

8/11/2024

Your yearly Bible reading plan:

Reading the Bible in order: By next Friday read Jeremiah 22-44.

Reading the Bible in chronological order: please see [page 2 or click here.](#)



# STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH at Pleasant Hill

Working together to follow Christ in joyfully serving our neighbors as compassionate, connected, contributing, everyday disciples

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## Upcoming Worship

SPEAKER:

REV. DR. JEFF PINKSTON

SCRIPTURE:

EPHESIAN 4:25-5:2

MESSAGE:

SANCTIFICATION

ELDER GREETERS	BRUCE DOANE, HENRY HALLELAND
DEACON USHERS	ALLISON MOODY, KELLY BURKHART, CLINTON CORBETT, GENE GILLELAND, RANDALL BRUNSON
COUNTERS	BILL HARRAMAN, ANGIE NEEL
SIGNERS	BARRY SMALL, DAVID THOMPSON

SUNDAY'S FLOWERS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY THE PEOPLE OF GOD.



THE 2024 FLOWER SIGN-UP POSTER IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD TO THE RIGHT OF THE CHURCH OFFICE. IT IS AS EASY AS WRITING YOUR NAME IN A BLANK. THE CHURCH WILL CALL YOU FOR DETAILS AND PAYMENT. DONATION IS \$50.

LAST WEEK'S MORNING WORSHIP:

INHOUSE 187	CHILDREN 18	NURSERY 3	YOUTUBE VIEWS ---	FACEBOOK VIEWS 20	TOTAL 207
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# Odds and Ends

## Your Yearly Bible Reading Plan (cont.)

August 9: Jeremiah 10-13  
August 10: Jeremiah 14-17  
August 11: Jeremiah 18-22  
August 12: Jeremiah 23-25  
August 13: Jeremiah 26-29  
August 14: Jeremiah 30-31  
August 15: Jeremiah 32-34

For next week, Aug. 16 is Jeremiah 35-37



## The Connoisseurs

are going "Retro" on September 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:30. Everyone is invited to meet at Jackson's Cafeteria in Gastonia. Come enjoy food and fellowship!

1453 E Franklin Blvd, Gastonia, NC 28054

Beyond the Word Women's Bible study group will begin meeting on Thursday, September 12 at 10:00. Room to be announced.

To keep track of all meetings, updates, and announcements, please join this group on Church Center.

Follow this link and click "Request to Join"

[Beyond the Word - Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill \(churchcenter.com\)](https://www.churchcenter.com/Beyond-the-Word-Steele-Creek-Presbyterian-Church-at-Pleasant-Hill)



## Blood Drive Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

Fellowship Hall  
15000 York Road  
Charlotte, NC 28278

**Sunday, August 25th  
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: SCPC to schedule an appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.

If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Donors needed! Come give blood in August for \$20 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. See [rcblood.org/Help](https://rcblood.org/Help)



**Be part of something big. Make an appointment.**

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## Money Management Tip of the Month

**Proverbs 15:22 Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisors they succeed.**

**Don't set yourself up for failure. Accountability is biblical...**

**and it works!**


# Calendar and Events

## UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

<b>Saturday, August 10</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
02:00 pm - Funeral for Gregory Freeman	6:15 pm - Praise Team
<b>Sunday - Communion Sunday</b>	8:00 pm - AA
09:30 am – Sunday School in Choir Room, Donuts & Coffee	<b>Thursday</b>
10:30 am - Worship	10:00 am - Shut-In Meals
8:00 pm - AA	<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Monday</b>	09:30 am – Sunday School in Choir Room, Donuts & Coffee
11:00 am - Intercessory Prayer Team	10:30 am - Worship
06:30 pm - Missions Ministry Team Meeting	8:00 pm - AA
<b>Tuesday</b>	
11:30 am - Staff meeting	
06:30 pm - Finance Committee	

Select dates for the next four weeks and beyond:

### August

- 11- Communion Sunday
- 11- Deacon Meeting
- 12- Missions Ministry Team
- 13- Finance Committee
- 15- Shut-In meal delivery
- 17- 163rd Stated Meeting First-Concord Presb. Church 9:30am
- 20- Men's Fellowship
- 25- Red Cross Blood Drive 
- 27 - Session Meeting



### September

- 1- Digging Deep
- 2- Labor Day - Office Closed
- 6- Connoisseurs
- 11- Fun bunch
- 11- Faith and Family Dinner - NOTE: this is a NEW DATE for Sept.
- 12- Beyond the Word
- 19- Shut-in Meals
- 21- Craft Fair

September 21 [Craft Fair - do you craft and sell?](#)

Follow this link and tell us more!

