

CENTRAL CALLING

CENTRAL STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Central Steele Creek Presbyterian

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From the Pastor's Pen

Greetings Central Family & Friends,

Back in April of 2020, this was a portion of my newsletter article... *"Our church Session met in late March and made a difficult decision to suspend all church gatherings and events during the month of April. This means we will not be gathering together at church to remember the final week of Jesus' ministry on earth during Passion Week. We will not be able to remember the suffering and death of Christ on Good Friday and our celebration of Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday will need to take place in our homes through Digital Worship Services."* We are 4 years removed from the beginning of those difficult and challenging days and situations are much different now. As many things have changed in this post-COVID society, the miracle of the resurrection of Jesus Christ remains the same.

The Lenten Season began on Ash Wednesday, and we will remember the death of our Savior on Good Friday. Then we will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. English theologian N. T. Wright says, *"The message of the resurrection is that this world matters! That the injustices and pains of this present world must now be addressed with the news that healing, justice, and love have won. If Easter means Jesus Christ is only raised in a spiritual sense—[then] it is only about me and finding a new dimension in my personal spiritual life. But if Jesus Christ is truly risen from the dead, Christianity becomes good news for the whole world—news which warms our hearts precisely because it isn't just about warming hearts. Easter means that in a world where injustice, violence and degradation are endemic, God is not prepared to tolerate such things—and that we will work and plan, with all the energy of God, to implement victory of Jesus over them all."* Jesus is alive and He is the good news for the world, and we will celebrate the good news of His resurrection on Easter.

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We have been worshipping in the Family Life Center since the beginning of the sanctuary renovation in early February. The transition has been incredibly smooth because of many servants of the church and their talents and dedication. Thanks to everyone from the Technology Team, Worship Team, and Fellowship Team for your sacrifice and efforts. Thanks to all volunteers for setting up the chairs and making sure we have the best worship experience each Sunday morning. We are still figuring out how we can maximize the worship experience in the FLC, but all of you have been incredibly supportive and helpful in making this transition. It's wonderful to experience the blessing of so many "Church Mice" doing God's work at Central. Let us continue to worship, fellowship, and serve during this Lenten Season and seek to draw closer to our God through faith in Jesus Christ.

In Grace & Peace,
Mark



Daylight Savings Time Begins! Sunday, March 10th



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Scott McKenzie	Director of Music Ministries
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Allyson Haenlein	Administrative Assistant
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Donna Young	Financial Secretary
Erin Osborne	Children's Activity Director
Anthony Tucker	Custodian
Chet Knapp	Clerk of Session

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:15am
Worship	10:30am

DEADLINES

*The May-July 2024 issue deadline is
May 23rd, 2024.*

Articles received late will be included the next month.

Sunday Bulletin: Thursdays, 10:00am



Donations for

the month of MARCH

Dried or Canned Beans; Packaged Rice

the month of APRIL

Canned Meat

*Please place items in the donation box
located in the Church Narthex.*

UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE TEAM:

Income to the budget as of 1/31/24: \$37,841

Expenses from the budget as of 1/31/24: \$35,137

Capital Reserve Fund Balance: \$341,620

Sanctuary Renovation Fund Balance: \$98,931

Please let the church office know of any changes in your contact information, such as phone number, cell phone number, address, or email address. Thank you!

MARCH HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: John Burgess

Ushers: Jeanne Smith

APRIL HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Donna Cook

Ushers: Herman Canipe, Teresa Canipe

From our Director of Music Ministries:



Change is in the air at CSCPC! As our sanctuary is renovated, our services in the Family Life Center have been challenging but successful, thanks to all the volunteers that help make this happen. The Hand Bells, Vocal Ensemble and the instrumentalists continue to work hard to offer gathering music (to help us all prepare for worship) and service music that is meaningful and well executed. We all look forward to offering some amazing and difficult music for Easter, Good Friday, Psalm Sunday, and a special treat on St. Patrick's day, with music celebrating the Celtic music culture!

