

SPRING AHEAD ONE HOUR SUNDAY!

3/6/2025

2025



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. Dexter Greene
Scripture: Phil 3:12-16
Message: The Power of Purpose

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



Kairos Cookie Time! Have your cookies in on March 20.

Upcoming Worship Service

Communion Sunday



Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jeff Pinkston

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 & Romans 10:8-13

Message: Living in Obedience to God

Theme: We are reminded that we obey and live by God and so we say "Yes!" to God. "Yes, we will serve, love, honor and glorify God as we live under the lordship of Jesus the Christ!"

Greeters: Randall Brunson, Ellen Thomas

Ushers: Jennifer Irmies, Kelly Burkhart, Clinton Corbett, Paul Kuto, Van Pundt

Signers: David Thompson, Leon Daniels

Counters: DeWitt Lauerman, Pam Horack

Flowers: Given to the Glory of God by the people of God.

J-Walker Leaders: We need helpers this Sunday!

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



Coffee and Donuts at 9:30!



Click Here!!

J-WALKER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

NEW QR CODE!
SIGN UP NOW!



Odds and Ends

Dear Church Family,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you so much for your continued prayers and support. Thank you for supporting and taking good care of my wife Grace Kuto while I am away. This means a lot to me and my kids. We really appreciate it.

I arrived here in Kenya safely and hit the ground running and got so busy hence the delay in getting in touch. Also the internet service in the village is very sporadic and not reliable for communications, you have to time it well.

The work with the community water project is finally going well after a few hiccups that Grace might have shared with you by now, but God has been faithful to us. A solar pump was finally installed and water has started flowing in the three big tanks. We are now in a one month monitoring stage for the efficiency of the solar pump and so far

things are going very well. The villagers have started using the water and they are very thankful for your assistance.

When all is successfully completed and upon my return to Charlotte, I will give a full report of the project and its impact to this community. I am working with our water engineer on the ground to make sure that all the systems of the water project are working well and normal before I fly back to the US. On behalf of this community at large, I send our prayers and enormous gratitude to you all as our church family.

Thank you, and God bless you all.

With Kind Regards,
Paul Kuto
Nairobi, Kenya

PUB THEOLOGY

PUB THEOLOGY LED BY PASTOR CHRIS SAW GREAT SUCCESS 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.



Hannah Mauer
is turning
100!

We are collecting 100 cards for Hannah!
Submit a birthday card to the church office
by March 14 to be delivered to her home.

GOING TO

**COLLEGE OR
UNIVERSITY**

APPLY NOW

**BEN BROWN SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION OPEN UNTIL
MARCH 31**



Calendar and Events

UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

SUNDAY - COMMUNION	TUESDAY
09:00 AM - CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSAL	6:30 PM - FINANCE COMMITTEE
09:30 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL, DONUTS & COFFEE	WEDNESDAY
10:30 AM - WORSHIP SERVICE	6 PM - PRAISE
11:45 AM - STEPPING STONES	7 PM - CHOIR
5:00 PM - YOUTH GROUP	8 PM - AA
5:00 PM - BI-WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY	THURSDAY
08:00 PM - AA	10 AM - BEYOND THE WORD
MONDAY	6:30 PM - CONGREGATIONAL CARE
11:00 AM - INTERCESSORY PRAYER TEAM	7 PM - HANDBELL REHEARSAL
06:30 PM - MISSIONS MINISTRY TEAM	FRIDAY
6:30 PM - THE OTHER 90 PERCENT	10 AM - CRAFTS FELLOWSHIP
TUESDAY	SUNDAY
10 AM - FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE	CHILDREN'S CHOIR, BASIC, YOUTH GROUP

Select dates for the next four weeks and beyond:

March

- 10, 17, 24, 31 - The Other 90% Finance Class
- 13, 20, 27 - Beyond the Word
- 09 - Daylight Savings Time Begins! Move those clocks ahead one hour.
- 09 - Communion
- 09 - Stepping Stones: A Fostering the Family Care Group Meeting
- 09 - 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



April

- April 2 Faith and Family
- April 5 Spring Fling / Egg Hunt
- April 6 Youth Sunday
- April 8 Friendship Circle
- April 10 Preschool Spring Program
- April 11 Crafts Fellowship
- April 15 Men's Fellowship
- April 17 Shut-In Meals
- April 20 Easter Sunrise Service
- April 26 Shred-It Truck onsite

Upcoming Dates

- May 10 Rise Against Hunger
- May 11 Mother's Day Children's Program
- June 1 Graduation Sunday
- June 22-26 VBS
- July 13-18 Camp Bethelwoods for 1-5 grades
- July 13-18 Camp Passport for 6-12 grades

Missions & Ministries

Protect your identity, shred your documents!

