

This is always a season in which our congregation is challenged to support a new budget for the coming calendar year, even as we try to catch up on our budget offerings for the current year. It is fitting that we reflect on our stewardship during the Thanksgiving season. While Thanksgiving gives us an occasion to look back on the ways God has provided for us in the past, the budget season gives us an opportunity to look forward to the opportunities for missions and ministry that a new year will bring.

If you have been faithful in giving to support the work of Christ through our church, then you already know the joy of giving. If, in the past, you have given a tithe (ten percent) of your income, it may be that you are being led to give an offering above your tithe this year. If you have been giving less than a tithe, maybe you could prayerfully consider making a tithe your goal.

We are providing detailed, monthly financial reports so you can see how your tithes and offerings are being used. Each week in the bulletin, and each month in the newsletter, you will see how our offerings compare to our budget goal. As we near the end of this budget year, we have a lot of catching up to do. 2023 has been a transitional year, and our church has so much for which to be thankful. During this Thanksgiving season, it is important for all of us to reflect on the goodness of God and to invest our time, energy, and money in a cause that will outlast us, a cause infinitely greater than ourselves.

With gratitude and joy,
Stephen

DEACONS MEETING:

The monthly Deacons' Meeting will be on **November 5** at 12:15 p.m. in the Howard Room.

DEACON OF THE MONTH:

The Deacon of the Month is Crystal Selfridge.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Wednesday, November 8 at 7pm in the Howard Room

WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES:

If you would like to receive weekly email updates from the church, please email Kim Spears at office@fbcpdmntsc.org.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Daylight savings time ends on Sunday, November 5th. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour, before going to sleep on Saturday night.

JOIN THE CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS

It is not too late to join us for our Christmas music. In addition to our weekly rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 7:30, we will be having some extra rehearsals for the special services in the Christmas season:

Sunday, November 5, 4-6 pm

Sunday, November 12, 4-6 pm

Saturday, December 2, 2-4 pm

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETING SERIES:

New Testament Lessons from Old Testament Prophets

Each Wednesday, at 7 pm in the Howard Room

November 1- "Walking the Fine Line" (Micah 6:1-8)

November 8- "The Memory of God" (Jeremiah 31:31-34)

November 15- "Can These Bones Live?" (Ezekiel 37:1-14)

November 22- No regular Wednesday activities

November 29- "Come Back Now" (Joel 2:12-17).

PICKLEBALL WITH THE PASTOR

for all ages

Each Tuesday at 6:00 pm

Hurricane Park

395 Roper Road, Piedmont

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

November 5 - Gloria McAbee

November 12 - Barbara Greer

November 19 - Gloria McAbee

November 26 - Christy Rose

SERMONS IN NOVEMBER

Sundays at 11 am in the Sanctuary

November 5- "No More Night" (Psalm 27:1; 139:7; Revelation 22:1-5)

November 12- "Keeping the Main Thing the Main Thing" (1 Corinthians 2:1-5)

November 26- "Honoring and Being Honored the King" (Luke 7:55-60)

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

10:00 each Sunday morning

Children's Class: First floor, main building

Multi-generational Class: Morgan Building



SUE CLEVELAND BACKPACK PROGRAM

We are currently in need of fruit cups, applesauce, snack cookies and juice boxes. Please remember that we cannot deliver any items containing nuts. Thank you for continuing to support this ministry serving food insecure children in our community.

ONLINE OPTION NOW AVAILABLE:

You can now use a credit card, a debit card, or a PayPal account to make contributions to the church. A link labeled "Make online monetary contributions" is located on the church website main page. If you have any questions about using this method, contact Kim Spears in the church office.

You can also scan this QR code with your smart phone and it will take you directly to our PayPal to make a contribution.



GENERAL FUND BUDGET & CONTRIBUTION REPORT:

October 2023 Monthly Report

Budget: \$16,288

Received: \$10,710.00

PRAYER REQUESTS:

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

UPCOMING EVENTS IN DECEMBER

Hanging of the Greens- December 3 at 6:00 pm.

