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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: 214

Children: 28

Nursery: 1

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jeff Pinkston  
Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 & Luke 15:11-32  
Message: The Message of Reconciliation

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



**NO J-WALKERS  
OFFERED THIS  
SUNDAY!**

# Upcoming Worship Service

Fifth Sunday of Lent

**Youth Sunday!**

Come out Sunday to see our teens run the worship service - from announcements to benediction, they have it all!

Greeters: Trey Horack, Cheryl Simerly

Ushers: Tom Burns, Allison Beach, Dale Willis, Mona Buchko, Allison Moody

Signers: Bill Harraman, Pam Horack

Counters: Donna Moody, Betsy Stewart

Flowers: Will be given to the Glory of God by Dave Carpenter in celebration of his wife, Joyce's birthday on April 6. The flowers will also be given by Larry Monroe in celebration of his wife, Mary Beth's birthday on April 7.

J-Walker Leaders: There will be NO J-Walkers offered this Sunday, April 6.

Teen J-Walker Assts: Teens, want to help? Sign-up. Volunteering always looks good on school and scholarship applications!

**Signup (CLICK HERE) to be a J-Walker leader on April 13 or 20!**



Click Here!!

**J-WALKER  
VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**

NEW QR CODE!  
SIGN UP NOW!



# Calendar and Events

## UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

<b>SATURDAY - APRIL 5</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>
9 AM - FLOWER CREW MEETING - CONFERENCE ROOM	10 AM - FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE
10 AM - SPRING FLING!	06:30 PM - FINANCE MINISTRY MEETING
<b>SUNDAY - YOUTH SUNDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>
9 AM - CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSAL	10 AM - BOOK CLUB
9:30 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL, DONUTS & COFFEE	6 PM - PRAISE REHEARSAL
10:30 AM - WORSHIP SERVICE	7 PM - CHOIR REHEARSAL
11:30 AM - OUTREACH & FELLOWSHIP	8 PM - AA
12:00 PM - BASIC TRAINING	<b>THURSDAY</b>
05:30 PM - EVENING BIBLE STUDY	10 AM - BEYOND THE WORD
08:00 PM - AA	6:30 PM - CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY MEETING
<b>MONDAY</b>	7 PM - HANDBELL REHEARSAL
11:00 AM - INTERCESSORY PRAYER TEAM	<b>FRIDAY</b>
11:30 AM - GRIEF JOURNEY	10 AM - CRAFTS FELLOWSHIP
6:30 PM - ADMIN & PERSONNEL	<b>SATURDAY - APRIL 12</b>
	8 AM - TRAIL CHURCH
	1 PM - PRAYER WALK IN COLUMBIA, SC



**PRESCHOOL MINISTRY TEAM IS ASKING FOR DONATIONS OF UNCOATED PAPER PLATES. PAPER TOWELS. DISINFECTANT WIPES. HAND SANITIZER. AND TISSUES TO HELP SUPPORT OUR PRESCHOOL.**

Select dates for the next four weeks and beyond:

*April*



April 15 Men's Fellowship  
 April 17 Shut-In Meals  
 April 17 Maundy Thursday Community Service at Central Steele Creek Presbyterian at 6:30p  
 April 19 Balance due for Women's Retreat  
 April 20 Easter Sunrise Service in the Memorial Garden at 7 am  
 April 21 Office Closed  
 April 26 Shred-It Truck 9 a.m. to noon  
 April 27 10 cents a meal

*May*

May 10 Rise Against Hunger  
 May 11 Mother's Day Children's Program  
 May 25 or 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  
 October 11 Scottish Heritage Golf Tournament



# Odds and Ends

Church family,

We would like to say thank you for all the prayers extended to our family over the past year and a half. You may remember our nephew, Jason Sims, was hit by a falling tree branch and sustained significant head injury. It was thought he wouldn't survive, but he did. He was told he would never walk again, but he does using a four-pronged cane. He has made tremendous progress.

His father, my brother Johnny, is doing well too and was recently released from the hospital to a rehab center to assist with a knee injury.

Our family appreciates all the prayers and support you have given us.

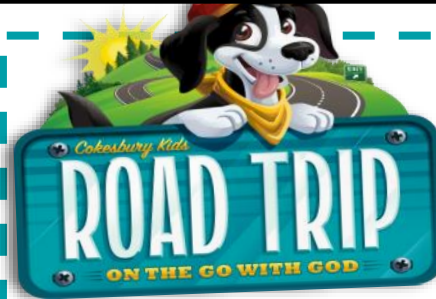
---Gloria Smith

We received this lovely email March 22.

