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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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Your yearly Bible reading plan

If you're reading the Bible in book order:

By next Friday read 1 Corinthians 5-16, 2

Corinthians and Galatians 1-3.

If you're reading the Bible in chronologi-
cal order: please see [page 2 or click here.](#)

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Upcoming Worship

SPEAKER:

REV. JEFF PINKSTON

SCRIPTURE:

JEREMIAH 33:14-16 & 1 CORINTHIANS II:23-26
& LUKE 21:25-28

MESSAGE:

PALISADES HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL MUSIC PRESENTATION

ELDER GREETERS

PRICE FREEMAN, CHERYL SIMERLY

DEACON USHERS

KAREN RAWLS, ALLISON BEACH, FRED WILLIS, ALLISON MOODY

COUNTERS

BILL HARRAMAN, ANGIE NEEL

SIGNERS

BILL HARRAMAN, PAM HORACK

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
207

CHILDREN
23

NURSERY
3

YOUTUBE VIEWS
33

FACEBOOK VIEWS
29

TOTAL
269

Odds and Ends

Your Yearly Bible Reading Plan (cont.)

11/29/2024: 1 Corinthians 5 - 8

11/30/2024: 1 Corinthians 9 - 11

12/1/2024: 1 Corinthians 12 - 14

12/2/2024: 1 Corinthians 15 - 16

12/3/2024: 2 Corinthians 1 - 4

12/4/2024: 2 Corinthians 5 - 9

12/5/2024: 2 Corinthians 10 - 13

If you'd like a head start, next Friday will be Acts 20:1 - 3; Romans 1 - 3.



Christmas Joy Offering

December 1 - December 22, 2024

[Presbyterian Special Offerings - Christmas Joy](#)



Would you like to help decorate the sanctuary through sponsoring a poinsettia?

See the insert in Sunday's bulletin, and include your offer of donation. All slips must be turned in with payment by December 16. Look for a digital version to be available December 3.

Birthday Party FOR JESUS

DECEMBER 8

9:30 AM

FOR PRESCHOOL - 5TH GRADE

Cupcakes, Juice, Crafts, Story Time

Everyone! You too may celebrate by bringing a new unwrapped toy for ages 3-15 for West Blvd Ministries.



**Bring a new unwrapped toy
for ages 3-15 for West Blvd.
Ministry by December 8.**

The Christmas Luncheon and Caroling

You are invited to a very special Christmas luncheon and fellowship on Sunday, December 15 following our church service. There will be caroling off campus following the luncheon.

The menu is as follows:

Baked turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, bread and dessert. There is no cost, but we do ask that you sign up so there is adequate food for everyone.

Please sign-up using the insert in Sunday's bulletin or by following this link:

[Christmas Luncheon](#)



KID'S CORNER!

I hope you had a fun Thanksgiving. Next up: Christmas!

Music Notes

SPECIAL EVENT

AT STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT PLEASANT HILL

Sunday

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December

10:30 AM SERVICE
PALISADES HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR
EUGENE BUMGARDNER, DIRECTOR

Join us at our 10:30 am service for a special morning as the Palisades High School Choir, under the direction of Eugene Bumgardner, helps prepare our hearts for the Advent Season.



SCPCPH MUSIC

Christmas Music Schedule

Sunday, 12.1	10:30 am: Palisades High School Choir
Sunday, 12.8	10:30 am: Adult Christmas Music Presentation
Sunday, 12.15	10:30 am: Children's Christmas Music Presentation



Keep up with the music schedule for the month of December!

IF YOU ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE DECEMBER 8TH OR 15TH WORSHIP, REMEMBER THERE IS REHEARSAL THE DAY BEFORE FOR ALL THOSE INVOLVED.

Over the Thanksgiving weekend, the hand chime choir will visit Lake Wylie Assisted Living and Summit Place to entertain and engage with the residents of these facilities. The hand chime choir will play fun Christmas pieces to delight of the audience.



MUSIC & Memories

Chimes Edition

MUSIC & Memories

SHARE THE MUSIC OF YESTERDAY TODAY!

Calendar and Events

UPCOMING WEEK OF EVENTS

Sunday - Communion, 1st Sunday of Advent	Wednesday
09:30 am - Donuts, Coffee & Sunday School	6:00 pm - Praise Team
10:30 am - Worship	07:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal
11:45 am - Grace Notes Rehearsal	08:00 pm - AA
11:30 am - Outreach and Fellowship Meeting	Thursday
08:00 pm - AA	10:00 am - Beyond the Word
Monday	07:00 pm - Handbells Rehearsal
11:00 am - Intercessory Prayer Team	08:15 pm - Bronze Quartet
11:30 am - Grief Journey	Sunday - 2nd Sunday of Advent
6:00 pm - Admin and Personnel meeting	09:00 am - Children's Choir Rehearsal followed by Birthday Party for Jesus
Tuesday	09:30 am - Coffee & Sunday School
11:30 am - Staff Meeting	10:30 am - Worship
6:45 pm - Christian Growth	After service - Deacon's Meeting, BASIC Training, and Youth

