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STEELE CREEK
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
at Pleasant Hill

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Working together to follow Christ in joyfully serving
our neighbors as compassionate, connected, contrib-
uting, everyday disciples.

Your yearly Bible reading plan:

Reading the Bible in order: By next Friday
finish Esther and Job 1-20

Reading the Bible in chronological order:
please see page 4.

Next week look for the following week's
plan.

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Upcoming Worship

SPEAKER: JEFF PINKSTON
SCRIPTURE: ROMANS 8:12-17
MESSAGE: THE HOLY TRINITY

ELDER GREETERS	MICHAEL FAIRCLOTH, JARED MCCALL
DEACON USHERS	KARSEN PENNINGTON, RACHEL HOLZHAUER, CRYSTAL SINIARSKI, DAN STURGE, RACHEL MCADOO
COUNTERS	LEIGHTON BROWN, DEWITT LAUERMAN
SIGNERS	BARRY SMALL, DAVID THOMPSON

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK ARE GIVEN TO THE
GLORY OF GOD BY DEWITT & SANDI LAUERMAN
IN CELEBRATION OF THEIR 57TH WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY ON MAY 27TH.



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 160	CHILDREN 22	NURSERY 4	YOUTUBE VIEWS 49	FACEBOOK VIEWS 27	TOTAL 236
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Odds and Ends



Poppies

For almost a century, The American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Program has provided a way for all Americans to honor and assist past and present members of the military. The poppy was adopted as a symbol of freedom and blood sacrificed by troops in wartimes after a teacher read the poem "In Flanders Field".

The poppies are handmade by veterans and some auxiliary members. ONE HUNDRED PERCENT of all monies collected is used to assist veterans or active-duty military personnel and their families when financial and/or medical needs are evident.

Members of the Post 221 Auxiliary, which meets here, plan to use money collected on Sunday, May 26th, to help a veteran with travel and training expenses incurred when receiving a free service dog, provide welcome household baskets for veterans entering transitional housing and/or purchase items for the Charlotte USO.

As we celebrate Memorial Day, please consider making a donation in exchange for a poppy after our church service on Sunday.

Two Volunteers Are Needed – after the Sunday Service to clear off the coffee/donut table. Please call the church office if you can help, even if it is for one Sunday, so this program can continue. Thank you for considering this.



We still have a host of unclaimed items in the lost and found bin at the front of the church. Check the page----> to see what items are there.

Lost & Found



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

New items added as needed. Please see if your lost items are

KID'S CORNER!

A little boy was staring in wonder at the names on a plaque in an old church. The pastor noticed him and asked, "What are you looking at, my son?"

The boy replied, "All those names up there. Who are they?"

The pastor smiled and said, "Why they are the names of people from this congregation who died in the service."

The little boy thought for a moment and then asked very quietly, "Which one? The 9:00 or the 11:00 service?"

Please tour the cemetery behind the church on Sunday and remember those who have served and passed.

Calendar and Events

UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

Sunday - 10 Cents a Meal	Wednesday
09:30 am – Sunday School, Donuts & Coffee	12:30 pm - Preschool Graduation
10:30 am - Worship	6:15 pm - Praise Team
8 pm - AA meeting	8 pm - AA meeting
Monday	Thursday
Memorial Day - Office Closed	7 pm - Handbells
11 am - Intercessory Prayer Team	Sunday
Tuesday	Graduation Recognition
11:30 am - Staff Meeting	11:30 am - Outreach and Fellowship
7 pm - Session Meeting	

Select dates for the next four weeks
and beyond:

June

02 - Graduate Recognition Day
 02 - Outreach and Fellowship - 11:30am
 03 - Intercessory Prayer Team - 11:00am
 03 - Admin. and Personnel Meeting - 6:00pm
 04 - Christian Growth - 6:45pm 8:15pm
 05 - Faith & Family - 6 pm Last one before September!!
 07 - Fellowship Meal - Capt Steve's Restaurant - ALL INVITED
 Meet at 11:15; lunch at noon.
 09 - First adult summer Sunday school session with
 Pastor Dexter Greene, choir room at 9:30 am
 09 - Deacon Meeting - 11:45am 12:15pm
 09 - Foster Family New Mission Luncheon after church
 in multipurpose room.
 09 - Picture Make Up Date 1pm - 4pm
 10 - Intercessory Prayer Team - 11:00am 12:00pm
 10 - Missions Ministry Team Meeting - 6:30pm 7:30pm
 11 - Friendship Circle - 10 am
 11 - Finance Committee - 6:30 pm
 13 - Congregational Care Meeting - 6:30pm 7:30pm

