



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

Cross Currents

May 29, 2018

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

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

Senior Celebration

Sunday June 10

A House Divided

Mark 3:22-30

FROM PASTOR JEFF

Dear Church Family,

This past Sunday (6/3) we had Youth Sunday along with Graduate Recognition. It was a very special day. I want to congratulate our graduates – Carter Campbell, Chase Gwynn, Laurel Hedger, and Kristen Moore. You can read more about their accomplishments and plans in the article below. Let me just say that we are proud of our graduates and celebrate with them and their families this milestone in each of their lives!

I also want to praise our youth for leading us in worship on Sunday. They did an excellent job! I want to thank their leaders – Mike Farnham, Christian and Johnathan McCall and Karsen and Carson Pennington for their commitment to our young people and the huge investment they make in our youth. It takes a lot of time and energy to be available to our youth, plan their activities and attend the meetings. We are fortunate and blessed that we have and have had such dedicated individuals.

The Worship Service in which our youth led us was well thought out, well-rehearsed, and thought provoking. This has traditionally been the case with our youth Sunday Service and this year was no exception. It makes me proud to know that the church – Parents, Sunday School Teachers, BASIC Training, Youth Group, and an abundance of Caring Members – has done such an outstanding job in raising up the next generation. Our youth showed that and so much more in the innovative and powerful worship they brought to us. I only wish more of us had been here to support them.

We're talking a lot right now about our future and the legacy of this church. I hope we can remember that our children and youth are the future. The legacy that we leave them will not be in a location or a building but in our example of true ministry.

ASHE COUNTY THANK YOU

A Big Thank You to everyone who donated, loaded the truck, or came to Ashe County. You filled the truck to the brim. The Ashe County people want to thank you for all you at Steele Creek do for them. Thanks –Marion Briggs

TEN CENTS A MEAL UPDATE

All the dollars and coins that we collect the last Sunday of each month are adding up! So far in 2018, we have collected \$3,532.62 that has been donated to Loaves and Fishes and Friendship Trays. The next Ten Cents a Meal collection will be June 24.

KID'S TIME VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

We are currently working on our volunteer schedule for Kid's Time for July -

I believe we've lost sight of the fact that the next generation needs the same opportunities as those in the past to thrive, as they serve the community and continue to spread the Good News of the Gospel. Let's make sure we fully support our children and youth and provide them every opportunity for a viable future!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Jeff

OUR 2018 GRADUATES

HIGH SCHOOL

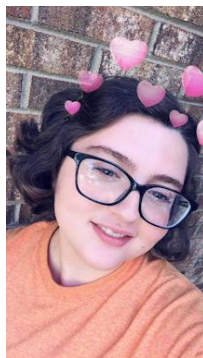


Carter Grant Campbell

Carter will be graduating from East Lincoln High School with a Silver Key Certificate in Auto Mechanics. He plans to travel to Australia and Hawaii this summer and then will attend Florence-Darlington Technical College where he will participate in an elite program called "Think Big" though Carolina Cat. He plans to pursue a career as a Diesel Technician.

Laurel Grace Hedger

Laurel will be graduating from the Renaissance School at Olympic High School. She will attend Appalachian State University in the Fall with plans of pursuing a degree in the Social Sciences.



Chase Allen Gwynn

Chase will be graduating from Ardrey Kell High School. He plans to attend CPCC, Levine Campus to study Audio Engineering.

December 2018. Kid's Time is a weekly program for our three year olds through first graders, that begins after the children's sermon, where they further explore the theme of the day through stories, crafts, and games. If you are already a volunteer, please check your email for the Sign-Up Genius document and pick some dates to serve. If you would like to join the Kid's Time Volunteer team, please contact Kate Lemond, klemond526@gmail.com.

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 and 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 July 31.

ADULT OPTION FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Adults are invited to participate in a Round Table Discussion with The Session on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday, 6:15 pm - 7:45 pm in the New Fellowship Classroom. Come with your questions to initiate dialogue on a variety of topics and issues

COLLEGE

Kristen Victoria Moore

Kristen graduated Magna Cum Laude from East Carolina University with a B.S. in Child Life. She hopes to get a job in a hospital as a Child Life Specialist. She will be taking the National Child Life Certification Exam in August.