Select dates for the next four weeks and beyond:

November

- 28 — Thanksgiving (Thursday - office closed)
- 29 — Thanksgiving (Friday - office closed)



December

- 01 — Communion
- 01 — Palisades HS Music Program during service
- 01 — Outreach and Fellowship meeting
- 02 -- Admin and Personnel
- 03 -- Christian Growth
- 05 -- Beyond the Word Bible Study
- 07 — Adult Music Program **DRESS REHEARSAL**
- 08 — Adult Music Program during service
- 08 — Birthday Party for Jesus - Bring A Toy!
- 08 -- Deacon's Meeting
- 08 -- BASIC Training and Youth
- 09 -- Preschool Ministry Team meeting



- 09 -- Missions Ministry Team meeting
- 10 -- Friendship Circle
- 10 -- Finance Committee Meeting
- 12 -- Beyond the Word Bible Study
- 12 -- Congregational Care
- 13 -- Crafts Fellowship
- 14 — Children's Music Program **DRESS REHEARSAL**
- 15 — Children's Music Program during service
- 15 — Congregational Christmas Luncheon immediately after service in multipurpose room with off-campus caroling to follow - [Sign-Up Here!](#)
- 17 -- Men's Fellowship
- 24 -- Session Meeting
- 24 — Love Feast at 5:30pm
- 25 — Christmas (Office Closed)
- 26 — Office Closed
- 29 — 10 Cents A Meal
- 31 — New Year's Eve

January

- 01 — New Year's Day (office closed)
- 05 — Communion
- 05 — Star Sunday



228 BOXES!

Dear Church Family,

Our church packed a grand total of 228 OCC shoeboxes, and I am so very thrilled!! Thank you all so much for your graciousness and willingness to set aside your time and effort to pack each of these special boxes that will be placed in the hands of an eager child.



These shoebox gifts will be distributed to children during a Gospel-focused community event. Be sure to continue to pray that this child will come to know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Another opportunity that you may wish to consider is a donation to a discipleship program called "The Greatest Journey". This is a 12-lesson course designed for children who have been given a shoebox and want to learn more about God.

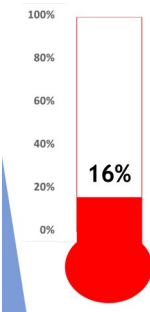
You may Google Samaritanspurse.org and look towards the bottom of the webpage for The Greatest Journey (in the fine print) to find out more about this wonderful additional ministry to the children.

Again, thank you so much for the wonderful participation this year! --Sarah Harkey

2025 Stewardship Campaign

The 2025 Stewardship Campaign has started. Each year, we ask our congregation to make a pledge for the following year. Your pledge plays a vital role in shaping our annual budget, giving us a clearer picture of

the financial support we can expect in the coming year. This budget funds our day-to-day operations and supports our various ministry teams, helping us fulfill our mission together. Please consider making a pledge to support our church's mission of joyfully serving our neighbors as we work together to follow Christ.



2025 Stewardship Campaign

Goal: \$800,000
 Pledged: \$128,040
 Remaining: \$671,960

November 17 - December 15

Scan the QR Code to make your pledge today

Your support makes a difference!



2024 Budget

Administration	\$59,640
Christian Growth	\$36,900
Congregational Care	\$1,140
Community Engagement	\$23,800
Finance	\$67,440
Missions	\$78,000
Personnel	\$741,218
Property	\$173,000
Worship & Music	\$14,520

Total Expenses \$1,195,658

Expect 2025's budget to be similar

Stewardship Campaign
 November 17 to December 15
 Scan or click the QR Code to make your pledge today.



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

- ✝ Sherry Abel, Judy Watkins's sister had a recent scan that showed no progression in her cancer. What a wonderful praise!
- ✝ Thank you and praise Paul and Grace Kuto for your presentation during the Sunday School hour on November 24th.
- ✝ Kevin, Anne Marie's dad completed the radiation treatments for his prostate cancer. He is also completing his move to a new household in Arkansas.

Condolences

- ✝ Condolences to the family and friends of Andy Griffin who passed away on November 23rd.

Surgery

- ✝ Jeff Lemond is scheduled to have knee replacement surgery on December 3rd. Please continue to pray for Jeff as he moves forward with surgery.

Special, Congregational, and Community Concerns

- ✝ Pray for the 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.
- ✝ Prayers for the people affected by Hurricane Helene in North

Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Tennessee and Virginia.

- ✝ Prayers for those affected by Hurricane Milton in Florida.
- ✝ 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

- ✝ Mike Morgan Jr. Is recovering from back surgery and is receiving physical therapy. Please continue to pray for him.
- ✝ Jeff Lemond is continuing to heal from the infection in his leg. Pray for Jeff as he prepares for another surgery in mid-December to replace the knee joint.
- ✝ George and Betty Davis would like prayers for George's health.
- ✝ Linda Clark is back home from the hospital and is improving daily.
- ✝ James, the infant son of Tim and Terry Gillette's niece, Jordan, is still in the NICU. He is expected to be there until December. He is gaining weight, and his breathing is improving. Please continue to keep him and the family in your

prayers.