October 12 Scottish Heritage Golf Tournament

October 19 Fall Festival



**SIGN - UP FOR GOLF TODAY!**  
[HTTPS://scottish-heritage-golf-tournament.perfectgolfevent.com](https://scottish-heritage-golf-tournament.perfectgolfevent.com)

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



# Need to Know

## Karen Freeman Funeral Arrangements

Ms. Karen Freeman, daughter of John and Annette Freeman, passed away on August 2. A celebration of life service will be Monday, August 12 at 1 pm at New River Church located at 136 Carroll Cove Lake Wylie SC 29710. Visitation to immediately follow the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made in Karen's name to Alzheimer's research to help others facing this challenging disease. Donations can be made to: Charlotte - Chapter Headquarters 4600 Park Road, Suite 250 Charlotte, NC 28209.

Please be in prayer for the Freeman family during this difficult time.

## Raptor Security System

We have a visitor management system known as Raptor. If you have school-aged children, you are more than likely familiar with this system. Used by more than 5,300 (40%) U.S. school districts, this technology has become a quick and easy way to assist staff in recognizing who should or should not be on campus, in a building, or around children.

September 1, when coming to the campus Monday – Friday, 9 – 3:30 pm, you will use the main office doors and let the staff know you are here. If you are to enter the preschool building anytime during preschool hours, Monday – Friday, 9 – 1pm, you must have a badge issued to you by the main office or the preschool office and conspicuously wear it. If you are on the cooking team or any other group that accesses the big kitchen, you must come to the church office, check-in, and wear your printed badge. Please, do not enter any side

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## **Presbytery of Charlotte**

**<https://www.presbyofcharlotte.org/>**

The 163rd Stated Meeting to be held Saturday,  
August 17, 2024 at 9:30 am at First-Concord  
Presbyterian Church.

## A Letter from your Director of Community and Education Rev. Dr. Chris Murphy

Steele Creek! As of last Sunday, I've been in this congregation for four months. The hospitality shown towards my family has made it easy to slip right in. I've greatly enjoyed getting to know many of you and look forward to getting to know many more. Over the past few months, I've been watching, visiting, and generally attempting to gain a sense of the ministries happening here in Steele Creek. Along the way, I've had conversations that typically go something like, "You're the new Director of Community Formation. Great! What does that mean, exactly?"

That makes sense. The word "community" has become notoriously slippery. I talk to individuals all the time who search but find it elusive. What's more, when pressed to be specific about what they're looking for, many offer a stuttered "You know? Community. Like, being community and stuff. Do I really need to explain this?"

The deeply embedded desire for community is universal, even when we lack the language to describe what we want precisely. We yearn for it. Our neighbors yearn for it. We are relational critters through and through, longing to connect to something bigger than ourselves. *(continued next page)*

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door to bypass this check-in. If you are not entering the preschool building but on campus, please always drop by and check-in at the main office; you do not have to have a printed badge, but we would love to say hello and know that you are on campus.

This system requires a driver's license or state issued I.D. card. You will present your I.D. during your first check-in. Your image, name, and date of birth are collected from the scanner. A search is completed on publicly found offender databases. The Raptor system does not collect social security numbers nor does it store your data in a Raptor owned database. All data is contained in-house. This system will not be used on weekends or in the evenings.

This system is in place on our campus for everyone's safety - especially to protect the preschool's children. This visitor management system will allow the church staff, preschool staff and teachers to know if someone is on the campus, and if they should or should not be in certain areas. Thank you for your support and faith in allowing the two staffs to work together creating a safer environment for all who work here and attend school here.

**Safety team needs more members.  
Please see Dennis Rawls or call  
704-588-1290 for more details.**

### Congregational Care Ministry Team

The Congregational Care Ministry Team is updating its list of church members who are willing to provide transportation to our members. From time to time there are needs for rides to doctor's appointments, grocery shopping, rides to church on Sunday or events during the week. This isn't an everyday thing, but it's something that is greatly needed. If you are willing to help with this mission, please

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When I use the word community, I'm referring to the "container" in which this longing is practiced and fulfilled. It's how we choose to gather: through small groups, bible studies, retreats, significant events, and the like. My role here is to help facilitate the "container."

While this will involve many different things, my attention for the Fall will be on two areas. The first and most prominent is cultivating our small group environments. Small group ministries are a great way to build community, and we are looking at the best way to do them here. Second, I am looking at our educational offerings, including exploring adding a new Sunday School option, hosting a mid-week Bible study later in the year, and offering a few "one-off" studies that will be more accessible for all of us who wish to plug into something, but are finding it difficult with increasingly busy schedules. Be on the lookout for information about these events in the coming weeks.

It's been great connecting with some of you, but I know there are many more. If you're inclined, please reach out and set up some time to meet. I'd love to hear about your experiences, ideas, and hopes for Steele Creek.

