



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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“Truly I tell you,
this poor widow
has put in more
than all those
who are
contributing to
the treasury.”

Mark 12:43, NRSV

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church – Organized 1760

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

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 11, 2018

10:30 AM

*Those that are able, please stand

CCLI # 3051971

Gathering Around The Word

Prayer of Preparation

Loving God, we know that in every generation You call forth prophets to proclaim Your word. We give You thanks that You are still speaking even today. Your Spirit inspires the young to see visions of a new creation and elders to dream of a time not yet known. Give us the courage to look from the past, beyond the present, to what You would have us be! Grant us Your vision, Your dream and the courage to live them out! Amen.

Words of Welcome

Opening Prelude

Prelude in G Minor

Bach

*Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Leader: As we come to worship, let us leave at the door our self-centered thoughts.

People: And open our eyes to see our neighbor in worship.

Leader: As we come to worship, let us leave at the door our feelings of exclusiveness.

People: And open our minds to the possibilities of inclusion.

Leader: As we come to worship, let us leave outside our notion of generosity.

People: And open our hearts to the possibility of giving beyond our typical gift.

All: As we come to worship, let us open our eyes, our minds and our hearts to what can be instead of what is. For all of our gifts and for all possibilities, let us lift our voices in praise!

*Opening Hymn of Praise

Alleluia! Sing To Jesus

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Prayer of Confession & Surrender

God, we dream of doing brave deeds and giving generous gifts. But we seldom do the deeds or give the gifts. We are too easily frightened by what might happen. We are afraid we might be hurt or have to work too hard or that we might fail. We are even afraid of what other people might think. Forgive us for giving in to our selfish fears. Help us, instead, to see more clearly what we might be able to do and give us the courage to help others by trying to do the difficult things. Make us into Your strong, loving people. We ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

-Carolyn C. Brown, *Forbid Them Not: Involving Children in Sunday Worship* (Abingdon Press, 1993), 183

Response

Eternal Father, Strong To Save Vs 1

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God's Grace and Promise

Leader: Friends, the word of the Lord is trustworthy and sure: When we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive and cleanse us.

People: **We are made new creatures in Christ. Hallelujah! Amen.**

Living The Word

Tithes and Offering

Offertory

Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

Ritter

*Response

Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

Holy and gracious God, with thankful and glad hearts we offer our tithes and offerings to You. Thank You for the privilege of participating in Your kingdom, of spreading the good news, of taking care of the "least of these." Use these gifts, and us, for Your purposes and will in our world. For Christ's sake 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

The King Of Love My Shepherd Is

Shelly

*God's Word Written

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

Psalm 127

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

God's Word Proclaimed

Mr. Michael L. Murdock

A People with a Past Building in the Present for the Future

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Responding To The Word

*Closing Hymn

The Church's One Foundation

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*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

America

Linker

THE SESSION

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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.