



## Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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W. Jeff Pinkston, *Pastor*

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If I take the wings of the morning and  
settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

even there your hand shall lead me,  
and your right hand shall hold me fast.

Psalm 139:9-10, NRSV

**Steele Creek Presbyterian Church – Organized 1760**

Remembering the Past, Serving in the Present, Anticipating the Future

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

**July 23, 2017**

**10:30 AM**

\*Those that are able, please stand

**CCLI # 3051971**

## *Gathering Around The Word*

Prayer of Preparation

**Holy Spirit, guide our worship. Guide our words, our songs, our postures, our thoughts and our prayers. Let everything that is of God fill this place and anything that is of us diminish. Remove our pride, our agendas and our misguided intentions so that only You and Your purposes remain. We so desperately want to experience the Father and to hear His voice. Thank You for leading us today. Amen.**

Words of Welcome

Opening Praise

*In the Presence of Jehovah*  
(Kelly Byrum – soloist/Praise Team)

Geron Davis

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Acolyte

\*Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Leader: Have you heard of our great God?

**People: He created all that is and reigns over it all. He rules with justice and mercy.**

Leader: Have you heard of our great God?

**People: He is full of glory and His ways are perfect. No one can match His wisdom and understanding.**

Leader: Have you heard of our great God?

**People: He knows each name and sees each person -- His love for us is unequalled. We belong to Him and He calls us His own.**

**All: Let us come, now, and worship our great God, for He is worthy of all honor and glory and praise.**

\*Hymn of Praise

*O God, You Search Me*

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Prayer of Confession & Surrender

**We are so quick to doubt You, God -- You, who created our inmost being, who knit us together piece by piece. Why would we think that our ways are greater than Yours? Why do we try so hard to control everything and everyone around us? Our lives would be so liberated if we relinquished control and rested in You -- our all-knowing, all-seeing God. Forgive us for trying to take the reins. We surrender ourselves to You and You alone. Form our hearts to seek after You instead of fighting against You. Help us to put our trust in You. Amen.**

Response

*I Surrender All*

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## God's Grace and Promise

Leader: The psalmist assures us that if we make our home in the place of deepest darkness, God is already there in the midst of that.

**People: We are assured of this truth, because Jesus descended into that darkness in His death on the cross.**

Leader: But Jesus emerged resurrected, triumphant over death, and bearing the promise of new life for all who desire it.

**People: Let us claim it! Let us live it! Friends, believe the gospel! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

## Living The Word

### Tithes and Offering

Offertory Song (Praise Team)

*Kyrie Eleison*

Chris Tomlin

\*Response

*Doxology* (Hopson)

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\*Prayer of Dedication

**As we give our gifts, generous God, keep us mindful of all the times when we have stretched in our giving — and felt better because of it. When we give the best, we live the best. We who have been given much have the sacred duty to be generous givers out of our abundance, not only of our monetary gifts but of our time and talents. Bless these gifts that You may be glorified and Your work in the world accomplished. This we pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Proclaiming The Word

God's Word for Children

Mrs. Lorie Lewis

(Children 3 years old through First Grade may leave for Kid's Time)

Anthem (Chancel Choir)

*Lord, You've Searched and Known Me*

Doug Wagner

\*God's Word Written

Psalm 139:1-18, 23-24

God's Word Proclaimed

***We Are Known***

Dr. W. Jeff Pinkston

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Hymn

*Here I Am, Lord*

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\*Charge and Benediction

\*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Acolyte

\*Closing Voluntary

*Rondeau*

Jean Joseph Mouret

## **THE SESSION**

W. Jeff Pinkston, Moderator

Walter H. Neely Jr., Clerk

David W. McAliley, Assistant Clerk

Price H. Gwynn, III, Elder Emeritus

### **CLASS OF 2017**

Henry A. Cathey  
William G. Cathey  
Russell G. Combs  
Ragan B. Haston  
Walter H. Neely, Jr.  
Barry R. Small  
Marjorie B. Smith

### **CLASS OF 2018**

Jacob R. Cunningham  
Catherine H. Farnham  
Benjamin S. Horack, III  
Donna C. Moody  
Margaret M. Salmon  
Cheryl R. Simerly  
Ellen N. Thomas

## **THE DIACONATE**

### **CLASS OF 2018**

Karen J. Cline  
Michael T. Farnham  
Betty B. Harraman  
Christian N. McCall  
David W. McCorkle  
Mary Beth Monroe  
Laura D. Willis

### **CLASS OF 2019**

Jamey E. DeBerry  
Deborah L. Hawes  
William C. Lewis, II  
Courtney McAliley  
David F. Moody  
Rebecca W. Neely

### **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.**