I look forward to this season of contemplation and renewal at CSCPC. May your lives be filled with much music, light and God's love.
Scott

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

In memory of Kay Patterson; The Robbie Lineberger Family, Elizabeth & Joe McCutcheon

In memory of Ellie Bostick; Diane & Ken Price, Teresa & Herman Canipe, Susan & Bob Hunter, Dorothy Williams, Circle of Friends, Donna Winter, Tamea Price, Marilyn & George Hege, Joy Cheek, Rita Williams, Mary & Jack Phillips, Sandra Burke, Beverly & Andy Cheek, Amy Guris, Kim McLaughlin, Susan Osmar, Donna & Bill Young, Barbara & Barry Choate, Jeanne Smith, Sandy & Pat Hart, Pauline & Bud Shaney, Judy & Mike Brown, Dorothy Linda Davis

In memory of Joe Stuart; Teresa & Herman Canipe, Susan Osmar, Donna & Bill Young, Orchid Hill HOA, Marilyn & George Hege, Barbara & Barry Choate, Elbert Page, Marlene & Andy Crowell, Sandy & Pat Hart, Judy & Mike Brown, Joy Cheek, Elizabeth & Joe McCutcheon, Crawford Hammond, Rosalia Peck, Mary Hammond, Gwendolyn Sloan, Linda & Bob Blackwelder

In memory of Sybil Monteith Dillard; Sandy & Pat Hart

In memory of Wendy McGhee; Joy Cheek

In honor of Donna & Bill Young; Mable Osborne



Birthdays-March

- 1-Devon Osborne
- 3-Michael Lee
- 8-Chelsea Hunter
- 12-Charles Wilkerson & Beth Young
- 17-Judy Brown & Will Cook
- 19-Ken Price
- 23-Richard Hayes
- 25-Cheyenne Beaty, Dylan Beaty & Pam Murphy
- 26-Betty Helton
- 27-Diane Wilson & Roger Palmer
- 31-Ann Clapham

Birthdays-April

- 1-Anna Eargle
- 3-Cindy Shepard
- 4-Beverly Cheek
- 10-Arianna Salazar-Coes
- 19-Jessica Smith
- 25-Javier Salazar
- 27-Roy Youngblood
- 28-Allyson Haenlein



I would like to thank Central for all the love, cards, visits and prayers. The meals helped so much. Kelly and Lisa helped

Mike once I got home. Loved spending extra time with my girls. Central has been my church since I was 15. Our family was truly blessed and prayers were answered.

*Love,
Judy and Mike*

Dear Church family,
Thank you for the cards and notes, food after the service, and to each of you who joined us for Joe's Celebration of Life.
Our love, Donna and family

Dear Church Family,
There has been a significant increase in requests for "Dare to Care" weekend food bags recently. Please consider making a contribution toward these so hungry children at Steele Creek Elementary and South Pine Academy will have food over the weekends. Mark your donation "Dare to Care".
Thank you,
Ann Mozingo, Chair of Missions Team



CFAA 2024 Summer Camp

Naturally Creative: Exploring Art and Music

CFAA is getting ready for a fun summer camp with elementary students during the week of June 17th – 21st (9 am – 4 pm). Please share this information with family and neighbors.

Engaging and Fun Activities:

The camp offers a variety of art and music activities for elementary age students to explore and enjoy with a nature theme.

Art through sculpture, drawing, painting and origami
Music through drumming, chimes, ukulele, and choir.
Each day will also incorporate movement: yoga for all and recess time. On Friday afternoon, the camp will conclude with a showcase of the campers' artwork and mini-musical performances.

This is a camp for campers who have either no or some prior experience with one or more these genres.

All our instructors have lots of experience working with elementary students. We are so pleased that Minah and Karis Lee and Pam Murphy are joining the team along with Ian Reilly who teaches drums and guitar year round.

