

1/8/2026

Happy New Year



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: 181

Children: 11

Nursery: 3

Upcoming
Worship
Service



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



Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jeff Pinkston

Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6 & Matthew 2:1-12

Message: What star are we following?

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jeff Pinkston

Scripture: Act 10:34-43

Message: He Is The One

[Read the scripture on Church Center or follow this link.](#)

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

Mission Trip Meeting

If you are interested in going on a summer 2026 mission trip, a meeting will be held in the conference room at noon on Jan 11th. If you cannot attend the meeting, it will also be available by Zoom. Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86247320625?pwd=Nt3JaYla5whla6uv62IRNWZie7ALVe.1>

Greeters:

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

Signers: Deb O'Connor, David Thompson

Counters: Donna Moody, Betsy Stewart

Flowers: The flowers on Sunday are given for the glory of God.

Call the office on Friday to carry
a tartan on Sunday!

**3 WEEKS
LEFT!**

Calling all Youth: Camp Time!!

Camp Passport (for grades 6 - 12) registration is open for only three more weeks! I know summer plans seem far away, but this camp is filling fast! We have a group headed out to Camp Passport at Converse College in Spartanburg from July 12-17, 2026. Are you going? If so, please register at the link below. **SPACE IS VERY LIMITED.**

[Camp Passport - Youth Camp - Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill](#)

If you are interested, but the registration is full, please reach out to Chris early.

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.

January

Thurs., Jan. 8	Beyond the Word	10:00am
Fri., Jan. 9	Crafts Fellowship	10:00am
Fri., Jan. 9	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Fri., Jan. 9	Nominating Committee	8:00pm
Sat., Jan. 10	Girl Scouts	10:00am
Sun., Jan. 11	Scottish Heritage Sunday	All-day
Sun., Jan. 11	Sunday School	9:30am
Sun., Jan. 11	Worship	10:30am
Sun., Jan. 11	J-Walkers	10:45am
Sun., Jan. 11	Youth Group Sunday	5:00pm
Sun., Jan. 11	AA	8:00pm
Mon., Jan. 12	Preschool Ministry Team	10:30am
Mon., Jan. 12	Intercessory Prayer Team	11:00am
Mon., Jan. 12	Preschool Chapel	12:30pm
Mon., Jan. 12	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Mon., Jan. 12	Missions Ministry Team	6:30pm
Tues., Jan. 13	Staff	11:30am
Tues., Jan. 13	Jesus Has a Jumper Basketball	6:30pm
Tues., Jan. 13	Finance	6:30pm
Wed., Jan. 14	Nominating Committee	8:00pm
Thurs., Jan. 15	Beyond the Word	10:00am
Thurs., Jan. 15	Girl Scouts	6:00pm
Fri., Jan. 16	Shut-in Meals	10:00am
Fri., Jan. 16	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Sat., Jan. 17	Officer Training	9:00am
Sun., Jan. 18	Sunday School	9:30am
Sun., Jan. 18	Worship	10:30am
Sun., Jan. 18	J-Walkers	10:45am
Sun., Jan. 18	Congregational Meeting	11:45am
Sun., Jan. 18	Safety & Security Team	12:00pm
Sun., Jan. 18	Girl Scouts	2:00pm
Sun., Jan. 18	AA	8:00pm
Mon., Jan. 19	MLK Day - Office Closed	All-day
Mon., Jan. 19	Intercessory Prayer Team	11:00am
Mon., Jan. 19	Grief Journey	11:30am
Mon., Jan. 19	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Tues., Jan. 20	Preschool Pancakes & Pajamas	8:00am
Tues., Jan. 20	Staff	11:30am
Tues., Jan. 20	Jesus Has a Jumper Basketball	6:30pm
Tues., Jan. 20	Girl Scout Troop #781	6:30pm
Tues., Jan. 20	Men's Fellowship	6:30pm
Tues., Jan. 20	Christian Growth Team	6:45pm
Wed., Jan. 21	Shoppes of the Landing POA	6:30pm
Thurs., Jan. 22	Beyond the Word	10:00am
Fri., Jan. 23	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Sat., Jan. 24	Girl Scouts	10:00am
Sun., Jan. 25	Sunday School	9:30am
Sun., Jan. 25	10 cents a meal	10:30am

