PRESBYTERIAN CHURCE

**Pleasant Hill

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

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Last Week's Service

ATTENDANCE

Inhouse:

Children:

Nursery:

Online:

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jeff Pinkston

Scripture: Genesis 45:3-15 & Luke 6:27-38

Message: God's Hidden Purpose

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



Red Cross blood gathered 11 pints of blood on Sunday. Thank you for your donations!!



Upcoming Worship Service



Speaker: Rev. Dexter Greene

Scripture: Phil 3:12-16

Message: The Power of Purpose

Greeters: Randall Brunson, Ellen Thomas

Ushers: Tom Burns, Allison Beach, Dale

Willis, Mona Buchko, Allison Moody

<u>Signers</u>: David Thompson, Leon Daniels

Counters: Barry Small, Boyd Kurt

Flowers: Given to the Glory of God by Ben

Horack in honor of his wife Barbara's birthday on

February 28.

J-Walker Leaders: Cheryl Simerly, and we need

one more.

Teen J-Walker Assts: Teens, want to help? Sign-up.



Odds and Ends

Faith and Family signup is open for March 5. Menu is:



Bacon
Eggs
Grits
French Toast
Biscuits &
Gravy



The Ash Wednesday service will be March 5 at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary following our Faith and Family dinner in the multipurpose room at 5:30 PM. QR Code to the left is your shortcut to your Church Center sign up or call the office. Multiple churches are invited to the dinner. Please RSVP by noon March 3.



PUB THEOLOGY

PUB THEOLOGY LED BY PASTOR CHRIS SAW GREAT SUC-CESS ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24 AT MODEL A BREWING COMPANY IN TEGA CAY. BE SURE TO JOIN THE NEXT SESSION ON MARCH 31, 6:30 PM AT MODEL A BREWING COMPANY.



Thank you to the 39 ladies who have already responded!

ALL ladies! Christian Growth is asking you to complete the VERY short survey. You may tap the image or scan the QR code to take you to a 3 question survey about the upcoming Women's Retreat. This survey is to judge interest in this year's retreat before moving forward with planning details.





Calendar and Events

UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

Sunday	WEDNESDAY - ASH WEDNESDAY
09:30 ам - Sunday School, Donuts & Coffee	5:30 pm - Faith and Family Night
10:30 ам - Worship Service	06:30 pm - Ash Wednesday Service
11:30 AM - OUTREACH AND FELLOWSHIP	8 PM - AA
5:00 PM - YOUTH GROUP	Thursday
08:00 рм - АА	10 AM - BEYOND THE WORD
Monday	7 pm - Handbell Rehearsal
11:00 am - Intercessory Prayer Team	SUNDAY - COMMUNION
11:30 AM - GRIEF JOURNEY	09:30 am - Coffee & Sunday School
6:15 pm - Admin and Personnel Ministry	10:30 AM - WORSHIP
6:30 pm - The Other 90 Percent	11:45 AM - OUTREACH AND FELLOWSHIP
TUESDAY	05:00 рм - Youth Group
11:30 AM - STAFF MEETING	

Select dates for the next four weeks and beyond:



02 - \$100 deposit for youth camp due

03, 7, 17, 24 - The Other 90% Finance Class

o5 - Faith and Family dinner

o5 - Ash Wednesday - An evening community service will be held here at 6:30 following the Faith and Family meal at 5:30.

o6, 13, 20, 27 - Beyond the Word

og - Daylight Savings Time Begins! Move those clocks ahead one hour.

og - Communion

og - Stepping Stones: A Fostering the Family

Care Group

og - Evening Bible Study

10 - Missions Ministry meeting

11- Friendship Circle

13 - Congregational Care meeting

14 - Craft's Fellowship

16- BASIC Training Community clean-up event

17 - St. Patrick's Day

18 - Men's Fellowship

Upcoming Dates

April 6	Youth Sunday
April 20	Easter Sunrise Service
April 26	Shred-It Truck onsite
May 11	Mother's Day
May 16-18	Women's Retreat - LADIES, COMPLETE
	YOUR SURVEY PLEASE. LINKED HERE.
June 1	Graduation Sunday
June 15	Father's Day
June 22-26	VBS
July 13-18	Camp Bethelwoods for 1-5 grades
July 13-18	Camp Passport for 6-12 grades
October 11	Scottish Heritage Golf Tournament
October 18	Community Yard Sale

Missions & Ministries

Last chance to sign up!

Throughout March each Monday evening at 6:30 pm for 60-90 minutes you will receive a practical, hands-on program to get your budget in order. Outside of class, there is online discussion and an app to help organize your budget.

The OTHER 90 Percent



Mastering Your Finances with Faith



A Christian Perspective on Budgeting and Stewardship

Sign-Up Today Weekly Class Starts Mar. 3

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

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 us for our new quarterly book club!

