



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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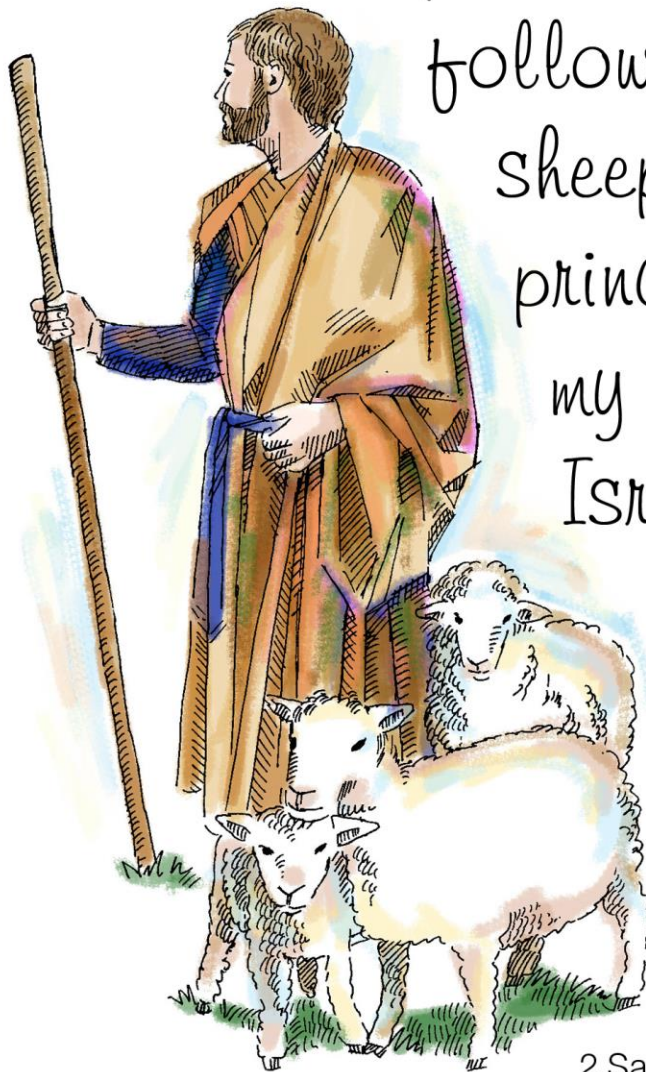
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W. Jeff Pinkston, *Pastor*

Lorie Lewis, *Director of Family Ministries*

Brian McSwain, *Director of Music*

I took you from
the pasture, from
following the
sheep to be
prince over
my people
Israel ...



2 Samuel 7:8, NRSV

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church – Organized 1760

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

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

9th Sunday of Pentecost

July 22, 2018

10:30 AM

*Those that are able, please stand

CCLI # 3051971

Gathering Around The Word

Prayer of Preparation

Before the mystery of Your grace and the promise of immortality, we open ourselves to Your light and leading, O holy God. In Your courts, we are renewed. Our limitations are transcended. Our presumptions are modified. The foundations of our lives are rebuilt. Meet us here, that Your work may prosper among us and through us. Fill our lives with the joy and peace that You alone can give. Amen.

-Lavon Bayler, Gathered by Love (Cleveland: United Church Press, 1994), 46

Words of Welcome

Opening Prelude

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Acolyte

*Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Call: To You, O God, belong honor and praise and glory.

Response: You, O Lord, are the Most High God. We lift up Your name.

Call: You are holy, righteous and mighty. There is none like You.

Response: You are Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer. We worship You.

Call: Your wisdom is unsearchable. Your love is unfailing.

Response: Your judgments are just. Your compassion is tender toward all.

Call: To You, O God, belong honor and praise and glory.

Response: Thanks be to God! We sing our doxology to You!

*Opening Hymn of Praise

Great Are You Lord

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Prayer of Confession & Surrender

Merciful God, You created us out of love, calling us to choose blessings and to delight in Your law; instead, we follow our own capricious nature. Rather than seeing freedom in Your decrees, we see constraints. We convince ourselves that we know what we need better than You do. We make choices that hurt others and lead us away from You. Forgive us for all the ways we fall short in what we do and in what we fail to do. Instill in us the desire to grow in our faith and our discipleship so we can help grow Your kingdom with integrity. Amen.

Response

Seek Ye First

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God's Grace and Promise

Leader: Beloved of God, the Lord's mercy is from everlasting to everlasting.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

Living The Word

Tithes and Offering

Offertory

*Response *We Are One in the Spirit* (vs 4) 300

*Prayer of Dedication

Your grace, O God, is a gift that nothing can match. The greatest offering we can make is to live according to Your will. Grant wings to these gifts, that they may soar to do Your bidding. Bring a melody to our lips, that our days may be songs of praise. In Christ's service. Amen.

-Lavon Bayler, *Fresh Winds of the Spirit: Liturgical Resources for Year A* (New York: Pilgrim Press, 1986), 83

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 *The Earth Is The Lord's* Beebe

*God's Word Written 2 Samuel 7:1-17

God's Word Proclaimed **Doing for God** 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 *All Hail To God's Anointed* 149

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World Acolyte

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Voluntary

THE SESSION

W. Jeff Pinkston, Moderator

Walter H. Neely Jr., Clerk

William L. Harraman, Assistant Clerk

Price H. Gwynn, III, Elder Emeritus

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

CLASS OF 2020

Saundra Doane
William L. Harraman
Roberta B. Harris
Trent A. Haston
Saundra J. Lauerma
Mary Beth Monroe
Barry R. Small

THE DIACONATE

David F. Moody, Moderator

CLASS OF 2019

Jamey E. DeBerry
G. Dewitt Lauerma
W. Cooper Lewis
Courtney P. McAliley
David F. Moody
Rebecca W. Neely
Laura Dale Willis

CLASS OF 2020

Kelly F. Byrum
Mary Margaret Donato
Jonathan D. McCall
David W. McCorkle
Larry Monroe
Carl S. Sanburg
Jonathan Thomas

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.