

Here, we work together to follow Christ in joyfully serving our neighbors as compassionate, connected, contributing, everyday disciples.

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Worship: October 8, 2023

Message: Philippians 3:4-14

Scripture: Credentials

Elder Greeters	Jacob Cunningham and Meg Salmon	
Deacons Rachel Steele, Betty Harraman, Jessica Mo Gene Gilleland, Randall Brunson		
Coffee and Bagels	Randall and Tiffany Brunson	
Counters	Angie Neel and Bill Harraman	
Signers	Walter Neely and Leon Daniels	

The Flowers This Week -

Open date.

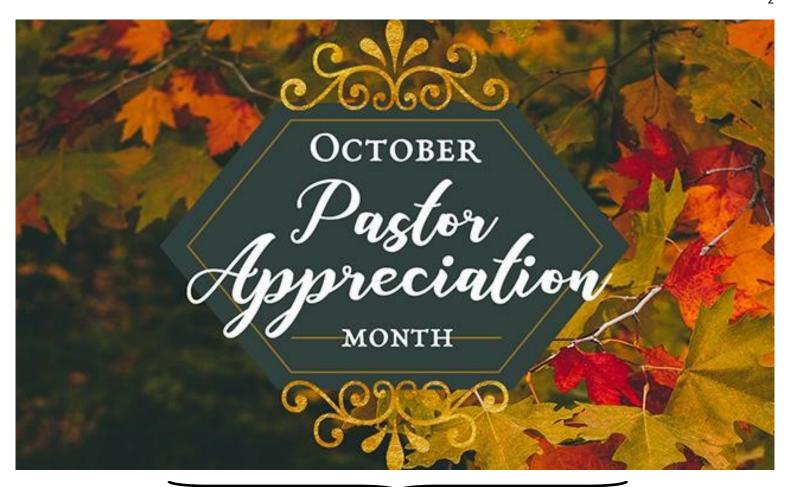


Available flower dates are as follows: October 8, 22, November 19, 26, December 17, 24, 31. There is a sign-up poster on the bulletin board to the right of the church office, or you may call the office to provide the flowers for a Sunday service.

Cost is \$50.

Church Attendance for October 1

Inhouse – 186 Children – 18 Nursery — — Online – 205 Total
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Calendar and Events

Find these dates on the Church Center App and the church website.

7 October, Saturday	11 October, Wednesday
8am—4pm Scottish Heritage Golf Tournament	6 pm Community Engagement Monthly Meeting
8 October, Sunday	6:30 pm Praise Team interested in joining? See Kaarin Record
9 am Children's Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal OPEN TO ALL, AGES 14+
9:30 am Sunday School	12 October, Thursday
10:30 am Worship	10:00 am Beyond the Word room 302 -Dining Room
11:30 Deacon Meeting	7:00 pm Handbells interested in joining? See Kaarin Record
5 pm Youth Group	13 October, Friday
9 October, Monday	10 am Crafts Fellowship
6:30 pm Missions Ministry Team: Mission Monthly Meetings	14 October, Saturday
10 October, Tuesday	15 October, Sunday
10 am Friendship Circle	Scottish Heritage Sunday

Cancer Awareness Month This year, we will collect for Make-A-Wish of Central and Western North Carolina. Local funds grant local wishes in 51 NC counties. Let's make a wish come true for a child. Donate today. Donate - Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill (churchcenter.com)



Scottish Heritage Golf Tournament



Saturday! Thank you to all who have helped support this golf tournament and its efforts to create fellowship while raising funds and awareness for different programs. This years beneficiary is Agape Dental Ministry located at 7839 Idlewild Rd. Charlotte, NC 28212.



"We provide free dental care to the under-served residents of Mecklenburg County. Because of our gratitude toward the men and women who serve our country, we also see all military veterans and their spouses regardless of income or residency."

Qualifications:

- Must be a resident of Mecklenburg County.
- Must be 18 years or older.
- Income must fall below 200% of the poverty guidelines.
- Must not have access to dental insurance.
- OR must be a military veteran or spouse of a military veteran.

Scottish Heritage Sunday October 15 -

Watch the march of the tartans, listen to the bagpiper and enjoy fellowship with a lunch following the service. Main courses and sides provided by the church.

Are you interested in carrying a tartan? Please call or email the church office. All participants will meet at 10:10 that day.



<u>Life Line Screening October 20</u> event is less than two weeks away!

Fall Festival October 21, 11:00am-2pm

- We need individually wrapped candy!! Donation boxes are located in both lobbies.
- We need volunteers to sign-up to help during the festival. By signing up in advance, we can get a better idea of our counts. Please see the new volunteer sign -up page on Church Center.
- Get your trunk or treat design ready! We need people to set-up their cars for Trunk-Or-Treat. Sign-up on Church Center or by calling the church office. You need to be here by 10:30 a.m. on Oct 21 so that we can make sure we get cars parked before treaters arrive.

