



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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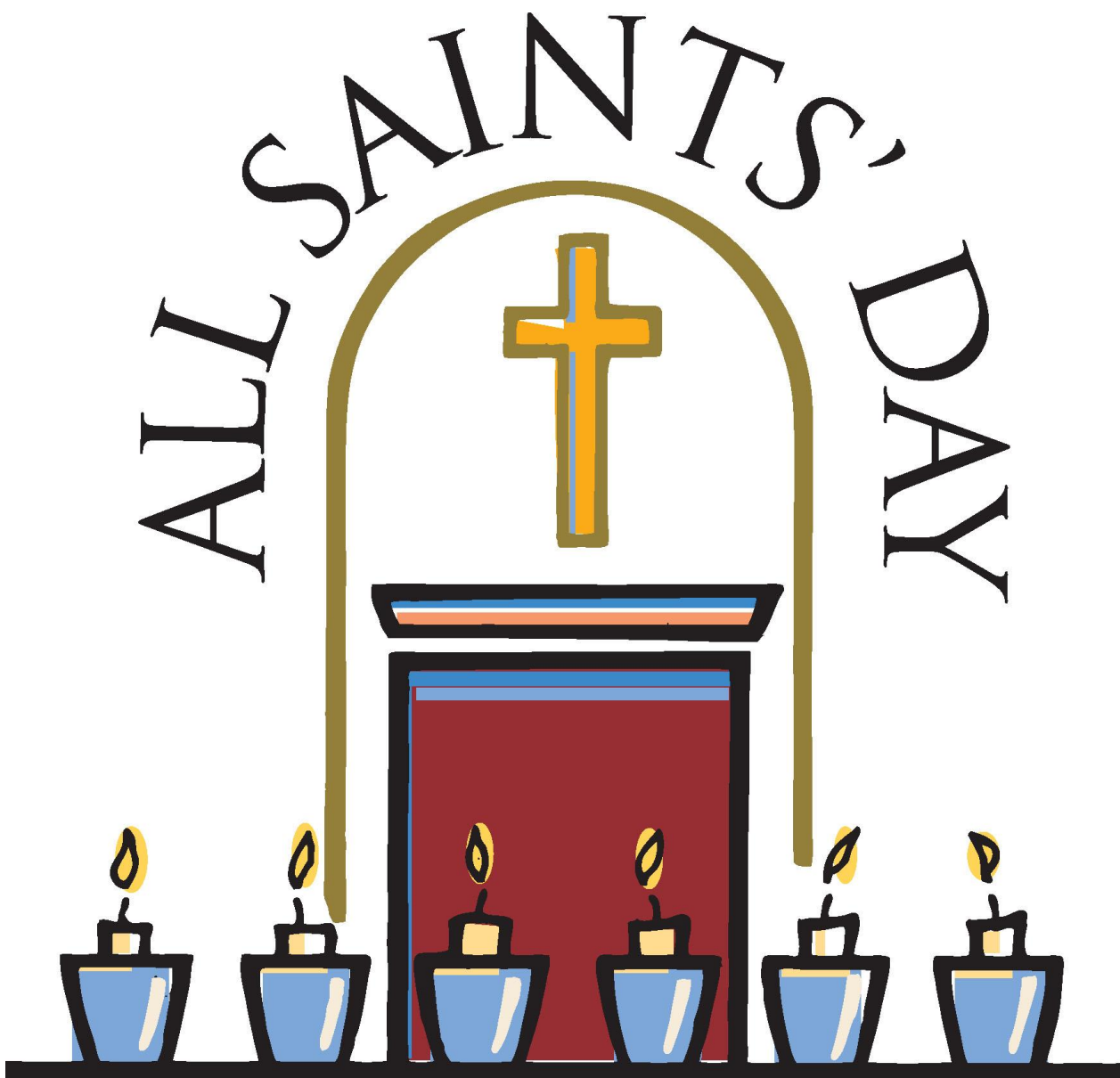
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Steele Creek Presbyterian Church – Organized 1760

