Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

9401 S. Tryon Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28273

May-July, 2024

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From the Pastor's Pen

Greetings in the name of our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ.

We are getting close to reopening the sanctuary after several months of renovation. Hopefully, you have been following the wonderful renovation update videos from Charles Wilkerson and if you have not, then you can watch them on our church's website. As we prepare to dedicate and celebrate the newly renovated sanctuary, I wanted to share with you lessons from Solomon's dedication of the Temple in 1 Kinas chapter 8. Solomon's father, David, initially conceived the idea of building a temple in God's honor. While God acknowledged David's good intentions, He assigned the work to King Solomon. The switch was due to David's history as a warrior and his involvement in bloodshed. Solomon's reign was a peaceful one, the ideal time to build a temple.

Prior to Jesus' arrival, the Temple was meant to spread God's light among God's people and throughout the world. It was also the central place for the Jews to worship Him and find fellowship with Him. From Solomon's dedication in 1 Kings 8, God reveals some important lessons on Spirit-led worship...

First... Centered on God's Word. Solomon began the dedication process for the Temple, the center of all worship, by bringing the Ark of the Covenant inside. The Ark housed the Ten Commandments. From this, God reveals that Spirit-led worship is centered around God's Word and His Commandments.

Second... Praises God's Faithfulness. Solomon next celebrated God for His faithfulness in bringing the Jews out of Egypt to the Promised Land and in establishing His Kingdom through King David. phone...704-588-1211 fax...704-588-1461 www.cscpc.org churchoffice@cscpc.org

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Third... Humbly Praises God's Greatness. Solomon humbled himself before all of Israel to demonstrate in humility that there is none like God.

Fourth... Seeks God's Forgiveness. Solomon's dedication included an acknowledgement of the Jews' sins and a request for God to show mercy and grace.

Fifth... Seek the Strength to Obey God. Solomon sought out strength from God to be obedient to Him.

Sixth... Praises the Atoning Sacrifice. Solomon's dedication of the Temple included the sacrifice of many animals to atone for the Jews' sins. Jesus fulfilled the need for further animal sacrifices with His death.

Seventh... Celebrates God-given Joy. Solomon's dedication concluded with a joyful celebration during the feast of Tabernacles.

Solomon's prayer of dedication of the Temple contains an important discussion of the nature of genuine repentance. Despite Solomon's many flaws, his prayer of dedication was a model of spirituality. Solomon's prayer of dedication encouraged his people to desire the same goal as God. So many times, people are running in the opposite direction, hoping God is going to support their endeavors. As we prepare to celebrate the completion of the sanctuary renovation, let us dedicate our Temple to God with humility, repentance, obedience, and joy in

our hearts. Let us possess the same goal of spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ as our God.

In Grace & Peace, Mark



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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School Worship 9:15am 10:30am

DEADLINES

The August-October 2024 issue deadline is July 22nd, 2024. Articles received late will be included the next issue. Sunday Bulletin: Thursdays, 10:00am



through food. **Donations for the month of MAY** Boxed cookies & crackers **the month of JUNE**

Baby food & formula

the month of JULY

Canned fruits and juices Please place items in the donation box located in the Church Narthex.

UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE TEAM:

Income to the budget as of 3/31/24: \$98,152

Expenses from the budget as of 3/31/24: \$100,707

Capital Reserve Fund Balance: \$145,361

Sanctuary Renovation Fund Balance: \$112,551

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!

MAY HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Lynn Snuggs Ushers: Diane Wilson, Sandra Burke

JUNE HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Martha Osborne

Ushers: Wade Shepard, Diane Price

JULY HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Andy Cheek

Ushers: Sandy Hart, Pat Hart

From our Director of Music Ministries:

This is such an exciting time to be at CSCPC! We will soon be transitioning back into our beautiful, renovated sanctuary! I look forward to bringing even more inspiration, through music, to this congregation, utilizing the new sound equipment



and a well trained tech team . The Choir and Hand Bells are working hard to prepare special music for this celebratory time and I look forward to working with the special soloist and instrumentalists that will be joining us along the way . This would be a great time to join either of these music groups, no experience required! I look forward to serving this church community as CSCPC moves boldly into the future!

