

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

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Your yearly Bible reading plan: Reading the Bible in order: By next Friday read Ezekiel 1-23.

Reading the Bible in chronological order: please see <u>page 2 or click</u> here.

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## Upcoming Worship

SPEAKER:

SCRIPTURE:

MESSAGE:

REV. DR. JEFF PINKSTON

JOSHUA 24:14-21 & EPHESIANS 6:10-20

YOU CANNOT SERVE THE LORD

Elder Greeters	Bruce Doane, Henry Halleland		
DEACON USHERS	Karsen Pennington,Kelly Burkhart, Crystal Siniarski, Dan Sturge, Skylar Morgan		
Counters	Bill Harraman, Angie Neel		
SIGNERS	BARRY SMALL, DAVID THOMPSON		

SUNDAY'S FLOWERS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR PARENTS, FERIBA AND LOY BROWN, IN REMEMBRANCE OF THEIR MARRIAGE ON AUGUST 22, 1925



AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR SIBLINGS
JEAN, A-NEEL, AND WALTER BY LEIGHTON
BROWN AND ROBERTA HARRIS.

LAST WEEK'S MORNING WORSHIP:

Inhouse	CHILDREN	Nursery	YOUTUBE VIEWS	FACEBOOK VIEWS 24	Total
202	21	2	51		277

# Odds and Ends

#### Your Yearly Bible Reading Plan (cont.)

August 23: Jeremiah 51-52

August 24: Lamentations 1, 2, and 3:1-36

August 25: Lamentations 3:37-66, 4, and 5:1-22

August 26: Ezekiel 1-4

August 27: Ezekiel 5-8

August 28: Ezekiel 9-12

August 29: Ezekiel 13-15

For next week, Aug. 30 is Ezekiel 16-7



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# FAITH AND FAMILY AND BINGO ARE BACK!

#### September 11

Dinner in the multipurpose room

Bingo in the Small Dining Room!

Special treat that evening is

BANANA PUDDING

Thank you to Susan W., Becky E. and Tiffany B. for the prizes for Bingo - the congregation will love winning the gifts! Come out and try your luck!

--Thanks, Phyllis

Back School Our preschool is asking for donations of supplies. You may place your donations in the blue containers in the administrative office lobby and the sanctuary lobby. The list of items requested is as follows:

•Uncoated 9" paper plates

•Glue sticks

•Glue sticks
•Kleenex

•paper towels

- •baby wipes
- Lysol wipes
- Lysol Spray
- •13-gallon trash bags



WE NEED YOU TO SPREAD THE WORD! If you know of anyone who sells homemade doggie biscuits, fun 3-d printed crafts, greeting cards, jewelry, pottery, etc., PLEASE share our craft market details with them. We have fliers in the office you may have to share around your workplace or school if allowed. Signups are on our church website, the first menu option takes you to the form. <a href="https://www.steelecreekchurch.org/craft-fair-2024/">https://www.steelecreekchurch.org/craft-fair-2024/</a>

#### KID'S CORNER!

Back to school



These education-themed riddles will make the return to classrooms more fun!

Why was the arithmetic book so sad? *It had too many problems.* 

What school supply is in charge of the classroom?

The ruler

What does the English teacher make for breakfast? Synonym rolls

Why doesn't the school library have a clock?

It tocks too much.

What is the blackboard's favorite drink?

Hot chalk-plate

# Calendar and Events

#### UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

Sunday - 10 Cents A Meal	Wednesday
08:00 am - Red Cross Blood Drive ♦	6:15 pm - Praise Team - CANCELLED
09:30 am – Sunday School in Choir Room, Donuts & Coffee	8:00 pm - AA
10:30 am - Worship	Thursday
10:45 am - J-Walkers	12pm - JV Meal Prep
11:30 am - Outreach and Fellowship Meeting	Sunday
8:00 pm - AA	09:30 am – Sunday School in Choir Room, Donuts & Coffee
Monday	10:30 am - Worship
11:00 am - Intercessory Prayer Team	8:00 pm - AA
Tuesday	
10:30 am - Preschool Ministry Team	
11:30 am - Staff meeting	
07:00 pm - Session Meeting	