Sun., Jan. 25	Worship	10:30am
Sun., Jan. 25	J-Walkers	10:45am
Sun., Jan. 25	BASIC Training	12:00pm
Sun., Jan. 25	AA	8:00pm
Mon., Jan. 26	Intercessory Prayer Team	11:00am
Mon., Jan. 26	Preschool Chapel	12:30pm
Mon., Jan. 26	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Mon., Jan. 26	Pub Theology	6:30pm
Tues., Jan. 27	Staff	11:30am
Tues., Jan. 27	Jesus Has a Jumper Basketball	6:30pm
Tues., Jan. 27	Hamilton Green HOA	7:00pm
Wed., Jan. 28	Praise Team Choir Rehearsal	6:00pm
Wed., Jan. 28	American Legion Meeting	6:30pm
Thurs., Jan. 29	Beyond the Word	10:00am
Fri., Jan. 30	LWAA Basketball Practice	5:30pm
Sun., Feb. 1	Sunday School	9:30am
Sun., Feb. 1	Worship	10:30am
Sun., Feb. 1	J-Walkers	10:45am
Sun., Feb. 1	Outreach & Fellowship	11:30am
Sun., Feb. 1	AA	8:00pm
Mon., Feb. 2	Intercessory Prayer Team	11:00am
Mon., Feb. 2	Grief Journey	11:30am
Mon., Feb. 2	Preschool Chapel	12:30pm
Mon., Feb. 2	Admin.& Personnel	6:15pm
Tues., Feb. 3	Staff	11:30am
Tues., Feb. 3	Jesus Has a Jumper Basketball	6:30pm
Tues., Feb. 3	Girl Scout Troop #781	6:30pm
Wed., Feb. 4	Praise Team	6:00pm
Wed., Feb. 4	Faith & Family Night	6:00pm
Wed., Feb. 4	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Thurs., Feb. 5	Beyond the Word	10:00am
Thurs., Feb. 5	Girl Scouts	6:00pm
Thurs., Feb. 5	Handbell Choir	7:00pm

We need YOU. Sign-up to carry a tartan this

Sunday. [Call the office](#) to sign up and specify which tartan you are carrying.

[See Church Center for a list of tartans.](#)

New officer training on January 17 from 9 - 3pm for those nominated to be a deacon or elder.


Congregational meeting on January 18 following church service to elect deacons and elders to the diaconate and session.

Safety Team training sessions: January 18 after church in the choir room.



Odds, Ends & Events

Collected by Missions Ministry Team



Empty Medicine Bottles

Bottles can be over-the-counter or prescription. Any size. Lids must be included.

DO NOT LEAVE MEDICATIONS IN BOTTLES.

The Mission Ministry team truly appreciates all the bottles you have donated!



It has become so much so quickly that the team cannot keep up with cleaning all your bottles. The team is asking for you to clean and de-label your bottles before you donate them. The team will still pack and pay for shipment to the organization that sends them overseas. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping this valuable service going.



[Faith and Family dinner registration is now open Follow the code or tap for the link.](#)

2026 Pledge

Pledge goal: \$800,000
Pledged to date: \$624,808
Number of pledges: 91



Do you love to do crafts?!


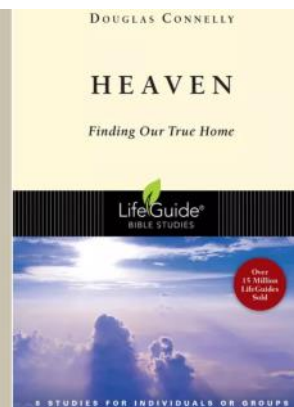
We have the perfect group for you! The second Friday of a month (TOMORROW!) at 10am we have a Craft Fellowship group that comes together to craft for service. Many of the projects are made to give to shut-ins, children, etc.

All ages & all people are invited.

Join this DYNAMIC group!

