Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

9401 S. Tryon Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28273

April/May 2022

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From the Pastor's Pen

Greetings Central Family & Friends,

The holiest week on the Christian calendar is upon us and we call this the "Passion Week." The week begins with Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and then he is crucified on the cross on Good Friday. But three days later, our Lord and Savior is resurrected on Easter Sunday, and we celebrate that the tomb is empty. The event of Christ's resurrection forever changed the lives of the disciples of Christ, and they were galvanized by this event, which led to mobilization of the disciples to share the same life-transforming message to other people. They were not ashamed, embarrassed, or afraid to tell others that "Jesus is Alive!" and this message of resurrection will contain life applications when we follow the encouragement from Paul in his letter to the Corinthians... "For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those 'ing to the working of his great who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised."(2 Corinthians 5:14~15).

English theologian and author N.T. Wright has written... "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 Mark 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

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work and plan, with all the energy of God, to implement victory of Jesus over them all." Jesus has already achieved this victory for us, and we are the recipients of his victory through faith in him. Colossians 2:13~14, "And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross." In this letter to the Christians in Colosse, Apostle Paul is reminding them that the resurrection of Jesus Christ means Jesus is who he claimed to be and promised to do. The resurrection means that my past can be forgiven, and Jesus will guide me through my present life and secure my future through the power of the Holy Spirit. This power of the resurrection is shared in Paul's letter to the believers in Ephesus in Ephesians 1:19~20, "What is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, accordmight that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heaven-ly places." The same power that enabled Jesus to rise from the dead will help you rise above your present struggles of life. Trust in our Lord each day.

Happy Easter! We celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

In Grace & Peace,



Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School (some classes on hold)9:15amWorship10:30am

DEADLINES

June-August 2022 issue deadline is June 30th. Articles received late will be included the next month. Sunday Bulletin: Thursdays, 10:00am Articles received late will be included the next week.

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!



THE MONTH OF APRIL

Dried or canned meats

THE MONTH OF MAY

Boxed cookies and crackers

Please place items in the donation box located in the Church Narthex. Last month we donated 60 pounds of food to help feed our neighbors in need.

APRIL HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Charlie Bricker

Ushers: Ann Mozingo & Reuben Mozingo

MAY HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Lyn Snuggs Ushers: Russell Helms & Becky Helms

From our Director of Music Ministries:



Greetings from the Music Ministry!

As I come to the end of my first year working

at Central, I am beyond grateful for everyone in this congregation, particularly the handbell and choral ensembles, who continue to impress me with their musical abilities each week.

The first quarter of the year is over and spring is rapidly approaching! The music ministry at Central continues to grow and thrive. Over the last month, we have invited IBE, our sister

church, to worship with us to begin the Lenten season and invited members of the CFAA to provide musical offerings.

The handbell ensemble prepared their second offering as a new ensemble and all ringers have at least two bells! The growth and skill sets of this ensemble is tremendous, and I continue to be impressed with their abilities to overcome learning a challenging skill. They have been successful in their playing, and they continue to develop their skills in each rehearsal. The Handbell Choir will ring at least once per quarter with the goal to ring at least once per month. This ensemble rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 5:30. There are still more bells to be rung and more tables to be filled! You do not need musical experience to join. All are welcome!

The choir has worked hard to learn several new contemporary songs over the last three months. This group of singers has developed their vocal abilities each week as they lift up their musical gifts in God's honor. This choir has sung a mix of both traditional and contemporary music, which has added new skills to their toolbox of musical abilities. The Central Choir and Praise Band will rehearse together and prepare the appropriate music as needed for weekly Sunday services. These groups will rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 6:15-7:30. If you play an instrument, especially the guitar or drums, sing, or want further information regarding this band, please contact me, and I can share further information! Also, if you know musicians who might have interest in joining us, please send them my way!

As I continue to plan music for our weekly worship, I would greatly appreciate your input. Please consider suggesting music for our worship by clicking here or copying and pasting the URL below. Your hymn and contemporary music suggestions will be considered and used when possible. https://forms.gle/VumM8GbaQu66seEM6

Yours In Christ,

Nick Pierle Director of Music Ministries nick@cscpc.org



Children's EASTER Program

Join us on Easter Sunday as we celebrate the Resurrection with

a special program for all children attending. We will meet during the worship hour for a time of devotion, crafts, and egg hunt. Children, grandchildren, and friends are welcome!

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Church Scholarship Applications

Applications for the 2022 Central Steele Creek Church Scholarship (In

memory of Marion Blackwelder) and the Pete and Gertrude Gallant Memorial Scholarship for 2022 are available in the church office. Any church member (church membership required) who is planning to attend an institution of higher learning in the 2022 - 2023 school year is urged to submit an application for both scholarships.

