behaviors, and the foster parents are challenged daily. Pray for the love of Christ to find all of them so they do have hope.
- ◆ Brittany: her parents have a termination of parental rights scheduled for April 11th. Please pray for this. Though sad, it is the right decision. Pray for a permanent home for Brittany. Brittany has been in foster care for 18 months.

General Health Concerns

- ◆ Sammi, niece of Susan Boyle, is carrying triplets and is 25 weeks along. Two of the babies are struggling with their size. Please pray for Sammi and babies Alice, Maeve, and Peter to get to 35 weeks' gestation.
- ◆ Crystal, a ministry partner of Fostering the Family, had back surgery this week and has struggled for healing.
- ◆ Felicia Clark Peaseley is doing very well in rehab. Marcia Hen-

derson asks for continued prayers for sister's strength, comfort, and healing.

- ◆ Gerry Roberts was schedule to come home from rehab on Monday, February 19th.
- ◆ Sondra Gillette fell and broke her knee cap.
- ◆ Sarah DeBerry is undergoing medical testing.
- ◆ Blanche Withers, grandmother of David McAliley, fell and broke several bones. Blanche will have to go through healing and extensive rehabilitation.
- ◆ Margaret Wert has been admitted to Pruitt Health Care for rehab.
- ◆ Johnny Simms, the brother of Gloria Smith, is home recovering after a two-month hospital stay for a blood infection.

Cancer

- ◆ Todd, son of Kim who works with FTF, was just diagnosed with a brain tumor. Pray that it is treatable and for the support and love of his family to surround him.
- ◆ The father-in-law of Susan Boyle of FTF is struggling with sleep. Her mother-in-law is starting to feel the weight of what the future looks like without her husband of over 60 years.
- ◆ Darryl and Jan Emory (Wilson Byrum's daughter and son-in-law) both have cancer.
- ◆ Andy Griffith, neighbor of Cheryl Simerly, has had cancer return and has other medical issues.
- ◆ Janet Harlan, friend of Kate Lemond, had a lumpectomy for early-stage breast cancer. She is recovering well from surgery and has started radiation treatment.

- ◆ Ruth McGaha had a scan and is to meet with her oncologist on February 29th to discuss results.
- ◆ Jim Conner, Beckie Ennis' father, has finished chemo. A cancer spot has shrunk which is a praise.
- ◆ Elaine Scarborough, friend of Becky Neely, diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer is suffering from fatigue.
- ◆ Teresa Hartman, neighbor and friend of Angie Neel, has completed chemo treatments for stage 4 neck/throat cancer.
- ◆ Fletcher Wilson, Ashley Rawls' father, will meet with his doctor to review the results of his PET scan.
- ◆ Johnny Bethea, cousin of Anne Moore has 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.
- ◆ Diana Hunter, a friend of David McCorkle, has taken a turn for the worse. She is in tremendous pain, and the cancer has spread. David McCorkle asks that we pray for Diana.
- ◆ Larry Aaron, a friend of Kate Lemond, is struggling with cancer. He's had to stop work due to his condition. He is feeling better, and the doctors feel that he's healthy enough to start chemo soon. Please pray for Larry.
- ◆ 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

- ◆ John Williams, Mary Beth Monroe's brother-in-law, has been put on the kidney transplant list. Please pray for this to happen timely and for a donor match to found.

- ◆ Donna Garrison is doing well after her surgery in August and is continuing to heal.
- ◆ Becky Beck, the grandmother of Spencer and Gavin Beck, is suffering from a number of different health issues and appreciates all prayers.
- ◆ Paul Brenner, Gail Brenner's nephew, has ongoing medical issues.
- ◆ Pat McCorkle, David McCorkle's mother is doing much better. She's back at Lake Wylie Assisted Living.
- ◆ Mrs. Darrell Bonapart has congestive heart failure, diabetes, nerve damage, and high blood pressure.
- ◆ Daniel Morris, a friend of Bruce Doane, with Wegener's disease will continue his transfusions. There is no cure.
- ◆ Cooper Freeman III has kidney disease, diabetes and foot problems.

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, Washington
- ◆ Will Warsaw, US Navy, Virginia

Homebound

Joan Brown	Hannah Maurer
Linda Clark	Sarah Middleton
Joyce Carpenter	Margaret Niell
Dot Earp	Forrest Nunnally
Katharine Freeman	Gerry Roberts
Louise Freeman	Mike Spratt
Joe Furr	Margaret Wert
Elaine Kotraba	Wayne Whitesides
Danny Martin	Lois Yandle