

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

MARCH 17, 2024 • 11:00 A.M.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Ringing of the Bell		
Prelude		Frances Ward
Welcome and Announcements		Stephen Clyborne
Call to Worship	<i>Surely the Presence / He Is Here</i>	Choir
*Hymn of Praise #375	<i>Jesus Shall Reign</i>	Congregation
Invocation		Sylvia Clyborne
Scripture from Psalms	Psalm 46	Katherine Booker
Hymn of Reflection #673		Congregation
	<i>Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone</i>	
Pastoral Prayer		Stephen Clyborne
*Offertory Hymn #310	<i>Lead Me to Calvary</i>	Congregation
Offertory Prayer		Kenneth Selfridge
Offertory Music		Katherine Booker
Scripture Reading	John 12:20-33 (Pew Bible, pp. 936-937)	Stephen Clyborne
Special Music		Steve Hearne
	<i>I'll Tell the World That I'm a Christian</i>	
Sermon	<i>Where Is Jesus Now?</i>	Stephen Clyborne
*Hymn of Decision #482	<i>Jesus Is Calling</i>	Congregation
*Benediction		Stephen Clyborne

*Congregation, please stand, if able

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are delighted that you are here. Please take a welcome card from the pew rack, give us whatever information you are comfortable giving us, and place it in the offering plate when it is passed your way. We would like to get to know you better and find out how we can serve you.

ReShaping Church: Thriving Congregations

Pray for our church as we engage in the *ReShaping Church* initiative in partnership with Central Seminary and Pinnacle Leadership Associates. Pray that God will give us a new sense of who we are and who God is calling us to be as a church.

Sign up for a small group. As a part of the *ReShaping Church* process, we will be having eight weeks of guided small groups during April and May to explore together how our church can be a greater expression of the body of Christ. If you consider our congregation to be your church home, whether you are officially a member or not, you are invited and encouraged to sign up to participate in a small group. Small groups will be offered at various times to allow for maximum participation. It is so important that we hear from everyone during this phase of the process. You may sign up on the sheet posted outside the pastor's office, or contact Stephen directly.

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE DEACONS

The Deacons recommend that the church establish a new part-time staff position entitled Minister to Families based on a job description approved by the Deacons and available upon request. The Minister to Families would be responsible for working with the Pastor to develop and coordinate the church's intergenerational ministry to families, with a focus on younger families with preschoolers, children, and youth. The salary for this part-time position would be funded as needed from the church savings account. The salary, to be negotiated and determined based on the candidate's experience and credentials, would be in the mid-\$20,000 range. Pending church approval, the Deacons will immediately appoint a Search Committee to fill this position as soon as possible. The congregation will vote on this recommendation by ballot next Sunday, March 24.

Words to and from God

A Prayer Meeting Series on the Psalms Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Howard Room

This Wednesday, March 20: Led by Dr. Tom DeVenny

**NO YOUNG ADULT LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY TODAY
Next meeting will be March 24.**

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP

March 24 at 11 am in the Sanctuary

Procession with palm branches

Anthem by Choir: *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

Sermon: "A Small Part in a Big Story" (Mark 11:1-11)

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

March 28 at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary

Scripture, music, and communion

Sermon: "To the End" (John 13:1-17, 31b-35)

COMMUNITY EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Sunday, March 31 – 7:00 am

Piedmont Presbyterian Church

Music to be provided by members of our church

Preacher: Stephen Clyborne

Sermon: "Too Good Not to Be True" (Luke 24:1-11)
Breakfast to be served immediately following the service

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

March 31, 11 am in the Sanctuary

Parent-Child Dedication: Ellis Susannah Baggett

Daughter of Grant and Kate Baggett

Anthem by Choir: *Alleluia! Christ Is Risen!*

Sermon: "Talking the Talk" (Mark 16:1-8)

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you have announcements or information you would like to include in our monthly newsletter, please submit your information by the 20th of each month.

