



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

Cross Currents

June 19 2018

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

Sunday June 24

David vs Goliath
1 Samuel 17:32-49

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

FROM PASTOR JEFF

Dear Friends,

The Session has announced dates for the next two Town Hall Meetings to discuss a possible merger with Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church. Those meetings will occur immediately after worship on Sunday, July 8th and Sunday, August 12th. The Session has also called a Congregational Meeting following worship on Sunday, August 26th for the purpose of voting on the proposed "Plan for Merger". It's important that each of you inform yourselves as thoroughly as possible in order to prayerfully consider how you will vote at that time.

We had a series of conversations during Vacation Bible School to discuss, among other things, the expansion plans of the Airport and the possible merger of our church with Pleasant Hill. Although I greatly appreciate those who were in attendance, I was very disappointed that more of our membership didn't participate. I felt particularly let down that only a few folks who have voiced reservations about the possible merger bothered to attend. I am concerned that some of our members have made up their minds and care little about learning the facts. That attitude seems, to me, to be a disservice to fellow members and to the pioneering spirit that built this historic church. I hope each of you will plan to attend, listen, and dialogue at the upcoming Town Hall Meetings, so you can make an informed vote when the time comes!

We have another occasion to improve our knowledge and understanding of the possible merger with Pleasant Hill on Sunday, July 1st. I hope we will all make a concerted effort to take advantage of this opportunity.

WORSHIP: We will have a Community Worship Service at Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church on July 1st. Sunday School will be canceled that day and Worship will begin at 10:30 am. Together we will sing, pray, hear and proclaim God's Word, and humble ourselves in worship before God. Here is a unique

NEW GRANDSON!

Congratulations to Deb Hawes on the birth of her grandson, Nathan Robert Gartner, born at 1:50 pm Monday, June 18, 6 lbs 6 oz 19 inches long. Mom, Kelly, and Nathan are doing well.

FUNERAL SERVICE

Paul J. Brown, Jr. passed away on July 12, 2018. The funeral arrangements are as follows:

Funeral Service: Sat., June 30, 2018 at 11:00 am

Internment: Immediately following the Funeral Service

Visitation/Reception: Immediately following the Internment

Please keep the family of Paul Brown in your prayers!

BEN BROWN SCHOLARSHIPS

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church has long supported higher education through

opportunity to sample what it could be like to join together as a merged church. I pray that we will all make every effort to be in attendance for this experience. I know that some of us will be away for the 4th of July Holiday, but everyone who is here and could possibly attend, has an obligation to their fellow members to participate.

LUNCH: As a Holiday celebration, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, all the fixings and beverages will be provided for lunch. Here is the opportunity, not only to enjoy a good meal, but to join in table fellowship with the members of Pleasant Hill. Seek out those from Pleasant Hill and get to know them as you share a meal. Breaking bread together is one of the best ways to get to know our sisters and brothers in Christ! The meal will be provided, but we are asking members of each congregation to bring desserts to share. Let us know if you can help.

FELLOWSHIP: It's a Party! - We will have a Bounce House, a Balloon Artist, Corn Hole, Music with a DJ,and more. Plan on being there and enjoying the day with the folks from PHPC. Our children can show us the way as they enjoy playing together and getting to know one another. Schedule some time to spend the early afternoon together in family fun and fellowship!

TOURS: Pleasant Hill will be offering tours of their campus at designated times to help us learn more about their history and their current facilities. Take the time to see the resources they have been blessed with and inform yourselves what it could be like to possibly set up a new and expanded ministry as Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at Pleasant Hill.

SIGN UP SHEET: Please let us know if you and your family plan to attend. A sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex this Sunday or you can call the church office to sign up. I hope all of us will be there in support of our church family!

VOLUNTEERS: As always, we can use your help. We need volunteers to help, after lunch, with the children in the game and playground areas, and we could use dining room assistance during lunch. Please see Cheryl Simerly, Sandi Lauerman, or Bill Harraman if you can help.

I hope to see you all at this special gathering and I pray that you will pray for God's guidance for our church, as we seek His will for our future ministry together!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Jeff

IMPORTANT DATES

The Session has scheduled two Town Halls for further updates from the Merger Committee. The Town Halls will take place immediately after worship on Sunday, July 8th and Sunday, August 12th. These Town Halls will have presentation from members of the Merger Committee and an opportunity for questions and comments. Finally, the Session has called a Congregational Meeting for immediately after worship on

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.