15000 York Road Charlotte, NC 28278



Shred it and forget it!

Saturday, April 26
9 a.m. - Noon



SPRING AHEAD THIS WEEKEND!



Spring Fling!

The Spring Fling/Egg Hunt date and time have been set! Come out April 5 from 10am - noon for our annual church/preschool family and friends egg hunt and spring fling activities. If you have any plastic eggs, candy, and/or small prizes you would like to donate, please bring it to the church office by March 28.

- Crafts
- Music
- Storytime
- Egg Hunt
- Picture with Easter Bunny



Kairos Prison Ministry has put a call out for cookies. Kairos is coming Friday, March 21 to collect the cookie donations. **Have your cookies turned in no later than March 20.** Kairos Prison Ministry delivers homemade cookies to over 1,300 inmates, guards and staff to SC Department of Corrections at Kershaw, SC. Can you find some time to bake? Go ahead and start making the cookies and freeze them. If you don't have enough room in your home freezer, there is freezer space at the church. These cookies are so important to those that are incarcerated. Please pray over your cookies as a source of His love to shine on the prisoners and the staff. Pray that each cookie brings the inmate, officer or warden who eats one closer to God.

THE GUIDELINES THAT MUST BE FOLLOWED ARE FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS. DO NOT DEVIATE, OR THE COOKIES WILL NOT BE DELIVERED.

Cookie Guidelines

The types of cookies that are acceptable are:

Chocolate chip, sugar, ginger, molasses, oatmeal and peanut butter.

Cookies should be between TWO (2) and TWO AND ONE HALF (2.5) INCHES ACROSS and not more than half (0.5) inch thick.

DO NOT USE ICING, POWDERED SUGAR OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF COATING ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE COOKIE. DO NOT ADD ANY KIND OF FRUIT OR NUTS TO THE COOKIES.

IMPORTANT: Bag thoroughly cooled cookies in a clear QUART sized zip lock bag only. A dozen cookies to a bag. We cannot re-bag or hand-out in any other packaging.

CORPORATE OFFICERS & SIGNERS

All corporate officers and signers for the church are needed on **Wednesday, March 19**, to sign necessary documents for Chase/JP Morgan.

- Location: 4350 Congress St, Charlotte, NC 28209
- Time: 12:00pm to 1:00pm

A meeting invite has been sent to all required attendees. If you are a corporate officer or signer and did not receive this invite or have any concerns attending, please contact Henry Halleland or Randall Brunson.



We are very excited to be partnering with Rise Against Hunger again! On Saturday May 10th we will pack 15,000 meals and need all hands on deck. There are jobs for young and old, and everyone in between. Get ready for fun and fellowship while doing good. Mark your calendar and look for a sign-up link soon!

There are jobs for all who want one. There are jobs standing and filling the meal bags, someone working on a funnel to catch all the ingredients in the bag, people weighing, sealing, sorting, box packing and someone has to ring a gong every 1000 meals packed.

We anticipate needing 100 volunteers over the course of the morning. You do not need to be available the whole time.

Watch this video to see what this day will be like: https://youtu.be/INZpwy_g8F4?si=CzNqVb1TCN6z5B06

Save the Date!

Be the Gift, Be the Light Discussion Group Dates

Morning Group	Info about registration will be sent out this week	Evening Group
Weds 4/2 @ 10 am Weds 4/9 @ 10 am	Books can be purchased at Harambeecentre.org or reach out to Chris at Chris@steelecreekchurch.org	Thurs 4/3 @ 6:30 pm Thurs 4/10 @ 6:30 pm

Join us for our new quarterly book club!

First meeting will be April 2/3. 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 are above. Purchase the book at the link below.

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

WOMEN'S RETREAT

The annual Women's Retreat is well underway in its planning. Registration should be available in mid-March and will be open for about 4 weeks.

The price has not changed this year. Probably one of the few areas in our life with no price increase! As usual, scholarships will be available.

