



# Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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

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April 4, 2017

### This Coming Sunday April 9, 2017

**Blessed by God  
that we might be  
a blessing to  
others**

*Palm Sunday*

Sunday School 9:30a  
Worship 10:30a

*Luke 19:28-40*

**Preparing for a King**

### Flowers Needed For Worship

Please sign up to provide flowers for a worship service. Flowers are still needed for April 30 and May 14. You can put your name on the date of your choice on the flower calendar in the narthex or call the church office.

### This Week

**April 4-11**

**Tuesday**

Christian Growth  
Team Meeting 6:45p  
Men's Basketball 7:00p

**Wednesday**

Community Lent  
Service at  
Pleasant Hill 12:00p  
Session Meeting 6:30p

AA Meeting 8:00p

**Thursday**

Praise Team 6:15p

### From Pastor Jeff

Dear Church Family,

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, April 30, 2017 immediately following the Worship Service. The purpose of the meeting is to hear a report from the Nominating Committee. If there are no nominations from the floor, we will elect those members who are nominated for Elder and Deacon to the Class of 2019. If there are nominations from the floor, the vote will be postponed until a later date. The list of nominees and their biographies will be published in the next newsletter.

Second, the Session will present a report on the church budget and finances. This will include a look back at the last several years and the status of this year and responses to the letter each member family should receive this week. We hope to also hear a report about the proposed sale of the Manse property, if we have received a response from the Airport to our counter-offer, at that time.

Finally, the Session will recommend that we move forward on plans to merge with any of the Presbyterian Churches in the area who wish to join with us in this endeavor. The Session will offer information as to why they are making this recommendation and answer questions. The vote on this recommendation will take place at a later meeting, which we hope to schedule for May 21st.

There is a Fish Fry scheduled for Sunday, April 30th, so we can all stay for the meeting and then enjoy lunch in the Bledsoe Family Life Center afterwards. I hope to see you all at this very important meeting.

Grace and Peace,  
*Pastor Jeff*

### Last Lenten Service

April 5 - Pleasant Hill - 12 noon - Luke Maybry

### Holy Week



### Services And Activities

**Palm Sunday, April 9**

10:30am Worship at Steele Creek  
Children and youth are invited to  
participate in the Palm Processional.  
Meet in the narthex before the service.

Choir 7:00p  
**Friday**  
 Mission Team Departs  
 Square Dancing 7:00p  
**Saturday**  
 Girl Scouts 9:00a  
**Sunday**  
 Ministry Team  
 Meetings 12:00p  
 Youth Group 4:00p  
 AA Meeting 8:00p  
**Monday**  
 Hand Bells  
 Rehearsal 6:15p  
 Boy/Cub Scouts 7:00p  
**Tuesday**  
 The Circle  
 Bible Study 10:00a  
 Men's Basketball 7:00p

### Upcoming Events

Need to know more than just a week ahead? [Click here](#) to go to the church calendar.

### March Special Gifts

**IN HONOR OF**  
*Jim & Carolyn Baber*  
 General Fund by  
 Nancy Clark

*Walter Neely*  
 General Fund by  
 Jeff & Kate Lemond

**IN MEMORY OF**  
*Patricia Beatty*  
 General Fund by  
 Karen Cline

*Nancy Fowler*  
 Good Samaritan Fund  
 by Jack Fowler

*Carmen and Richard  
 Henderson*  
 Memorial Fund by  
 Ms. Carmen Henderson

*Donald Kimrey*  
 General Fund by  
 Karen Cline

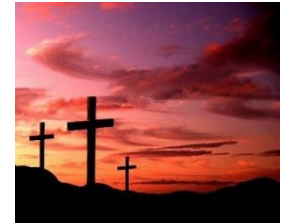
*Deane & Roy Stilwell*  
 Memorial Fund by  
 Ann Gifford

**Maundy Thursday, April 13**  
 7:00 pm, Maundy Thursday Service  
 at Central Steele Creek

**Good Friday, April 14**  
 7:00 pm, Good Friday Service at Pleasant Hill

**Easter Sunday, April 16**  
 7:00 am  
 Sunrise Service at Pleasant Hill

10:30 am  
**Because He Lives**  
 presented at Steele Creek



This Easter musical is a powerful celebration of the cross, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Centered on one of the best loved songs of all time, the worship service will include hymns, anthems, and worship songs for choir and congregation.