KID'S TIME VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

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

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

Sunday, August 26th for the purpose of voting on the Plan for Merger. A summary of the plan will be available no later than August 19th with the whole plan available online through SCPC's Website. Please mark these dates on your calendar and be present with us if you can.

COMMUNITY WORSHIP ON JULY 1ST

We will gather with Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church for a Community Worship service on July 1st on their campus. SCPC will not have Sunday School that day and we will gather for worship at 10:30 am. Following the Worship Service, we will have a cookout style meal with Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and all the fixings. We will have games and activities for children and PHPC will be offering tours of their campus for those interested. We look forward to having a big turnout for this special service!

JUNE FUN BUNCH LUNCH

Summer time is here and it is time for easy living. June 21 at noon is the next Fun Bunch. We will be serving chicken pot pie, broccoli with cheese sauce and a salad bar for your enjoyment. A variety of desserts will complete the menu. Call the church office at 704-588-1290 or Frances Campbell at 704-588-4686 to advise of your plan to attend. We need an accurate count so we can prepare properly for all. We look forward to spending time together.

GRAVE MARKER DEDICATION CEREMONY

In celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Eleanor Wilson Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, headstones are being placed at the grave sites of American Revolutionary War heroine Eleanor Wilson and her husband, Robert Wilson. The ceremony will take place on Saturday, July 7th at 11:00 am in the church cemetery. The church congregation is invited to attend the grave marker dedication ceremony.

THANK YOU

From the students and staff at Steele Creek Elementary, thank you for donating books to our rising second, third, and fourth graders. The books were distributed yesterday to our Read to Achieve students along with teacher created summer work packets. Our students now have a fantastic resource that will eliminate the summer reading slide. Thank you again for all that you do for our school community.

communities. Please let them know if you wish to participate by calling their church office.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 1

Delaney Whitby

July 2

Reese Wimberley Earp

Walter H. Neely

July 3

Mary Jane Palmer

Bryant Rogers, II

Erin Sanburg

July 4

Sarah DeBerry

Henry F. Freeman

Becky Neely

July 5

Aiden DeBerry

Jonathon McCall

Dale Willis

July 7

Walter Smalley

July 9

Ann Byrum

Frances Campbell

Jean Cathey

David McCorkle

Donna Moody

July 10

Natasha Brasch

Karsen Campbell

Jack Wilcoxon

July 11

Rebecca Economon

July 13

Jamey DeBerry

Lenora Fincher

Jerry Hedger

July 15

Michael Green

John McDowell

July 17

Jo Ann Freeman

July 19

Russ Combs

July 21

Harriette Baker

John Beck

July 23

Carol Boot

July 26

Charlie Earp

Brian Myers

Jonathan Thomas



Can you spot the SCPC folks who helped pack the book bags?

PIANO AVAILABLE

Steele Creek family member has an old upright piano to donate to a loving home. You would be responsible for moving the piano from its' present home in the Steele Creek community. Needs to be tuned, but otherwise in good condition. Please call the church office if interested.

PRAYER UPDATE*

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

Frances Campbell – Home (Health concern)

Family of Paul Brown

Family of Eloise Stilwell

Louise Freeman - Home with continuing rehab

Norma James - Health concerns (Karen Cline's mother)

**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.*

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July 27

Debbie Price

July 28

Declan Keels

Jack McCall

July 29

Robin Beachley

Nate Wallick

July 30

Pauline Clark

Rowan Haston

July 31

Leighton Brown

Pam Warsaw

Margaret Wert

THIS WEEK

June 19-26

Tuesday

Men's Basketball 7:00p

Wednesday

Staff Meeting 10:00a

CDC Board Meeting 11:00a

AA Meeting 8:00p

Thursday

Fun Bunch Lunch 12:00p

Sullivan's Trace HOA

Board Meeting 6:30p

Praise Team Rehearsal

6:30p

Choir Rehearsal 7:00p

Saturday

Girl Scouts 9:00a

Sunday

10 Cents A Meal Offering

Ethiopian Evangelical

Church 10:30a

American Legion Meeting

2:30p

AA Meeting 8:00p

Monday

Boy Scouts 6:00p

Tuesday

Men's Basketball 7:00p
