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

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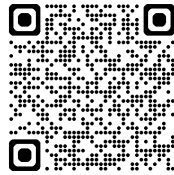
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Last Week's Service

ATTENDANCE

Inhouse: 203
Children: 17
Nursery: 4
Online: 60

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jeff Pinkston
Scripture: Jeremiah 1:4-10 and Luke 4:21-30
Message: The Clarity and Difficulty of God's Call



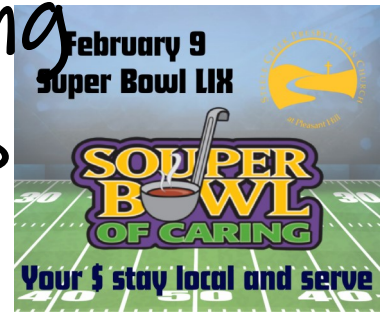
Click or scan the QR code to watch last week's service!

Presbytery of Charlotte

<https://www.presbyofcharlotte.org/>

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

Upcoming Worship Service



Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jeff Pinkston
Scripture: Isaiah 6:1-13 & 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Message: God's Transforming Grace
Theme: Though we are and always have been a stubborn people, still God's grace can transform us into His people of power and truth.

Greeters: Renee Daniels, Al Winget

Ushers: Karen Rawls, Kelly Burkhart, Clinton Corbett, Paul Kuto, Van Pundt

Signers: Bill Harraman, Pam Horack

Counters: Barry Small, Boyd Kurt

Flowers: Will be given to the Glory of God by Donna Moody and in celebration of her granddaughter's birthday, Kinsley, on February 11th.

J-Walker Leaders: February 9 is Jennifer Dennis, WE NEED ONE MORE! Follow the QR code

February 16 is Kate Lemond, WE NEED ONE MORE! Follow the QR code

Teen J-Walker Assts:

Teens, want to help? Sign-up.

WE NEED YOU
for 2-9 and 2-16

Click Here!!

J-WALKER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

NEW QR CODE!
SIGN UP NOW!

Odds and Ends

It takes a village to not only raise a child but to help maintain a building! Do you know of a repair that needs to take place? Please complete and submit a maintenance request form found in this box in the admin lobby. Box will be checked daily.



THE 2025 FLOWER CALENDAR IS POSTED OUTSIDE THE CHURCH OFFICE. WE HAVE MANY OPENINGS! SIGN-UP



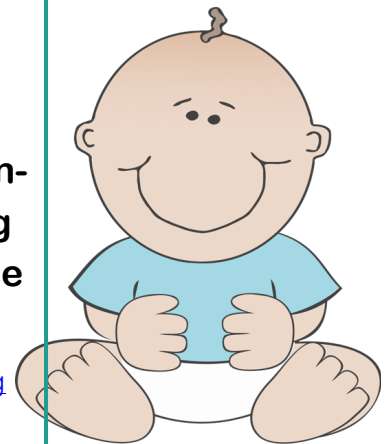
The Flower Crew is looking for someone who enjoys helping to create & upkeep the church flower beds. If you are interested, please reach out to Gail Brenner or the church office at 704-588-1290.



Steele Creek Residents Association 2025 Annual Meeting is Thursday, February 27 at Kennedy Middle School, 4000 Gallant Lane Charlotte, NC 28273 from 6pm - 8:30 pm with meeting starting at 7pm.

We could use a few people to sign-up to back up our nursery workers. If you are interested in assisting in the nursery, please reach out to

Chris@steelecreekchurch.org



If you donated stock in December, we would like to acknowledge your gift and properly thank you. Please reach out to Sandra in the finance office or email her at financial@steelecreekchurch.org.

VITA Latino will be on campus February 15 from 9am -- 1pm assisting the Spanish speaking community with their taxes. If you have any friends or family that could benefit from this service, be sure to spread the word! They may go to [What is VITA? — VITA Latino](#) for more information and to register for the event.

2024 Donor Statements are ready

Please, check your email for a link to download your donor statement OR use the blue link below.

