



Cross Currents

**Blessed by God that we might be
a blessing to others**
Sunday School 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am

Sunday July 23

We Are Known
Psalm 139:1-18, 23-24

FROM PASTOR JEFF

Dear Friends,

It's time to call out all our prayer warriors and seek your commitment to be praying for members in the life of our church family. I know that many of you take your commitment to pray for our church and those in the church family, very seriously. We have certainly seen the incredible results of God's care as He hears and answers our prayers, although not always as we would choose. So, now I need to ask that all of us join together and pray for three special groups within our church family.

First, we need to pray for those children in our church who will be headed off to Camp Grier for a week starting this Sunday (7/23). We want to ask God's blessing on these girls and boys as they enjoy a wonderful time in the mountains of North Carolina. Camp Grier has a long history of Christian ministry. This church has, in the past, given much to Camp Grier in terms of support and even work teams to help keep the camp in good repair. We are now a "Sustaining Congregation" meaning we continue to support the ministry of Camp Grier with a financial contribution. We also encourage our young members to attend the various camps and programs. Please read below for the list of those from our church who will be attending Camp Grier and remember them and their families daily in your prayers.

Second, we need to pray for our young people who will be attending the Montreat Youth Conference. Every year our youth attend the Youth Conference at Montreat for a time of Worship, Study, Service and of course Fellowship with their peers. Young people from all over the United States and beyond gather at the Montreat Youth Conference to be inspired as they grow in their faith. Again, your support helps the church to assist our youth in attending. The MYC occurs over several weeks. Our young folks will be attending

GIVING STATEMENTS

Giving Statements are available for you to pick up now in the Church Office during the week or in the Narthex on Sunday, July 23.

NEW OFFICERS FOR CLASS OF 2019

Elders

- Jacob Cunningham
- Cathy Farnham
- Trey Horack
- Donna Moody
- Meg Salmon
- Cheryl Simerly
- Ellen Thomas

Deacons

- Jamey DeBerry
- Deb Hawes
- Cooper Lewis
- Courtney McAliley
- David Moody
- Becky Neely

SNACKS FOR MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE

Eight youth and four adults will be heading to Montreat Youth Conference, July 23-

from Sunday, July 23rd through Saturday, July 29th. Please pray for our youth as they participate in this special week. A list of those attending can be found below. Post this list somewhere you will be reminded to lift them up in prayer each day! Our children and youth need to know they have your love and prayers!

Finally, I ask that you keep in your prayers our church officers. This Sunday (7/23) we will ordain and install members of the Diaconate and Session to the class of 2019. We have quite a diverse group, including several who will be serving as Deacon and Elder for the very first time. The class of 2019 and the class of 2018 need your continued prayers and support. They have the challenge of trying to administrate and care for our church, its facilities and its members. Additionally, they have some very important issues to understand and prayerfully lead the church through. Remember as you pray for them, that their task is not to do what the membership wants them to do, but to seek to do the will of Christ. That's a challenge that each of us should take upon ourselves. Imagine, if we were all supporting the church and seeking not what we want, but what we believe Christ wants for our church family. Our list of officers for the class of 2019 can be found near the top of the side column and of course all the church officers can be found on the back of the bulletin.

Thanks for joining with me and all our members as we pray for one another and especially for these special groups within our church family. I know that God will continue to bless us as we seek to serve Him and His people. May God bless our children, our youth, our officers, our church and each one you as we grow and strengthen Steele Creek church!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Jeff

YOUTH ATTENDING MONTREAT CONFERENCE/CAMP GRIER

We will have youth and children attending Montreat Youth Conference and Camp Grier, July 23-29. Please remember to pray for them that they will have a week of great experiences, time with new and old friends and chances to feel God's presence.

Those attending Montreat Youth Conference: Chase Gwynn, Kelly Ferguson, Joe Hines, Caitlyn Moore, Dylan Moore, Melinda Moore, Andrew Tanner, Maddie Tanner
Those attending Camp Grier: Kinsley Byrum, *Eleanor Cunningham, Jacob Economon, Joshua Economon, Brady Farnham, *Piper Haston, Rowan Haston, Tatum Haston, Donald Horack, Kevin Horack, Ali Salmon, Blakely Whitby, Delaney Whitby

*a mini camp with a parent, August 6-9

29. This event is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and spiritual growth but it also takes a lot of food to feed them for a week! Our meals will be generously provided by our parents but donations of snacks and desserts are still needed. You can bring your donations to Lorie Lewis July 16-21. Thanks for helping to make a memorable experience for our youth!

BE A HERO!

Join the VBS Mission Project by bringing a new toy to donate to the Levine Children's Hospital. Please have all Toy's to the church office by July 23.

NEW LOGO NAME BADGES

Would you like to update your name badge with the SCPC logo? We are a few badges short of getting a better price and thus asking again for anyone who would like to have a new name badge to email Judy@SteeleCreekPres.org, spelling out your name(s) as you want it on the badge. Cost is \$7.00 per badge. Don't have email? – Call the church office 704-588-1290.