14 - Crafts Fellowship - 10 am
 17 - Intercessory Prayer Team - 11:00am 12:00pm
 18 - Men's Fellowship Group Gathering - 6:30pm 7:30pm
 24 - Intercessory Prayer Team - 11:00am 12:00pm
 25 - Session 2024: Session Meeting - 7:00pm 9:00pm
 30 - 10 Cents a Meal Sunday

July

01 - Intercessory Prayer Team
 01 - Grief Journey
 02 - Christian Growth
 04 - Independence Day - Office Closed
 05 - Fellowship Trip - Billy Graham Library - ALL INVITED
 07 - Outreach and Fellowship
 08 - Intercessory Prayer Team
 08 - Missions Ministry Meetings
 09 - Friendship Circle
 09 - Admin. and Personnel Meeting
 09 - Finance Committee
 11 - Congregational Care Meeting

July 7-11 Vacation Bible School
October 12 Scottish Heritage Golf Tournament

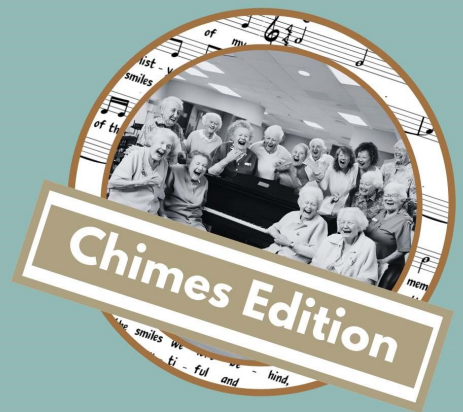
SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS

An adult Sunday School class will meet during the summer months. We will have our first class on June 9th and will conclude on August 25th. We will meet in the choir room. We will be studying the Gospel of Mark.

MEMORIAL DAY IN PLEASANT HILL CEMETERY

Please take time this weekend or Monday to take a ride - or walk - through our cemetery. You will see flags for all the men and women resting there who gave of themselves in honor of this great country we call "HOME".

MUSIC & Memories



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SHARE THE MUSIC OF YESTERDAY TODAY!

Join us as we ring our Malmark Chimes to share popular tunes of the 1920s – 1990s with area assisted living residents. We'll rehearse a few times and then visit local senior communities to give a short performance (with a sing-along) and then let the residents try out the chimes for themselves.

No Experience Necessary • Ages 14 - 140 • Only 8 Spots!

Rehearsals Dates

- 9:00 AM - 9:30: Sundays before Worship
- June 9, 16, 23, 30, July 7

Performance Day

- Saturday July 13
- 10:30 AM: Lake Wylie Assisted Living
- 12:00 PM: Lunch
- 2:00 PM: Summit Place at SouthPark

Fun and easy songs! Selections include:

What a Wonderful World, Sweet Caroline, That's Amoré, When I'm 64, Mack the Knife...

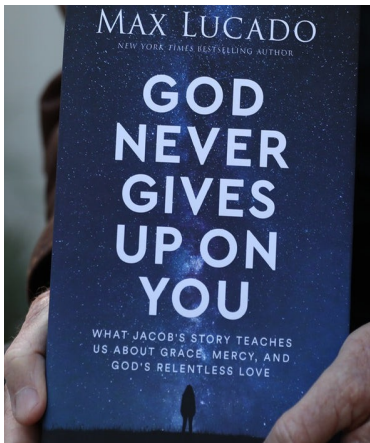
Email Kaarin to sign up!

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Vacation Bible School

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



Adult VBS

The adult VBS program will begin at 6:30 pm Sunday, July 7 and last about 60 to 75 minutes each evening through Thursday, July 11. A meal is available from 5:15 - 6pm with the younger VBS'ers.

The hard cover book (pictured right) can be purchased for \$21 when you register for the adult VBS via Church Center - purchasing the book is optional. It is not necessary for this class. You may also order an e-book online for yourself.