First meeting will be in later April. This gives you plenty of time to start reading. The 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 <u>Chris @steelecreekchurch.org</u>.

Please go here to buy the book online directly from Grace's non-profit site. https://harambeecentre.org/book-order

Outreach and Fellowship

The next meeting will be this Sunday. How would you like to get involved in a ministry team? Outreach and fellowship is looking for energetic people to brainstorm ideas and plan events that actively engage our community. Outreach and Fellowship organizes things such as the fall festival, craft fair, and Spring egg hunt. We need your ideas and energy!! Ages 13 and up invited!



Shred Day

When you have boxes and boxes of files that need destroying, paying for a service or using a small paper shredded can seem daunting. Outreach and Fellowship is bringing out the BIG shred truck and doing it for you!

Come on out April 26 from 9am - 12pm and bring your personal papers for onsite destruction. The event is over at noon OR when the truck is full. Limit of 4 banker boxes. Share with your neighbors!



Children and Youth



Camp Passport

The registration is open for the youth summer camp known as PASSPORT. The minimum deposit of \$100 is due SUNDAY. Camp will be July 13-18 in Spartanburg, SC. Tap the image to be sent to the registration page and to read more details.

Children's Choir registration is OPEN! The Children's Choir will present their annual Mother's Day Program during the service on Sunday, May 11th. Rehearsals run from March 9th - May 11th (at 9 am on Sundays in the Choir Suite) under the direction of Kelly Byrum. Ages 4 and up are welcome to join us. Pre-register through Church Center, by emailing Kaarin Record at kaarin@steelecreekchurch.org.

Camp Bethelwoods

This is a camp for elementary aged children in Rock Hill, SC. If your child has completed any of 1st-5th grades, send them to Camp Bethelwoods from July 13 through July 18 with other children of this church. The camp registration is completed directly through the camp, not through the church. QR code or tap the picture to be taken directly to bethelwoods.org. Reach out to Ragan Haston or Kelly Byrum if you have any questions.







Mike Spratt

(1949 - 2025)

James Lee (Mike) Spratt Jr. (1949-2025), of Fort Mill, SC, died peacefully at home Thursday, February 13, with his beloved family by his side. There to help ease his passing were his cherished wife of 53 years Elizabeth Sutton Spratt, dear son Zachary Sutton Spratt, adored daughter-in-law Dr. Allyson Thomas Spratt and two precious grandchildren, Sutton Oliver Spratt and Harper Hurst Spratt. Mike was a vital and enjoyable part of so many people's lives. He was a golfing buddy, a public school teacher and administrator, a card player, member of a close cadre of college basketball officials, Chairman of the Riverview Fire District Board, Deacon and Elder at Riverview Presbyterian Church, and a devoted friend to many. He was a true patriot, serving in the US Air Force from 1969-1973, and he loved a few hours spent with a good patriotic book or movie. He lit up rooms with his smile, humor and engaging personality and was always quick with a joke. He was a voracious reader, a trivia champion and loved showing off his knowledge of who sang that 60's song and when. He had a keen mind and could remember details of every golf game he played and Alabama football play he ever saw. One of his most favorite things to do though was take care of his family by planning and cooking delicious, healthy meals. He was always delighted to offer help to anyone who needed it. All in all, his life was one of service. He graduated from Fort Mill High school in 1967, earned a bachelor's degree from The University of South Carolina, an MAT from Winthrop University and an EdS from Converse College. He was predeceased by his father James Lee Spratt, mother Barbara Jean Herron Spratt, devoted stepmother Frances Griffith Spratt and older sister Jean Spratt Jackson (husband Billy). In addition to his immediate family, he is survived by his brothers Tom Spratt (wife Alexa), Ed Spratt (wife Karen), and Charles Spratt (wife Shannon) as well as sister-in-law Cathy Bryant and brother and sister-in-law, Chuck Bing and Vicki Sutton. He adored his many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. He loved and was dearly loved by this family and blessed with his grandchildren living close by and able to visit often with "Pop." When asked how he was, particularly as his health declined, he would answer that he was one of the most blessed people in the world and that he couldn't think of anybody he'd trade places with. Mike's family mourns his passing and is thankful for the wonderful years they spent together. The family will be holding a drop in visitation at 375 N. Sutton Rd where he always felt so loved, on Sunday, February 23, between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm. A private burial service is being planned for the immediate family.

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

Condolences for the family and friends of Mike Spratt who passed away February 13, 2025.

