



## Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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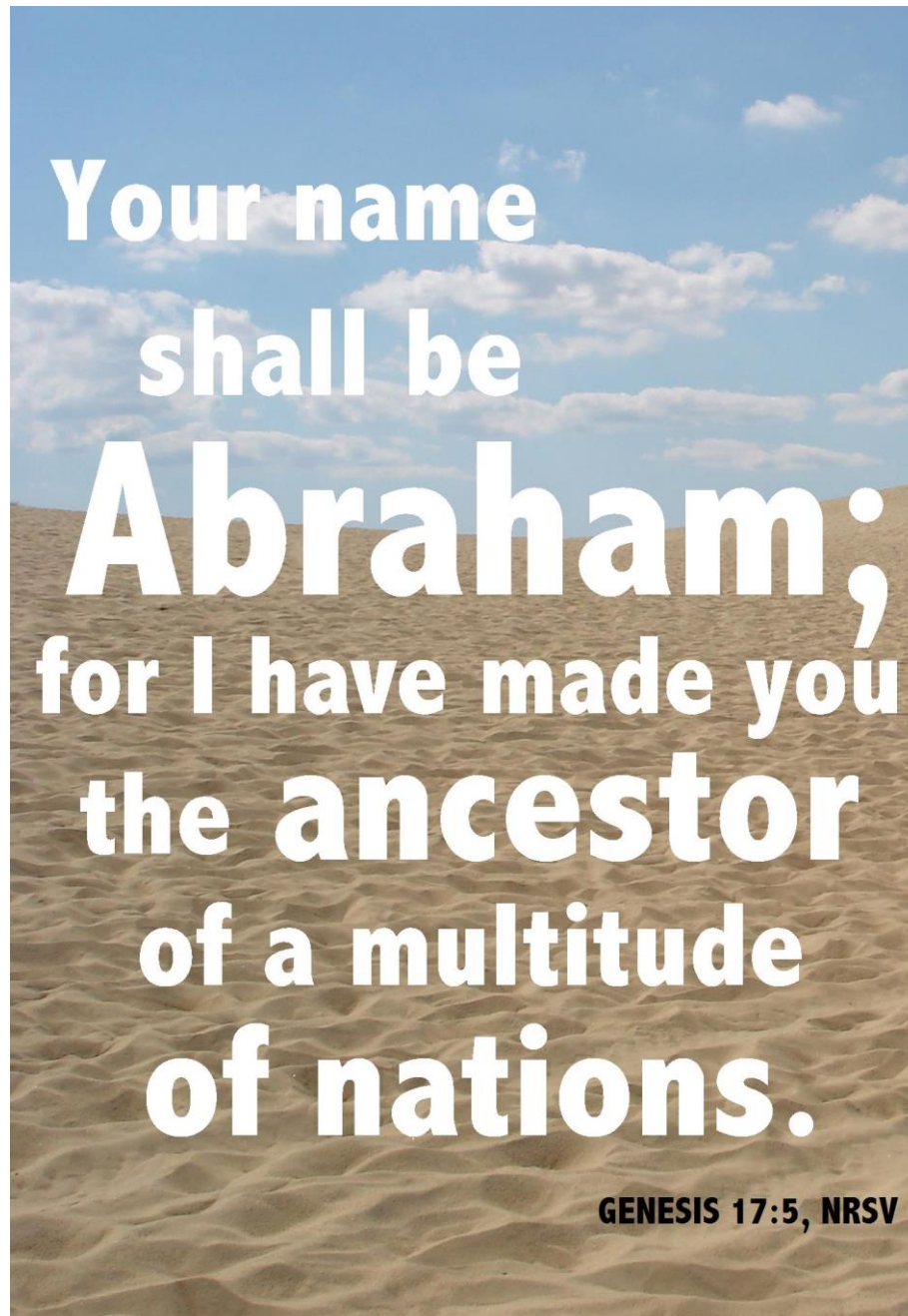
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**Steele Creek Presbyterian Church – Organized 1760**  
Remembering the Past, Serving in the Present, Anticipating the Future

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Of Lent

**February 25, 2018**

**10:30 AM**

\*Those that are able, please stand

**CCLI # 3051971**

## *Gathering Around The Word*

### Prayer of Preparation

*Suffering God, You told us to deny ourselves, take up our cross and follow Jesus. We're still not sure we want to go that far. We had hoped that becoming followers in this day and age would be a more rational business; we had hoped to fit our religion in the spare corners of our lives. It wasn't supposed to be an inconvenience. Yet You continue to call us, and we squirm uncomfortably. Teach us to respond gratefully to Your invitation. Teach us to sacrifice — not only for others, but for You. And take what we can give right now, transforming it into an offering of our deepest selves. In Your Son's name we pray. Amen.*

### Words of Welcome

### Opening Prelude

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

arr. Mark Hayes

### Bringing in the Light of Christ

Acolyte

### \*Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Leader: Praise and fear the Lord!

**People: Glorify and stand in awe of God!**

Leader: Praise God in the great congregation;

**People: Before God all shall bow down.**

Leader: I shall live for and serve the Lord.

**People: We will proclaim God's deliverance to our children and grandchildren.**

Leader: Praise and fear the Lord!

—Based on Psalm 22.

### \*Opening Praise

*Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing*

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### Prayer of Confession & Surrender

**We want to believe, O God, that we bring our whole selves, our whole hearts, to You — but we don't. You ask us to deny ourselves and follow You, but we don't. You ask us to share the good news of the gospel — but we don't. You ask us to put Your concerns above our worldly concerns — but we don't. Forgive us for all those times when we fall short, when we doubt, when we are tempted by Satan. Help us to stand before You with our whole selves — trusting that it is You who makes us whole. Amen.**

### Response

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

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God's Grace and Promise

Leader: Friends, our Lord was rejected, taunted, beaten and crucified — and raised from the dead on the third day.

**People: Though we fall short, we believe and share The Good News of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

*Living The Word*

Tithes and Offering

Offertory *His Eye Is on The Sparrow* arr. Mark Hayes

\*Response *Doxology* 606

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Good and generous God, we pray that Your life would so overflow in us that our neighbors both near and far would be fed by Your Spirit. Use the offerings of our resources and our lives to proclaim the gospel, spread Your love and bring forth Your kingdom. For the sake of Christ we pray. 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 (Choir) *In This Very Room* Ron and Carol Harris

\*God's Word Written Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Romans 4:13-16 Mark 8:31-38

God's Word Proclaimed **Keeping The Faith** Dr. W. Jeff Pinkston

*Responding To The Word*

\*Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles' Creed*

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Hymn *Great is Thy Faithfulness* 39

\*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Closing Voluntary *Great is Thy Faithfulness* arr. Don Hustad

## **THE SESSION**

W. Jeff Pinkston, Moderator

Walter H. Neely Jr., Clerk

Price H. Gwynn, III, Elder Emeritus

### **CLASS OF 2018**

Henry A. Cathey

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Marjorie B. Smith

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David F. Moody, Moderator

Michael T. Farnham, Vice-Moderator

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Rebecca W. Neely

## **Directors of the Church Corporation**

Members of the Session

### **Sunday School Superintendent**

Henry Cathey

### **Assistant Sunday School Superintendent**

Cooper Freeman, IV

### **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.**