The fee is \$270/week and includes all supplies. Scholarships are available.

Please consider volunteering for one or more days to help with setup for the classes and student transitions from one activity to the next.

For questions or more information, please email Director Joni Turner at arts@cscpc.org or contact Jeanne Smith at jesmith8412@gmail.com.

Flyer is on next page.



Volunteer Opportunity: March 4-8 Read Across America

If you would like to read to a class at Steele Creek Elementary during this week you can schedule by calling 980-343-3810 and leave your name and number for the Media Specialist, Holly Marshall. Volunteers can choose the day and time they would like to come to the school's media center, and both Holly and the children's teacher would be present. Volunteers can choose the book and let Holly know the title so it can be checked, or else Holly will choose the book.

Summer Camp!

Naturally
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Exploring Art
and Music

WHAT YOU WILL BE DOING...

- Sculpture & Art
- Yoga
- Origami
- Drumming & Chimes
- Choir
- Ukulele

5 Days \$270 (supplies included)

June 17-21, 2024~9am-4pm~Ages 5 -12

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**SIGN UP AND REGISTER NOW
AT CENTRALFINEARTS.ORG**

CENTRAL
FINE *arts* ACADEMY



Join us every Sunday morning from 9:30 until service begins at 10:30 for coffee and doughnuts.....or cookies, or pastries, or.....whatever **your** sweet tooth desires! You're invited to join the Fellowship team in hosting *Central Perks* while we meet in the FLC. We'll bring the coffee and paper goods. You get to bring the baked goods! If you'd prefer to make a donation instead of bringing goodies, that's welcome too! Plan for about 3 dozen servings. Contact Martha Osborne to sign up for a Sunday. 980-395-6695 or broomstick3168@gmail.com



Church Scholarship Applications

Applications for the Central Steele Creek Church Scholarship (In memory of Marion Blackwelder) for 2024 and applications for the Pete and Gertrude Gallant Scholarship for 2024 are available in the church office. Any church member (church membership required) attending an institution of higher learning in 2024-2025 is encouraged to submit an application for both scholarships.



The CSCPC Scholarship is awarded each year for that school year only.

The Gallant Scholarship is awarded yearly and if the recipient maintains an acceptable grade point level he or she will be automatically receive the award in the next year with the possibility of receiving it for 4 years.

Applications will be accepted through May 3, 2024. This year's recipients will be announced on Graduate Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Brown.

Ladies Retreat

Our fall retreat will be here in a few months, and plans are being made to make this an exciting time for everyone. Just a reminder that this year our retreat will be held on September 25,26, and 27 which is a Wednesday thru Friday and held at Bonclarken in Flat Rock, NC. Since this is a deviation from our usual weekend retreat, please let us know if you are planning to attend. Further details and registration information will be published in May. Respond to Diane Price @ kprice30@carolina.rr.com with attendance or questions. We look forward to seeing you all again!

SANCTUARY RENOVATION TASK FORCE UPDATE



Sanctuary Renovation Update

Construction is moving along well, footing inspections have passed, and we are into framing stage, as well as mechanical rough-ins.

The framing of the stage and lift floor are underway. To date there are no change orders submitted that add any cost to the project. So far Edison Foard has been very organized, very accommodating and communicative.



See video link for the latest video update from Charles Wilkerson, or watch on the church Facebook page. Also, there still are pews, hanging light fixtures and sconces available if you wish to own any of these items.

Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support,
The Sanctuary Renovation Task Force
Jim Cook, Jeanne Sikes McGrath, Herman Canipe, Becky Helms

[Sanctuary Renovation update #2. | By Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church | Facebook](#)

The following church policies are available in the church office or a PDF version can be requested via email.

- Funeral Policy
- Facility Use Policy
- Gift Acceptance Policy
- Child, Youth & Vulnerable Adult Policy
- Security Policy
- Anti Racism Policy
- Sexual Misconduct Policy & Procedures