### Select dates for the next four weeks and beyond:



#### <u>August</u>

- 25- Red Cross Blood Drive ♦
- 25- Outreach and Fellowship Meeting
- 27 Session Meeting



- 1- Raptor Security System starts
- 1- Digging Deep
- 2- Labor Day Office Closed
- 4- Choir
- 5- Handbells
- 6 Connoisseurs
- 10 Friendship Circle



- 11- Faith and Family Dinner NOTE: this is a NEW DATE for Sept.
- 12- Beyond the Word
- 13- Crafts Fellowship
- 17- Men's Fellowship
- 19- Shut-in Meals
- 21- Craft Fair



- 2- Faith and Family Dinner
- 4- Connoisseurs
- 11- Crafts Fellowship
- 15- Men's Fellowship

September 21 Craft Fair - do you craft and sell?

Follow this link and Sign-Up!!

October 12 Scottish Heritage Golf Tournament

October 19 Fall Festival



STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT PLEASANT HILL

# Need to Tinow

Congregational Care Ministry Team would like to recognize our veterans this year for Veteran's Day. We would like to have a picture of all our veterans to display on the screen Sunday, November 10. If you provided a picture last year, there is no need to supply another. We still have them. Also, if there are any veterans that have not been recognized, it's because we aren't aware you're a veteran. Please let us know as soon as possible. You can reach out to Betty Small or to the church office. Office phone is 704 -588-1290. Please get the pictures and information to us as soon as you can. Thanks so much!

#### **Raptor Security System**

# We will start using our visitor management system on September 1.

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 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.

#### **Kid's Activity Bags!**



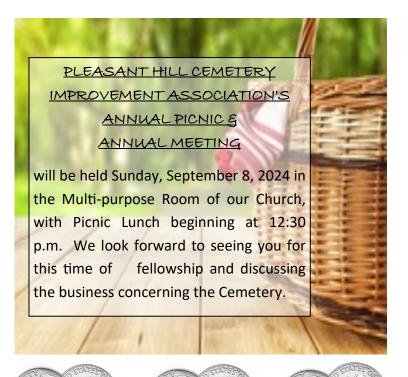
Parent's are encouraged to pick-up an activity bag for their children who will not be attending J-Walkers. The bag is there to help children follow along with the weekly

sermon and scripture. The bag also includes a children's bulletin, a coloring sheet, crayons, pencil, miniature clipboard and, in the coming weeks, a fidget toy!

When you are finished with the bag, please place it with the other used bags so it may be reset for the next week.

Safety team needs more members.

Please see Dennis Rawls or call
704-588-1290 for more details.



TEN CENTS A MEAL SUNDAY!

#### 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

Pictured is the Connoisseurs group that met at Trio's in August. You are missing the fun!



#### **Beyond the Word**

Beyond the Word ladies Bible study will begin on Thursday, Sept 12 at 10:00 in the classroom in the Ad Min building. Our study guide will be <u>Prayer: An Adventure with God</u> by David Healey. Becky Neely has copies of the books. Cost will be \$8.00. All women are welcome. We are eager to start this fall season and to reconnect with y'all.

-Becky Neely and Grace Saylor

#### **Open Forum Sunday School**

Class will begin meeting on Sunday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am in the parlor. Our study will be a four-session series on <u>Forgiveness:</u>
<u>Finding Peace Through Letting Go</u> by Adam Hamilton. We are looking forward to catching up and studying together.

-Clara and Grace

Kairos Prison Ministry has put a call out for cookies. Kairos is coming Friday, September 20th to collect the cookie donations. Please have your cookies turned in no later than September 19. Kairos Prison Ministry delivers homemade cookies to over 1,300 inmates, guards and staff to SC Department of Corrections at Kershaw, SC. Can you find some time to bake? Go ahead and start making the cookies and freeze them. If you don't have enough room in your home freezer, there is freezer space at the church. These cookies are so important to those that are incarcerated. Please pray over your cookies as a source of His love to shine on the prisoners and the staff. Pray that each cookie brings the inmate, officer or warden who eats one closer to God.