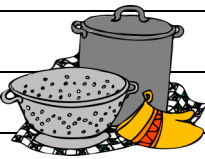
If you do not have an email address in the system or have never set up a Church Center account, your donor statement has been printed and will be available in the narthex on Sunday, or you may come by the church office to collect it.

If you do not have a printout in the narthex and did not receive an email link to your statement, the blue link below will take you to your Giving page in Church Center. You may download your statement there. If you still need assistance, please reach out to Sandra in the church office. Saundra@steelecreekchurch.org 704-588-1290 x 220

[Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill](#)


Calendar and Events

UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

SATURDAY	WEDNESDAY
09:00 AM - TECH TEAM WORKSHOP	6 PM - PRAISE REHEARSAL
SUNDAY - SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY 	7 PM - CHOIR REHEARSAL
09:30 AM - DONUTS, COFFEE & SUNDAY SCHOOL	8 PM - AA
10:30 AM - WORSHIP SERVICE	THURSDAY
11:45 AM -DEACON MEETING	10 AM - BEYOND THE WORD
05:00 PM - SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY	7 PM - HANDBELL REHEARSAL
08:00 PM - AA	SUNDAY
MONDAY	09:30 AM - COFFEE & SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:15 PRESCHOOL MINISTRY MEETING	10:30 AM - WORSHIP
11 AM - INTERCESSORY PRAYER TEAM	11:45 AM -OUTREACH AND FELLOWSHIP
6:00 PM - PROPERTY COMMITTEE MINISTRY	05:00 PM - SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY
6:30 PM - MISSIONS MINISTRY	08:00 PM - AA
TUESDAY	
11:30 AM - STAFF MEETING	

Select dates for the next four weeks and beyond:

February

- 10 - Ben Brown Scholarship application opens
- 11- Finance Committee
- 13, 20, 27- Beyond the Word
- 14- Valentine's Day
- 14- Craft's Fellowship
- 16 - Congregational Meeting
- 16- BASIC Training
- 18- Men's Fellowship
- 23- Blood Drive 
- 25- Session Meeting

March

- 02 - \$100 deposit for youth camp due

- 03, 7, 17, 24 - The Other 90% Finance Class
- 05 - Ash Wednesday
- 09 - Communion
- 14 - Craft's Fellowship



Upcoming Dates

- April 6 Youth Sunday
- May 11 Mother's Day
- May 16-18 Women's Retreat
- June 1 Graduation Sunday
- June 15 Father's Day
- June 22-26 VBS
- July 6-8 Camp Bethelwoods for first - third graders
- July 13-18 Camp Bethelwoods for third - fifth graders
- October 11 Scottish Heritage Golf Tournament
- October 18 Community Yard Sale

Missions & Ministries

The *OTHER* 90 Percent



Mastering Your Finances with Faith

A Christian Perspective on Budgeting and Stewardship



Sign-Up Today

Weekly Class Starts Mar 3



Safety team needs more members. Please see Dennis Rawls or call 704-588-1290 for more details.



The *OTHER* 90 Percent

Join us for this practical, hands-on program to get your budget in order. Sessions will be 60 to 90 minutes. Outside of class, we will have an online discussion group, and we will use a simple app to help organize the emotional and the rational parts of your budget.

We have found in our own home...that God's blessing upon the nine-tenths, when we tithe, helps it go farther than ten-tenths without His blessing. --Rev. Billy Graham

Join the weekly class that will teach you how to budget and be a good steward to the OTHER 90% of your money.

Sign-up on Church Center - tap the image to the left for a link or scan the QR Code.

Childcare available upon request.

Your personal finances are private. At no time during this series will you be asked to divulge any personal finances. Join us for a great lessons in money management.

Money for Souper Bowl of Caring will be donated to Displaced Roses of Gaston County. Our youth went there in the fall for a mission trip with another church and chose to send their fundraising activity to them. [Please read more about Displaced Roses here.](#) If you would like to donate through Giving, click the drop down menu and select Souper Bowl of Caring.



Your dollars stay local and serve the underserved

Money will be collected by the Youth Group on Sunday, February 9



Time for SUMMER CAMPS!