SENIORS CELEBRATION

The Pastoral Care Ministry Team would like to share with the congregation that we will be honoring all members of our church who will be 90+ years old by the end of this year. We will be hosting a breakfast for them on Sunday, June 10, 2018, at 9:30 am in the Family Life Center and recognizing them in worship. Invitations have been sent to those members. If anyone included in that age group has not received an invitation, please contact Betty Small at 704-579-1842 or ncbesmall@gmail.com to be added to the list. All who received invitations will be called in the next week to confirm whether they will be able to attend. We are so excited to honor these members and let them know how much we love and cherish them as church members.

SUPPORT NEEDED FOR OUR YOUTH MISSIONARIES

We are looking for individuals to help support the five youth who will be representing Steele Creek Presbyterian at Port City Project in Wilmington, NC, July 8-14, 2018. We would like to provide a care package for each of them as they participate in this urban mission experience of serving the homeless and impoverished. Contact Lorie Lewis if you can help provide a care package and you will be assigned a youth and given information about them so you can purchase items for their care package and pray for their specific needs and desires for this trip. (lorie@steelecreekpres.org, 704.927.4293)

VBS MISSION PROJECT IS "CHARITY: WATER"

As we roll on the river all week at Vacation Bible School, we will also be collecting offerings for those who do not have clean water. Our VBS mission project this year is *Charity: Water*. This organization funds water programs in 26 countries around the globe - in Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Water scarcity, poverty, political stability and strong partner organizations all play a part in where they choose to work. *Charity: Water* focuses on providing rural communities with

in the life of Steele Creek Presbyterian Church. Dinner will be served each night 5:30 pm - 6:15 pm. If you plan to eat dinner before the discussion, please register for dinner at our VBS Website or contact Lorie Lewis, lorie@steelecreekpres.org, 704.927.4293.

OFFICER TRAINING

Officer Training is this Saturday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. All Officers and Officers Elect were sent an email on May 3rd announcing the training. Officers Elect are expected to attend, and current officers are encouraged to attend. If you have not already done so, please email Pastor Jeff to let him know if you will be in attendance or not on Saturday!

MT. OLIVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH VBS

Mt. Olive is holding its VBS June 18 – 22nd from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm in their Family Life Center. Dinner will be served from 6:00 – 6:30 pm each night. This year's theme is Jesus the Kingdom Builder with the focus on building strong families, churches and communities. Please let them know if you wish to participate by calling their church office.

THIS WEEK
May June 5-12
Tuesday
Men's Basketball
Wednesday

their first access to clean water and 100% of our donations will go directly to funding their programs. An offering will be taken up each night of VBS during dinner but anyone can donate! You can mark your donations to *Charity: Water* or VBS mission project. Thanks for your help in partnering with our children to provide clean water for the world.

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 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.

PRAYER UPDATE*

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

David Carpenter - Home following knee surgery
Heidi Moody - Chemo treatments & surgery scheduled for July 9th (David Moody's cousin's wife)
Family of David Suddreth Sr. (Former member)
Mark Yandle - Sharon Towers (Edema issues)

Family of Query Byrum

Michael & Joshua Bradle - Joined Army and headed for Basic this summer.

PRAISE REPORT:

Rob Spence - Doing well after cancer treatments

**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.*

Staff Meeting 10:00a
Meck12 GS Troop 307 End
of Year Party 6:00p
Pastoral Care Team
Meeting 6:30p
Christian Growth Team
Meeting 6:45p
AA Meeting 8:00p

Thursday

Praise Team Rehearsal
6:30p
Choir Rehearsal 7:00p

Friday

VBS Set Up

Square Dancing 7:00p

Saturday

Girl Scouts 9:00a
Officer's Training 10:00a

Sunday

Senior Celebration Day

Senior Breakfast 9:30a

Ethiopian Evangelical

Church 10:30a

Session Meeting 12:30p

Vacation Bible School 5:15p

Small Group Meeting 5:30p

AA Meeting 8:00p

Monday

Vacation Bible School 5:15p

Boy Scouts 6:00p

Tuesday

Vacation Bible School 5:15p

NO Men's Basketball
