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STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH at Pleasant Hill

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

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## Upcoming Worship

Ten Cents A Meal Sunday

Message: Mozart, Martin, and the Muppets *How Music Affects Our Worship Experience* 

Elder Greeters	Jacob Cunningham and Meg Salmon	
Deacons	Becky Faircloth, Fred Willis, Kelly Andrus, Clinton Corbett, Gene Gilleland	
Coffee and Bagels	Jamey Deberry and Henry Cathey	
Counters	Angie Neel and Bill Harraman	
Signers	Walter Neely and Leon Daniels	

<u>The Flowers This Week</u> -are given to the Glory of God by Mark and Rachel Holzhauer and in celebration of their daughter, Olivia's 7th birthday.



Available flower dates are as follows: 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.

Inhouse – 237	Children –21	Nursery—6	Online – 49	Total – 286

# Odds and Ends

Our son, Gabe White, has been honorably discharged from the US Army. Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, support and cards during his service at Fort Wainwright, Alaska. He is planning on using his GL Bill to his earn **Bachelors** in Education with a focus on Language Arts. We are truly blessed to have him home. David and **Angie White** 

Thanks to all who volunteered at the Fall Festival. I can't thank you enough for all your hard work. I wish I could list everyone who helped but, I'm afraid I would leave someone out. Thanks for making it a great SUCCESS!!

Beckie Ennis

Lost & Found – Don't forget to check the church office for lost or forgotten items. Our collection is growing.

If you have never seen the Vietnam memorial in Washington , DC, here is an opportunity to see a three-quarter scale replica in Spartanburg, SC November from 9-November 12. This traveling wall will visit 31 communities across the US in 2023. This year, the Spartanburg stop will be the closest to our church. Click the link below for more details.

The Wall That Heals | Spartanburg County, SC



Congratulations to Allison Beach on becoming a new grandma!! Her grandson,

Angelo Jadius,

was born Saturday, October 21. Coming in at a healthy 8 pounds 3 ounces and 20 inches long, he and mom, Renee, are doing well. Cathy Jack is also a very excited great-grandma and the bearer of this joyous news.

Mary Coskrey would like to thank all who have called, sent cards, and prayed for her. She is starting PT this week and is doing somewhat better.

# Kid's Corner

Children,

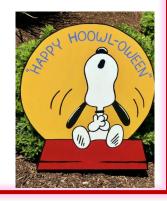
It is time to have your own spot in the newsletter. I need your help to allow this section to grow. Submit your art, favorite bible verse, a picture of you in your Halloween costume or send in your answer to the following question by 5pm, 11-02-23 to be featured in the next newsletter:

What is your best turkey joke?

Send your submissions to tiffany@steelecreekchurch.org

#### Kids,

Have your art and cartoons featured here ——> Submit to address above or bring drawings to the church office and you can get them back in a few days.



### Church Center Updates: Introduction to "Check-Ins"



Over the past few weeks, you have probably seen changes to your Church Center app. I would like to introduce these to you. Besides an early-on color change, two new buttons were added, and I am rolling out a Check-In feature to help record attendance.

First, you probably noticed the color change. I made it green leading into Scottish Heritage month and to last through Christmas. As a heads-up, in January it will be dark blue to match

#### <u>A Letter From Your interim</u> <u>Communications and Opera-</u> tions Manager

Hello Congregation,

This is a little <u>CALL TO ACTION</u> from your interim Communications person, me! I would love to receive emails from you! My address is *tiffany@steelecreekchurch.org*. The emails could be pictures you would like shared, ideas of things you would like to see published, details you feel are important to your church, communications from your ministry group, your children's art, thank you cards to the congregation, a favorite recipe, a gardening tip, a positive story from the past week of how God the website's logo color.

Two new buttons were added to the homepage, and the menu options at the bottom have changed slightly. A "Weekly Prayer List" button and a "Call" button have been added. The prayer list is what you'll see here and in Sunday's bulletin. It is usually updated the prior Wednesday to allow you early access. The call button will call the church office.

The "Check-In" feature being rolled out will be our biggest change that affects most everyone. This feature helps us record attendance. It will also streamline our church calendar by removing each Sunday School class listed. Our calendar will feature "Sunday School 9:30 a.m." This checkin procedure has an added benefit of increasing security for our children. This check-in will launch this Sunday for adult Sunday School. It will expand in December to the children's areas and nursery and include printed labels to match child with guardian.