May your lives be filled with much music, light and God's love. Scott

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

In memory of Kay Patterson; Dena & George Hammond

In memory of Shirley Austin; the Austin family

In memory of Betty Helton; Pat & Sandy Hart, Dorothy Williams, Herman & Teresa Canipe, Bill & Donna Young

Ladies, Saturday, September 28,

2024 we will have a one-day event for **ALL** ladies of our church. Details out soon but, we can tell you it will include a Bible lesson, activities, and lunch!!! Hope to see you all then.



Your retreat committee.....Kathy Bricker, Cathy Lee, Charlotte Burgess, Michele Devine, Rhonda Weaver, and Diane Price.

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Dear Friends,

I want to thank you all for the wonderful celebration on April 28th! My family and I so enjoyed worshipping with you all. Thank you for all of your kind words and hugs, as well as the delicious cake and beautiful flowers! Your notes and gifts were so very thoughtful. I will miss each and everyone of you. It has been an honor and pleasure for me to be at Central these past 10 years. I hope to come worship with you again when the sanctuary is reopened!

> Yours always, Allyson

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.

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

SANCTUARY RENOVATION TASK FORCE UPDATE



From the Sanctuary Renovation Task Force

Since our last sanctuary renovation update, we can report the following:

Our task force leader, Jim Cook continues to meet weekly onsite with Edison Foard's foreman and project manager. We can report the following as of April 21st:

The stage area and flooring are complete. Windows and lift installation are taking place. Carpeting is down.

Clean up is ongoing.

April 14 - The task force met after the worship service with leaders from the worship, publicity and fellowship teams including Rev. Lee. The purpose of the meeting was to share the most recent renovation update and begin brainstorming what we envision for our "Grand Reopening" of the sanctuary. Discussions will continue as we plan for this incredibly special day. Our collective, final reopening plan will be submitted to session for their approval.

April 19 - Jim Cook and task force members met to complete 85% of the punch list with Edison Foard. Due to a longer lead time doors are projected to be installed mid-July. This was followed by a meeting with Cadenza, our audio-visual consultant, to reassess the speaker installation. Audio visual training is scheduled to take place on April 27 and May 4.

You can view sanctuary renovation video updates by Charles Wilkerson on the church website at cscpc.org, and on our Facebook page CSCPChurch.

Much has been accomplished since renovations began in February. Your continued prayers and financial support are much needed and appreciated as we enter the final stage of the project.

The Sanctuary Renovation Task Force Jim Cook, Jeanne Sikes-McGrath, Herman Canipe, Becky Helms



Birthdays-May

6-Linda Blackwelder & Mike Brown 7-John Burgess 8-Chris Winter 9-Ingrid Coes 13-Lester Weaver 15-Vernon Rogers 17-Dillion Hassing 18-Lauren Perkin 20-Joan Hedgepeth 21-Becky Helms 28-Pat Hart 31-Minah Lee

Birthdays-June

1-Pauline Shaney
6-Rhonda Weaver
8-Dustin Shaw & Jason Hassing
13-Matthew Lee
17-Joy Cheek & Donna Cook
20-Erin Osborne
24-Suzi Elliott

Birthdays-July

4-Teresa Canipe
6-Scott McKenzie
8-Hudson Shaw
10-Jack Wilcoxon
14-Sheila Rogers
15-Canyon Gordon
16-Ruby Potts & Burns Taylor
18-Andy Cheek
19-Lynn Snuggs & Phil Wilson
20-Jean Taylor
26-Hang Dao & Fredia Butler
27-Mike Arnold, Bill Eargle & Chet Knapp

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



Lots of art and music this summer at Central!

Exciting news: Central has been awarded the Hamilton grant to provide funding for our new summer camp. The grant is provided by the Charlotte Presbytery to help cover new projects or programs that could not be included in the annual budget of the congregation.

The CFAA Summer Camp is Naturally Creative, Exploring Art and Music.

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

- **Árt** through sculpture, drawing, painting and origami
- **Music** through drumming, chimes, ukulele, and choir.

This is an all day program, being offered the week of June $17^{th} - 22^{nd}$. Students will be grouped according to age and interest. Currently, there are 15 campers who are registered and we hope to increase the number to 30.

The Hamilton grant will be used to handle the larger purchases: ukuleles, drum sticks, sculpture clay and art supplies and some administrative costs. The instruments will continue to be used for small group classes and community outreach throughout the year.

