



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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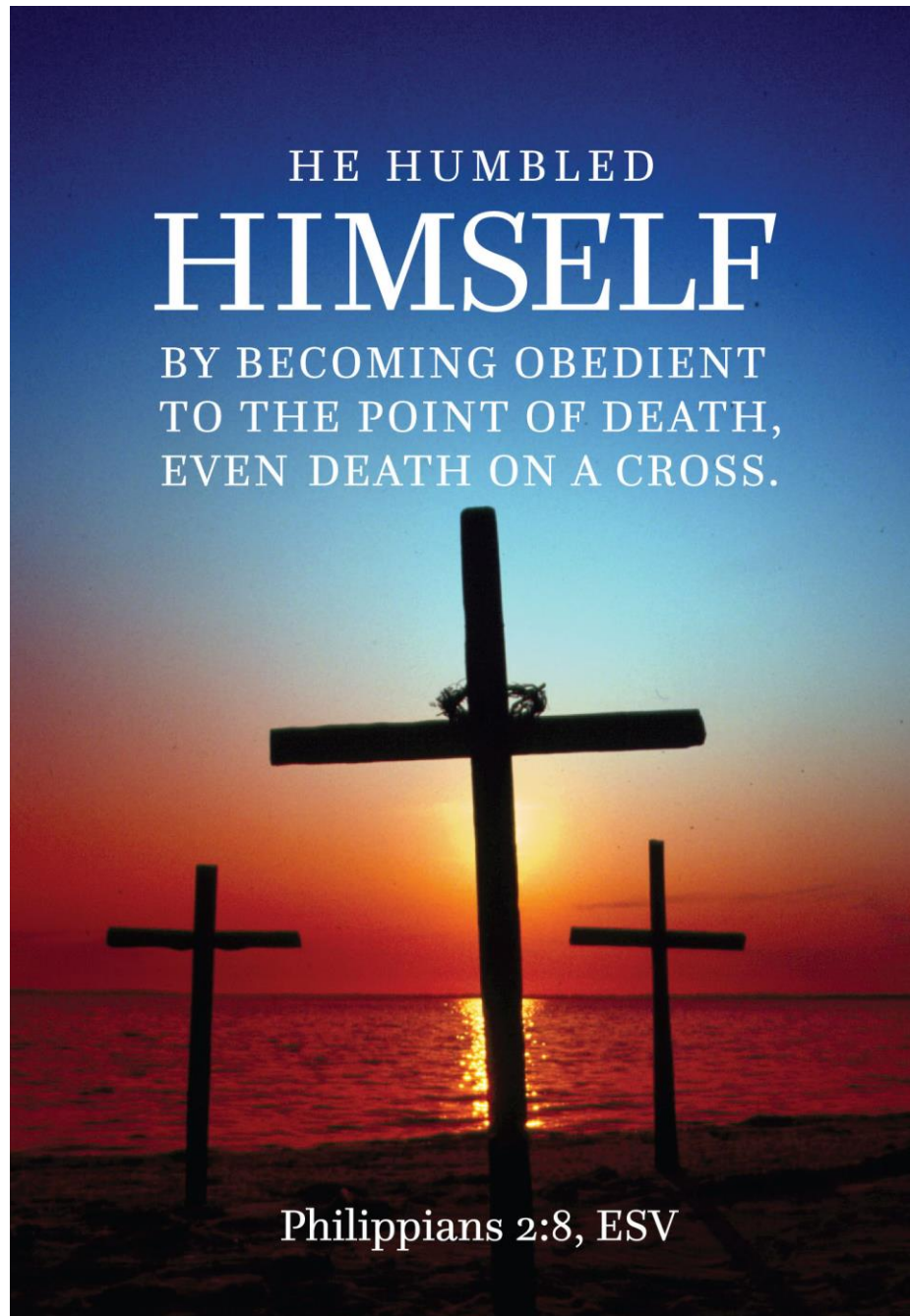
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Philippians 2:8, ESV

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church – Organized 1760
Remembering the Past, Serving in the Present, Anticipating the Future

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2017

10:30 AM

*Those that are able, please stand

CCLI # 3051971

Gathering Around The Word

Prayer of Preparation

God of glory, we gather as Your body to worship You and You alone. For You are the King of Glory! Fill our hearts with praise! As we consider Your sacrificial, costly love, we bow our hearts before You in humble gratitude. Thank You for dying to save even us, and for the privilege of living out new life in Christ every day of our lives. Change our hearts to reflect Your heart - we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Welcome

Opening Praise

Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord

Choirs

*Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Leader: Lord, You alone are my portion and my cup;

People: you make my lot secure.