*How to use Check-Ins this Sunday:* To access Check-Ins, tap the three buttons on the lower right of the menu bar. Then, tap the Check-In option. If an event is active, your household members will appear on your phone. You will choose a household member. Underneath their name, a menu will appear. You choose where this person is going, for example Fellowship 55+ or Digging Deep. If you need more assistance with this, reach out to me via call or email, and I will assist you..

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impacted your life, etc. This newsletter is your newsletter. I will do my best to help it grow and evolve while keeping it not so long that you don't read it.

We want you to read the newsletter, but if you don't, no worries. I will archive your email address after 6 weeks of inactivity; this helps keep our growing numbers within the mail service plan's parameters. When you are ready to have it reactivated, just reach out and I will take care of that for you. You can always go through Church Center or straight to the website to see the weekly announcements. having trouble seeing or receiving the newsletter, have them email or call me (704-588-1290 ext. 215), and I will look into the different distribution lists and see if they should be added or an email corrected. If it was just lost in an inbox that week, reach out and I will send another email with the hyperlinks to both the PDF and web page.

Remember, you will be able to find your weekly announcements on the website <u>www.steelecreekchurch.org/</u> weekly-announcements/ every Friday after 2 p.m.

Here to serve God and you,

Also, if you or someone you know is

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# Ministries

Attention Veterans: If you are a veteran and have received cards from the Congregational Care Ministry Team in the past, then no action is required. If you have not received cards from us, we are requesting some details from you.

With so many new members this year, we are asking that anyone who is a veteran and has not provided information to us, please let us know the following details as soon as possible: name, rank, branch of service and service dates. We would also like to have a picture of you, preferably in uniform. You can email the details and photo to

Jamey@steelecreekchurch.org or rawls.karen@yahoo.com.

If your prefer, bring your details and photo to the church and we will photocopy and return original photos to you. We need these pictures in the next few weeks to prepare for Veteran's Day Service. Thank you so very much. The Community Engagement Ministry pulled off an awesome Fall Festival last weekend. Thank you to all who participated, but special thanks to those who came out and enjoyed the day. We had many different people attend from across the community, and kids and adults alike enjoy the more than **300 pounds** of candy donated by you! See Facebook for some fun pictures and how the community came together for a fun safe day.

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

Women's Retreat

The Women's Retreat will be happening May 18-19, 2024, with Friday night, the 17th, optional. We'll be staying at the William Black Lodge in Montreat, NC. More details and registrations information to follow after the holidays.

# **Calendar and Events**

Find these dates on the <u>Church Center App</u> and the <u>church website</u>.

<u> 29 October, Sunday – Ten-Cents-A-Meal</u>	2 November, Thursday	
09:00 am - Children's Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am – Beyond the Word – Dining Room	
09:15pm - Donuts and Coffee	07:00 pm – Handbell Choir Rehearsal	
09:30 am - Sunday School	<u>3 November, Friday</u>	
10:30 am - Worship	06:00 pm – Not-So-Youth Thanksgiving Meal, West Blvd.	
04:00 pm – Youth Group Leaders: Youth Planning Mtg.	06:00 pm – Youth Group Thanksgiving Meal, West Blvd.	
05:00 pm – Youth Group BYOP Party at Church	5 November, Sunday — FALL BACK! Roll Clocks back one hour	
<u>30 October, Monday</u>	All Saint's Sunday	
02:00 pm – Intercessory Prayer Team	08:00 am – Red Cross Blood Drive	
<u>31 October, Tuesday</u>	09:00 am – Children's Choir Rehearsal	
<u>1 November, Wednesday</u>	09:15pm - Donuts and Coffee	
06:30 pm – Praise Team Practice	09:30 am - Sunday School	
07:30 pm – Adult Choir Rehearsal	10:30 am - Worship	

**Fall back** November 5 Roll your clock back one hour before you go to bed, or you'll be late for church.

<u>All Saint's Sunday Service</u> November 5 Our All Saint's service is a day of remembering those we have lost since the previous All Saint's service.