<u>Find online Fall Festival Flyer and details</u> here. **BASIC Training October 22** BASIC training group for all $2^{nd} - 5^{th}$ graders starts right after church. Look for more information to come.



Cookbooks

Cookbooks From Old Steele Creek Church — will be on sale this Sunday and future Sundays. Becky Neely and Betty Davis will be in the sanctuary lobby selling books. The cost will be \$10.00 per book. The proceeds will go towards the 10 Cents-a-Meal fund that will help feed people.

<u>Church Workday</u>, <u>November 18</u>: There will be a church workday on Saturday, November 18th from 8am to Noon. Be sure to bring your rakes, clippers, etc. with you



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes are in and ready to be picked up!

SCPCPH is a collection center (drop-off site) for the Steele Creek community. Maybe your neighbors would like to fill boxes too. These are the times our church will be open as a drop off site:

November 13-17 at 10 am—12 noon November 18-19 at 1 pm—4 pm November 20 at 10 am—12 noon



Sunday, November 19 our church's boxes will be brought to church and blessed. Start collecting your small items today!!

Do Not Include

Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

<u>Blood Drive</u> November 5 Schedule an appt for faster service on the day of donation. Time will be 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. More information to come.

Fruitcake Factory Tour & Shopping November 15, SOLD OUT!!! Well, this is such a popular trip it sold out in less than a week.! If you would like to go, you are welcome to carpool and follow behind the bus, joining in great fellowship at the tour and shopping venues.

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MUSIC NOTES

SPECIAL MUSICAL GUEST

On Sunday, October 22, at 10:30 a.m., please join us for some extra special music presented by Charlotte vocalist Kendra Johnson in recognition of Cancer Awareness Month.

ADULT CHOIR

Our adult choir is growing! Please join the fun. The adult choir comprises singers from all walks of life, ages 14 and up. The choir meets every Wednesday, 7:30 - 9pm, in the choir room. Rehearsals are infused with a wide range of repertoire styles, along with educational opportunities for vocal technique, choral sound production, music theory, sight reading, and reflection on why music moves our hearts.

TECH TEAM

The Tech Team offers an exciting way to get handson technical experience while being an integral part of the service. We run sound, live stream mixing, projection operation, lighting, and a host of other technical components. Training is provided. Inquire about openings with Kaarin or Team Lead, Laura Thompson

PRAISE TEAM

Our Praise Team offers contemporary music every Sunday during our blended service. Our musicians are warm, outgoing, and share a common heart for worshipping God and serving together. Positions include (but are not limited to): Singers, Keyboardists, Drummers, Percussionists, Bassists, Guitarists, Winds, Brass, etc. They rehearse every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Inquire about auditioning for this group by contacting the Music Director or Team Rep (Jenn Michel).

BY SPECIAL INVITATION

The congregation has been invited by the Music director, Kaarin Record, to a very special event on Saturday, October 21 from 10 am to Noon in the Sanctuary. Charlotte's Carolina Voices will be rehearsing for the 69th annual Singing Christmas Tree. Please enter silently and respectfully as this is a working rehearsal and not a public presentation. If you would like to purchase tickets to the show, the link is below.

The 69th Annual Singing Christmas Tree - Client First Wireframe 3 (carolinavoices.org)



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Children's Choir will be presenting a beautiful (and adorable!) music program on December 10th. Rehearsals run from October 1 - December 9 (at 9 am on Sundays in the choir suite) under the direction of Kelly Byrum, with the final presentation occurring during the December

10th service. Ages 4 and up are welcome to join us. Preregister with Kaarin Record



Ministries

Attention Veterans: With so many new members this year, the Congregational Care Ministry Team is again asking that anyone who is a Veteran and has not provided information to us in the past, please let us know as soon as possible your information. We would like to have your name, rank, branch of service and your service dates. In addition, we would like to have a picture of you, preferably in uniform or something close to it. It can be emailed to us or we can copy an original. We need these pictures in the next few weeks. If you are a Veteran and have received cards from us in the past, then we have your name and information. If you are a Veteran and have not received cards from us, we are not aware that you served. Please let us know. This information can be provided to Karen Rawls or to Jamey in the church office. Thanks much. SO very



The Youth Team would like congregational involvement. The leaders of the youth team have been working to get the youths' year planned out. The congregation is invited to help provide simple meals for the youth group - pizzas, burgers, and such. The 6th-12th graders come together on Sunday nights and share this meal, some fellowship, prayers, and relieve the stresses of the week.

Please sign-up on <u>SignUpGenius</u>. Available dates are listed. Thank you!

Lost & Found - Prescription sunglasses, ornate wooden cane, and hoodie. These items can be found in the church office.

Adult Community Groups

Adult community groups are a wide variety of bible study groups within this church body meeting throughout the week. Sunday morning groups are traditionally referred to as Sunday School. You are welcome to visit a variety as a member or visitor. You can see all groups and request to join one in the Church Center App or call the office, and we can help you. Sunday morning community groups (aka Sunday School) start at 9:30. The following are our adult Sunday morning options.