TO WATCH OUR WORSHIP SERVICES ONLINE

Go to <https://www.youtube.com/@fbcpiedmont/live>. You may also use the web address to view anytime to keep current on upcoming events, activities, and opportunities.

WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES

If you are not currently receiving our weekly email updates, and would like to, please contact the church office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

Each Sunday at 10:00 am

Children: First floor, main building

Intergenerational Class: Howard Room

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today

10:00 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
 12:15 pm Young Adult Lunch and Bible Study (Howard Room)

Monday, March 18

8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Morgan Building)

Wednesday, March 20

6:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Howard Room)
 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, March 21

3:30 pm Food distribution to neighbors in need
 (Piedmont Emergency Relief Center)
 5:00 pm Pickleball (Earle Street Baptist Church)
 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Morgan Building)

LOCAL MISSIONS THROUGH PFBC

-Mission Project to Help Under-Resourced Students at Sue Cleveland Elementary School

For some time, our church has provided food bags for under-resourced students at Sue Cleveland Elementary School. You may support this project by donating food items. We are always in need of canned Chef Boyardee ravioli and spaghetti, mac and cheese, juice boxes, granola bars, cereal bars, pop tarts, applesauce, pudding cups, fruit cups. Please leave your donations in the Food Pantry Room (one of the small rooms accessible from the Howard Room) as soon as possible. This is a wonderful way to let the students and parents know that First Baptist Piedmont cares about them. Please contact Crystil Selfridge for more information.

-Weekly Mission Project at Piedmont Emergency Relief Center (PERC)

Help us distribute food bags/boxes to neighbors in need each Thursday afternoon at PERC (3 Main Street - Piedmont). Preparation begins around 2:30, and distribution is between 4 and 6 pm. Come when you can and stay as long as you can.

DEACONS

March Deacon of the Month: Susan Allen

2024

Al McAbee, Chair
 Debbie Adkins, Secretary
 Susan Allen
 David Dickson

2025

Ken Allen, Vice Chair
 Lee Allen
 Jim Foxx
 Crystal Selfridge

PRAYER LIST

Our Church

...as we embark on an exciting new adventure together called *ReShaping Church*. Pray that our congregation will be prayerful and engaged as we sign up for the small groups that will meet for eight consecutive weeks in April and May.

Congratulations

... to Allen and LeAnn Brooks on the birth of their daughter, Adelaide Elizabeth, on March 6. The proud great-grandmother is Sarah Allen. Great-aunt and uncle are Susan and Ken Allen. Great-great aunt and uncle are Janice and Jack Davis. Grandparents are Stacy and Tim Brooks.

...to Marty and Layla Stacy on the birth of their daughter, Naomi Ruth Stacy, born March 5.

Military: *Rob Campbell, Jon McCann

Homebound: Hazel Allen, Maxie Freeman, Shirley Poston, Betty Tucker

Other Concerns: Mike Anderson, *Val Biggers, *Angie Brown, Gerry Carraway, * Patricia Collins, Shirley Cowart, *Ben Ells, *Joseph Holt, Jerry Hooper, Bill Johnson, *Ann Lane, *David Lawless, Judy League, *Kathy McKinney, *Kelly Peden, Evelyn Roper, Jane Satterfield, *Carolyn Shirley, *Dell Simpson, *John Storvick, *James Thompson, *Mackenzie Watson and family, *Mary Ellen Wilkinson

*non-church members

If you have a prayer request or have a pastoral care need, please contact Stephen Clyborne at 864-354-8473 or pastor@fbcpiedmont.org.

If you would like to give your offering online, please scan this QR code.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sunday, March 10

Weekly Budget Goal	\$2,362.88
Offering Received	\$3,017.00

Year-to-Date

Budget Goal	\$20,268.04
Budget Offering Received	\$26,859.61
Local Missions Offerings Received	\$596.00
International Missions Offerings Received	\$682.00



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