To: Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

Thank you for your support. Many prayers, visits, phone calls and cards for my 100th birthday. I feel very blessed! Also, for your continued prayers for my sister Margaret and I. God's Blessings to all of you!

Hannah Maurer



VACATION  
BIBLE  
SCHOOL  
JUNE  
22-  
26

REGISTRATION WILL BE OPEN  
APRIL 19 - JUNE 1.  
VBS ISN'T JUST FOR KIDS! WE  
NEED VOLUNTEERS TO REGIS-  
TER, TOO! ARE YOU READY TO  
SERVE?

If you would like to add or remove a church member who is in college or the military from the prayer list, please reach out to [OFFICE@steelecreekchurch.org](mailto:OFFICE@steelecreekchurch.org) and/or Betty Small our Congregational Care leader.

Are you interested  
in serving on the  
safety team?

Safety team could  
always use more  
members.

Please see Dennis  
Rawls or call 704-  
588-1290 for more  
details.

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



Will your child attend a Chris-  
tian Camp this summer?

SCPCPH offers a small  
not need based school

arship to ALL who send their children to a  
Christian camp during the summer. Forms  
will be available in the coming weeks for  
you to complete. Checks are usually cut  
after camps finish for the season.



## Journey of Life



## Spring Fling!

The Spring Fling/Egg Hunt is this Saturday!  
Come out 10am – noon for our annual church/preschool family and friends egg hunt and spring fling activities.

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

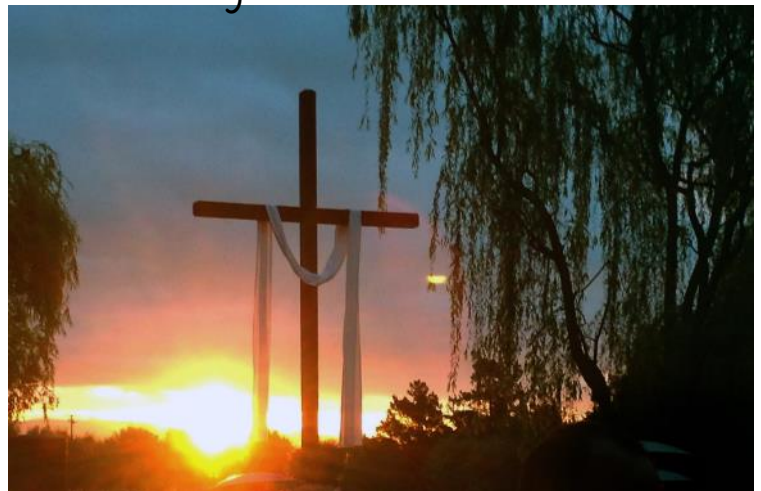


April 13, 10:30a.m. is our Palm Sunday service with the children's Palm Processional. Come out and watch the children wave their palms as they move through the sanctuary.

April 17, 06:30pm is Maundy Thursday and its community service will be held at Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church, 9401 S. Tryon Street Charlotte, NC 28273.

This service will combine Maundy Thursday and Good Friday into one service.

April 20 SCPCPH will host an Easter Sunrise Service at 7am in the Memorial Garden and our main service at 10:30a.m. in the sanctuary.





## Third annual Stand for Children Prayer Walk

Sponsored by Fostering The Families

Saturday April 12, 2025

1:00pm - 3:00pm

First Baptist Columbia Church

Sandie Lauerman and Mamie Gaver plan to attend and invite anyone from the congregation to join them on the prayer walk. Sign up with Fostering the Family by clicking on the South Carolina graphic below.

Participants will walk the blocked streets of Columbia to the State House to pray, hear testimonies, and rally together to inspire change in South Carolina.

If you would like to do a virtual walk, then follow this link to track your miles through the end of May.

[SC Steps Up for Foster Care](#)

STAND FOR



PRAYER WALK

#BetterTogether



Join us for a 45-50 minute hike at various Charlotte greenways, starting with a short devotional and guided discussion while we walk. All beliefs and perspectives are welcome—let's get our bodies and spirits moving together! No registration needed. Locations to be announced soon. Come as you are and walk with us.

**April 12 Meetup** will be at McDowell Nature Preserve's deck at the end of McDowell Park Dr. When you turn into the park, continue on the road to the lake. Circle around and park in the closest lot available.

