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NEXT FRIDAY READ
REVELATIONS 12-22.

IF YOU'RE READING THE BIBLE IN CHRONOLOGICAL
ORDER: PLEASE SEE [PAGE 2 OR CLICK HERE.](#)



STEELE CREEK
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
at Pleasant Hill

Working together to follow Christ in joyfully
serving our neighbors as compassionate,
connected, contributing, everyday disciples

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Upcoming Worship

<u>SPEAKER:</u>	REV. DR. CHRIS MURPHY
<u>SCRIPTURE:</u>	COLOSSIANS 3:12-17; LUKE 2: 41-52
<u>MESSAGE:</u>	MY FATHER'S HOUSE
<u>ELDER GREETERS:</u>	PRICE FREEMAN, CHERYL SIMERLY
<u>DEACON USHERS:</u>	KARSEN PENNINGTON, RACHEL HOLZHAUER, CRYSTAL SINIARSKI, DAN STURGE, RACHEL MCADOO
<u>COUNTERS:</u>	BILL HARRAMAN, ANGIE NEEL
<u>SIGNERS:</u>	BILL HARRAMAN, PAM HORACK

SUNDAY'S FLOWERS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE
GLORY OF GOD BY JACK FOWLER IN LOVING
MEMORY OF HIS WIFE, NANCY, WHO WAS
THE 1939 NEW YEAR'S BABY FOR
CHARLOTTE.



THE FLOWERS TODAY ARE ALSO GIVEN TO
THE GLORY OF GOD BY MICHAEL NUNNALLY
IN CELEBRATION OF HIS MOTHER'S,
FORREST, 100TH BIRTHDAY ON DECEMBER
27.

LAST WEEK'S MORNING WORSHIP:

INHOUSE 192	CHILDREN 14	NURSERY 2	YOUTUBE VIEWS 48	FACEBOOK VIEWS 27	TOTAL 267
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Odds and Ends

Your Yearly Bible Reading Plan (cont.)

- : 12/27/2024: Revelation 1 - 5
- : 12/28/2024: Revelation 6 - 11
- : 12/29/2024: Revelation 12 - 18
- : 12/30/2024: Revelation 19 - 22
- : 12/31/2024: Leap Year! You have a free day.



Last day is Sunday!!

You have until December 29 to bring in a card if you prefer. Please drop it off at the front office or you may place it in the offering plate with her name on the front, and the ushers will make sure it gets to



THE 2025 FLOWER CALENDAR IS
POSTED OUTSIDE THE CHURCH OFFICE.

The Flower Crew is looking for someone who enjoys being and helping create & upkeep the church flower beds. If you are interested, please reach out to Gail Brenner or the church office at 704-588-1290.

Special screening package for \$159 for our members includes:

Carotid Artery Disease Screening Atrial Fibrillation Screening Peripheral Artery Disease Screening Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening **FREE** Hypertension Screening

Call to schedule an appointment near you! **888-814-0466** and use code: **HSCA001**

LIFE LINE SCREENING
The Power of Prevention



*Lifeline will be on
campus Friday for
your convenience.*

J - Walkers

NEEDS YOU!

Calling J-Walkers Volunteers! Please consider signing up to spend time with some of our youngest members in our J-Walkers program.

All you do is serve a snack, conduct an easy prepared lesson, and have fun! To sign up, please follow this QR code or talk to Chris Murphy. Youth are welcome to sign up as the second helper.

If you are 18 or older, you must pass a background check.

Those serving:

December 29: WE NEED YOU! Follow the QR code!



SCAN ME

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF GRATITUDE, A CHILD'S DRAWING, A CLEVER JOKE OR CARTOON. THIS PAGE IS YOUR PAGE TO HELP BUILD WITH FUN NOTICES, BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY POSTINGS, LETTERS, ETC. SEND SUBMISSIONS TO:
NEWSLETTER@STEELECREEKCHURCH.ORG

BdG, BdG Thanks goes out to:

- Tiffany for the banners, Jeff for letting us order them, and Tiffany and Randall for putting them up.
- Thanks to Bill and Betty for food and his cooking crew for Christmas dinner.
- Thanks Anna, Dale, and Fred for helping with the tables and for all you do to help with making sure the church gets things done.
- Roberta and Donna helping with cookies and cider set up.

Thanks again!

Happy New Year,
Phyllis

KID'S CORNER!