Remember to bring fresh flowers or greenery on Easter Sunday to decorate our Resurrection Cross.

### One Great Hour of Sharing - April 16

Lent is traditionally a season of fasting and prayer. During this time, Christians pay close attention to spiritual disciplines that deepen our understanding of what God is doing in our lives and in the world. Jesus' ministry was among those who were most vulnerable. He preached good news to the poor and release to the captives. *One Great Hour of Sharing* helps us share the same good news to those same vulnerable people in our world today. You are invited to visit the *One Great Hour of Sharing* website to find out more about how your support helps people all over the world. ([www.presbyterianmission.org/oghs](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/oghs))

In Isaiah 58, God issues a call and a challenge -- to love one another more deeply by sharing what we have with those in need. *One Great Hour of Sharing* is our direct response to the ways in which God has called us to share. Plan to bring your offering on Easter Sunday, April 16.

### The Circle Ladies Bible Study and Fellowship

The Circle Ladies Bible Study and Fellowship will meet for their April meeting on Tuesday, April 11. They are winding down in their study of *Who is Jesus* through various lenses. The lesson this month will be how He is seen through the other Abrahamic Faiths (Judaism and Islam). This is Lesson 8 in the study guide. Hope to see everyone there at 10:00 am.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will not be meeting on April 13 since it is Holy Week. The next meeting will be April 27.

### Fun Bunch Lunch

Mark your calendars. April Fun Bunch is on Thursday, April 20th, at noon. Menu hasn't been finalized but you can count on something good as usual. More information to follow but we wanted to be sure you reserved the date.

### Caring for College Students

Are you a college student or have a child who is attending college? If so, the Pastoral Care Ministry Team would like to know. It's important to us to keep

*Roy Stilwell*  
Memorial Fund by  
Carolina Brady  
Judith Broussard  
Nancy Estes

General Fund by  
Christ United  
Methodist Church

in touch with students and let them know they are important to our church family and that we are thinking about them. Thank you for your help in this outreach. If you have any questions, please contact Betty Small at 704-579-1842 or [ncbesmall@gmail.com](mailto:ncbesmall@gmail.com).

### Membership Exploration Class

Pastor Jeff will host a Membership Exploration Class on Sunday, May 7th at 9:30 am in the Church Parlor. There are Sunday School Classes and a Nursery for those with children. This is an opportunity for those interested in learning more about our church to come, hear a presentation, and have those questions answered. Attending the class does not mean that you have decided to join the church. The class is intended to provide the information you need to help you make that decision. Please call the church office at let us know if you plan to attend.

### Exploring Biblical Womanhood - Women's Retreat

Steele Creek Presbyterian Women's Retreat *It's More than a "Gentle and Quiet Spirit"*, *Exploring Biblical Womanhood* is set for April 22-23, 2017, at William Black Lodge in Montreat, with guest facilitator, Rev. Amy Coles. Our discussions and activities will be based on the book, *A Year of Biblical Womanhood* by Rachel Held Evans. In Rachel's own words: "*I wanted to start a conversation -- about faith, about womanhood, about how those of us who love and esteem the Bible are to interpret and apply it to our lives.*" Reading the book is not required before attending the retreat but if you want more information about Rachel and her book you can go to [www.rachelheldevans.com](http://www.rachelheldevans.com). Last chance to register will be this Sunday, April 9. Sign-up forms and information are located in the narthex or outside the church office. Contact Lorie Lewis for more information, [lorie@steelecreekpres.org](mailto:lorie@steelecreekpres.org).

