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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

In house: 194

Children: 36


Nursery: 3

# Upcoming Worship Service

Speaker: Dr. Jeff Pinkston

Scripture: John 14:1-6

Message: Remembering the Saints



Click, tap, or scan the QR code to watch last week's service.

Speaker: Dr. Jeff Pinkston

Scripture: Isaiah 65:17-25, Luke 21:5-19

Message: Rejoicing in the New Creation

Tune into our live stream on YouTube or Facebook starting at 10:28am each Sunday.

## Advent Devotional



We are trying something a little different with our Advent devotionals for 2025. This year the booklets were not purchased. Select members of staff and community leaders have been invited to write a devotional to be shared throughout the Advent season via email and online. A printed version will be available in the Narthex each Sunday for the following week.

If you would like to receive a daily email of this devotional, you must sign up here.

[Advent Daily Devotional Signup | SCPCPH](#)

Greeters: Randall Brunson, Ellen Thomas

Ushers: Bill Ferguson, Tom Burns, Sarah Harkey, Jennifer Dennis

Signers: David Thompson, Leon Daniels

Counters: Barry Small, Boyd Kurt

Flowers: Will be given to the glory of God and in celebration of Roberta Harris's birthday on Nov. 18th by her children Debbie, Don, and Rob. Flowers will also be given by Scott Harkey in celebration of his parent's, Ted and Sarah Harkey, wedding anniversary.

J-Walker Leaders: ***Even with J-Music, we still need J-Walker leaders! Will it be you? Sign up below.***

NEW QR CODE!  
SIGN UP NOW!



We always accept donations of food. The basket is in the main office lobby. Non-perishables. No glass containers. No expired foods. Donate today!!




# Calendar

To assist with the speed of assembling the weekly calendar here, I will copy the whole public calendar from Church Center. If you do not see your group's event, either it has been cancelled or it is not on the main calendar for any number of reasons. Please call the office and let's see if there is an error that needs correcting.

## November

Thurs., Nov. 13	Beyond the Word	10:00am
Thurs., Nov. 13	Congregational Care	6:30pm
Thurs., Nov. 13	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Fri., Nov. 14	Crafts Fellowship	10:00am
Sat., Nov. 15	Handbell Retreat	9:00am
Sun., Nov. 16	<b>Last Day to Donate a Frozen Turkey!!</b>	10:00am
Sun., Nov. 16	<b>OCC Shoeboxes due - GOAL 250</b>	10:30am
Sun., Nov. 16	Sunday School	9:30am
Sun., Nov. 16	Worship	10:30am
Sun., Nov. 16	J-Music	10:45am
Sun., Nov. 16	J-Walkers	10:45am
Sun., Nov. 16	J-Vibes	11:30am
Sun., Nov. 16	2026 Mission Trip Meeting	12:00pm
Sun., Nov. 16	Girl Scout Service Unit	2:00pm
Sun., Nov. 16	AA	8:00pm
Mon., Nov. 17	Intercessory Prayer Team	11:00am
Mon., Nov. 17	Grief Journey	11:30am
Mon., Nov. 17	Preschool Chapel	12:30pm
Tues., Nov. 18	Staff Meeting	11:30am
Tues., Nov. 18	Jesus Has a Jumper Basketball	6:30pm
Tues., Nov. 18	Men's Fellowship	6:30pm
Tues., Nov. 18	Session 2025	7:00pm
Wed., Nov. 19	Praise Team Rehearsal	6:00pm
Wed., Nov. 19	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Thurs., Nov. 20	Beyond the Word	10:00am
Thurs., Nov. 20	Girl Scouts Troop 1396	6:00pm
Thurs., Nov. 20	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Fri., Nov. 21	Shut-in Meals	10:00am
Sat., Nov. 22	Girl Scouts Troop 1049	10:00am
Sun., Nov. 23	Sunday School	9:30am
Sun., Nov. 23	Worship	10:30am
Sun., Nov. 23	J-Music	10:45am
Sun., Nov. 23	J-Walkers	10:45am
Sun., Nov. 23	J-Vibes	11:30am
Sun., Nov. 23	AA	8:00pm
Mon., Nov. 24	Intercessory Prayer Team	11:00am
Mon., Nov. 24	Pub Theology	6:30pm
Tues., Nov. 25	Staff Meeting	11:30am
Tues., Nov. 25	Jesus Has a Jumper Basketball	6:30pm
Wed., Nov. 26	Praise Team Rehearsal	6:00pm
Wed., Nov. 26	American Legion Meeting	6:30pm
Wed., Nov. 26	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Thurs., Nov. 27	<b>Thanksgiving Day</b>	All-day
Thurs., Nov. 27	<b>Office Closed</b>	All-day
Sun., Nov. 30	<b>Advent</b>	
Sun., Nov. 30	Sunday School	9:30am
Sun., Nov. 30	10 cents a meal	10:30am
Sun., Nov. 30	Communion	10:30am
Sun., Nov. 30	Worship with Palisade's High School Choir	10:30am
Sun., Nov. 30	J-Music	10:45am