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

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

23rd Sunday After Pentecost

All Saints Sunday

November 12, 2017

10:30 AM

*Those that are able, please stand

CCLI # 3051971

Gathering Around The Word

Prayer of Preparation

Most loving God, You have given us a great multitude of witnesses whose lives have testified to the amazing power of Your Son's resurrection. By Your presence among us, teach us the truth of life everlasting. Through this day for remembrance of those who have gone before us, grant us inspiration to run with perseverance the race that is set before us. Keep us on the way of truth until we, too, join in endless celebration with all Your saints in splendor. In the name of Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Words of Welcome

Opening Prelude

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Acolyte

*Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Leader: We have come here as a people of faith,

People: Thankful for all those who have gone before us.

Leader: We stand in awe of so many who have served faithfully and shared and lived the good news.

People: May their example and their courage be a guide and model for our living.

All: Let us now remember and join in holy fellowship as we worship God!

*Hymn of Praise

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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Prayer of Confession & Surrender

O God, on this day devoted to the living memory of the saints of the church and to the celebration of the witness of loved ones and friends, we confess that we have mixed feelings. Recalling the faithfulness and courage of Christian men and women who lived their lives in Your Son's service both inspires us and makes us feel inadequate. Sometimes we put family and friends on a pedestal and feel that we do not measure up to them. Most patient God forgive this self-deception. Help us to remember it is in Christ alone that we are saved. Remind us that even the most conspicuous saints of the church, were ordinary people, subject to the same mixed feelings about their own worth and potential. Then help us concentrate on the present and the future: on the things we might yet do, the persons we might yet be, serving You in Christ, beginning today. Amen.

Response (All)

I Love You, Lord

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God's Grace and Promise

Leader: In love and forgiveness, Christ welcomes us to the banquet feast that has been prepared since the foundation of the world for us and for all God's saints. Friends, hear and believe the Good News:

People: We are reconciled to Christ! Thanks be to God! Amen.

Living The Word

Tithes and Offering

Offertory

Untitled Hymn

*Response

Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

We give our gifts in love and thanksgiving for all that we have been given. Help us give with hearts and minds open to the possibilities of what we can do to heal the brokenness of our world. Let our love travel where we do not, making pathways of peace where there are none, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Proclaiming The Word

God's Word for Children

Mrs. Mary Beth Monroe

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

Anthem (Chancel Choir)

Hear My Prayer, O Lord

Moses Hogan

*God's Word Written

John 14:1-7

Responding To The Word

Lighting of the Candles in Memory of the Saints of God

Helen Baugess, Pat Beatty, Bobby Byrum, Peggy Furr, Doris Garrison, Pete Griffith, Ruth Griffith, Rhonda Hedger, Warren Lathe, David Miller, Audrey Moore, Beth Palmer, Peggy Payne, Roy Stilwell, Frank Suttle, Betty Warvel, Ibbie Wells, and Lana Wilcoxon.

Prayer of the Saints & Response

Leader: We come together to celebrate and to remember persons who have gone before us. As a community of the faithful, we are thankful for those who have faithfully followed the ministry and example of Jesus Christ. There are so many to remember and be thankful for from long ago and from the past year.

People: As we remember, may we be strengthened in courage to be even more faithful to God, to God's Word, to ourselves, to the church, and to Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

Screen

*Charge and Benediction

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Acolyte

*Closing Voluntary

THE SESSION

W. Jeff Pinkston, Moderator

Walter H. Neely Jr., Clerk

David W. McAliley, Assistant Clerk

Price H. Gwynn, III, Elder Emeritus

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William G. Cathey

Russell G. Combs

Ragan B. Haston

Walter H. Neely, Jr.

Barry R. Small

Marjorie B. Smith

CLASS OF 2019

Jacob R. Cunningham

Catherine H. Farnham

Benjamin S. Horack, III

Donna C. Moody

Margaret M. Salmon

Cheryl R. Simerly

Ellen N. Thomas

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David F. Moody, Moderator

Michael T. Farnham, Vice-Moderator

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Betty B. Harraman

Christian N. McCall

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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.