### Confirmation Class Now Forming

Confirmation is a learning opportunity and important step in one's faith journey where each participant will explore some of the key teachings of the Christian Faith, the history of the universal church and our local church, the life and work of Jesus, and what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. A new class will begin on Sunday, April 30 for all youth in 6th grade and older who have not participated in a previous class. This class will be led by Becky Neely, Lorie Lewis and Jeff Pinkston and will meet during the Sunday School hour (9:30 am-10:20 am) in the Middle School Sunday School room. The class will be held for six weeks and on June 11 those who have participated will have the opportunity to publicly profess their faith and officially become a member of Steel Creek Presbyterian. Those interested in participating in this confirmation class need to contact Lorie Lewis, [lorie@steelecreekpres.org](mailto:lorie@steelecreekpres.org) by April 9.

### Attention Church Bus Drivers

All drivers of the church bus, please provide a copy of your CDL and Medical Certificate to Judy in the church office. The law requires each bus driver to have a CDL and a current medical certificate on file before they can operate the bus.

Barry Small is now the caretaker of the church bus and may be contacted at 704-351-8575 or via email at [BSmallNC@gmail.com](mailto:BSmallNC@gmail.com).

### Missing A Wheelchair

Phyllis is looking for the church's black extra wide wheelchair. Please call the church office (704-588-1290) and let us know if you have it. Thanks.

## Central SCPC Cub Scout Yard Sale

Cub Scout Pack 45, sponsored by Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church, will be holding a yard sale on April 29th from 7:00-11:00 am to offset the cost of their program. They are looking to have items donated or folks to rent table and space to sell their own items. If you would like a table to sell your items and keep the proceeds, the cost is still only \$20.00. Make your check payable to "CSCPC - Cub Scout Pack 45". You will keep any money that is sold from your table/space.

More details and table applications are available from Allyson at the CSCPC church office. Her contact info is 704-588-1211 or [admin@cscpc.org](mailto:admin@cscpc.org).

The Scouts thank you for your continued support! Please contact Charlie Bricker at 704-654-0919 if you have any questions.

## Week Vacation Rental

AVAILABLE: Arriving Sunday, August 20th  
Departing Sunday, August 27th 2017

LOCATION: North Myrtle Beach, SC

DESCRIPTION: Nice Deluxe 2 Bedroom unit, sleeps five easily, with kitchen, table & living area. Second floor, Oceanfront with balcony and easy access to the Beach. Great location for families, couples, & golfers, with Restaurants & places to visit nearby: Broadway on Beach, Shopping, Shows, Great Golf Courses & fun for children like Miniature golf or the Boardwalk for Teens.

RENTAL: \$1,600 for the week, with \$600 payment up front to hold the week, balance one month before check in day. CONTACT: PHONE NUMBER 704-504-3247 (Wanda)

## Prayer Update

Family of Helen Baugess (Sandra Doane's mother)  
Bob Freeman - Home (Gall Bladder)  
Louise Freeman - Home (Vertigo & Foot)  
Linda Neely - Home (Broken ankle)  
Family of Beth Palmer  
Lacey Long - Cancer (Infant grandniece of Judy Misra)  
Ruth Griffith - Home  
Pete Griffith - Home (Cancer treatments)  
Karen Cline - Home  
Betty Byrum - Home (Heart Cath)  
Lynn Rogers - Home (Trey Roger's mother)  
Rhonda Hedger - Hospice (Home)  
Bill & Margaret Wert - Home  
Jeff Moery - New trial treatment for brain cancer (Sandi Lauerman's brother)

Tom Applegate - Home at Jackson Park (Cancer surgery)  
Paul & Emily Finical - Health concerns  
Bob Ingram - Cancer (Anne Marie Moore's biological father)  
Bill Shubert - Home (Cancer treatments)  
Keith Cain - Cancer  
Wayne Whiteside - Health concerns  
Anne Preslar - Home (Decreased mobility)  
Frank Suttle - Lake Wylie Assisted Living  
Betty Burgess - Homebound  
Gerry Roberts - Home (Rehab)  
Eloise Stilwell - Health concerns  
John & Beth McKay - Sharon Towers Health Care  
Marian Hines - Cancer treatments  
Query Byrum - Health concerns

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