Pastor Jeff Pinkston will lead the DVD format class. [Save your space today by registering here](#) or calling the church office to save your spot.

Optional meal sign-up is included with online registration. Price per Meal: \$4 per adult, \$3 per child and free for under 5 with a \$15 cap per family per day.



Scan or tap QR Code above to be taken to VBS registration.

Adult VBS Curriculum

God Never Gives Up on You
What Jacob's story teach us about Grace, Mercy, and God's Relentless Love

"God's Grace Is Greater Than Your Biggest Setback. God enacts his perfect plan through imperfect people—including you and me!"

In this five-session Bible study, you will see how God used Jacob—the misbehaving patriarch who was strong on savvy but weak on conscience—simply because God chose to use Jacob. His story invites us to believe in a God who sticks with the unworthy until we are safely at home."

Children's VBS

VBS will be Sunday, July 7 through Thursday, July 11. Meals start at 5:15 and is an optional add-on. VBS starts at 6pm each evening. This program is for preschoolers who are fully potty trained through children who are in or have just completed 5th grade.

**Invite
your
friends
to
come
with
you!!**



Your Yearly Bible Reading Plan (cont.)

May 24: 1 Chronicles:23-25

May 25: Psalm 131, 138-139, 143-145

May 26: 1 Chronicles 26-29; Psalm 127

May 27: Psalm 111-118

May 28: 1 Kings 1-2' Psalm 37, 71, 94

May 29: Psalm 119: 1-88

May 30: 1 Kings 3-4; 2 Chronicles 1; Psalm 72



Ministries

Fellowship Opportunities

You have the opportunity to join a new fellowship group! On the first Friday of each month, starting in June, the church will sponsor a variety of activities like traveling to a restaurant for lunch, going to local area attractions, and occasionally taking a day trip, all while enjoying your church family. This opportunity is open to everyone in the church.

On June 7th at noon, we will meet at Captain Steve's Family Seafood Restaurant in Fort Mill, S.C. You can drive yourself or come to the church at 10:30 am to carpool. You will need to be at the restaurant no later than 11:15 am so you can be seated with our group.

On our second field trip, July 5th, we will visit the Billy Graham Library. Other fun trips, some out of town, are being planned, so stay tuned!

10 Cents a Meal on Sunday

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.



Welcome to Stepping Stones, a ministry to meet, lift up, and wrap arms around foster families wherever they are in their journey.

The Stepping Stones ministry is a subgroup of the Missions Ministry team, and will be led by Sandi Lauerman and Mamie Gaver. Stepping Stones is creating a care community for one family that is fostering child(ren), and Stepping Stones is inviting you on the journey.

So, what is a care community? A care community will be a group of up to 8 people that will support a fostering family with prayer, mentorship, generosity, knowledge, and all the fruits of the Spirit.

The groups that surround a family and make-up one care community are as follows: **a team leader, a family helper, a child mentor, and an interim caregiver.** The latter we are not currently pursuing; that becomes an overnight role from one to 14 nights after trust is built between the family and the care community. We are looking for our volunteers to serve in the roles of **a family helper** or **a child mentor**.

The family helper will serve in ways that will help support the fostering family. You may supply a monthly meal, a gift card to a restaurant, help with grocery shopping, assistance with laundry and/or errands, help with yard work, or even help with homework for biological, adopted, or foster children in the household. We know how everyone loves algebra!

Not everyone is in the position to foster, but being a child mentor in our care community allows you to have a positive influence on a foster child. The role of child mentor can allow you to be more involved in the life of a vulnerable child, and it gives you the opportunity to pour love and encouragement into them. **Continued next page**

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

So many ways to serve.

Drivers

Needed

The third Thursday of each month our Shut-Ins and two



volunteer fire departments are delivered hot meals that are made on site by Bill Harraman and his crew.

This crew needs additional drivers to help deliver and visit with our shut-ins. Deliveries start at 11:30a.m. You may have to go as far as Gastonia. If you are available one Thursday a month around lunch time, please reach out to Marion Briggs through Church Center or call the church office to sign-up.

This program is on hold until the Fall.

Our wonderful Acolytes will take a break over the summer months. Many of you have expressed how glad you are to have them back so look for them again when school starts again. A huge thanks to all the kids for their enthusiasm and willingness to participate in this part of our worship service.