DEADLINE FOR FAMILY RETREAT DEPOSIT IS HERE

Your \$100 deposit to reserve a place at Blue Ridge Assembly, October 28-29 is due now! October may seem far away but we have to give our number of participants to Blue Ridge Assembly by

FUN BUNCH LUNCH

Please join the Fun Bunch Crew as we celebrate Independence Day on Thursday, July 20th. The official day may have passed but we love celebrating all month long. We will have our traditional menu of hamburgers and hot dogs with all the fixings. Cookies and a sundae bar will be our dessert offering this month. Don't forget to ask others to join you in this festive gathering. As always, call either the office (704-588-1290) or Frances Campbell to "put you name in the pot".

BEN BROWN SCHOLARSHIPS

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church has long supported higher education through our Ben Brown Scholarship Fund. The fund provides money for church members who are pursuing post high school degrees. Scholarships are awarded based on need and the availability of funds. Applications can be picked up from the brochure rack just inside the entrance to the office/education building or by calling the church office. Completed applications are due no later than **August 1st**.

DINNERS FOR EIGHT DEADLINE FRIDAY

We need to have everyone interested in participating register no later than Friday, July 21, 2017, to ensure timely notification is made to the groups. Anyone signing up after that date will be placed on a substitute list to fill in when someone cannot make their assigned dinner. To sign up you can e-mail Betty Small at ncbesmall@gmail.com, providing your names(s), the church you attend, phone number, residence address and your email address as part of the email. If you do not have email please contact Betty at 704-579-1842 to register. Once registration information is received, participants will be provided with additional information. If you have questions feel free to contact Betty Small.

We look forward to your joining us for this event. We have received many positive comments about the dinners held the past few years and we know you will enjoy it as well. If you have participated during previous dinners, please share your experience with others in your church. Let's strive to have as many people as possible participate.

Prayer Update

Rebecca Harmon – ICU at CMC Pineville (Cancer)
Family of Paul Doane (Bruce Doane's father)
Lynda Williams - Health concerns
Dina Kelliehan – Serious health concerns (Friend of Karen Cline)

July 28 so please let us know if you plan to attend. You can put a check in the offering plate marked "Family Retreat" or give to Lorie Lewis.

THANK YOU!

What a blessing it is to be part of such a caring and loving church family! Thanks to each of you for the prayers, cards, calls, and visits following my recent knee replacement surgery. Your words of support and encouragement were so appreciated. On my return to church Sunday, I was again blessed with so many well-wishes. I am doing very well, and it is wonderful to be back among my church family. -- Roberta Harris

LET'S GO TO THE BALLGAME!

Join us as we go see the Gastonia Grizzlies baseball game on Friday, August 4th. Game time is 7:05 pm and tickets are \$15 and will include a wrist band that allows all-you-can-eat chicken sandwiches, burgers, hotdogs, chips, soda and water! The stadium is located at 1001 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Gastonia, NC 28054. To reserve your tickets, please contact Stacy Combs (704-608-8499 or Stacy.L.Combs@gmail.com) or Lorie Lewis (704-927-4293 / Lorie@steelecreekpres.org). For more information about the Grizzlies, you can visit their website at gastoniagrizzlies.com.

Margaret Ann Aldrich Morris - Hospice in Kannapolis
Ann Byrum - Home (Infection)
David Moody - Health concerns
Bill Wert – Home
Steve Smith – Health concerns
Jim Fowler - Home (Health concerns)
Hannah Maurer – Home
Kristi Pinkston - Cancer (Jeff Lemond's cousin)
Robert Hasket – Home Recovering (Rebecca Economon's father)
Phyllis Haugh - Cancer (Sue Tanner's mother)
Morris Williams – Chemo & Radiation (Pat William's brother in law)
Frank Suttle – Lake Wylie Assisted Living
Louise Freeman - Home (Hearing loss due to Vertigo)
Pete & Ruth Griffith - Home (Cancer treatments)
Query & Betty Byrum - Home (Health concerns)
Jeff Moery - New trial treatment for brain cancer (Sandi Lauerman's brother)
Bob Ingram - Cancer (Anne Marie Moore's biological father)
Bill Shubert - Home (Cancer treatments)
Wayne Whiteside - Health concerns
Anne Preslar - Home (Decreased mobility)
Betty Burgess - Homebound
Gerry Roberts - Home (Rehab)
Eloise Stilwell - Health concerns
John & Beth McKay - Sharon Towers Health Care

THIS WEEK

July 18-25

Tuesday

Men's Basketball 7:00p

Wednesday

CDC Board Meeting 6:30p

Birds of a Feather 7:00 pm

AA Meeting 8:00p

Thursday

Fun Bunch Lunch 12:00p

Friday

Square Dancing 7:00p

Saturday

Girl Scouts 9:00a

Sunday

Session Meeting 11:30a

Empowered Living

Church 3:00p

AA Meeting 8:00p

Monday

Boy/Cub Scouts 7:00p

Tuesday

Men's Basketball 7:00p