**Saturday Mornings**  
8:00 - 9:15 AM

- April 12
- May 3
- June 7
- July 12

**Tuesday Evenings**  
7:00 - 8:15 PM

- April (cancelled)
- May 13
- June 17
- July 22

**Rise**  
AGAINST HUNGER

**SAVE THE  
DATE!**

On Saturday, May 10th, 9AM - 12PM, we will pack 15,000 meals and need all hands on deck! There are jobs for everyone. Mark your calendar.

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

**Volunteer  
Release  
& Waiver**



# Missions & Ministries



## WOMEN'S RETREAT

**MAY 17-18**

The Women's Retreat **REGISTRATION IS OPEN UNTIL APRIL 19!** Sign up today!! There is a \$50 deposit. If you are interested in learning about or are requesting a need-based scholarship of up to \$150, be sure to mark that box when registering and an application will be sent to you with more details. You may reach out to Chris at [chris@steelecreekchurch.org](mailto:chris@steelecreekchurch.org), and he can email you a link to the online application.

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. She will be speaking about compassion. Read more about Rev. Wilkes [here](#).

Protect your identity, shred your documents!

15000 York Road Charlotte, NC 28278



**Shred it and forget it!**  
Saturday, April 26  
9 a.m. - Noon



## Your Sunday School Corner

*What classes do we have? What are they studying?  
Who do they serve? Who are the teachers? And  
More!*

For the next couple of months you will tour the Sunday School classes of SCPCPH right here. You may decide to join one for the first time or are interested in trying out another.

The third class being introduced is "Digging Deep" led by David McAliley and held in the conference room behind the front office. This class is multigenerational and welcomes all. Digging Deep has a more academic bend to it. Lately, their focus is on learning more about the Abrahamic religions around the world.

# 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**

- ✝ Peggy Taylor, Brandon Burkhardt's grandmother, passed away Thursday morning 3/20 after a years-long battle with cancer. Please be in prayer for the Burkharts.

## **Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns**

- ✝ Prayers for the people in Myanmar and Thailand affected by the earthquake. Prayers also for those working on rescue efforts among the rubble.
- ✝ Prayers for those affected by the wildfires currently burning in Western North Carolina and Upstate South Carolina.
- ✝ 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 Hurricane Helene in NC, SC, FL, GA, TN, and VA and for the challenges they face as they rebuild.
- ✝ 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.

- ✝ 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**

- ✝ Ryan, Caitlin and Sydney McInnis want prayers as Sydney remains in the NICU. Sydney is gaining weight; the doctor checks her every day and says she's doing well.
- ✝ Harry McComb, Mary Turner's brother has had several tests and will receive the results the first of April. Mary requests prayers that the results and treatment plan are forth coming soon.
- ✝ Roy Epps had his right leg removed from the knee down. Ziza spoke with him, and he is in good spirits. Please be in prayer for Roy and his wife Robin.
- ✝ Felicia Clark Peaseley the sister of Marcia Henderson and friend of Terry Gillette, is at home now. Please pray for Felicia as she recovers from her fall.
- ✝ 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**

- ✝ Beau Rowe a friend of Barry Small's. Barry asked for prayer for Beau for healing powers from cancer. Beau started chemo and radiation treatments on March 31st. Please pray for his family's strength and comfort through this process.
- ✝ Randall Brunson recently received a diagnosis of early onset prostate cancer. On Monday, April 7th Randall will have a bone scan and CT scan of his abdomen to see if there has been spread. On April 29th he is scheduled for surgery. Please be in prayer for Randall and for the Lord's healing powers. Pray also for Tiffany and Alex as this family starts this cancer journey.
- ✝ David Baird, a friend of Trent Haston has a new cancer diagnosis and is undergoing chemo treatments. Please lift David up in prayer.
- ✝ Ragan, cousin of Trey Horack is in treatment for kidney cancer. Please pray for God's healing touch as Ragan undergoes treatment for her cancer.
- ✝ Ron Freeman a friend of Trent and Ragan Haston's has been diagnosed with cancer. He had a successful surgery on March 3rd and needs prayer as he recovers.



✝ 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.

✝ 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 has completed her chemo and will move on to the next step in her cancer journey. Please be in prayer for Kaarin and her husband Don.

✝ Raquel Mercer, sister of Ragan Haston and daughter of Gina and Tom Settlemire 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 will complete her targeted chemo treatments in June. Following her treatments she will have surgery. Please pray for Allison as she continues her treatments.

✝ 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 will begin a new round of radiation treatments starting March 31st. They are 5 times a week for 6 weeks. Please continue to pray for Carol.

✝ 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 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**

✝ Louise is out of the hospital but needs prayer for a number of health conditions.

✝ 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

### **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

### **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