



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

Cross Currents

May 8, 2018

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

**Sunday School 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am**

Sunday May 13

Mother's Day

Protection and Life

John 17:6-19

1 John 5:9-13

FROM PASTOR JEFF

Dear Friends,

Life is always busy at Steele Creek. We are blessed that so many of our folks work so hard to lead us in worship, ministry, outreach and fellowship. Here are a few of the upcoming events you will want to make sure you attend.

On Sunday, May 13th, we will celebrate Mother's Day during our morning worship service. In addition to recognizing all the ladies in our congregation, our Children's Choir and Musicians will also be singing and playing. This is always a special treat guaranteed to put a smile on your face. So, come out and celebrate the mother figure in your life and enjoy the children leading us in worship. Their hard work and enthusiasm will lift our spirits with energy and joy!

On a sad note, Mother's Day will be our Music Director, Jeremy Mims', last Sunday with us. We are all heartbroken to see Jeremy go, but he feels he has been called to minister in his own community at Grace Lutheran near Winthrop University. We wish him and Craig our best as they transition to a new ministry.

On May 17th we will host our regular Fun Bunch meal. This meal is for all members of the church who can join with us at 12 noon for lunch. Remember, if you plan to attend you need to let the church office know so we can plan for the appropriate number.

On Saturday, May 19th, we will pack meals for **Rise Against Hunger** beginning at 9:00 am. See the related article for more information.

LOAVES AND FISHES

Please help our hungry neighbors by donating non-perishable groceries to be given to Loaves and Fishes. The **Food-of-the-Month** list for May is: Boxed Cookies & Crackers.

FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP

Please sign up to provide flowers for a worship service. Flowers are still needed for June 24, July 1, 8, 15 & 22. You may put your name on the date of your choice on the flower calendar in the narthex or call the church office. Arrangements are \$50.00 each. Your contributions are very much appreciated!

SAVE THE DATE - May 19, 2018!

Once again, we will be packing meals for Rise

On Sunday, May 20th, we will celebrate Pentecost. We encourage all our members to wear red, yellow or orange to mimic the tongues of fire that the Holy Spirit used to touch those present on the very first Christian Pentecost. We will also be celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion on this day as the major focus of our worship, so be in prayerful preparation to receive the sacrament and plan to join with us on this special day! And don't forget that some of our children will be celebrating Communion for the first time that day. See the related article in this newsletter about the class Children at the Lord's Table for more information.

Finally, though it is several weeks away. Remember that Sunday, June 3rd, is Youth and Graduate Recognition Sunday! Our youth will be leading us in all aspects of our worship that Sunday and we will recognize those in our church who are recent graduates. This is always a unique time in which our youth challenge us with a message from scripture related to the issues that are on their hearts. And of course, we celebrate the hard work and accomplishments of our graduates! Please let the church office know if you have a graduate this year. And mark your calendar, so that you will be with us for this special time of worship.

There is so much more to look forward to in our life together as the family of God at SCPC. Vacation Bible School is just around the corner, we have our July 1st Community Worship at Pleasant Hill and much, much more. I look forward to sharing these events and experiences with you! May God continue to bless us and give to us a vision of the church He is calling us to be in the future!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Jeff

DEADLINE FOR FREE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MUSIC CD IS SOON!

Time to register for the ride of a lifetime with God at *Rolling River Rampage* Vacation Bible School! This adventure takes place June 10-14 (Sunday-Thursday), 5:30 pm - 8:15 pm. Dinner will be served each night, 5:30 pm - 6:15 pm. Go to our [VBS website](#) to check out dinner menus and register for all the fun. Those who register by May 15 will receive a free *Rolling River Rampage* music CD! This white-water rafting adventure includes exciting music, amazing science, creative crafts, fun recreation, and memorable Bible stories that will help children know God is always with them as they ride the rapids of life! Remember to invite your friends, neighbors and grandchildren!

WAYS TO HELP WITH ROLLING RIVER RAMPAGE

Adults are welcome to roll on the river with us, June 10-14, 5:30 pm - 8:15 pm. There are many opportunities that

Against Hunger (formerly known as Stop Hunger Now). This time we will pack 10,000 meals. Start time will be approximately 9:00 am. Remember, there are sitting jobs, standing jobs, and walking around jobs. There is something for all ages. Questions? Call Roger Palmer (704-588-9482).

MISSION TRIP EL SALVADOR SEPT 7-15

Join Steele Creek Presbyterian Church in Ahuachapan, El Salvador. Come experience the warmth and hospitality of the people of El Salvador. Come build houses and relationships with brothers and sisters in Christ. Celebrate the birth of the Virgin Mary at the Dia de los Farolitos (lantern festival) and see how others live their faith. For more information contact Aaron Salmon (704-607-0138) or aaron_salmon@yahoo.com.

