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

LET'S THINK
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THE BOX

15000 York Road Charlotte, NC 28278

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Last Week's Service

ATTENDANCE

Inhouse: 196

Children: 24

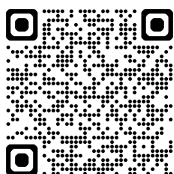
Nursery: 1

Online: 94

SPEAKER: REV. DR. JEFF PINKSTON

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 2:1-12

MESSAGE: A STAR IN BORN!



Click or scan the QR code to watch last week's service!

GREETERS: ELDERS

USHERS: TOM BURNS, ALLISON BEACH,
FRED WILLIS, ALLISON MOODY

SIGNERS: WALTER NEELY & LEON DANIELS

COUNTERS:

FLOWERS: WAS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND IN CELEBRATION OF DAVID DEBERRY'S BIRTH-
DAY ON JANUARY 7TH BY JAMEY DEBERRY.

Last Sunday was our Star Sunday service for Epiphany. The first Sunday of each year, paper stars are distributed with a single word. We hope the stars we pass out will serve as a guide, challenge, and encouragement over the coming year for you. Each star is random, and only He knows what you need. If you were unable to attend and

would like to receive a star, there will be stars in the offering plate for you to take this Sunday.

Communion was served last week.

There was also a congregational meeting immediately after the service to elect new officers.



DeBerry Flowers

Upcoming Worship Service



Join us for our Sunday service
January 12, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.

SCOTTISH HERITAGE SUNDAY

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

THIS SUNDAY

SPEAKER: REV. DEXTER GREENE

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 4:1-12

MESSAGE: TEMPTATION:

AN EVER PRESENT STRUGGLE

GREETERS: ELDERS

USHERS: KAREN RAWLS, KELLY BURKHART,
CLINTON CORBETT, GENE GILLE
LAND, RANDALL BRUNSON

SIGNERS: WALTER NEELY & LEON DANIELS

COUNTERS: DONNA MOODY, BETSY STEWART

FLOWERS: TO BE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF
GOD BY LEIGHTON BROWN AND IN
CELEBRATION OF HIS SWEETHEART
MARTHA'S BIRTHDAY ON JANUARY
5TH.

THIS WEEKEND, THE WEATHER MAY INTERRUPT
OUR WORSHIP SERVICE.

IF THE CAMPUS CLOSES, THERE WILL BE AN AN-
NOUNCEMENT ON THE LOCAL STATIONS AND/OR
A CALL OUT.

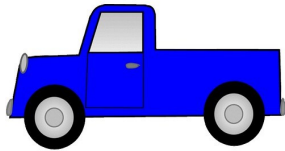
IF YOU ARE IN DOUBT BEFORE LEAVING FOR WOR-
SHIP, CALL THE CHURCH.

Odds and Ends

I would like to thank everyone who reached out to me and my family after Ken's passing. My mother used to say....What do people do who don't know God. Well, I know what the people who know God do at this church. They pray for you, call, send heartfelt notes, and visit you. That is what the people who know God at Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill do. Thank you.

--Grace Saylor

Wanted: Small used pick-up truck with less than 200K miles; must be an automatic. Budget is less than \$8K. If you know of a good quality truck, please reach out to Ziza Epps. She needs it for hauling her trash to the local waste center. She is listed in the church directory and prefers going through the church for this.



BIG, BIG Thanks goes out to:

- Ellen Thomas for going to get the special cookies for Love Feast. We are so sorry we failed to mention it earlier. Ellen is a very important part of the success of Love Feast.

Thanks again!

Happy New Year,
Phyllis

Please let me take this opportunity to thank the congregation of SCPCPH for the beautiful cards I received for my 100th birthday. It was a pleasant surprise. I watch the services via u-tube every week with my son's help. I miss being able to attend in person due to my health. I pray for our church family everyday.

Thank you, Forrest Nunnally
written by my son Michael

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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

THE 2025 FLOWER CALENDAR IS POSTED OUTSIDE
THE CHURCH OFFICE.

Calendar and Events

UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

SUNDAY - SCOTTISH HERITAGE SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
09:30 AM - DONUTS, COFFEE & SUNDAY SCHOOL	6 PM - PRAISE REHEARSAL
10:30 AM - WORSHIP SERVICE	7 PM- HANDBELL REHEARSAL
11:45 AM - BASIC TRAINING	8 PM - AA
5:00 PM - YOUTH GROUP	THURSDAY
08:00 PM - AA	10 AM - SHUT-IN MEAL PREP
MONDAY	FRIDAY
11 AM - INTERCESSORY PRAYER TEAM	---
TUESDAY	SUNDAY - 10 CENTS-A-MEAL
10:00 AM - FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE	09:30 AM - COFFEE & SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:30 AM - STAFF MEETING	10:30 AM - WORSHIP
6:45 PM - FINANCE MINISTRY MEETING	5:00 PM - YOUTH GROUP

Select dates for the next four weeks and beyond:

January

- 09 - Congregational Care meeting
- 10 - Crafts Fellowship
- 12 - Youth Group Sunday
- 12 - Installation and Ordination of Officers
- 12 - SCOTTISH HERITAGE 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

February

- 06 - Beyond the Word
- 09 - Super Bowl
- 14 - Valentine's Day
- 18 - Men's Fellowship
- 23 - Blood Drive
- 25 - 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



**VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL
SAVE THE DATES
JUNE 22-26**

Beyond the Word

Beyond the Word Ladies Bible study will resume on Thurs Feb 6th at 10:00 in the Conference Room. Our study will be The Twelve Disciples. Books are \$8. We are VERY eager to get back together. Missing y'all and our great discussions.