Thanks,

Chris



let the church office know. You will be included on a list of available folks who can help. Your willingness will mean a great deal to those in need and to all church members. Thanks for your consideration. Also, if you are aware of anyone who needs this kind of assistance, please let the office know as well. We can't help folks if we don't know they need us. Office phone is 704-588-1290.

## Men's Fellowship Group

We have a number of people in our church family and Men's Fellowship group who have honed their home maintenance skills over the years and are willing to share them with you. We know from experience if you call a repairman, whether it's electrical, plumbing or almost any other problem, you'll pay a service charge around \$100 or more, then you have to pay for the repairs.

Our men are ready and eager to help you avoid that expense on small maintenance and repairs that we can accomplish for you. Now, we're not talking about building a deck or roofing your house or repairs that require city/county permits.

What we are talking about is things like:

- An electrical outlet that doesn't work
- A leaky faucet
- A commode that runs too much
- Changing filters in the a/c or furnace
- Changing batteries in the smoke detectors
- Installing battery operated smoke detectors if you don't have them
- Mounting a ceiling fan



Other maintenance that you may identify.

If you can make use of this service, please feel free to phone the church office at 704-588-1290. We're ready to serve when you need us!

## Adult Choir

During summer our choir was able to take a little break. But summer is wrapping up, and the choir director will be seeking those well rested voices to make a joyous noise on Sunday mornings. Be prepared for the hunting of basses, sopranos, altos, tenors, and even baritones!

The adult choir comprises singers from all walks of life, ages 14 and up. The choir meets weekly in the choir room. Fall day and time TBA. 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. JOIN THE FUN!!

[Follow this link and request to join to be in the know!](#)



**Saturday, September 21  
Starting at 8am**

15000 York Road Charlotte, NC

**Come. Shop. Enjoy the Day.**

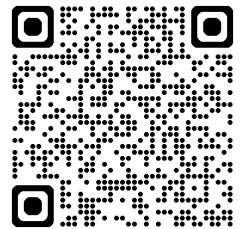
- ✓ Supporting Local Artisans
- ✓ Community Atmosphere
- ✓ Food and Entertainment



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We are still looking for vendors! Do you make and sell? Do you have a friend or coworker who creates? Let them know of the upcoming craft fair! **Scan or tap QR code to be added to the vendors list.**



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## Scottish Heritage Golf Tournament

October 12, 2024

Harry L. Jones, Sr. Golf Course

1525 W. Tyvola Road Charlotte NC 28217



SCPCPH hosts a benefit golf tournament yearly to raise money for service within the community.

[Agape Dental Ministry](#) is this year's receiver of 100% of net proceeds. They provide free dental care to low- or no income people in the Carolinas. They also provide free care to US veterans and their spouses.

Want to play or sponsor? [Register here](#) or scan the QR code. Sponsor levels range from \$150 for a hole sponsor to \$2500 for a platinum sponsor. **SIGN UP SOON TO GET YOUR SPOT!!**

# 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.

## Praise

- † Ken Saylor's vascular surgery went well. Your prayers were very much appreciated.
- † Steve Smith received wonderful news most recently when he went for a biopsy of some spots in his esophagus. Praise the Lord all tests were negative. Gloria and Steve thank everyone for their prayers.

## Condolences

- † To the family and friends of John and Annette Freeman on the passing of their daughter, Karen Freeman. Funeral arrangements on page 2.
- † Adam Plummer, the husband of Linda and father of Nathan and Brian, passed away a couple of weeks ago. Nathan and Charlie Warnke were close friends during middle school and early high school years. We offer our condolences to family and friends.
- † To the family and friends of Greg Freeman, Barbara Freeman's son, on his passing last week.

## Surgery

- † Janis Haynes hip replacement surgery has been moved back to August 19.
- † Baby Drew Martin is scheduled to have heart surgery on August 17th. Baby Drew is the baby of a friend of Tom Tuccillo.
- † Bob Freeman will have surgery

on his left hand for carpal tunnel on August 15th.

- † Lydia Lane, great niece of David and Clara Giles, is scheduled for surgery on August 2nd for ovarian cancer.

## Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- † Pray for all the families affected by the deadly tornado's that have left devastation through many states in the US.
- † Paul Kuto will be extending his mission trip in Kenya. Please pray for the successful completion of his mission.
- † Pray for peace in Kenya.
- † Lexie Simerly will deploy to South Korea in October.
- † Pray for the country of Ukraine and its people.
- † 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.

## General Health

### Concerns

- † Joyce Carpenter has been moved into a memory care facility. Please be in prayer for her and her family.
- † Beth Howell, Rachael Howell's mother-in-law, is in the hospital with health concerns.
- † Gerry Roberts remains in Huntersville rehab. He's receiving PT to help strengthen him. He has other health problems

he's dealing with as well.