Registrations will be open next week for the youth summer camp known as PASSPORT with a \$100 deposit due March 2 (July 13-18 in Spartanburg, SC), information coming out about Camp Bethelwoods for 1stt - 5th graders (July 6-8, 13-18), and don't forget about our own VBS June 22-26. 5



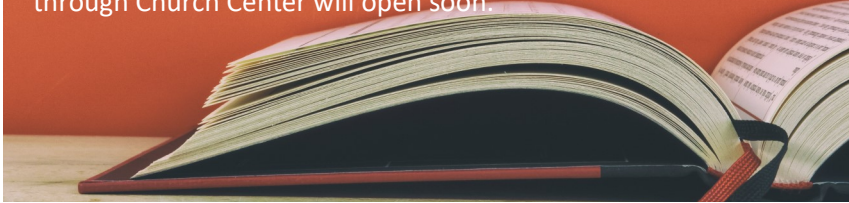
Come on out April 26 from 9am - noon and bring your personal papers for onsite destruction - helping to prevent identity theft as compared to tossing them in the garbage.

When you have boxes and boxes of files that need destroying, paying for a service or using a small paper shredded can seem daunting. We are bringing out the BIG shred truck and doing it for you! Event over at noon OR when the truck is full. Limit of 4 banker boxes. Staples need not be removed.

Missions & Ministries

Join us for our new quarterly book club!

Our first book will be *Be the Gift, Be the Light: Stories of My Mother's Legacy* by our very own Grace Kuto. More details will be available soon, including how to purchase the book and information on upcoming selections. Reach out to Chris with any questions at [Chris @steelecreekchurch.org](mailto:Chris@steelecreekchurch.org). Registration through Church Center will open soon.



Pen Pal Opportunity

[The Harambee Centre](#), a non-profit organization based in Portland, Oregon, is looking for volunteers to participate in a pen pal exchange with teenage mothers in Africa. The Harambee Centre was co-founded by our very own Grace Kuto 24 years ago. Its mission is to connect American people to the people and diverse cultures of Africa through the gift of education.

The centre needs ten more volunteers (we already have five from this congregation) to participate in a pen pals exchange for teenage mothers who are receiving [vocational skill training](#) for two years. Not limited to, but young mothers and youth are especially encouraged to participate in this cultural exchange opportunity of extending love to our marginalized global neighbors.

Please let Jamey or Grace know if you are able and wish to participate. **There is a scheduled orientation Zoom meeting on Wednesday, February 5th at 12pm (East Coast time). Once you sign up by calling the office, the meeting link will be emailed to you. Thank you in advance for your participation.**

A New Bible Study Class!

Come join Cindi Bridges and Mary Lou Pundt for *He Speaks to Me: Preparing to Hear from God*, a study by Priscilla Shirer. The class will be held biweekly on Sunday evenings at 5pm, beginning February 9. The first session will wrap up before kickoff! [Register through Church Center](#), and reach out to Cindi or Mary Lou for more information.

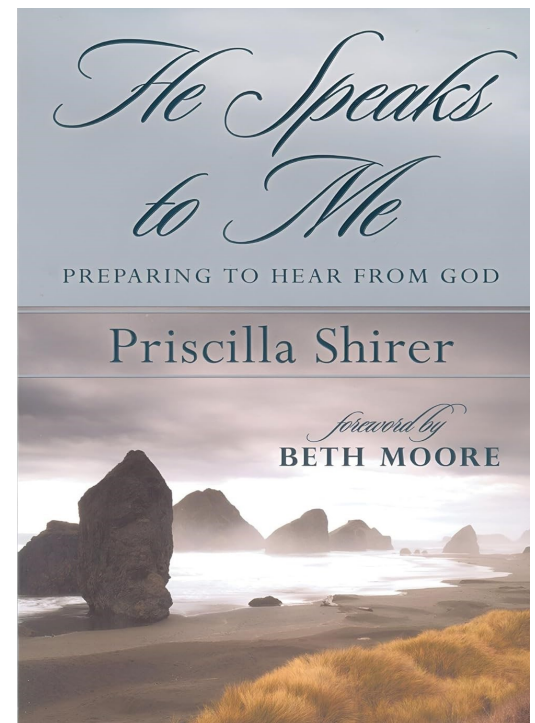
Class is open to all.