Christmas Music- December 10 at 11:00 am.

Christmas Eve Service- December 24 at 5:00 pm.

VOTE FOR MUSIC MINISTER

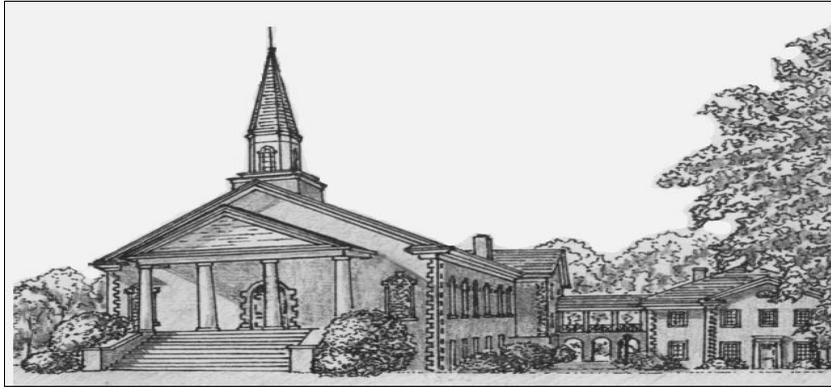
The Music Committee is pleased to present Katherine Booker as the candidate for our next Minister of Music. Katherine has been our interim since March. The in-person vote will take place on November 12.



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FROM OUR PASTOR

During the month of November, our church will be beginning a new annual tradition, a monthly senior adult lunch gathering, and a weekly young adult lunch and Bible study. I hope you will help us spread the word and encourage others to be a part of these special opportunities for worship, fellowship, and discipleship.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 5

11am in the Sanctuary

During this special service, we will be honoring the memory of our church members who have died over the past year, acknowledging their continued influence in our lives and church, and celebrating the promise of Scripture that there is nothing in life, or even death, that can ever separate us from the love of Christ.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Each Sunday, beginning November 12

12:15 pm in the Morgan Building

A delicious, FREE lunch; a chance to meet other young adults; and an engaging, interactive Bible study.

MONTHLY SENIOR ADULT LUNCH GATHERING

Third Tuesday of each month beginning November 21

11 am in the Morgan Building

Catered Lunch (\$9 per person)

Program for November 21: The Clyborne Brothers

Make your reservation by contacting our church office, Bettie Lown, or Sylvia Clyborne.

November Calendar

- 1 – Wednesday Evening Activities
- 5 Sunday Regular Worship Day / Communion/ All Saints Day
12:15 p.m. Deacons Meeting
- 8 - Wednesday Evening Activities
- 12 - Sunday Regular Worship Day
- 15 - Wednesday Evening Activities
- 19 - Sunday Regular Worship Day
- 21- Senior Lunch
- 22 – **NO Wednesday Evening Activities**
- 23- **THANKSGIVING- CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**
- 24 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**
- 26 - Sunday Regular Worship Day
- 29 - Wednesday Evening Activities

Regular Sunday Schedule

- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Regular Wednesday Schedule

- 6:45 p.m. Children/Youth Activity/Mission Friends
- 7:00 p.m. Prayer and Devotional
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

AA/NA Meetings in the Morgan Building:

Mondays and Thursdays 8:00 p.m.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

BIRTHDAYS

William Dickson	11/01	Frances Ward	11/08
Amy Stover	11/04	Janice Davis	11/19
Zackary Gosnell	11/05	Jim Foxx	11/28
Gloria Hooper	11/07	Kenneth Selfridge	11/28

ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Cindy Foxx November 28

MEMORIALS

In memory of Shery Nelms

Daniel and Mary Helix

In memory of JoAnn Morgan

Jerry and Gloria Hooper, Elizabeth Pickelsimer, Quality Haulers of SC, and Nancy Weatherly