- † Kathy Cuff, John and Annette Freeman's daughter has severely impaired vision in one eye.
- † Wayne Whiteside is home and having physical therapy twice a week and occupational therapy once a week.
- † Johnny Simms, the brother of Gloria Smith is doing better. He's able to go to rehab.
- † Ben Horack is now home following his hospital stay and rehab.

## Cancer

- † Regan Koski, Trey Horack's cousin, is receiving treatments for kidney cancer.
- † Sherry Abel, Judy Watkins' stepsister, had a severe reaction to chemotherapy for stage 4 breast cancer.
- † David Carter, friend and co-worker of Mac Winget, was diagnosed with Lymphoma. Please be in prayer for him. He and his wife, Mallory, have a teenage daughter and 2 young girls.
- † Kevin, Anne Marie Moore's dad has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.
- † Raquel Mercer, sister of Ragan Haston and daughter of Tom and Gina Settlemyre, was diagnosed with cancer. Raquel will be receiving additional rounds of chemo and then returning to Duke for a follow-up appointment.

- † Ken Wilkerson, brother of Terry Gillette, is in hospice care.
- † Allison Spratt, daughter-in-law of Mike Spratt has finished chemo therapy treatments and will be scheduled for surgery then radiation therapy following surgery.
- † Ruth McGaha met with her doctor regarding her scan and nothing much has changed.
- † Jim Conner, Beckie Ennis's father, has been put on hospice. Please continue to pray for Jim.
- † Elaine Scarborough, friend of Becky Neely diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer is scheduled to have a scan in July.
- † Johnny Bethea, cousin of Anne Moore, has been diagnosed with liver cancer in addition to pancreatic cancer. He is continuing chemo treatments.
- † Dave Prouty, a friend of the Morgan's, had a recent cancer scan that reveals his cancer has advanced. Please pray for him, his wife and twin daughters.
- † Dominick, friend of the DeBerry family, has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

### Ongoing Illness

- † Grandmother of Kelly Burkhart suffered a stroke last week and has lost speech and some motor function. She lost her husband, Kelly's Grandfather, earlier this summer and has a long road of recovery ahead of her.
- † Edward Shrum, Mandy Beck's father, is suffering from multiple health issues. Tests are being run and more will be known soon.
- † Mrs. Darrell Bonapart is still suffering the side effects of long Covid. She and her husband appreciate all prayers lifted up for them.
- † Daniel Morris, friend of Bruce

Doane, was diagnosed with Wegener's disease and is off steroids. They are continuing his infusion treatments and seeing how he progresses.

- † Cooper Freeman III is experiencing healing of the wound on his foot.
- † John Williams, Mary Beth Monroe's brother-in-law, has been put on the kidney transplant list. Please pray for this to happen timely and for a donor match to be found.

### Fostering the Family (FTF)

- † Fostering the Family asks for prayers for all of our support churches and care communities that are wrapping around these vulnerable families.
- † Todd, son of Kim who works with FTF, was diagnosed with a brain tumor. Pray that it is treatable and for the support and love of his family to surround him.
- † Please pray for the organization *Fostering the Family* and the following children that are looking to be adopted:
  - † \*Jenifire: still waiting for a permanent home. Jenifire has been in foster care for four years.
  - † \*Brittany: case has been continued. It could be another 3 to 6 months before another hearing to have parental rights terminated.
  - † \*Princeton, Desiyah, Destiny: please continue to pray for these children. Desiyah is still missing. Princeton needs appropriate services to help him. Destiny doesn't have a foster home and may be living in the office.
  - † \*Laila: found a permanent home but with all she's been through she's trying to disrupt her adoption. The family is a good family and is willing to work through her issues with her following some

training for trauma. This training is available through Fostering the Family.

### 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, Italy
- † Olivia Hommes, US Air Force Academy, Colorado
- † Bradley Lauerman, US Navy, Virginia
- † Lexie Simerly, US Army, Washington
- † Will Warsaw, US Navy, North Carolina

### Students

Clay Ferguson	Ben Shanti
Kelly Ferguson	Casey Snyder
Alexa Hill	Regan Snyder
Donald Horack	Andrew Tanner
Melinda Moore	Charlie Warnke

### Homebound

Joan Brown	Sarah Middleton
Linda Clark	Margaret Niell
Joyce Carpenter	Forrest Nunnally
Dot Earp	Gerry Roberts
Katharine Freeman	Mike Spratt
Louise Freeman	Margaret Wert
Elaine Kotraba	Wayne Whiteside
Hannah Maurer	Lois Yandle
Pat McCorkle	