Digging Deep – A multigenerational co-ed group, lead by David McAliley, will meets in room 210: Conference Room. The Faith Formation group will have a more academic bend using video and open discussion to develop your faith and beliefs.

Fellowship 55+ - This group will not meet September 24. The group studies "When to Walk Away" by Gary Thomas; a series focusing on Jesus' example of how and when you should walk away from toxic people. This class is a mix of video and open discussion.

Open Forum - This Sunday School class studies Experiencing God by Henry Blackaby. These 12-week discussion/video lessons will explore topics that include Looking to God, God Speaks and Adjusting your life to God. Come and join us as we identify where God is working and prepare to join Him.

Prayer Concerns

Condolences

 To Martha and Leighton Brown on the death of Martha's sister, Louise Patterson Lands. We also extend our sympathy to friends and family.

Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- Prayer for Dexter Greene, Donna Moody and Tom Burns as they join a mission team for disaster relief in Hawaii. This team will leave for their two week mission on October 21st
- For Christians who are persecuted around the world.
- For youth in all circumstances who are facing bullying.
- ♦ Agape Dental Ministry
- Kairos Prison Ministry: For the inmates and those serving in the ministry, that they would know Jesus as their savior.
- Pray for the current foster parents and pray that more foster parents come forward. There is a drastic shortage and such a strong need.

General Health Concerns

- Rebecca Economon asks for prayer for her father Richard Hasket who has be hospitalized.
- Paul Brenner, Gail Brenner's nephew, has been diagnosed with kidney disease that may require dialysis.
- ◆ Pat McCorkle, David McCorkle's mother has been moved to Lake Wylie Assisted Living and is doing better.
- Anita Holland, a friend of Kelly Andrus with health concerns.
- Jason Sims, Gloria and Steve Smith's nephew is still in CMC Main's trauma ICU unit with severe head injuries.
- Fred Willis asks for prayers for Jim Medlock who is experiencing health issues and awaiting test results.

Ongoing Illness

 Linda Neely is continuing to heal and can attend church more – great to see you, Linda.

- Meg Salmon's dad has had a bump in improvement – praise the Lord.
- Cooper Freeman III has been diagnosed with kidney disease but is not scheduled for dialysis. He needs prayer for healing for his feet.
- Andy Griffith as he struggles with Cystic Fibrosis.
- Darrell Bonapart is a veteran, member of the American Legion, and friend of Bill Harraman. His wife has now been diagnosed with congestive heart failure, diabetes, nerve damage, and high blood pressure. He appreciates our prayers.
- Daniel Morris, a friend of Bruce Doane's diagnosed with Wegener's disease. There is no cure for this disease and will require lifetime treatment. Please pray also for his wife and two children.

Surgery

none

Cancer

- Johnny Bethea, cousin of Anne Moore has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. He's undergoing chemo treatment.
- Margaret Renward, a family member of Deb & Paul O'Connor has been diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic, lung and liver cancer. Please pray for Margaret and her family.
- Donna Garrison is doing well after her surgery and is continuing to heal.
- Dan Baird, Kate Lemond's coworker's father, is now having more energy and will have another scan in September.
- Jim Conner, Becky Ennis' father, is coming to the end of his chemo treatment.
- Diana Hunter has finished her round of chemo treatments and is doing better.
- Ruth McGaha is battling lung cancer and struggling.
- Terri Plotkin, Kelly Burkhart's best friend's mom, is not doing well on chemo treatment for Hodgkin Lymphoma.
- Larry Aaron, co-worker of Kate Lemond, asks for prayer for healing, a treatment plan, and understanding of the situation.
- Dave Prouty, a friend of the Morgan's, who is battling cancer. Please also pray for his wife and eleven-year-old twins.

Homebound

- * Joan Brown
- * Katherine Freeman
- * Louise Freeman
- * Hannah Mauer
- * Danny Martin
- * Joe Furr
- Margaret Niell
- Forest Nunnally
- * Elaine Kotraba
- * Mike Spratt
- * Margaret Wert
- * Gerry Roberts
- * Wayne Whitesides
- * Lois Yandle
- * Joyce Carpenter
- * Dot Earp
- * Jimmy Earp

Students

- Sarah DeBerry
- Kelly Ferguson
- Clay Ferguson
- Donald Horack
- Connor McAliley
- Melinda Moore
- Ben Shanti
- Regan Snyder
- Andrew Tanner
- Charlie Warnke
- Leah Warnke
- Erin Whitaker

<u>Military</u>

**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.

- Gabe White, US Army Fort Wainwright, Alaska
- Will Warsaw, US Navy, Virginia
- Olivia Hommes, US Air Force Academy, Colorado
- Bradley Lauerman, US Navy, Virginia
- **Lexie Simerly, US Army, South Korea
- **Brian Cox, US
 Air Force, Jordan

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