

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

MARCH 31, 2024 • 11:00 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY

Ring of the Bell	
Welcome and Announcements	Stephen Clyborne
Prelude	Katherine Booker
	<i>How Majestic Is Your Name</i>
Invocation	Brenda Atkinson
Call to Worship	One: The Lord is risen! All: He is risen indeed! One: In His resurrection, hope triumphs over despair! All: Love triumphs over hate! One: Good triumphs over evil! All: Life triumphs over death! One: The Lord is risen! All: He is risen indeed!
*Hymn of Praise #367	Congregation
	<i>Christ the Lord Is Risen Today</i>
Parent-Child Dedication	Ellis Susannah Baggett Born November 16, 2023 Daughter of Grant and Kate Baggett
Hymn of Reflection #793	Congregation
	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth</i>
Pastoral Prayer	Tom DeVenny
Choral Response	Choir
	<i>Alleluia! Alleluia!</i>
*Offertory Hymn #45	Congregation
	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>
Offertory Prayer	Jim Foxx
Offertory Music	Stephen Clyborne
Scripture Reading	Stephen Clyborne
	Mark 16:1-8 (Pew Bible, p. 886)
Anthem	Choir
	<i>Alleluia! He is Risen</i>
Sermon	Stephen Clyborne
	“Talking the Talk”
*Hymn of Commitment #357	Congregation
	<i>Christ Arose (vs. 1 and 3)</i>
*Benediction	Stephen Clyborne

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.

PRAYERS FOR ELLIS SUSANNAH BAGGETT

Today in worship, we will be dedicating Ellis Susannah Baggett to God. In your bulletin, there is an insert with Ellis’s photo and a place for you to write your prayer for Ellis on the back of that insert. Please take a moment and write your prayer for Ellis, and place the insert in the offering plate when it is passed your way, or turn it in later to our pastor. Please do not fold the insert.

ReShaping Church: Thriving Congregations

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 using the bulletin insert today, which you may place in the offering plate when it is passed your way. Or you may sign up on the sheet posted outside the pastor's office, or contact Stephen directly.

ReShaping Church Small Group Meetings Begin Next Week!

- **Group 1** - Sunday Mornings, 10 am – April 7 through May 26, Morgan Building. Leader: Stephen Clyborne
- **Group 2** - Wednesday Evenings, 6:30 pm – April 3 through May 22, Morgan Building. Leader: Debbie Adkins
- **Group 3** - Thursday Mornings, 11 am – April 11 through May 30, Howard Room. Leader: Steve Hearne

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE DEACONS APPROVED BY THE CONGREGATION

On Sunday, March 24, the congregation overwhelmingly approved a recommendation 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 Deacons will immediately appoint a Search Committee, and the Search Committee will begin the search to fill this position as soon as possible. Please be in prayer that God will send the person prepared and called to serve in this position as we enter into the future God has in store for our church.

Words to and from God: A Prayer Meeting Series on the Psalms Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Howard Room

This Wednesday, April 3: “Tears in a Bottle” (Psalm 56)

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(continued)*

SENIOR ADULT LUNCH AND MORE

Tuesday, April 16 at 11 am in the Morgan Building

Cost \$9 per person

Program presented by Katherine Booker

Menu: Country-style steak, rice and gravy, green beans, rolls, tea, dessert. Sign up in the church office, Sunday School, or prayer meeting, and pay in advance.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

Each Sunday at 10:00 am

Children: First floor, main building
Intergenerational Class: Howard Room

YOUNG ADULT LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY

Each Sunday at 12:15 pm in the Howard Room

If you would be willing to prepare or provide lunch for this group of young adults on the first Sunday of each month, please contact Stephen Clyborne

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 Crystal 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.

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.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today

10:00 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Monday, April 1

8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Morgan Building)

Wednesday, April 3

5:30 pm Deacons Meeting (Pastor’s Office)
 Pack food bags (Howard Room)
 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Howard Room)
ReShaping Church Small Group (Morgan Building)
 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, April 4

8:30 am Deliver food bags to Sue Cleveland Elementary School
 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)

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.

DEACONS

March Deacon of the Month: Susan Allen
April Deacon of the Month: David Dickson

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.

Powersville Community Church

Insurance coverage will not be enough to cover the entire rebuild of the church so the church is asking for support from the community and churches. Please take just a minute to read about the fire and find out how you might be able to help: <https://powdersvillecommunitychurch.com/>.

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, *Jan Hargrove, *Joseph Holt, Jerry Hooper, Bill Johnson, *Ann Lane, *David Lawless, Judy League, *Kathy McKinney, *Kelly Peden, Evelyn Roper, Jane Satterfield, *Carolyn Shirley, *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	
<u>Sunday, March 24</u>	
Weekly Budget Goal	\$2,362.88
Offerings Received	\$5,771.00
<u>Year-to-Date</u>	
Budget Goal	\$24,993.68
Budget Offerings	\$29,022.31
Local Missions Offerings	\$596.00
National Missions Offerings	\$2,110.00
International Missions Offerings Received	\$682.00



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