Sun., Nov. 30	J-Walkers	10:45am
Sun., Nov. 30	AA	8:00pm

## December

Mon., Dec. 1	Intercessory Prayer Team	11:00am
Mon., Dec. 1	Grief Journey	11:30am
Mon., Dec. 1	Preschool Chapel	12:30pm
Mon., Dec. 1	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Mon., Dec. 1	Admin. and Personnel	6:15pm
Tues., Dec. 2	Staff Meeting	11:30am
Tues., Dec. 2	Stewardship Meeting	6:00pm
Tues., Dec. 2	Jesus Has a Jumper Basketball	6:30pm
Tues., Dec. 2	Christian Growth	6:45pm
Wed., Dec. 3	Praise Team	6:00pm
Wed., Dec. 3	Faith & Family Night	6:00pm
Wed., Dec. 3	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Thurs., Dec. 4	Beyond the Word	10:00am
Thurs., Dec. 4	Girl Scouts: Troop 1396	6:00pm
Thurs., Dec. 4	Handbell Choir	7:00pm
Fri., Dec. 5	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Sun., Dec. 7	Birthday Party for Jesus	9:30am
Sun., Dec. 7	Sunday School	9:30am
Sun., Dec. 7	Worship	10:30am
Sun., Dec. 7	Children's Choir	10:45am
Sun., Dec. 7	J-Walkers	10:45am
Sun., Dec. 7	Outreach & Fellowship	11:30am
Sun., Dec. 7	AA	8:00pm
Mon., Dec. 8	Preschool Ministry Team	10:30am
Mon., Dec. 8	Intercessory Prayer Team	11:00am
Mon., Dec. 8	Preschool Chapel	12:30pm
Mon., Dec. 8	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Mon., Dec. 8	Missions Ministry Team	6:30pm
Tues., Dec. 9	Staff Meeting	11:30am
Tues., Dec. 9	Jesus Has a Jumper Basketball	6:30pm
Tues., Dec. 9	Finance Ministry	6:30pm
Wed., Dec. 10	Praise Team	6:00pm
Wed., Dec. 10	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm

### **2026 Mission Trip Meeting**

A meeting will be held following the morning worship service on November 16 in the conference room behind the church office. The purpose of the meeting will be to determine the level of interest and a possible location of a mission trip during the

summer months of 2026. The meeting will be on [Zoom for anyone unable to attend.](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89833583625)  
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# Music Ministry

## Upcoming Christmas Programs

Nov 30: First Sunday of Advent  
*Palisades High School Choir*

Dec 7: Second Sunday of Advent  
*Birthday Party for Jesus*

Dec 14: Third Sunday of Advent  
*Children's Music Program*

*Holiday Luncheon*  
  
*Caroling*

Dec 21: Fourth Sunday of Advent  
*Adult Music Program*

Dec 24: Christmas Eve  
*LoveFeast at 5:30pm*

**J-MUSIC**  
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

A DIVISION OF SCPCPH MUSIC MINISTRIES

**HOW DOES IT WORK?**

**THIS SUNDAY!  
DURING WORSHIP!**

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED  
AGES 4 - 12 (& SOME OLDER 3s WITH DIRECTOR APPROVAL)  
MEETS DURING 10:30 WORSHIP  
SINGING & A BIBLICAL MESSAGE  
CHILDREN OF VISITORS ARE WELCOME!

