



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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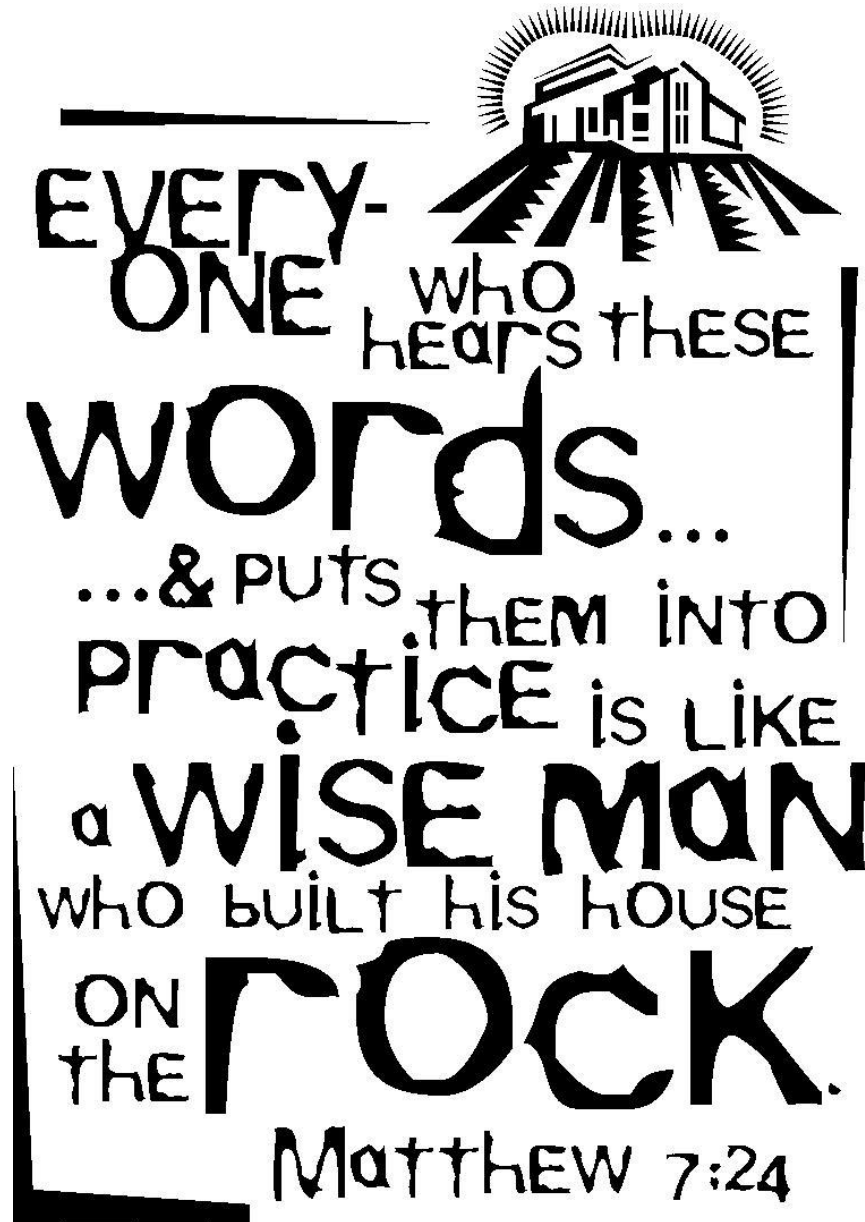
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Steele Creek Presbyterian Church – Organized 1760

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

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

October 21, 2018

10:30 AM

*Those that are able, please stand

CCLI # 3051971

Gathering Around The Word

Prayer of Preparation

God of mercy and grace, we are awed and humbled that You call each of us by name, that You promise our redemption, that You are always present with and to us and that Your love for us knows no limit, cannot be exhausted and will never waver. Help us in this hour to better glimpse the reality of You and what Your presence in our lives means. Our attention is often focused on the deep waters of loss and grief, the rushing currents of over commitment and other people's demands, the burning destruction of greed, overconsumption and violence on our planet. In the midst of that You stand, unchanged as always, to proclaim the truth that You are the Lord our God. You are the Holy One. You alone are our Savior, and, therefore, there's no reason for us to fear. In You, and You alone, we put our hope. Amen.

Words of Welcome

Opening Prelude

Moment By Moment

House

*Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Leader: God is with God's people. God dwells in their midst. Listen and hear God speak.

People: Our hearts long for God's Word. We wait upon the Lord so that we may renew our strength.

Leader: God is our help and our support. God's Spirit moves among us to lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.

People: With joyful hearts we sing God's praise. With rejoicing we call upon God. The Lord is our hope and our salvation.

*Opening Hymn of Praise

Praise To The Lord, The Almighty

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Prayer of Confession & Surrender

We use many shields to protect ourselves. We put up walls to keep out hurt and danger. We build safer homes, safer cars, wear helmets, seatbelts and take vitamins to ward off the risks of injury, sickness, death. "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." Forgive us God! We need You. We need to trust You and let You be the one who protects us. Only You can keep us from sin and help us to flee temptation. We let go of our man-made shields and put on Your truth and righteousness. Amen.

Response

We Are Standing On Holy Ground

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God's Grace and Promise

Leader: By the mercies of God, I declare to you that your sins are forgiven. You are beloved, redeemed brothers and sisters of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Living The Word

Tithes and Offering

Offertory

This Is My Father's World

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*Response

Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, it is with joy that we respond to Your presence in our lives. We ask that You receive these gifts and offerings as our "thank you." Thank You for choosing us as Your own. Thank You for guiding and protecting us through life's storms. Thank You for the privilege of serving You. Thank You for Your love. Amen.

Proclaiming The Word

God's Word for Children

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

Mrs. Lorie Lewis

*God's Word Written

Matthew 7:24-29

God's Word Proclaimed

Will There Be Crises In Your Life As A Christian?

Rev. Dexter Greene

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Responding To The Word

*Closing Hymn

Go My Children, With My Blessing

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*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Praise To The Lord The Almighty

House

THE SESSION

W. Jeff Pinkston, Moderator
Walter H. Neely Jr., Clerk
William L. Harraman, Assistant Clerk
Price H. Gwynn, III, Elder Emeritus

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Benjamin S. Horack, III
Donna C. Moody
Margaret M. Salmon
Cheryl R. Simerly
Ellen N. Thomas

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William L. Harraman
Roberta B. Harris
Trent A. Haston
Sandra J. Lauerman
Mary Beth S. Monroe
Barry R. Small

THE DIACONATE

David F. Moody, Moderator

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Jamey E. DeBerry
G. Dewitt Lauerman
William C. Lewis, Jr.
Courtney P. McAliley
David F. Moody
Rebecca W. Neely
L. Dale Willis

CLASS OF 2020

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