Beyond the WORD

This ladies Bible study group meets weekly on Thursday. Join us Jan. 8, at 10 a.m. in the conference room for the start of the new study: **Heaven.**

Work on our Education building has started again. Most of the permits have been approved. This is allowing work to start up again. Plumbers are doing what plumbers do, and Roby is saw-cutting floors. More details to come as I have them. Thank you for your patience on this project.

INSTRUMENT PETTING ZOO

BAGPIPE EDITION!

Stop by and check out the fun after worship on Jan. 11!

THIS Sunday! **11th** January

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CASUAL PINT HAS CLOSED AND WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE FOR MEETUPS. STAY TUNED FOR THE NEW LOCATION.

PUB THEOLOGY

Last Monday of the month
6:30 pm
Location may vary

Missions

Agape Acres



On Saturday, December 14, Agape Acres welcomed children and their families from Hopekids. Hopekids is a charity aimed to support, transform and offer hope to children with life-threatening medical conditions and their families.

On a glorious sunny afternoon, families arrived with children who enjoyed petting the ponies, meeting the goats, stroking the bunny rabbit, watching the chickens and cuddling the miniature horses – Sugarfoot and Pebbles. There were plenty of cookies – all generously supplied by our church and after crafts and stories – Santa arrived. A big thank you to all who made such yummy cookies – they were so very grateful for the kindness.

There will be more opportunities to volunteer at events like this in 2026 so if you would like to find out more please speak to Anne Tolland, Director of Mission Development.



Missions

Congregations for Kids

Mission Opportunities

At the start of a new year we often feel it is a good time to make resolutions and get into healthier habits – such as eating more salads, taking regular exercise, spending time to rest and reflect.

Could I encourage you to think about making it a habit to look at different mission volunteering opportunities are available each month?

We already partner with so many outside organizations and agencies, all of whom do amazing work but sometimes it is only when we spend some time *'walking in their shoes'* that we really appreciate how much our partnership means.

This month we think of the work of Congregation for Kids.

Mentor Match Information

January 15th at 6pm

5835 Executive Center Drive, Charlotte

A chance for individuals to learn more about becoming a mentor to youth in foster care. Attendees will gain information on mentoring and have the opportunity to ask questions about the program, application process, and upcoming opportunities.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mentor-info-session-tickets-1758410084899?aff=oddtcreator>

Book Delivery for Foster Families

January 20th – 21st

5835 Executive Center Drive, Charlotte

Opportunity to deliver books to local foster families. A heartfelt message that God loves them, a gentle and powerful reminder of hope, love, and encouragement for the children and families who receive them.

Books can be picked up on 1/20 (between 2-3pm) or 1/21 (between 1-3pm) and need to be delivered to a pre-assigned route of 3-4 homes by 1/22.

<https://dash.pointapp.org/events/469919?token=ac286871-00b7-4c45-a8cf-a52e12a4f56a>

Keep a watch out for other volunteering opportunities. If you would like to know anything more about Congregations for Kids, please get in touch with Anne.

Night of prayer and worship at

Warehouse 242

January 22nd 7 – 8.30pm

2307 Wilkinson Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28208

Opportunity to come and support the work of CFK with prayer and celebrate the work they do.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2026-night-of-prayer-and-worship-tickets-1963606068610?aff=oddtcreator>

Foster Parent Information Evening

January 14th at 7pm

Zoom meeting

Join virtually to learn more about becoming a licensed foster parent! A Zoom link will be sent by 1/13/26.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-foster-parent-info-session-january-tickets-1975131334992?aff=oddtcreator>

Missions

Palisades HS Cards and Coats Distribution

On the last day of school, 65 gift cards donated by Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill were distributed to students at Palisades High School. The cards were paid for through your donations to the Good Samaritan fund.

Stephanie, the social worker, sent some photos of them receiving the gifts and coats that you provided. She said *'so many smiles, hugs and tears. Some eyes nearly popped out of their heads. Every single child was genuinely surprised happy and grateful. Thank you so much for making something we thought was impossible happen. My heart is so full.'*

Thank you to everyone who has helped make Christmas a little bit brighter for these young people and thank you for supporting the work of the social workers Howard and Stephanie. As they said *'we felt like you have adopted us.'*



Sixty-five \$100 retail gift cards were provided with individual greeting cards from the church. Your donations to the Good Samaritan fund made this possible. The church and PHS truly thanks you.