Leader: I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;

People: even at night my heart instructs me.

Leader: I keep my eyes always on the Lord.

People: With Him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Leader: You make known to me the path of life;

People: you will fill me with joy in Your presence, with eternal pleasures at Your right hand.

From Psalm 16

*Hymn

Christ Is Alive!

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Prayer of Confession & Surrender

Lord God, We are amazed by Your sacrificial, costly love – and we know that “We love, because You first loved us.” But often we withhold that love from our family members and “neighbors” who You place in our path. Forgive us, we pray. You love us with a costly, sacrificial love - and by so doing, bestow upon us mercy upon mercy and grace upon grace. Yet we are guilty of withholding mercy and grace. In Your mercy and grace, You offer us forgiveness of sins. Yet we harbor resentment and withhold forgiveness. Forgive us, we pray. Your love was demonstrated by humility. Yet we haughtily cling to prideful appearances. Forgive us, we pray. You came as a servant. Give us servant hearts, we pray in the name of the One who came to save, Amen.

Response *Make Me a Servant* All

God's Grace and Promise

Leader: The proof of God's amazing love is this:

People: While we were continuing to sin, Christ died for us.

Leader: We are redeemed and empowered through His life, death, and resurrection, and will dwell in the house of the Lord, now and forever.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen.

Living The Word

Tithes and Offering

Offertory (Organ) *Christ the Lord Is Risen* LLANFAIR/Lani Smith

*Response *Doxology (HOPSON)* 608

*Prayer of Dedication

Lord God, We are humbled by the servant heart of Christ. He did not consider equality with God something to take advantage of. He had servanthood at the center of His mission. May servanthood be at the center of our life's purpose and mission – individually and as a congregation. We submit to You our hearts and souls, our bodies and minds, and all of the resources You have given us. We ask that You would use us and our resources to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in our community and our world. We offer all of these things to You, in Jesus' name, Amen.

Proclaiming The Word

God's Word for Children Rev. Anne T. Hilborn
(Children 3 years old through First Grade may leave for Kid's Time)

Anthem (Choirs) *He Lives from BECAUSE HE LIVES* arr. Dennis/Nan Allen

*God's Word Written Philippians 2: 1- 11

God's Word Proclaimed **A Cradle, A Cross and a Towel** Rev. Anne T. Hilborn

Responding To The Word

Declaration of Faith The Apostles' Creed

Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* 240

*Charge and Benediction

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Closing Voluntary *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* arr. Gilbert Martin

THE SESSION

W. Jeff Pinkston, Moderator

Walter H. Neely Jr., Clerk

David W. McAliley, Assistant Clerk

Price H. Gwynn III, Elder Emeritus

CLASS OF 2016

Larry G. Briggs
William G. Cathey
Russell G. Combs
Ernest C. Coskrey
Ragan B. Haston
Walter H. Neely, Jr.
Barry R. Small

CLASS OF 2017

Bruce A. Doane
William L. Harraman
Roberta B. Harris
Kathryn S. Keels
David W. McAliley
Aaron M. Salmon
Andrew E. Smith

THE DIACONATE

Co-Moderators: Pamela J. Horack and Sandra J. Lauerman

CLASS OF 2016

Nafeeza N. Brasch
Gerald R. Burgess
Pamela J. Horack
Christian N. McCall
David F. Moody
Roger E. Palmer
James F. Willis

CLASS OF 2017

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Martha P. Brown
Jacob R. Cunningham
Jamey E. DeBerry
Heather N. Kauffman
Sandra J. Lauerman
Cheryl R. Simerly

Directors of the Church Corporation

Members of the Session

Sunday School Superintendent

Wanda Kinard

Mission Statement

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church is a welcoming Christian family, rich in tradition, actively spreading the good news of Jesus Christ, serving our community and world.