Thank you children for setting an excellent example of how you can serve your church and be involved!

Parents of 3rd - 5th graders, we are quickly coming to the end of our Sunday school year (which seems to have flown by). Our last class is Sunday! It will be a great time of painting our memories of the year. This is a fun time, and we're hoping all "our" kids will be able to be here.



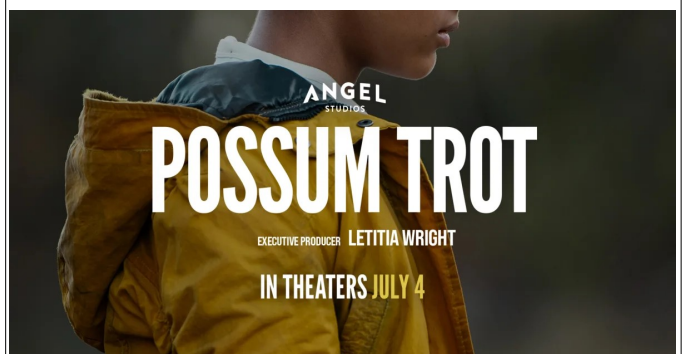
Stepping Stones (cont.)

Childcare is an area where foster parents need the most support, and they also tend to receive the least support in this area. In the role of child mentor, you will be asked to provide child-care at least twice per month. Families are hesitant to ask for childcare beyond a necessary appointment, fearing they are inconveniencing you.

Are you interested in mentoring a child or volunteering to assist a family as a family helper within our new care community? Please come to the **multipurpose room right after church on June 9** to attend the lunch and awareness program "Foster Family Care Support Awareness".

<https://youtu.be/JGNyqveOyHw?si=ZJG5HBKA3eUeKHtw>

[Check out the amazing true story of a church in Possum Trot, TX. This is the trailer for Angel Studios "Sound of Hope: The Story of Possum Trot" \(to be in theaters July 4\) where a church community collectively adopted 77 children over time.](#)



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.

Praise

- ♦ Penni Cooke, a coworker of Kate Lemond 's cancer scan has shown her cancer to be in remission.
- ♦ Teresa Hartman, a friend of Angie Neel's has learned her cancer is in remission.

Surgery

- ♦ Rachel Holzhauer is having cardiac surgery on May 22nd at the Mayo Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota. She would greatly appreciate prayers for a smooth surgery and recovery.
- ♦ Jeff Lemond's surgery went well, and he's already seeing relief from the pain he previously experienced.
- ♦ Bo Lane, Clinton Corbett's neighbor had hernia surgery and is doing well. He's home recovering.
- ♦ Leon Daniels is scheduled for surgery May 30.
- ♦ Jerry Powell, a very good friend of Bill Ferguson's is having serious abdominal surgery. Please pray for God's grace for Jerry and his family.

with the medical community while in Kenya. His parents, Kelly and Mat, would appreciate our prayers for Bryson to have a great learning experience & safe return home.

- ♦ Pray for our mission team in South Africa to have safe travels home.
- ♦ Prayer for our mission team leaving for Honduras on May 27th.
- ♦ Paul Kuto is on a mission trip to Kenya until July 30.
- ♦ Lexie Simerly is scheduled for deployment to Korea in August.
- ♦ Pray for the hunger being experienced in Sudan due to war like conditions.
- ♦ Pray for the country of Ukraine and its people.
- ♦ Pray for the country of Israel and its people.
- ♦ For teachers.

General Health Concerns

- ♦ Gerry Roberts gall bladder surgery went well. He however was admitted to the hospital with an infection and is very weak.
- ♦ Marcia Henderson is recovering very well from knee replacement surgery.
- ♦ Kathy Cuff, John and Annette Freeman's daughter has severely impaired vision in one eye.
- ♦ Wayne Whiteside is in Asbury Aldersgate Rehab Facility as his cracked pelvis heals. His stay can last for possibly 4 to 6 weeks.
- ♦ Drew Martin is the baby of a friend of the Tuccillo Family. Baby Drew has heart defects and will need open heart surgery

once he gains enough weight.