Hey there kids!! What did you do or get for Christmas? Send in your pictures today! Share your favorite activities or items with your church family throughout the month of January. Send your submissions to

Newsletter@steelecreekchurch.org

Calendar and Events

UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

SUNDAY - 10 CENTS A MEAL	WEDNESDAY - NEW YEAR'S DAY
09:30 AM - DONUTS, COFFEE & SUNDAY SCHOOL	OFFICE CLOSED
10:30 AM - WORSHIP SERVICE	THURSDAY
08:00 PM - AA	
MONDAY	FRIDAY
	8:30 AM - 5:30 PM LIFELINE SCREENING
TUESDAY	SUNDAY
11:30 AM - STAFF MEETING	09:30 AM - COFFEE & SUNDAY SCHOOL
	10:30 AM - WORSHIP

Select dates for the next four weeks and beyond:

December

29 — 10 Cents A Meal Sunday

31 — New Year's Eve

January

01 - New Year's Day (office closed)

05 - Communion

05 - Star Sunday

05 - Officer Training (abt. noon-5pm)

06 - Admin and Personnel meeting

06 - Registration for Faith and Family dinner closes at noon

07 - Christian Growth meeting

08 - Faith and Family Dinner

09 - Congregational Care meeting

10 - Crafts Fellowship

12 - Youth Group Sunday

14 - Finance Committee meeting

16 - Shut-in meal prep and delivery

21 - Men's Fellowship at Jim 'N Nicks

26 - 10 Cents A Meal Sunday

28 - Session meeting

SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars now, Ladies -

May 16-18, 2025!

Black Mountain and Montreat are still recovering from Helene, but we are happy to share that the William Black Lodge hopes to be up and running in time for our annual Women's Retreat! More exciting details to follow!

Missions & Ministries

CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS: The Congregational Meeting that took place on December 15th elected David Giles, Bill Harraman, Toni McCall, and Rachel Steele to serve with 2 members of the Session and one member of the Diaconate on the nominating committee. The nominating committee helps compile a list of candidates for Elders and Deacons.

The next Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, January 5th, immediately after worship to hear a report from the Nominating Committee and proceed with the election of Elders and Deacons to serve in the class of 2026, if the way be clear.

Please refer suggestions for individuals to serve as an Elder or Deacon in the class of 2026 to Al Winget or Cheryl Simerly.

OFFICER TRAINING: All officers in the class of 2025 and 2026 will need to attend Officer Training, immediately after church on Sunday (01/05). We will serve sub sandwiches for lunch and then move into our training. We will wrap up around 5:00 pm. Please make every effort to attend.

Beyond the Word

Beyond the Word is taking a short winter break after the holidays! We will resume our regular Thursday morning meetings on February 6, at 10:00, with a study of the Twelve Disciples. We will let you know when study guides are available! Enjoy your holidays, see you in February! Come join us!

"Servers of Hope"

This group is open to ALLLLLLL! You may be of any age, any gender, and have any crafting skill level!!

Have preschoolers who love to glue and color? They can surely help out with the crafts, and you get to grow new friends (and may adopt a few grandparents).

"It is for all folks, even if they are not crafters...like me! It's a good fellowship, and we even go to lunch afterwards. Most items we make are donated to nursing homes, schools, etc. During the summer, we even bring our kids, grandkids, etc. They love crafting."

---Betty Small, crafter not crafter

This group meets the second Friday of the month in the small dining room at 10 am.

Next meeting:

Jan. 10!

2025 Stewardship Campaign

The 2025 Stewardship Campaign has officially concluded after running for five Sundays. As of December 27, we fell short of our goal, with a total of 90 pledges received—less than one-half of our congregation pledging.



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2025

Stewardship Campaign

Goal: \$800,000

Pledged: \$599,731

Remaining: \$200,269

Scan the QR Code to make
your pledge today

Your support makes a difference!



We understand that not everyone is able or willing to pledge financial support to their home church. However, we ask you to continue praying about the matter and consider following the provided links to pledge whatever amount you feel called to give. The campaign will remain open, and we encourage those who have not yet pledged to do so.

[PLEDGE ONLINE TODAY!](#)

Your pledge helps us anticipate the donations the church can expect next year, enabling us to set budgets for daily operations and the ministry teams that support our community. Your pledge is not binding, and no one will contact you if your actual contributions differ from your pledge. You may also update your pledge at any time by contacting the church office.