Becky and Grace



STEELE CREEK
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
at Pleasant Hill

2025

Stewardship Campaign

Goal: \$800,000
Pledged: \$617,711
Remaining: \$182,289

Scan the QR Code to make
your pledge today

Your support makes a difference!



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

WANTED

When you're a part of our music team, you're surrounded by a supportive and fun musical family. You'll use your talent to inspire and uplift others while growing musically and spiritually in a vibrant worship environment.

RINGER



SKILLS NEEDED:

- Some music reading skills
- Ability to tolerate controlled chaos

TIME COMMITMENT

- Thursday evening rehearsals from 7 - 8 pm
- Play 1 or 2 Sundays a month

DRUMMER



SKILLS NEEDED:

- Must have the ability to get into a groove
- Can't be a diva; that role falls to our singers

TIME COMMITMENT

- Play 1 or 2 Sundays a month with a rehearsal the Wed. prior from 6 - 7 pm



VOCALIST



SKILLS NEEDED:

- Soprano vocal range
- Like to sing in the shower? Try it on a stage!

TIME COMMITMENT

- Sing 2 to 3 Sundays a month with a rehearsal the Wed. prior from 6 - 7 pm.

TURN YOURSELF IN & SCHEDULE AN AUDITION!
PLEASE EMAIL KAARIN@STEELECREEKCHURCH.ORG



Winter/Spring 2025 Session

PIANO • GUITAR • VIOLIN • DRUMS • VOICE
SCULPTURE • UKULELE
DRAWING/PAINTING • MUSIC ADVENTURES

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT ARTS@CSCPC.ORG

Lessons for All Ages

January 11th - May 10th, 2025

Tuesdays at 4:30 pm-7:30 pm ~ Saturdays 1:30pm-4:30pm

EXPERIENCED TEACHERS

Prices range from \$20-\$35 per class

See centralfinearts.org for pricing details

Payment plans and scholarships available



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For more information and
registration on-line at
CentralFineArts.org

704-274-1878 • arts@cscpc.org
Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church
9401 S. Tryon Street • Charlotte, NC 28273

Presbytery of Charlotte

[https://
www.presbyofcharlotte.org/](https://www.presbyofcharlotte.org/)

The 165th Stated Meeting
Will be February 8, 2025
First Presbyterian Church
of Charlotte

As an adult, you **must** have a cleared background check before you serve with J-walkers. Keep at least two days between the day you sign up and the day you choose to serve. The last day to sign up for any upcoming Sunday service will be Friday.

If you **do not** have a background check on file, after you sign up to serve, check your email for an invitation to complete a background check. You will be notified of its clearance. Cleared background checks are good for 2 years. Your background check invitation does expire; please, submit it within a week.

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.

J-WALKER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



SIGN UP NOW!
NEW QR CODE!



A quick letter from your editor.

The newsletter will now be published on Thursdays. For you to have an announcement put in the weekly newsletter, you need to have it submitted no later than noon on Wednesday. If it is submitted later, I cannot guarantee it will make it in that week's edition. You may submit your announcement, graphic, art, letter, request, etc. via email at Newsletter@SteeleCreekChurch.org, or by turning it into the church office (I have a mailbox in the workroom), or by calling the church office at 704-588-1290.

If you would like help with communicating your ministry team's events, activities, etc. within and outside the church, please

reach out to me for any help you may need.

If you know of something that you don't see published and think it should be, odds are I don't know about it. Share information with me!

And yes, if you thought we were enthusiastic about QR codes before, just wait—we're taking it to the next level!

I'm genuinely excited about what 2025 has in store for our church. Let's make it an amazing year together!

-Tiffany Brunson

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

- ✝ Terry Gillette let us know that Baby James, who we have been praying for since August, was able to go home January 5th. Baby James weighed 1 pound 6 ounces when he was born and has been in NICU since August. He now weighs 8 pounds. What a miracle! Praise God!!!!

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

- ✝ Joe Monaghan, Will Lindsay's boss was injured on New Year's Eve and had emergency brain surgery. Please be in prayer for Joe.
- ✝ Eugene Botterio, son-in-law of Larry & Helen Shaver, needs prayers that his health issues will improve.
- ✝ Johnny Simms, the brother of Gloria Smith is doing better. He's able to go to rehab.

Cancer

- ✝ Raquel Mercer, sister of Ragan Haston and daughter of Gina and Tom Settlemire will have the right lobe of her liver removed at Duke on January 14th. She will then spend at least 5-7 days at Duke recovering. This is only possible because God has been hearing our prayers for the last 7 months. Thanks to all. Her family thanks you for your prayers; Raquel needs extra prayers on 1/14/25 for this surgery. She continues to need pray-

ers as she receives surgery and continued treatments.

- ✝ Susie Boyle, Director of Outreach for Fostering the Family is scheduled to have surgery for breast cancer on January 9th. Please be in prayer for Susie through her surgery and recovery.
- ✝ Jennifer Belk, caregiver for Margaret Wert and Hannah Maurer is recovering from her surgery following discharge from the hospital. Please be in prayer for her as she recovers.
- ✝ 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.
- ✝ Kaarin Record 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, had CT scan at Duke. The spots on her lungs are disappearing. The chemo is 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, California

† 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	Regan Snyder
Alexa Hill	Andrew Tanner
Donald Horack	Charlie Warnke
Melinda Moore	

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.