

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

MAY 5, 2024 • 11:00 A.M.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Ringling of the Bell		
Prelude		
Welcome and Announcements		Stephen Clyborne
Call to Worship	<i>Glorify Thy Name</i>	Choir
Invocation		Melissa McMahan
*Hymn of Praise #90		Congregation
	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	
Pastoral Prayer		Steve Hearne
Hymn or Reflection	<i>I Love Thee</i> <i>(see insert)</i>	Congregation
Scripture Reading	1 John 5:1-6 (Pew Bible, p. 1067)	Stephen Clyborne
*Offertory Hymn #552		Congregation
	<i>I Am Thine, O Lord</i>	
Offertory Prayer		Al McAbee
Offertory Music		Katherine Booker
	<i>My Jesus, I Love Thee</i>	
Choral Anthem		Choir
	<i>Beneath the Cross of Jesus</i>	
Sermon	“Loving A Parent”	Stephen Clyborne
*Hymn of Commitment #79		Congregation
	<i>My Jesus, I Love Thee</i>	
Special Called Business Meeting		
*Benediction		Stephen Clyborne

*Congregation, please stand, if able

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

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

HELP US SEARCH FOR MINISTER TO FAMILIES

The Minister to Families Search Committee is asking that everyone in the church share the following job post on your personal social media accounts:

First Baptist Church in Piedmont, SC is searching for a part-time Minister to Families to work with the pastor to reach out to young families with children in our church and community, and to work with volunteers in the church to provide ministries for them. Resumes may be sent to fbcpiedmontresume@gmail.com. There is a link at the top of the homepage on our church website that will take you to the job description for this position.

SERMON NEXT SUNDAY

May 12: “Full Circle” (Luke 24:44-53)

WORDS TO AND FROM GOD

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

May 8: “A Sight for Sore Eyes” (Psalm 80)

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE DEACONS

The Deacons recommend that the funds from the sale of the parsonage in April of 2004 (\$134,773.30), and designated for a Family Life Center, be redesignated as unrestricted funds to be used in the future as the church deems appropriate. The church will have an opportunity to discuss and vote on this recommendation by ballot today.

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.

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.

CAMP PIEDMONT - COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Sunday-Wednesday, June 23-26, 5:45 - 8:00 pm

Piedmont Presbyterian Church
For children age 4 through 5th grade

Our church will be partnering with several other churches in Piedmont to offer a community-wide VBS by providing a meal on Wednesday evening and providing volunteers. You can help by:

- Word-of-mouth and social media publicity. Invite friends and neighbors to bring their children.
- Help with the meal on Wednesday night. Contact Gloria McAbee if you are willing to help.
- Volunteer to work with children during VBS. Contact Stephen Clyborne if you are willing to volunteer.
- Pray that many children in our community will experience the love of Christ at Camp Piedmont.

NEXT DEACONS MEETING- Wednesday, June 5 at 5:30pm

NEXT BUSINESS MEETING- This Wednesday, May 8 at 6:30 pm

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)
 5:00 pm *ReShaping Church* Coordination Team Meeting (Howard Room)

Monday, May 6
 6:00 pm Minister to Families Search Committee Meeting (Howard Room)
 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Morgan Building)

Wednesday, May 8
 5:30 pm Missions Project: Pack food bags (Howard Room)
 6:30 pm Business Meeting/Prayer Meeting (Howard Room)
ReShaping Church Small Group (Morgan Building)
 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, May 10
 11:00 am *ReShaping Church* Small Group (Howard Room)
 3:30 pm Food distribution to neighbors in need (Piedmont Emergency Relief Center)
 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Morgan Building)

NEXT SENIOR ADULT GATHERING
Friday, May 31 at Bettie Lown's mountain house
234 Laurel Valley Road - Sunset, SC
The van will leave the church parking lot at 10:30 am
Pot-luck Lunch. Bring your favorite dish to share.
Sign-up sheet posted outside the pastor's 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

May Deacon of the Month: Lee 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: *ReShaping Church* Small Groups, Search for Minister to Families

Powdersville Community Church

Military: *Rob Campbell, Jon McCann

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

Other Concerns: Mike Anderson, *Angie Brown, Gerry Carraway, *Kay Dillard, *Jan Hargrove, *Joseph Holt, Jerry Hooper, Bill Johnson, *Ann Lane, *David Lawless, *Kathy McKinney, Evelyn Roper, Jane Satterfield, *Carolyn Shirley, *Rusty Spears, *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.

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.

FINANCIAL REPORT	
<u>Sunday, April 28</u>	
Weekly Budget Goal	\$2,362.88
Offerings Received	\$1,530.00
<u>Year-to-Date</u>	
Budget Goal	\$40,168.96
Budget Offerings	\$65,898.21
Local Missions Offerings	\$596.00
National Missions Offerings	\$2,110.00
International Missions Offerings Received	\$682.00



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

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DR. THOMAS DEVENNY – PASTOR EMERITUS
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KATHERINE BOOKER – MINISTER OF MUSIC
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FRANCES WARD – PIANIST

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