[PLEDGE ONLINE TODAY!](#)

If you need assistance submitting your pledge electronically, please reach out to the church office or Randall Brunson. Someone will guide you through the process on your device without requiring you to share your pledge details.

Missions & Ministries



This Sunday is *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. 100% of donations to the buckets goes to Nourish Up, formerly known as Loaves and Fishes.



If you missed the Clover Brass Band last Sunday, you missed a real treat!

An absolutely amazing group of young people will be coming here and sharing their talents, music and love for the Advent season.



AGAPE
DENTAL MINISTRY

7839 Idlewild Road
Charlotte, NC 28212

704-778-1204

To all the wonderful people at Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill who volunteered, contributed, and/or participated in the golf tournament, I would

like to extend heartfelt thanks from Agape Dental Ministry for your hard work and generosity. Your donation of the proceeds is truly invaluable to our mission of providing God’s love through free dental care to those in need.

The success of this event and your contribution demonstrates your commitment to making a difference in the lives of those in our community. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to purchase a brand-new panoramic x-ray machine. This is invaluable in diagnosing oral disease and abnormalities of the head and neck.

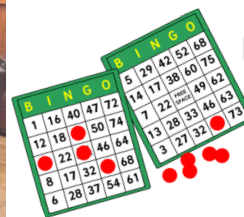
We are so grateful for your dedication to our cause. Your kindness helps us continue to make a difference in the lives of those we serve. Thank you again and may God continue to bless you all.

Sincerely,

Becky Faircloth

Executive Director

Agape Dental Ministry



FAITH & FAMILY

**DINNER IS
BACK!**

6 PM ON JANUARY 8

Dinner is in the multipurpose room.



Menu is TBA with bread, salad, dessert.

[Sign-up online here](#) or on Sunday with your bulletin insert.



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.

Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- ✝ Pray for the DHSS Agencies in both North and South Carolina for the challenges they are facing in carrying out their mission regarding foster children and foster families.
- ✝ Prayers for the people affected by Hurricane Helene in North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Tennessee and Virginia.
- ✝ Prayers for those affected by Hurricane Milton in Florida.
- ✝ Pray for the country of Ukraine and its people.
- ✝ Pray for the country and people of Israel. Also, please pray for the safe return of the hostages being held by Hamas and for the killing of further people to be stopped.

General Health Concerns

- ✝ Eugene Botterio, son-in-law of Larry & Helen Shaver, needs prayers that his health issues will improve.

- ✝ Linda Clark has been discharged from Mercy Hospital and returned home to Albemarle.
- ✝ James, the infant son of Tim and Terry Gillette's niece, Jordan, is still in the NICU. He is expected to be there until December. He is gaining weight, and his breathing is improving. Please continue to keep him and the family in your prayers.
- ✝ Johnny Simms, the brother of Gloria Smith is doing better. He's able to go to rehab.

Cancer

- ✝ Jennifer Belk, caregiver for Margaret Wert and Hannah Maurer, has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. She had surgery last week and has been discharged from CMC Main. She is staying with her mom. Please be in prayer.
- ✝ Jim Ragan a friend of Pastor Jeff's was recently diagnosed with Lymphoma. He is requesting prayer.

- ✝ David Carter, friend and co worker of Mac Winget is responding well to his treatment for Lymphoma.

Please continue to pray for him and his family.

- ✝ Raquel Mercer, sister of Ragan Haston and daughter of Gina and Tom Settlemyre, had surgery at Duke. She continues to need prayers as she receives treatments which is a process over a long period of time. Her family thanks you for your prayers.
- ✝ Kaarin Record had started her chemo treatments. Please be in prayer for her and her husband Don.
- ✝ Allison Spratt has completed her radiation treatments and now has 39 targeted chemo treatments before proceeding with her next surgery.
- ✝ Carol Pridgen, Betty Small's sister, was back at Duke yesterday. They did CT scans. The spots on her lungs are disappearing. The chemo is also doing what it is supposed to do on her tumor. They were all pleased. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- ✝ Ruth McGaha met with her doctor regarding her scan. She is able to travel and visit with family.

† Elaine Scarborough has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung and brain cancers. Her latest scan has shown spread. She will start radiation soon. Please continue to pray for her.

† 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

† Kelly Bledsoe is having a number of ongoing health issues. Brenda Bledsoe asked that we lift her daughter up in prayer.

† Cooper Freeman has returned home following surgery and rehab. Please pray for his continued recovery.

† Mrs. Darrell Bonapart is still suffering the side effects of long Covid. She and her husband appreciate all prayers lifted up for them.