**J-MUSIC SCHEDULE**

SUNDAY <small>(all rehearsals occur during 10:30 am worship unless otherwise indicated)</small>	AGE GROUP <small>(ages 6+ rehearse odd-numbered Sundays)</small>
10/5	4 - 12
10/12	4 - 5
10/19	4 - 12
10/26	4 - 5
11/2	4 - 5
11/9	4 - 12
<b>11/16</b>	<b>4-5</b>
11/23	4 - 12
11/30	4 - 5
12/7	4 - 12
12/13 (9 - 11 am)	4 - 12
12/14	4 - 12

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## BLESSING DATE HAS ARRIVED!

Be sure your boxes are in by

**This Sunday**

## Operation Christmas Child

**We are under our goal by 90 boxes!**  
**Last day to bring in boxes to count towards our church goal is SUNDAY!**

**OUR GOAL:**

**250 boxes!**

STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
at Pleasant Hill

# Odds, Ends & Events

## TURKEY TRUCK IS COMING!

HAVE YOUR FROZEN TURKEY(S) DONATION  
TURNED INTO THE CHURCH BY NOVEMBER 16.



## Frozen Turkey Collection

Each year we collect frozen turkeys for Nourish Up to distribute to families in need. Donate a frozen turkey by Nov. 16 to go into our deep freezers until collection on Sunday. Nourish Up will be here at 10 - 11 a.m. on Sunday to collect all the donated turkeys and other food items.

Tuesday morning it was noticed that we had one turkey donated after a few weeks of asking. Wednesday evening we were up to five. You amaze me!! On Thursday, we had an amazing outpouring of response after I realized and shared how easy it was to buy and deliver a turkey through Amazon. As of this time we are at 32 whole turkeys from 8 to 22 pounds!

**Our goal is 60 birds. You still have a chance to bring in a turkey on Sunday morning! A smaller turkey is better due to limited freezer space at this time.**

There is a congregational meeting immediately after church on November 23 to elect members of the Nominating Committee. The nominating committee is a group of people who select new deacons and elders that will be put up for election in January. If you wish to nominate a congregational representative on November 23, you need to check with that individual in advance about their willingness to serve.

The following people from the congregation have been nominated and will be voted upon on November 23: Jonathan McCall, Mary Beth Monroe, Betsy Stewart, Dave Thompson.

The following people have been appointed and do not need to be elected: Mike Farnham and Randall Brunson will represent the Session, Allison Pickens will represent the Diaconate.



[American Legion Post 221](#) has purchased 100 wreaths to place on the graves of veterans in Steele Creek Presbyterian Church Cemetery located at 7001 Steele Creek Road. The Legion is inviting everyone from this church who wants to participate in laying a wreath on a veteran's grave at this cemetery to sign up between November 17 and December 12. This will give the Legion a count of participants.

You may elect to place multiple wreaths. There is no charge for this event. You must be available December 13 to lay your wreath on your chosen or assigned veteran.

[Sign up starts November 17.](#)



## Stewardship Campaign

**Now until  
December 21**

**Scan or click the QR  
Code to make your  
pledge today.**



## *Odds, Ends & Events*

### *Christmas Joy Offering*

November 30 - December 21, 2025

[Presbyterian Special Offerings - Christmas Joy](#)

The Christmas Joy Offering has been a cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s. The Offering distributes gifts equally to the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and to Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. The Assistance Program provides critical financial support to church workers and their families. Presbyterian-related schools and colleges provide education and leadership development while nurturing racial and ethnic heritage. This has been a Presbyterian commitment for nearly 140 years.

To learn more, participate, and give, please follow the link above or complete an envelope at church and put it in the offering plate starting November 30.

Would you like to help decorate the sanctuary through sponsoring a poinsettia?