- ✝ Johnny Simms, the brother of Gloria Smith is doing better. He's able to go to rehab.

Cancer

- ✝ Jim Ragan a friend of Pastor Jeff's was recently diagnosed with Lymphoma. He is requesting prayer.
- ✝ Jeffrey Brenner, son of Gail Brenner has been readmitted to the hospital with complications following his previous surgery. Please be in prayer for healing.
- ✝ David Carter, friend and co worker of Mac Winget is responding well to his treatment for Lymphoma. Please continue to pray for him and his family.
- ✝ Raquel Mercer, sister of Ragan Haston and daughter of Gina and Tom Settlemlyre, had surgery at Duke. She continues to need prayers as she receives treatments which is a process over a long period of time. Her family thanks you for your prayers.
- ✝ Kaarin Record has begun her chemo treatments. Please be in prayer for her and her husband Don as they face this new step in her treatment of cancer.
- ✝ Sherry Abel, Judy Watkins' stepsister, has stage 4 breast cancer. Continue to pray for

her as she receives treatment.

† Allison Spratt has completed her radiation treatments and now has 39 targeted chemo treatments before proceeding with her next surgery.

† Carol Pridgen, Betty Small's sister, met with the oncologist at Duke on October 22. She began chemotherapy at Duke on Oct. 29. She had it again the following Tuesday. She will be off next week and continue the following week with the same routine. She had a PET scan on Nov. 8. Please be in prayer for Carol during this time.

† Ruth McGaha met with her doctor regarding her scan. She is able to travel and visit with family.

† Elaine Scarborough has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung and brain cancers. Her latest scan has shown spread. She will start radiation soon. Please continue to pray for her.

† 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.

Ongoing Illness

† Cooper Freeman has returned home following surgery and rehab. Please pray for his continued recovery.

† Margaret Wert has returned home following rehab.

† 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.

† Please pray for the organization *Fostering the Family* and the children that are looking to be adopted.

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, South Korea

† Will Warsaw, US Navy, North Carolina

College Students

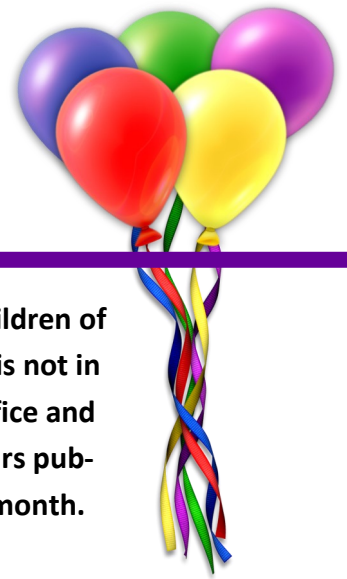
Clay Ferguson	Ben Shanti
Kelly Ferguson	Casey Snyder
Alexa Hill	Regan Snyder
Donald Horack	Andrew Tanner
Melinda Moore	Charlie Warnke

Homebound

Joan Brown	Hannah Maurer
Linda Clark	Pat McCorkle
Joyce Carpenter	Sarah Middleton
Dot Earp	Forrest Nunnally
Cooper Freeman, III	Gerry Roberts Kat Sparrow
Katharine Freeman	Mike Spratt
Louise Freeman	Margaret Wert
Elaine Kotraba	Wayne Whiteside



Happy Birthday



Many have asked for a birthday list! I will publish members' and children of members' birthdays if they are available in our directory. If yours is not in a list and you would like it to be, please reach out to the church office and let's see if our records need to be updated. If you do not want yours published, please reach out at least one month before your birthday month.

December Babies

Bogdan Irimies	1-Dec	Parker McCall	10-Dec	Tyler Beach	22-Dec
Wayne Whiteside	2-Dec	Scott Martin	11-Dec	Kevin Horack	25-Dec
Cindi Craddock	3-Dec	Jana Cathey	12-Dec	Jeff Lemond	26-Dec
Kate Rogers	4-Dec	Alli Salmon	12-Dec	Camille Cunningham	
Susan Brown	4-Dec	Barbara Burns	13-Dec		27-Dec
Wesley Warsaw	6-Dec	Alex Brunson	14-Dec	Forrest Nunnally's 100th!	
Toni McCall	7-Dec	Mike Spratt	14-Dec		27-Dec
Kinsley Byrum	8-Dec	Theron Freeman	17-Dec	Beau Byrum, III	28-Dec
Spencer Beck	8-Dec	George Davis	20-Dec	Brandon Burkhart	28-Dec
Matt Miller	8-Dec	Tatum Haston	21-Dec	Sandi Lauerman	31-Dec
				Peyton Snyder	31-Dec