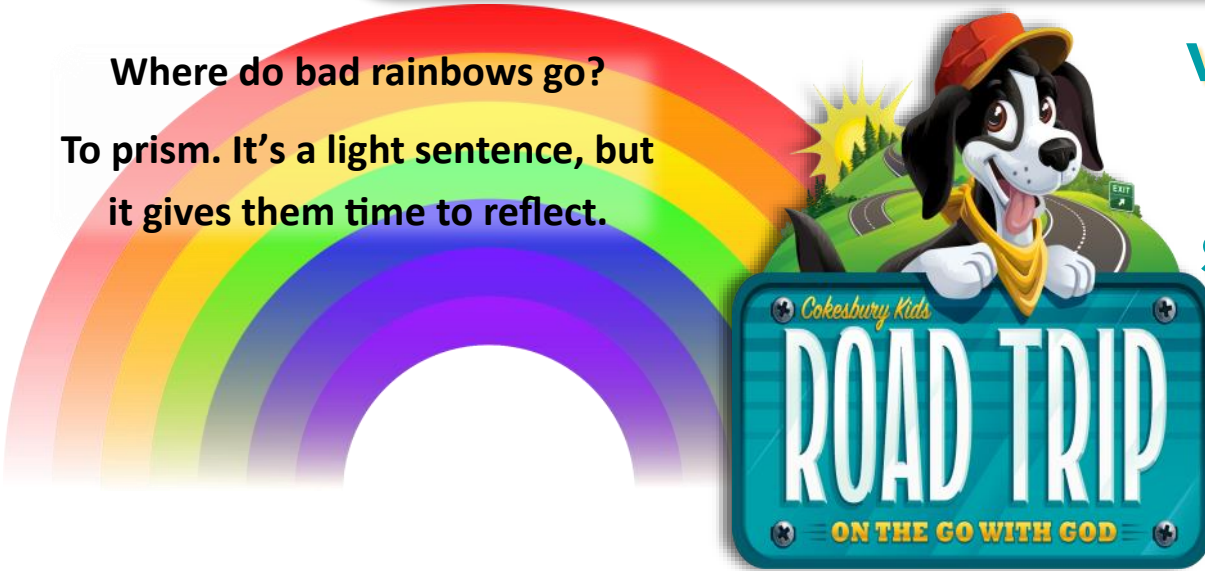
Prices are as follows:

Double Occupancy:	One Night	\$160
	Two Nights	\$205
Single Occupancy:	One Night	\$205
	Two Nights	\$295

This year's guest facilitator is Reverend Meg Wilkes, Minister of Discipleship at Clemson United Methodist Church, Clemson, SC. The title and details of the lesson are to be announced.

Children and Youth

Where do bad rainbows go?
To prism. It's a light sentence, but
it gives them time to reflect.



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

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.

Registration Now Open!

Spring Edition
2025

Rehearsal for kids
4+ begins
Sunday, March 9th

- 9:00 am in the Choir Suite •

Director: Kelly Byrum

Pre-register on
Church Center
(or email Kaarin!)

CHILDREN'S CHOIR REGISTRATION

SPRING 2025

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill • Kaarin Record, Music Director • kaarin@steelecreekchurch.org

**CAMP
BETHELWOODS
JULY 13-18**

**GRADES
1ST - 5TH**

QR code for registration

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.

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

- † Mrs. Darrell Bonapart had a miraculous recovery after being on life support and is now back home.

Condolences

- † Condolences to the family and friends of Johnny Bethea, a cousin of Anne Marie Moore.

Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- † 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 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.

- † Pray for the country of Ukraine and its people.

General Health Concerns

- † Roy Epps, brother-in-law of Ziza Epps. Please be in prayers for Roy as he recovers from having 5 procedures for a blood clot.
- † Felicia Clark Peaseley, a friend of Terry Gillette and the sister of Marcia Henderson, fell and broke her neck. She is in rehab and needs continued prayers.
- † 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 in the hospital with pneumonia. Please be in prayer for Johnny.
- † 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.

Cancer

- † 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 has entered hospice care. Please be in prayer for Elizabeth.
- † Kevin Lane diagnosed with cancer is at home recovering from surgery. Please lift him up in prayer.
- † 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.
- ✚ 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. 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.

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.

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	Margaret Wert
Elaine Kotraba	Wayne Whiteside