We have a limited number of poinsettias available mid-December. Call the church office if you are interested in purchasing a 6.5" potted poinsettia for \$20.



## *The Christmas Luncheon and Caroling*

*You are invited to a very special Christmas luncheon and fellowship on Sunday, December 14 following our church service. There will be caroling off campus following the luncheon.*

*The menu is as follows:*

*Baked turkey, dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, additional sides, and bread.*

*Bringing a dessert to share is requested.*

*There is no cost, but we do ask that you sign up so there is adequate food for everyone.*

*Please sign-up using this link:*

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

# 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.

## Surgery

- ✝ Stephen Smith, Jr. had surgery on November 5. Prayers for a speedy recovery.

## Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- ✝ Please be in prayer for Jamaica and the Caribbean countries affected by Hurricane Melissa. The devastation caused by winds and water have left a number of individuals dead, property damaged and individuals without water and electricity. Pray also for the safety of humanitarian groups headed to these countries to provide help.
- ✝ Pray for food pantries like Nourish Up. With the federal government shut down and the SNAP program expiring, food banks are losing funding and supplies are limited. There are many people still in need of food.
- ✝ Pray for future peace in the Middle East, Israel, its people, and for the innocent individuals being affected in the Gaza region.
- ✝ 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 Jackson Roberts, Lynn Roberts' grandson, and the group he's traveling with for 6 months. They are teaching Christianity and life skills as they move from country to country on a mission trip. Currently, they are ministering in the country of Japan.
- ✝ Ukraine and its people.

## Life's Issues

- ✝ Jenna Ainsley asks for prayer to give her strength and for the safety for her children.

## Ongoing Illness

- ✝ Olivia Eiger, a friend of the Carroll family, is 19 years old and living with Juvenile Onset of Huntington's Disease. Please pray for Olivia as she lives with this debilitating disease

- ✝ Cooper Freeman, III has his prosthesis and is in therapy to learn how to use it. This has been a long journey for Cooper. What a praise to know he is going to be able to walk again. Pray for Cooper as he is in PT learning to use his prosthesis.

- ✝ Kelly Bledsoe is having a number of ongoing health issues. Brenda Bledsoe asked that we lift her daughter up in prayer.

## General Health Concerns

- ✝ Larry Briggs is in the hospital receiving antibiotics and other medications. He is scheduled to go home this week. Please be in prayer for Larry.
- ✝ Lou Osborn, grandmother of Anne Moore fell and broke her collarbone and a few ribs. She also suffers from dementia and is very confused. Please pray for Lou as she recovers from her fall.

- ✝ Linda Clark wants prayers for upcoming doctors' appointments to plan and schedule a heart valve replacement later in the month.

- ✝ Sondra Gillette, mother of Tim Gillette is in the hospital following a fall. They are hoping she will be moved to rehab shortly. Terry asks for prayers for Tim's mother.

- ✝ Barbara Freeman is in the hospital for some tests and will start PT at the end of next week. Please pray for God's healing powers.

- ✝ Jeffrey Hovis, grandson of Martha & Leighton Brown is still having trouble getting around and will have one more surgery. Martha & Leighton ask for prayers as he regains the use of his leg and recovers from the accident.

- ✝ Milan was diagnosed with Guillain Barre's Syndrome. This resulted from a vaccine reaction and will be treated with multiple doses of steroids and other infusions. Having a diagnosis is a relief and now treatment can begin. Continue to pray for Milan as he starts treatment.

- ✝ Baby Penelope, granddaughter of Sandra Wood, is home and doing well! She has a feeding tube, but the issue should be corrected in six months. Prayers are very much appreciated for her continued growth and development.

- ✝ Ruth McGaha is home recovering from spinal surgery. Ruth has a long recovery period and appreciates your prayers.

- ✝ Elizabeth, Grace Kuto's sister has a blood clot as a result of Heart Failure. Grace says she is stable but needs lots of prayers.

- ✝ Paul, the brother of Gail Brenner's daughter-in-law Kim, has moved from the hospital to a rehab facility. Please pray for Paul's recovery.