- ♦ Beth Spratt is doing well. She is able to walk gingerly but without assistance. She hopes to be able to get out of the brace and boot she's wearing this week.
- ♦ Johnny Simms, the brother of Gloria Smith is doing better. He's able to go to rehab.
- ♦ Felicia Clark Peaseley has returned home following rehab. She is still recovering from her surgery and needs prayer.

Cancer

- ♦ Kevin, Anne Marie Moore's dad has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.
- ♦ Patty, Clinton Corbett's sister-in-law, is being tested for endometrial cancer. Please pray for her.
- ♦ Raquel Mercer, Ragan Haston's sister and Tom & Regina Settlemyre's daughter has been diagnosed with cancer.
- ♦ Anita, Allison Beach's friend's mother, has been diagnosed with aggressive Lymphoma. Hospice has been called in.
- ♦ Ken Wilkerson, brother of Terry Gillette, has been diagnosed with cancer.
- ♦ Carol Pridgen, sister of Betty Small will return to Duke on May 29th for assessment and possibly future surgery on May 31st.
- ♦ Yvette Suarez-Navis has had surgery for cancer. She will now undergo radiation treatments. Yvette works in our church nursery.
- ♦ Allyson Spratt daughter-in-law of Mike Spratt is undergoing chemotherapy. She is doing well except for being tired all the time.

Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- ♦ Pray for all the families affected by the deadly tornado's that have left devastation through many states in the US.
- ♦ Bryson Barrett, the son of Kelly and Matt Barrett who are close friends with the Gilleland and Bolender families, is on a trip to Kenya as part of his studies at The Citadel. He will be serving

- ♦ Andy Griffith, neighbor of Cheryl Simerly, has had cancer return and has other medical issues.
- ♦ Ruth McGaha met with her doctor regarding her scan and nothing much has changed.
- ♦ Jim Conner, Beckie Ennis' father, has finished chemo. He is on a schedule to have a scan every three months. One cancer spot has shrunk which is a praise.
- ♦ Elaine Scarborough, friend of Becky Neely, diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer had scans. The scans have shown improvement.
- ♦ Fletcher Wilson, Ashley Rawls father, had surgery on his left leg that went well. He had a wash done of his lungs but still may have to have a biopsy done on some spots.
- ♦ Johnny Bethea, cousin of Anne Moore, has been diagnosed with liver cancer in addition to pancreatic cancer. He is continuing chemo treatments.
- ♦ 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 be found.
- ♦ Becky Beck, the grandmother of Spencer and Gavin Beck, is suffering from a number of different health issues and appreciates all prayers.
- ♦ Mrs. Darrell Bonapart is in a life threatening situation. They have put in a port to start dialysis immediately. She and her husband appreciate all the prayers lifted up for them.
- ♦ Daniel Morris, friend of Bruce Doane, diagnosed with Wegener's disease is off steroids. They are continuing his infusion treatments and seeing how he progresses.

- ♦ Cooper Freeman III is home from the hospital and seems to be doing well following his procedure. He has multiple medical visits scheduled.

Fostering the Family (FTF)

- ♦ Fostering the Family asks for prayers for all of our support churches and care communities that are wrapping around these vulnerable families.
- ♦ Todd, son of Kim who works with FTF, was 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 Susie Boyle and his wife want continued prayers as they face his medical difficulties.
- ♦ Sammi, niece of Susan Boyle, and the triplets: the triplets are doing well and continue to gain weight.
- ♦ Please pray for the organization *Fostering the Family* and the following children that are looking to be adopted:

*Laila: found a permanent home but with all she's been through she's trying to disrupt her adoption. The family is a good family and is willing to work through her issues with her following some training for trauma. This training is available through Fostering the Family.

*Jenifire: still waiting for a permanent home. Jenifire has been in foster care for four years.

*Princeton, Desiyah, Destiny: please continue to pray for these children. Desiyah is still missing. Princeton needs appropriate services to come through to help him. Destiny doesn't have a foster home and may be living in the office.

*Brittany: case has been continued. It could be another 3 to 6 months before another hearing to have parental rights terminated.

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	Sarah Middleton
Linda Clark	Margaret Niell
Joyce Carpenter	Forrest Nunnally
Dot Earp	Gerry Roberts
Katharine Freeman	Mike Spratt
Louise Freeman	Margaret Wert
Elaine Kotraba	Wayne Whiteside
Hannah Maurer	Lois Yandle
Pat McCorkle	