READ TO ACHIEVE

Once again, we will team up with our area churches for the Read to Achieve project. A project to encourage summer reading among students in the 7 elementary schools in Steele Creek and Berryhill. The objective is to provide select 3rd grade students a book bag with school supplies and books. A follow-up survey of teachers and staff from last year showed that the

require various skills and time commitments. Contact Kelly Byrum kfbyrum@gmail.com, Ragan Haston, raganhaston@yahoo.com or Lorie Lewis, lorie@steelecreekpres.org for more information on how you can help with our river adventure. In addition to helping that week, we need to collect the following items to help transform Steele Creek into a Rolling River Rampage. If you have any of these items, please mark them with your name and bring to Lorie Lewis' office. They will be returned to you after VBS:

- tents
 - life jackets
 - inflatable boats/rafts
 - oars
 - camping lanterns
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MAY FUN BUNCH LUNCH

Please join us for fun, fellowship and food at the Fun Bunch Lunch on Thursday, May 17th, at noon. The star of lunch will be a baked potato bar with lots of "fixin's". We will also be serving pork loin with gravy, slaw and salad bar. A variety of desserts will be available. Please bring your taste buds to the church to share in this time together. Why don't you invite a friend or neighbor to join us because the more folks we have, the more FUN we can have. Call Frances Campbell (704-588-4686) or the church office (704-588-1290) to let us know you are coming.

CHILDREN AT THE LORD'S TABLE BEING OFFERED MAY 19

Children at the Lord's Table will take place on Saturday, May 19, 2:00 - 4:00 pm. This is an opportunity for children to learn what it means to participate in the sacrament of communion and to help prepare the elements for the following day's communion service. This event will be led by Mary Beth Monroe, Jeff Pinkston, and Lorie Lewis and is open to all children in first grade or older who have not previously attended a session, or feel they need a "refresher" on the meaning of communion. A session for parents will take place 2:00 - 2:30 pm. Please let Lorie Lewis know by May 6 if your child will be attending, lorie@steelecreekpres.org, 704.927.4293.

CUB SCOUT PACK 45 YARD SALE

Cub Scout Pack 45 sponsored by the Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church will be holding a yard sale on Saturday, May 19th from 7:00 to 11:00 am to offset the cost of our program. We are looking to have items donated. If you would like a table to sell your items and keep the proceeds, the cost of a space and table is still only \$20.00 and payable to CSCPC - Cub Scout Pack 45. You will keep any money that is sold from your table/space. The Scouts

project was helpful for the students. How you can help:

- 1) We need to raise \$600 to contribute for supplies. Please consider giving a monetary donation to help with this project.
- 2) Stay tuned for the packing date to help pack the book bags.

Thanks!

ASH COUNTY UPDATE

The truck will be going to Ashe County on June 2nd. We really need some young strong people to come June 1st between 3:00 and 4:00 pm to help load the truck. Many of us are getting too old to lift some of the boxes so we need HELP! Thank you.

STEELE CREEK MASONIC LODGE FISH FRY, CAR SHOW AND BLOOD DRIVE

May 12th, Car Show from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm with prizes and silent auction. Fish Fry from 11:00 am - 7:00 pm. Community Blood Drive from 11:30 am - 2:30 pm.

Call 336-508-6882 for additional information.

A Flyer is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office.

thank you for your continued support! Info and table applications are available from Allyson at the CSCPC church office. Her contact info is 704-588-1211 or (admin@cscpc.org). Please contact Charlie Bricker at 704-654-0919 if you have any questions. Sign up forms are on the bulletin board outside the church office.

SENIOR RECOGNITION IS JUNE 3

June 3 will be a special Sunday at Steele Creek as we celebrate Youth Sunday and honor our high school and college graduates. If you have a graduating senior this year, please contact Lorie Lewis, 704-927-4293 or lorie@steelecreekpres.org so we can get the information we need to include them in the service.

PRAYER UPDATE*

Please update your personal prayer list according to the information below.

Family of Scott Hahn - unexpected death at 40 years old, leaves wife Vickie and 12 year old daughter (co-worker of Cheryl Simerly)

Louise Freeman - Back Surgery Scheduled for May 8th

Ray & Carol Pridgen & Family - death of Ray's father (Betty Small's sister & brother-in-law)

Family of TJ Diguardo - Premature passing (Trent Haston friend)

Family of Ruth Setzer (Barry & Betty Small's close friend)

Query Byrum - Back home (Health concerns)

PRAISE REPORT

Baby Charlie Rebecca Neely is doing well and coming home today! (Ralph & Becky Neely's granddaughter.)

**This update is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all prayer requests, as lack of space prohibits us from doing so. Prayer requests/updates will be listed here for two weeks but should remain on your personal prayer list until informed otherwise. Thank you for your understanding.*

THIS WEEK

May 8-15

Tuesday

Primary Election

NO Men's Basketball

Wednesday

Olympic High School AP

Testing 7:00a

Staff Meeting 10:00a

Stewardship Team

Meeting 6:30p

AA Meeting 8:00p

Thursday

Olympic High School AP

Testing 7:00a

Praise Team Rehearsal

6:15p

Hand Bells Rehearsal

6:45p

Choir Rehearsal 7:30p

Friday

Olympic High School AP

Testing 7:00a

Square Dancing 7:00 pm

Saturday

Girl Scouts 9:00a

Moody Wedding 11:30a

Sunday

Mother's Day Children's

Program

Children's Choir Practice

9:00a

Ethiopian Evangelical

Church 10:30a

7AA Meeting 8:00p

Monday

Olympic High School AP

Testing 7:00a

Boy Scouts 6:00p

Tuesday

AP Testing 7:00am

Scripture & Starbucks

Ladies Bible Study 6:30p

NO Men's Basketball

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