† 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.

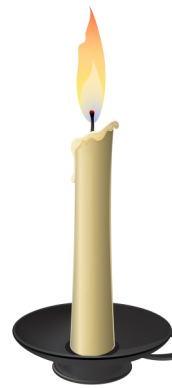
Fostering the Family

† Fostering the Family asks for prayers for all of our support churches and care communities that are wrapping around these vulnerable families.

† Please pray for the organization *Fostering the Family* and the children that are looking to be adopted.

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, North Carolina

College Students

Clay Ferguson	Ben Shanti
Kelly Ferguson	Casey Snyder
Alexa Hill	Regan Snyder
Donald Horack	Andrew Tanner
Melinda Moore	Charlie Warnke

Homebound

Joan Brown	Hannah Maurer
Linda Clark	Pat McCorkle
Joyce Carpenter	Sarah Middleton
Dot Earp	Forrest Nunnally
Cooper Freeman, III	Gerry Roberts
Katharine Freeman	Kat Sparrow
Louise Freeman	Mike Spratt
Elaine Kotraba	Margaret Wert
	Wayne Whiteside

If you would like to submit a prayer request, private or public, you may:

¹Complete the prayer card in the back of the pew and place it in the offering plate. Mark if it is a private or public prayer request. The card will be sent to the Intercessory Prayer Team.

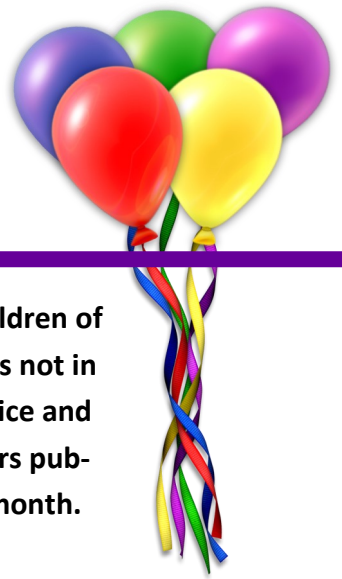
²Email any prayer concerns to IntercessoryPrayerTeam@steelecreekchurch.org

³Submit a prayer concern through Church Center. On the computer go to scpcph.churchcenter.com and select the "Prayer Works" image. If you have the app, scroll down for the "Prayer Works" image on the homepage and select it.

The Intercessory Prayer Team is honored and privileged to pray for your prayer requests. We want to pray for concerns close to your heart. You can also feel to call or text members of the Intercessory Prayer Team, Clinton Corbett, Mamie Gaver, Dexter Greene, Sandi Lauerman or Karen Rawls.



Happy Birthday



Many have asked for a birthday list! I will publish members' and children of members' birthdays if they are available in our directory. If yours is not in a list and you would like it to be, please reach out to the church office and let's see if our records need to be updated. If you do not want yours published, please reach out at least one month before your birthday month.

January Babies

Martha Brown	2-Jan	Jacob Economon	11-Jan	Grace Saylor	14-Jan
Steve Smith	2-Jan	Joshua Economon	11-Jan	Allison Moody	15-Jan
Melanie Wallace	2-Jan	Bob Freeman, Jr.	11-Jan	Ben Horack, Jr.	18-Jan
Christopher Howell	3-Jan	Lynn Roberts	11-Jan	Melissa Ferguson	19-Jan
Angie Neel	3-Jan	Fred Willis	11-Jan	Ella Kauffman	22-Jan
Barbara Freeman	4-Jan	Ginny (Virginia) Lindsay		Carson Economon	23-Jan
Linda Elliott	5-Jan	Wimmer	11-Jan	Leon Daniels	23-Jan
Zoey Farnham	5-Jan	Matthew Lucariello	13-Jan	Carson Pennington	23-Jan
Bill Ferguson	7-Jan	Ford Haston	13-Jan	Brady Farnham	23-Jan
Peggy Reid	7-Jan	Lindsey Lucariello	14-Jan	Clinton Corbett	25-Jan
Rory Byrum	8-Jan	Renee Beach	14-Jan	Cathy Farnham	27-Jan
Jim Robson, Sr.	8-Jan	Jackson Burkhart	14-Jan	Bonnie Thompson	27-Jan
Randall Brunson	10-Jan	Harper Farnham	14-Jan	Charlie Wilson	30-Jan

Dates and names are as accurate as in our database. If you need to make a change, please reach out to the church office.