Minah Lee, Karis Lee, Pam Murphy, and Ian Reilly (CFAA drum teacher) will be teachers for the program. Volunteers will be needed – to be assistants to the teachers and to help with logistics with the students. Teens and adults are welcome to volunteer for all week, one day, or part of a day. If you would like more information, please contact Jeanne Smith: jesmith8412@gmail or 704-408-7445.

Other news:

Please attend the Showcase for the current students on Friday evening, May 10th in the FLC.

CFAA will continue the private music lessons and sculpture classes from June 25th to August 6th.

Please see flyers on the next page.

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June 25th - August 6th 2024 PIANO • GUITAR • VIOLIN • DRUMS • VOICE • UKULELE • SCULPTURE INQUIRE ABOUT ADDITIONAL CLASSES AT ARTS@CSCPC.ORG

Summer 2024 Academy

Lessons for All Ages

SIGN UP AND REGISTER NOW AT CENTRALFINEARTS.ORG

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Tuesdays at 4 pm to 7:30 pm ~Experienced, Excellent Teachers Private music lessons: \$30 for 30 minutes and \$50 for 60 minutes Sculpture classes: \$35 per class ~Payment plans and scholarships available





SCOUTS OF CSCPC - Yard Sale

Scouts of Troop 45, sponsored by the Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church, will be holding a yard sale on Saturday, May 11th, 2024 from 7:00 A.M to 12:00 A.M. This is to offset the cost of our program. Our summer camp cost is \$455.00 per scout and \$150 for each volunteer adult.

If you would like to rent a space and tables to sell your items and keep the proceeds, the cost of a space and tables is still only \$20.00 and payable to CSCPC - Scouts 45. You will keep any money that is sold from your space and tables.

The Scouts thank you for your continued support!

Info and table applications are available from the CSCPC church office. The contact info is 704-588-1211 or (churchoffice@cscpc.org).

Please contact Charlie Bricker at 704-654-0919, Lynn Snuggs at 704-936-7894 or David Werner at 704-674-7558 if you have any questions.

YARD SALE



RESERVE YOUR TABLE/SPACE! - ONLY \$20.00

WHERE: CENTRAL STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 9401 SOUTH TRYON ST., CHARLOTTE, NC 28273

WHEN: SATURDAY, May 11th, 2024

TIME: 7:00 – 12:00

NAME

ADDRESS

PHONE #'S _____

ITEMS THAT YOU WISH TO SELL SO THAT WE CAN ADVERTISE FOR YOU

I WISH TO RESERVE _____ TABLES/SPACES

RULES AND REGULATIONS

DURING THE SALE, YOUR TABLE/SPACE SHOULD NEVER BE LEFT UNATTENDED. IT IS UP TO YOU TO EXERCISE PRUDENT JUDGEMENT AND TO SAFEGUARD YOUR PERSONAL PROPERTY AND BELONGINGS. CENTRAL STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AND THE SCOUTS ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST OR STOLEN ITEMS.

VERY IMPORTANT

YOU CAN SELL ANYTHING THAT YOU WANT. THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE ADHERED TO: NO FIREARMS OR WEAPONS OF ANY KIND NO FOOD OR DRINK MAY BE SOLD OR GIVEN AWAY NO ILLEGAL ITEMS OF ANY KIND MAY BE EXHIBITED OR GIVEN AWAY NO ADULT ENTERTAINMENT ITEMS – THIS IS A FAMILY EVENT

USE THE MAILING ADDRESS BELOW OR DROP OFF THE APPLICATION AND MONEY AT THE CHURCH OFFICE BY May 10th, 2024.

CENTRAL STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 9401 SOUTH TRYON ST. CHARLOTTE, NC 28273 ATTN: SPRING YARD SALE PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CSCPC – Scouts 45

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL CSCPC @704-588-1211 OR CHARLIE BRICKER @ 704-654-0919 (brickerjk@comporium.net) or DAVID WERNER @ 704-674-7558.



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The Mighty Acts Class at Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church wants to thank you for your past support of our annual Mighty Acts Charity Golf Tournament.

We are very excited to announce that this year's tournament will take place on Monday, May 13th.

Monday, May 13th Shot Gun Start – 9 AM Edgewater Golf Club | Lancaster SC

Share the good news: You may register & pay online at our church website at <u>www.cscpc.org</u>. Click on the tab on the homepage titled "2024" Charity Golf Tourney."

Attached is our 2023 Impact Statement with examples of those we were privileged to help this past year due to your generosity and involvement.

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

In Christ,

Your 2024 Coordinators,

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