Message inside each of the cards gifted to students with their gift card.

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 Martha Brown who passed away 1/5/2026. Martha was a special part of our church family for a great number of years. She will surely be missed.
- ✝ Bob Hudson, Grace Saylor's brother-in-law, passed away January 8. Please be in prayer for his family and friends during this difficult time.
- ✝ Mother of Jonathan Thomas passed away on January 8. Please be in prayer for the Thomas family and friends.

Praise

- ✝ Johnny McNeely, Toni McCall's cousin, had a great report and is now on maintenance chemo.

Surgery

- ✝ Barry Small will have ankle replacement surgery on January 8th. Please lift Barry up in prayer as he goes through surgery and recovery.

Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- ✝ Please be in prayers for the people of Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, and Sri Lanka. Over 1100 people have been killed by the devastating floods and landslides. Many people are still missing and searching is difficult.
- ✝ 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. There are many people 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.

✝ Taylor and Rachel Steele's foster children have upcoming court dates in January and February.

✝ Jeffrey Brenner asking for prayer concerning his job.

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 is slowly working to learn to use his prosthesis. Continued prayers are appreciated as he continues to learn 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

✝ Mary Turner had a doctor's appointment. Her foot is doing better and she will continue to wear boot and no surgery is planned. Follow up appointment in a few weeks. Continued prayers are appreciated.

✝ Edward Shrum, the father of Mandy Beck needs prayer as his mobility and memory are declining.

✝ Lutomia, daughter of Grace and Paul Kuto. Please pray for her heart health condition. She has an appointment with a specialist in DC next week.

✝ Don Baker, please be in prayer for Don as he recovers from hip tendon surgery.

✝ Linda Clark would like prayers for improved health and positive upcoming doctors' reports.

✝ Dan Puetz a friend of Renee and Leon Daniel's is recovering from back surgery. Please be in prayer for his recovery.

✝ Lou Osborn, grandmother of Anne Moore has moved into an assisted living facility since her memory is declining.

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

✝ George and Betty Davis appreciate all your prayers.

✝ Carol Boot would like prayers for health concerns.

Cancer

✝ Mike Allman, the husband of a long time friend of Clara Giles. Mike has been diagnosed with very aggressive type of brain cancer. He will be at Duke receiving 6 weeks of radiation and chemo treatments. Please be in prayer for Mike as he

receives these treatments.

- ✚ 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, Brandon Burkhardt's uncle diagnosed with multiple kinds of stage 3 cancer is having chemo once a week. He has developed blood clots during his treatments. Please be in prayers for Charlie and his family through this tough, long journey.
- ✚ Rick Necklen, the husband of a friend of Ashley Bolender has been sick so his surgery has been rescheduled to January 30. Ashley said the family appreciates the 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.
- ✚ 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.
- ✚ 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, a friend of Linda Freeman's will start her chemo treatments again on January 27th. She is struggling with strong pain and nausea. Linda is grateful for your prayer for her friend.

✚ Raquel Mercer, had a good report from her visit to Duke. No new cancer in the lungs and some spots had decreased in size. Liver is still clear and no new cancer anywhere else. She will continue chemo for now and her next appointment is January 26th. If her tumors continue to recede they may look at some radiation and/or surgery options on those. The family is so thankful for this news. They thank you for continued prayers.

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

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

If you would like to submit a prayer request, private or public, you may:
¹Complete 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. ²Email any prayer concerns to IntercessoryPrayerTeam@steelecreekchurch.org ³Submit a prayer concern through Church Center. On the computer go to 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	Hannah Maurer
Bob Capps	Pat McCorkle
Linda Clark	Sarah Middleton
Dot Earp	Forrest Nunnally
Cooper Freeman, III	Gerry Roberts
Katharine Freeman	Kat Sparrow
Louise Freeman	Margaret Wert
Elaine Kotraba	Wayne Whiteside

College Students

Spencer Beck	Alexa Hill
Alex Brunson	Kevin Horack
Jacob Economon	Ben Shanti
Joshua Economon	Peyton Snyder
Ethan Fenske	Charlie Warnke
Clay Ferguson	