THE GUIDELINES THAT MUST BE FOLLOWED ARE FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.

DO NOT DEVIATE, OR THE COOKIES WILL NOT BE DELIVERED.

#### Cookie Guidelines

The types of cookies that are acceptable are:

Chocolate chip, sugar, ginger, molasses, oatmeal and peanut butter.

Cookies should be between TWO (2) and TWO AND ONE HALF (2.5) INCHES ACROSS and not more than half (0.5) inch thick.

DO NOT USE ICING, POWDERED SUGAR OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF COATING ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE COOKIE. DO NOT ADD ANY KIND OF FRUIT OR NUTS TO THE COOKIES.

IMPORTANT: Bag thoroughly cooled cookies in a clear QUART sized zip lock bag only. A dozen cookies to a bag. We cannot re-bag or hand-out in any other packaging.

# Music Notes



#### **CHOIR & HANDBELLS**



Rehearsals begin the first week of September

CHOIR: WEDNESDAY, 9.4, 7:00 PM HANDBELLS: THURSDAY, 9.5, 7:00 PM

KAARIN@STEELECREEKCHURCH.ORG

#### **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

- Lois Yandle passed away August 16th. Please pray for peace and comfort for her family and friends.
- Ken Wilkerson, Terry Gillette's brother passed away. Pray for peace and comfort for his family and friends.

#### <u>Surgery</u>

- Baby Drew's heart's surgery went very well. The repairs to his heart were made. He has a long recovery period, but all looks successful, and he is a strong baby boy. Baby Drew is the baby of a friend of Tom Tuccillo.
- Janis Haynes's hip replacement surgery was August 19.
- Bob Freeman had surgery on his left hand and is doing well.

# Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- Jonelle and Bill Gaither, friends of Ziza Epps, lost their home and car to a house fire last week. Needs many prayers.
- 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.

#### <u>General Health</u>

#### Concerns

- Steve Smith is facing some health concerns and would appreciate prayers.
- Beth Howell, Rachael Howell's mother-in-law, is in the hospital with health concerns.
- Gerry Roberts has been moved to an acute rehab facility in Mt. Holly, NC.
- Kathy Cuff, John and Annette Freeman's daughter has severely impaired vision in one eye.
- Johnny Simms, the brother of Gloria Smith is doing better. He's able to go to rehab.

#### Cancer

- Fletcher Wilson, Ashley Rawls father's cancer has returned. Please pray for God's healing and for comfort for his family during this difficult time.
- Lydia Lane, great niece of David and Clara Giles's surgery was successful. Please continue to pray for her as she recovers.
- Regan Koski, Trey Horack's cousin, is receiving treatments for kidney cancer.

- sister, has stage 4 breast cancer. Continue to pray for her as she receives treatment.
- David Carter, friend and coworker 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.
- Raquel Mercer, sister of Ragan Haston and daughter of Tom and Gina Settlemyre will return to Duke for a follow-up appointment on September 9.
- Kevin, Anne Marie Moore's dad, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.
- 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. She is able to travel and visit with family.
- 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 was 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. She has been moved to rehab and after has recovered her ability to speak.
- 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.
- 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.

#### <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.

- † \*\*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

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 the pew and place it in the offering plate. Mark if it is a private or public prayer request. The card will be sent to the Intercessory Prayer Team. <sup>2</sup>email any prayer concerns to IntercessoryPrayer-Team@steelecreekchurch.org <sup>3</sup>submit a prayer concern through Church Center. On computer 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.

<u>College Students</u>				
Clay Ferguson	Ben Shanti			
Kelly Ferguson	Casey Snyder			
Alexa Hill	Regan Snyder			
Donald Horack	Andrew Tanner			
Melinda Moore	Charlie Warnke			

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