Surgery

- Debbie McAliley, David McAliley's mother is having surgery February 21. Please pray for a speedy and complete recovery.
- Rebecca Economon's surgery went well. Please pray for a quick recovery.
- Roy Epps, Ziza Epp's brother-inlaw will have a procedure to remove the blood clot fr So interesting version, click on. om his leg on Thursday, February 20th. Please be in prayer for Roy.
- Kathy Cuff, daughter of Annette Freeman, had surgery today, February 20, to attempt to regain her eyesight in her right eye. Pray for success.

<u>Special, Congregational, and</u> <u>Community Concerns</u>

- Paul Kuto is working on the water project in Kenya. They have had some delays but the Lord is answering prayers and the project is moving forward. Please continue to pray for this ministry, Paul 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

- Felicia Clark Peaseley, a friend of Terry Gillette and the sister of Marcia Henderson, fell and broke her neck. She is waiting on test results for the doctor to determine treatment.
- Annette Freeman's daughter, Kathy, is requesting special prayers for her mom regarding her ordeal with long covid.
- Joe Monaghan, Will Lindsay's boss has been moved to a PT facility. He is improving greatly and is in good spirits. Thanks for your continued prayers.
- 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.
- Milan is a young man who has multiple neurological health issues due to a severe reaction

to a COVID vaccine. The prayer for Milan's parents is to find the right hospital to correctly diagnose and treat his condition. Their hope is to be accepted at The Mount Sinai Hospital in New York.

<u>Cancer</u>

- Trevel, a sister-in-law of a friend of Sandi Lauerman, has been diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer. Please be in prayer for her, her husband and two adult children.
- Annie Monroe, Larry Monroe's mother was diagnosed with bladder cancer. Please be in prayer for Annie that she won't need further treatment.
- Elizabeth Hovis' radiologist plans to use radiation to treat her cancer. At this time a date to start treatment hasn't been determined. Please be in prayer for Elizabeth as she waits for further information.
- Kevin Lane, a co-worker of Trent Haston and Kate Lemond had surgery last week. The surgery went well, and he is home recovering. Please be in prayer for Kevin as he recovers.
- 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.
- Kaarin Record is continuing with her chemo treatments. Please be in prayer for her and her husband Don as her treatments continue.

- Amber McCraw is cancer free but will follow up with chemo and radiation treatment. Please pray for Amber as she starts her treatment plan.
- Raquel Mercer, sister of Ragan Haston and daughter of Gina and Tom Settlemyre learned on her last visit to Duke that she will be continuing treatment for her cancer with chemotherapy pills and radiation. Raquel has a long journey of treatments still ahead of her and needs our prayers.
- Ruth McGaha, friend of Annette Freeman, is home now after a recent hospital stay with pneumonia. She is doing well, but prayers for her strength to return is requested.
- 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.
- 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.
- Carol Pridgen, Betty Small's sister is home recovering from surgery. She is weak but doing OK. Further treatment will be determined at a later date. Please continue to pray for Carol as she recovers.
- Elaine Scarborough has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung and brain cancers. Her latest scan has shown spread. Please continue to pray for her.
- Jennifer Mullins, the mother of Will Lindsey's best friend Stacey has reoccurring breast cancer. Please

- be in pray for Jennifer and her family.
- Johnny Bethea, cousin of Anne Moore, has been diagnosed with liver cancer in addition to pancreatic cancer. He is continuing chemo treatments.
- Jennifer Belk is seeing some progress from the major stroke she had. However she still struggles to be able to speak. The family is still looking for a rehab facility to move Jennifer to. Jennifer's family is requesting prayer.

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. Darryl Bonaparte is in the hospital on life support as a result of long COVID. Please be in prayer for her and her husband.

Fostering the Family (FTF)

- Please pray for the organization Fostering the Family and all children that are looking to be adopted.
- Fostering the Family asks for prayers for all of our support churches and care communities that are wrapping around vulnerable families.

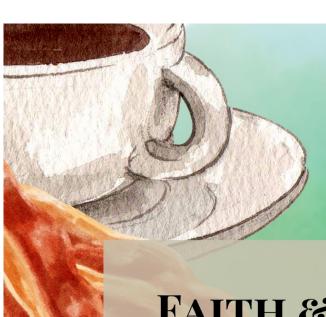
<u>College Students</u>		
Clay Ferguson	Ben Shanti	
Kelly Ferguson	Regan Snyder	
Alexa Hill	Andrew Tanner	
Donald Horack	Charlie Warnke	
Melinda Moore		

<u>Homebound</u>		
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	Margaret Wert	
Louise Freeman	Wayne Whiteside	
Elaine Kotraba		

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



FAITH & FAMILY DINNER

5:30PM

BACON
EGGS
GRITS
FRENCH TOAST
BISCUITS &
GRAVY

RSVP



OR CALL THE OFFICE AT 704-588-1290

ASH WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY SERVICE MARCH 5 AT 6:30 PM



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