- ✝ Pat McCorkle, David McCorkle's mother is at White Oak Manor Rehab doing PT to recover from her three surgeries. Continue to pray for Pat as she recovers.

- ✝ George and Betty Davis appreciate all your prayers.

- ✝ Carol Boot would like prayers for health concerns.

## Cancer

- ✝ John McGloughlin has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Fred Willis asks that we lift up John in prayer during his journey with cancer.

- ✝ Charlie Taylor, uncle to Brandon Burkhart, has been diagnosed with multiple kinds of stage 3 cancer throughout his body. He is on daily chemo and radiation treatments. Please be in prayer for Charlie and his family through this long, tough journey.

- ✝ Rick Necklen, the husband of a friend of Ashley Bolender has finished his chemo treatments for adenocarcinoma, a form of esophageal cancer. He is scheduled for surgery on December 15th. Ashley appreciates your prayers for Rick.

✚ Preston Meynardie, Meg Salmon's mother was diagnosed with cancer. Please be in prayer for her as she continues her cancer treatment.

✚ Mike August, a friend of Mary Turner was diagnosed with stage 3 prostate cancer. He's self-employed with poor insurance coverage. He's concerned about medical bills and the treatment he is receiving.

✚ Ava Barrett, the daughter of a friend of Ashley Bolender, is doing much better but continues chemo treatments. Her next appointment is November 7th. Ava appreciates the continued prayers.

✚ Beau Rowe, Barry Small's friend has completed his chemo and radiation. Pray for his healing and for comfort and strength for his family.

✚ Jonathan Boot's stomach cancer has returned. Carol Boot asks for prayers for strength and healing for Jonathan.

✚ Ron Freeman, a friend of Trent Haston was diagnosed with cancer. He's had surgery and is receiving treatment. The treatment makes him sick, and he's losing weight. Please pray for Ron to be able to better tolerate the treatments.

✚ Pam Garris Bland, a friend of Linda Freeman started chemotherapy treatments for a reoccurrence of lymphoma. Linda asks that we lift up Pam in prayer.

✚ Raquel Mercer will be going back to Duke on November 17th for a full round of labs, CT scan, MRI and meeting with three doctor's to determine the next step. Please pray for God's healing mercies for Raquel as she continues this cancer journey for more than a year. Her family thanks you for your prayers.

✚ Travelle, the sister-in-law of a friend of Sandi Lauerman, please pray for her as she continues experimental treatment for stage 4 pancreatic cancer. Continue to pray for the long cancer journey she is facing.

**Fostering the Family (FTF)**

✚ Fostering the Family wants prayers for all of the 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, Air Force Reserve, March AFB, California

✚ Claudia Hesse, Coast Guard, Guam

✚ Olivia Hommes, Vance AFB in Enid, OK

✚ Bradley Lauerman, US Navy, Virginia

✚ Dennis Rawls, IV Air National Guard

✚ Lexie Simerly, Army, Tacoma, Washington. Will be transferred to Hawaii in the near future.

✚ Will Warsaw, US Navy, NC

If you would like to submit a prayer request, private or public, you may:  
<sup>1</sup>Complete the prayer card in the back of any pew and place it in the offering plate. Mark it as a private or public prayer request. The card will be sent to the Intercessory Prayer Team.

<sup>2</sup>Email any prayer concerns to [IntercessoryPrayerTeam@steelecreekchurch.org](mailto:IntercessoryPrayerTeam@steelecreekchurch.org) <sup>3</sup>Submit a prayer concern through Church Center. On the computer go to [scpcph.churchcenter.com](http://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.

**Homebound**

Joan Brown	Elaine Kotraba
Bob Capps	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
	Wayne Whiteside

<b><u>College Students</u></b>	
Spencer Beck	Alexa Hill
Alex Brunson	Kevin Horack
Jacob Economon	Ben Shanti
Joshua Economon	Peyton Snyder
Clay Ferguson	Charlie Warnke

**Refrigerator Needed**

We have a member of the community in need of a refrigerator. If you have a working refrigerator available, please call the church office and let us coordinate moving the fridge to the individual.

(704) 588-1290