

## SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

APRIL 14, 2024 • 11:00 A.M.  
THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Ringling of the Bell		
Prelude		Frances Ward
Welcome and Announcements		Stephen Clyborne
Call to Worship	<i>He Is Lord</i>	Choir
Invocation		Anne Peden
*Hymn of Praise #300		Congregation
	<i>All Glory, Laud and Honor</i>	
Pastoral Prayer		Steve Hearne
<i>Hymn of Reflection # 189</i>	<i>Alleluia</i>	Congregation
<b>Responsive Reading #472</b>	Katherine Booker, Congregation	
	<i>A Lamp and a Light</i>	
*Offertory Hymn #406		Congregation
	<i>Wonderful Words of Life</i>	
Offertory Prayer		Susan Allen
Offertory Music		Katherine Booker
	<i>O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee</i>	
Scripture Reading	<b>Luke 24:36-48</b> (Pew Bible, pp. 920-921)	Stephen Clyborne
Choral Anthem	<i>Jesus Loves Me / Thy Word</i>	Choir
Sermon		Stephen Clyborne
	<b>“How to Understand the Bible”</b>	
*Hymn of Commitment #411		Congregation
	<i>I Hide Your Word Within My Heart</i>	
*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.

### SENIOR ADULT LUNCH AND MORE This Tuesday, April 16 at 11 am in the Morgan Building Program presented by Katherine Booker Cost \$9 per person

#### 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. **Today is the deadline to make your reservation.**

### *ReShaping Church: Thriving Congregations*

As a part of the *ReShaping Church* process, we are 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 participate in one of these small groups each week:

#### *ReShaping Church Small Group Meetings*

- Group 1 - Sunday Mornings, 9:45 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

### MINISTER TO FAMILIES SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Deacons have appointed a five-person committee to search for a part-time Minister to Families. The Search Committee will be comprised of Beth Dickson, Barbara Greer, Gloria McAbee, Christy Rose, and Crystal Selfridge. Al McAbee (Deacon Chair) and Stephen Clyborne (Pastor) will be serving as ex-officio members of the Committee. Please be in prayer that this Committee will be led to the person who is prepared and called to fill this position.

Anyone interested in applying for the part-time Minister to Families position may send a resume to this email address: [fbcpiedmontresume@gmail.com](mailto:fbcpiedmontresume@gmail.com). A button on the homepage of our church website will take you to the job description.

### SERMON NEXT SUNDAY

April 21: “The Good Shepherd” (John 10:11-18)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *(continued)*

### GRADUATE RECOGNITION

**Sunday, May 19, 2024**

**11 am in the Sanctuary**

If you know of anyone in our church family who will be graduating from any school, college, or university this year, please contact our pastor as soon as possible so we can be sure to recognize that student on May 19.

### 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.

#### **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

#### **JOIN THE CHOIR**

Anyone willing to “make a joyful noise” to the Lord is invited and encouraged to join our choir, which rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 in the choir room.

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

This Wednesday, April 17: “What Peace Looks Like” (Psalm 72)

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers that grace our sanctuary today are given to the glory of God in honor of Lewis and Shirley Cowart’s seventieth wedding anniversary by their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

### Today

9:45 am *ReShaping Church* Small Group (Morgan Building)  
 10:00 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
 12:15 pm Young Adult Bible Study (Howard Room)

### Monday, April 15

6:00 pm Piedmont Ministerial Association (Howard Room)  
 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Morgan Building)

### Tuesday, April 16

11:00 am Senior Adult Lunch and More (Morgan Building)

### Wednesday, April 17

6:30 pm Prayer Meeting / Business Meeting (Howard Room)  
*ReShaping Church* Small Group (Morgan Building)  
 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

### Thursday, April 18

3:30 pm Food distribution to neighbors in need  
 (Piedmont Emergency Relief Center)  
 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Morgan Building)

### TO WATCH OUR WORSHIP SERVICES ONLINE

Go to <https://www.youtube.com/@fbc piedmont/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.

### 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.

## DEACONS

**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 our ReShaping Church small group continues to discuss and pray about the future that God has in store for our church.

### Powdersville Community Church

**Recuperating at Home** Jerry Hooper

**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, \*Kay Dillard, \*Jan Hargrove, \*Joseph Holt, Bill Johnson, \*Ann Lane, \*David Lawless, \*Kathy McKinney, 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@fbc piedmont.org](mailto:pastor@fbc piedmont.org).

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

### FINANCIAL REPORT

#### Sunday, April 7

Weekly Budget Goal	\$2,362.88
Offerings Received	\$21,855.00

#### Year-to-Date

Budget Goal	\$30,717.44
Budget Offerings	\$60,353.21
Local Missions Offerings	\$596.00
National Missions Offerings	\$2,110.00
International Missions Offerings Received	\$682.00

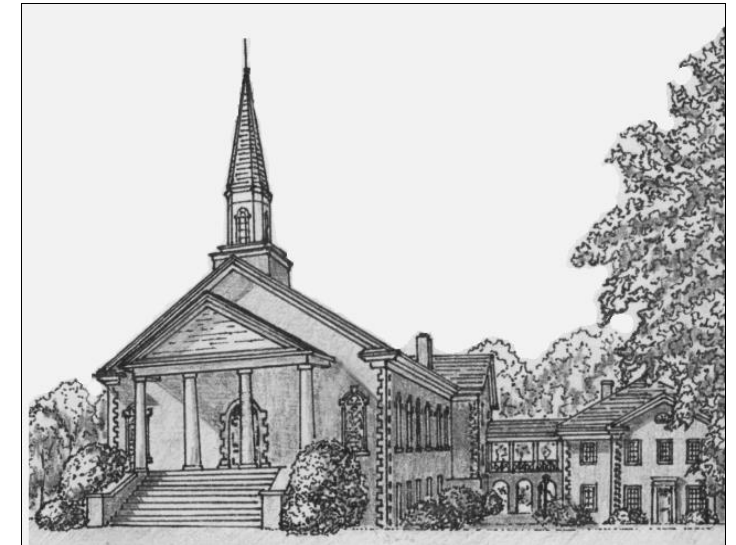


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