



# Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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## Palm/Passion Sunday

**Steele Creek Presbyterian Church – Organized 1760**

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

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Palm/Passion Sunday

**March 25, 2018**

**10:30 AM**

\*Those that are able, please stand

**CCLI # 3051971**

## *Gathering Around The Word*

Prayer of Preparation

*Merciful Savior, it is our privilege and delight to be in Your presence and to bring our praises and worship to You. You are our teacher and our friend, our rock and our hope and our strength and our light. We celebrate Your arrival in Jerusalem; we anticipate the agony that is before You; we await Your victory over death. Grant that we might walk this journey alongside You as faithful disciples, rather than as participants of the fickle crowd. Amen.*

Words of Welcome

Opening Prelude

*Processional for Palm Sunday*

Fred Binckes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Acolyte

\*Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

**People: We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**People: This house of worship blesses You, Holy God.**

Leader: God has sent the Light of the World to us.

**People: Let us celebrate God's gift with a procession of palms and shouts of "Hosanna!"**

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord. God is good to us!

**People: God's steadfast love endures forever!**

—Adapted from Psalm 118

\*Processional Hymn

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

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Prayer of Confession & Surrender

**Holy God, we are profoundly thankful and deeply humbled by our remembrance of Your triumphant entry into Jerusalem. On that day more than 2,000 years ago, people were exuberant in their praise and adoration of You. And so it will be again when God exalts Your name above every other. But in between lay the way of the cross, when You emptied Yourself, leaving glory behind, and embraced the cross for the sake of all humanity. We are awed by the depth of Your love and sacrifice. We so want to identify with the cheering crowd, but we confess we are no less fickle than they and we end up denying You as though we never knew You. Forgive us, Lord. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, draw us to You in renewed love and devotion this week, as we remember Your lonely and painful journey to Calvary. It is for our sins You died! Forgive us! Amen.**

Response

*Lift High the Cross* (chorus only)

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God's Grace and Promise

Leader: Out of the depths of God's eternal love for us, God hears our prayers, forgives our sins and sets us free to live and work for God's glory.

**People: We are loved. We are forgiven. We are free! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Living The Word**

Tithes and Offering

Offertory

*Alone Thou Goest Forth, O Lord*

Dennis Eliot

\*Response

*Doxology*

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\*Prayer of Dedication

**Gracious God, we bring our tithes and offerings to You as cheerful and grateful givers. You are the giver of every good and perfect gift — of life and of eternal life, of Your redeeming grace and mercy, of Your love which overcomes our fears and weaknesses. Thank You for blessing us with the gift of Yourself, incarnate in Jesus Christ our Savior and Friend, and for counting us worthy to share in His life and ministry. Use these gifts and us, we pray, for Your purposes and glory. In Jesus' name. 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

*Blessed One, Messiah*

Mary McDonald

\*God's Word Written

Mark 11:1-11

Mark 15:1-15

God's Word Proclaimed

**Betraying Jesus**

Dr. W. Jeff Pinkston

**Responding To The Word**

Reception of New Member

Susan Brown

\*Affirmation of Faith

*The Apostles' Creed*

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Hymn

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

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\*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Closing Voluntary

*Ride On! Ride On in Majesty*

Graham George

## **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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## **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.**