<u>Blood Drive</u> November 5 Schedule an appt. for faster service on the day of donation. Times will be from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 pm. <u>https://www.redcrossblood.org/</u> give.html/donation-time

# <u>Cookbooks</u>

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>Crafts Fellowship November 10</u> Come out, share in the fellowship and have fun crafting. All are welcome and no skills needed.

**Turkey Truck!** November 12 TWO WEEKS AWAY! Loaves and Fishes will be here to collect frozen turkeys donated by the church. We are aiming for 50 birds this year. Our freezers are empty and ready for your donation. You may bring non-perishable sides also to go with a turkey dinners. Watch for a suggested list to be posted soon. Checks also accepted. Please write "turkey" on the memo line.

## We have a date change!! ONLY 2 WEEKS AWAY!!

### Our new date is Sunday, <u>November 12</u>. Shoeboxes will be blessed in worship. Start collecting your small items and filling a shoebox today!!

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: <u>Veteran's Day Service</u> November 12 If you are a veteran, the Congregational Care Ministry Team would like to know. Please see page 4 for more details.

<u>Friendship Circle</u> November 14, 10 a.m. A women's group that meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 10:00 am in room 302 - the small

Dec 12	Feb 13	Apr 9
Jan 9	Mar 12	May 14

#### Fruitcake Factory Tour & Shopping

**November 15**, SOLD OUT. If you would like to go, you are welcome to carpool and follow behind the bus.

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



Thanksgiving Community Worship Service, November 21, 6:30 pm at Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church located at 9401 S. Tryon Street Charlotte, NC 28273.

November 13, 10 am—12 noon November 14, 10 am—12 noon November 15, 10 am—12 noon November 16, 10 am—12 noon November 17, 10 am—12 noon November 18, 1 pm—4 pm November 19, 1 pm—4 pm November 20, 10 am—12 pm

# **Music Notes**

# **SOUND BITES**



As far back as the Middle Ages, the tritone (aka an augmented 4th or a set of 6 half steps) was avoided in music because of the strange sound it made when utilized. There are many tales (mostly unfounded) about church musicians being excommunicated for attempting to sneak 'the devil's interval' into their music. What does it sound like? You can hear it in Bernstein's musical 'West Side Story' (Maria) and the opening theme of The Simpsons.

music interval of an augumented 4th

is also known as 'The Devil's Interval' and was banned from church use for

hundreds of years?



Join your fellow Music Team members for an afternoon of fun at Lake Wylie Bowl N' Bouncel



Pre-register with Kaarin Record

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# Tech Team

The Tech Team offers an exciting way to get hands-on 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



YOU 'I don't know these songs they're playing in church.'

> **PRAISE TEAM** 'Hold my bible...'



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# **Prayer Concerns**

## <u>Praise</u>

 Anita Holland, a friend of Kelly Andrus, has been discharged from the hospital and is doing well at home. Praise the Lord for Anita's recovery.

# Special, Congregational, and Community

## Concerns

- Prayer for the country of Ukraine and its people.
- Prayer for the country of Israel and its people.
- 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 19.
- 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.

## **Surgery**

 Joey Bridges will have back surgery on November 9th. Please pray for a successful surgery and relief from pain.

# Ongoing Illness

- 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.

# General Health Concerns

- Gail Brenner has some health concerns.
- Anne Marie Moore's Dad, Kevin, was discharged from the hospital and is resting comfortably at home.
- Katherine Freeman is doing better.
- 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 in the CMC Main rehab unit. He has developed a blood clot in his leg. He is seeing small improvements with his injuries.
- Fred Willis asks for prayers for Jim Medlock who is experiencing health issues and awaiting test results.

## <u>Cancer</u>

- Ruth McGaha had surgery and is home resting comfortably.
- 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.
- 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.

## <u>Homebound</u>

- 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

## <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 is celebrating an honorable discharge from US Army. See letter from parents on page 2.
- 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

## \*\*Special\*\*

On October 1, I was to add:

"Please pray for Mary Coskrey who is recovering from surgery for a broken leg."

My apologies for failing to add this request. Mary is currently doing better and attending physical therapy.

If you would like to add or remove a college student or military member from the prayer list, please reach out to

tiffany@steelecreekchurch.org and/or Betty Small.

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