Bring a Bible, a notepad, and a pen.

Class will be in the parlor.

Dates are as follows:

February 9, 23, March 9, 23,
April 13, 27 with May 4 reserved for make-up if needed.



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

- † David Carter is doing well and has finished his last chemo treatment. This a praise to the Lord.

Condolences

- † Our condolences to Julie Plummer, cousin of Bruce Doane, who lost her husband in surgery yesterday. They live in Illinois and Bruce has asked for prayer for his cousin.
- † Our condolences to family and friends of Billy Klutz who passed away last week.
- † Our condolences to family and friends of Carey Wood who passed away on January 26.

Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- † Paul Kuto arrived in Kenya and is starting work to complete the water project that was started last year. Please be in prayer for this ministry and his family.
- † Prayers for those affected by the wild fires in Coastal California as well as those fighting the flames of the consuming fires.
- † 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 those affected by Hurricane Helene in NC, SC, FL, GA, TN and VA. Prayers for warm living space and warm clothing during the cold weather of winter.

- † 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

- † Allyson Roger's Mom fell and broke her arm. Please be in prayer for her as she recovers.

- † Josane Calvert, Deborah Thrower's friend is doing better. Please be in prayer for her as she completes her recovery from her fall.

- † Karen Barnett, the mother-in-law of Allyson Roger's son is doing well. The doctors are treating her heart with medication.

- † Joe Monaghan, Will Lindsay's boss was moved from ICU following a second surgery. Please be in prayer for his recovery.

- † 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

- † Elizabeth Hovis was diagnosed with cancer and is waiting for a determination on treatment. Please be in prayer for Elizabeth as she waits for the doctors to recommend treatment.

- † Kevin Lane, a co-worker of Trent Haston and Kate Lemond would like prayer as he has surgery for his health condition.

- † Dan and Ann Baird, the parents of a co-worker of Kate Lemond's, needs our prayers. Dan's cancer has returned, and he is in a lot of pain. Anne suffers from dementia.

- † Amber McCraw, the niece of George and Toni McCall was diagnosed with breast cancer. Please pray for Amber as she starts her cancer journey.

- † Raquel Mercer, sister of Ragan Haston and daughter of Gina and Tom Settlemire's surgery to remove the right lobe of her liver went well, and she was scheduled to be discharged from the hospital. Raquel still has a long journey of treatments ahead of her and needs our prayers. Her family thanks you for all your prayers.

† Susie Boyle's surgery went well. Her doctors are now determining her next treatment steps. Please be in prayer for Susie as she recovers.

† Jennifer Mullins, the mother of Will Lindsey's best friend Stacey has reoccurring breast cancer. Please be in pray for Jennifer and her family.

† Jennifer Belk, caregiver of Margaret Wert and Hannah Maurer had surgery for cancer. She has now had a stroke which has left her with some challenges. She has been moved from ICU to a regular room. Now the doctors are talking about rehab. Please pray for Jennifer's recovery.

† Jim Ragan, the husband of Miriam Pinkston's friend was diagnosed with Lymphoma. He has started his chemo treatments. Please be in prayer for Jim as he continues his cancer treatments.

† Kaarin Record is continuing with her chemo treatments. Please be in prayer for her and her husband Don as her treatments continue.

† Carol Pridgen, Betty Small's sister's surgery went well, and she is looking forward to going home. Further treatment will be determined at a later date. Please be in prayer for Carol as she recovers.

† Allison Spratt has completed a number of her targeted chemo treatments. Please be in prayer for Allison as she completes these treatments. Following the treatments she will have surgery.

† 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. 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.

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 a wound on his foot that needs prayer for healing. Cooper continues rehab following his surgery.

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

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 Kat Sparrow
Katharine Freeman	Mike Spratt
Louise Freeman	Margaret Wert
Elaine Kotraba	Wayne Whiteside

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