The CSCPC Scholarship is awarded on a year to year basis, so past recipients must reapply again this year.

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

Applications will be accepted through May 6, 2022. This year's recipients will be announced on Graduate Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Brown.

CELEBRATING GRADUATES

Central is seeking information on any students scheduled to graduate from high school or college this spring. If you are a parent or grandparent of a member graduate, please notify the church office of the school and graduation date. We want to share in this special milestone as a church family.



Teacher Appreciation: Central donated Teacher Appreciation snacks to Steele Creek Elementary. We appreciate our teachers and all they have done and continue to do for children



throughout this pandemic.

Pictured L-R: Rev. Mark J. Lee, Assistant Principal, Tamara Looney, and Principal, Karen Dozier.

<u>Birthdays–April</u>

1-Anna Eargle 3-Cindy Shepard 4-Beverly Cheek & Stan Morris 5-Emily Cheek 9-Holly Clapham 19-Jessica Smith 27-Roy Youngblood 28-Allyson Haenlein



1-Joe Stuart

6-Linda Blackwelder & Mike Brown 7-John Burgess & Christopher Canipe 8-Chris Winter 10-Patricia Salgado 12-Kay Patterson 13-Lester Weaver 15-Vernon Rogers & Roy Grier 16-Linda Preston 18-Lauren Perkin & Mitch Shepard 20-Joan Hedgepeth 21-Becky Helms 22-Joyce Martin 25-Aiden Hilliard 28-Pat Hart 29-Beverly Barbee & Lexi Burgess 31-Minah Lee



MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

In memory of Shirley Austin, Teresa & Herman Canipe, Bill & Donna Young, J.W. & Pat Brotherton, Clyde Ray & Marsha Smith, Dorothy Williams, Barbara & Barry Choate, Annette Caudle, Marsha & Don Hendershot, Marilyn & George Hege, Sandy & Pat Hart, Pauline & Bud Shaney

In memory of Ruth Lawrence, Teresa & Herman Canipe, Donna & Bill Young, Sandy & Pat Hart, Linda & Bob Black-Welder

In memory of Clint Burke, Annette Caudle

In memory of Diane Faust, Barbara & Barry Choate

In memory of Lauren Hilburn, Donna & Bill Young, Susan & Bob Hunter

In memory of Carolyn Rowland, Donna & Bill Young

In memory of Bill Canipe, Teresa & Herman Canipe

In memory of Herman Canipe, Sr., Teresa & Herman Canipe

- In honor of Sandra Burke, Pauline & Bud Shaney
- In honor of Mike & Judy Brown, Pauline & Bud Shaney

News from the Christian Education Team

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

We rarely see children in our midst at Central. We miss them. We want to build a program for all ages so that we can fulfil our calling to bring the little ones to Christ. We do not want to hinder their coming. The Christian Education Team is moving in the following ways to fulfil our mission.

We welcome Erin Osborne to the ministry to children. Erin will be on staff each Sunday during worship to have the nursery ready to receive infants and toddlers. If there are none present, she will help to serve the older children or youth to assure a sufficient numbers of adults present. Two adults are needed for each group being



served. Erin is committed to the safe care and nurturing of our little ones, and she will be compensated from the Christian Education budget.

Thank you to the volunteers who devoted their time to empty and deep clean our church nursery. This group is committed to assuring that nothing hinders the little ones coming to our nursery.



- We are actively seeking volunteers who are willing to be a second adult with Erin in the nursery when we have infants and toddlers present.
- We are seeking volunteers who would like to help teach or be the second adult in our Children's Church program.
- We are seeking volunteers who have a heart for our older youth, and who would like to meet monthly for discussion and sharing time during the worship service. Two adults needed.

Please give thoughts to your spiritual gifts and to our commitment to children at Baptism. Think about helping us rebuild our programs. Child and Youth Protection training is required and can be arranged if you have not been trained. Please see Pam Brooks if you can help in any way with this important ministry.

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SCOUTS OF CSCPC Yard Sale



Now is the time to gather your unwanted items from your attic, garage and closets and give them to a worthy cause!

Scouts of Pack and Troop 45, sponsored by the Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church, will be holding a yard sale on Saturday, May 14th, 2022 from 7:00 A.M to 11:00 A.M. This is to offset the cost of our program. **We are looking to have items donated.**

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 Allyson at the CSCPC church office. Her 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.

UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE TEAM:

Income to budget (3/31/22): \$97,109

Expenses from budget (3/31/22): \$96,782

Capital Reserve Fund balance (2/31/22): \$303,974

Circle of Friends: Ladies, we would like to invite you to attend our Circle of Friends that meets the first Saturday of the month in the FLC Room 300 at 10:00am. In May, we will be starting a new DVD, Bad Girls of the Bible by Liz Curtis Higgs and will have ten lessons. Please let Ellie Bostick or Diane Price know if you are interested.

2021 – 2022 Letter of Explanation

Examples of support this past year:

- Provided back packs to local elementary school children who live in moderate to high poverty homes; some are homeless living in temporary housing.
- Provided special Valentine's Day gifts to "The Y" children during remote learning.
- Valentine goodies provided for "The Y" Preschool.
- Back-to-School treats and school supplies to "The Y" after-school children.
- Coffee and snacks provided for "The Y" Preschool parents.
- Provided early morning coffee and snacks to parents dropping off their children for remote learning at the "The Y" Arts Preschool on our campus.
- Our volunteers helped with the food share event held on our campus in partnership with Loaves and Fishes.
- Support of food, clothing, expenses to a homeless man living in the woods near the church during Wintertime.
- Support for local man in distress so he could continue to report to work. We worked with his employer over many months to provide counseling.
- Support provided to a family whose house burned down.
- · Local elementary school teachers provided with snacks during virtual classes.
- Provided food and clothing for over thirty-two individuals, mostly children, during Christmas holidays.
- Cookies delivered to inmates in prison during the holidays
- Offered support to the people of Ukraine.



2022 Mighty Acts Charity Golf Tournament Monday – May 16 - 1:00pm | Edgewater Golf Club Hole Sponsorship - \$100

Proceeds from our tournament will provide support to families and children in need.

Sponsorship includes a custom printed sign advertising your company information that will be displayed on the course the day of the tournament. In addition, your information will be posted on our church website, FB page, and printed in our church newsletter.

Please provide the information below if requesting a custom printed sign. Required: Company Name, Contact Person and/or contact information and slogan if applicable.

First Line:				
Second Line:				
Third Line				
Fourth Line				
Email your company logo to Donna Cook at <u>donnaleacook@att.net</u> .				
Please provide your name and contact number below in case there are questions about your sign:				
Contact Person/Owner:				

E-Mail Address:

Phone Number:

PAY ONLINE Make payment on our church website at <u>www.cscpc.org</u> by clicking on the homepage tab "2022 Charity Golf Tourney." <u>Email your completed forms</u> to Donna Cook at <u>donnaleacook@att.net</u>.

If there are any questions contact Russell Helms at 704-905-8436; <u>russell.helms@desouttertools.com.</u> or Donna Cook at <u>donnaleacook@att.net</u>.

Checks and forms may also be dropped off or mailed to the church: Central Steele Creek Church, 9401 South Tryon Street, Charlotte, NC 28273, Attn: 2022 Charity Golf Tourney.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!



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The Mighty Acts Class at Central 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 16th with **A NEW DATE & A NEW LOCATION!** Attached are sponsor and player forms with all the details.

Monday, May 16th Shot Gun Start - 1:00 p.m. Edgewater Golf Club | Lancaster SC

Share the good news: You also can download forms and pay online at our church website at <u>WWW.CSCDC.OFG</u>. Click on the tab on the homepage titled "2022" Charity Golf Tourney."

Attached is our letter of explanation 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 2022 Coordinators,

Russell Helms Russell.helms@desouttertools.com Donna Cook donnaleacook@att.net

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"Worshipping and Serving Christ in the Heart of Steele Creek."

Monday – May 16, 2022 Mighty Acts Charity Golf Tournament

Edgewater Golf Club 2380 Catawba Ridge Blvd Lancaster, SC 29720 4-Person Captain's Choice Prizes: Top teams, longest drive, closest to pin & more.

Registration: 11:30 Lunch: 12:00 – 12:30
Shot Gun Start: 1:00

INCLUDES: FOOD, GOODIE BAGS, BEVERAGES, PRIZES, GREENS FEES, RANGE BALLS, PRACTICE AND MULLIGANS

FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$100, YOUR TEAM CAN SPONSOR A HOLE. SPONSORSHIPS ARE FEATURED ON OUR CHURCH WEBSITE, FB PAGE, AND IN OUR NEWSLETTER.

Team Captain Name:		
E-Mail:	Mobile Phone:	
2 ND Player Name:		-
E-Mail:	Mobile Phone:	
3 RD Player Name:		-
E-Mail:	Mobile Phone:	
4 TH Player Name:		-
E-Mail:	Mobile Phone:	
I am paying via the following: * Cash Church Website Other Amount)	e Check	*(Amount paid: \$300 \$400

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