FROM OUR PASTOR (continued)

Both events will not only provide us with opportunities for delightful fellowship and delicious food, but will also provide us with an opportunity to support local and international missions. Sign-up sheets are posted outside the church office for both meals. The church will provide the meat for the meal on February 28.

Please be in prayer that the ReShaping Church process will give our church new life and vitality, and that the two events in February will remind us of our calling to be witnesses beginning right here in Piedmont, and around the world.

Grace and peace, Stephen

DEACON OF THE MONTH

The Deacon of the Month is Debbie Adkins.

DEACONS MEETING

Wednesday, February 7 - 5:30 pm in the Pastor's Office

BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, February 14 - 6:30 pm in the Howard Room

NURSERY SCHEDULE

February 4 - Gloria McAbee February 11 - Barbara Greer

February 18 - Gloria McAbee

February 25 - Christy Rose



SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 each Sunday morning

Children's Class: First floor, main building Multi-generational Class: Morgan Building

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY / LUNCH

Each Sunday at 12:15 pm in the Morgan Building

All young adults are welcome.

If you would be willing to provide or prepare a meal any Sunday, contact Stephen Clyborne.

WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES

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

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Members of the choir would welcome you to join the choir. Rehearsals are each Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the choir room.

WORDS TO AND FROM GOD

A Prayer Meeting Series on the Psalms

Each Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Howard Room

February 7 - "Good for the Soul" (Psalm 32)

February 14 - "No Secrets" (Matthew 6:1-18) - Special Ash Wednesday Service

February 21 - "At All Times?" (Psalm 34)

February 28 - "The Brevity of Life" (Psalm 39)

RESHAPING CHURCH

On Sunday, January 21, our church voted to embark on a new adventure called ReShaping Church, in partnership with Central Seminary and Pinnacle Leadership Associates. This process will be a year-long process guided by a trained coach to help our church discover a new sense of identity and purpose so that we may not only maintain and survive, but also thrive. In this process, we will be prayerfully discerning and discovering the unique ways God is leading our congregation to embrace the future that God has in store for us. During the month of February, we will be laying the groundwork for the process which will officially begin in March. Please begin praying now that God will work through us and through this guided process to breathe new life and vitality into our church, and continue to make this a matter of daily prayer for the next year.

SUNDAY SERMONS IN FEBRUARY

11:00 am in the Sanctuary

February 4 - "Why Didn't Jesus Do More?" (Mark 1:29-39)

February 11 - "What Goes Up Must Come Down" (Mark 9:2-9)

February 18 - "Wild Beasts and Angels" (Mark 1:9-15)

February 25 - "Dying to Live" (Mark 8:31-38)

ONE-DAY JOINT SENIOR ADULT RETREAT

With the senior adults from Earle Street Baptist Church Thursday, February 1 from 10 am until 2 pm

Reservations must be made in advance.

The van will leave our church parking lot at 9:15, or you can meet everyone at Earle Street at 10:00.

PICKLEBALL GROUP

Fun for all ages
Each Thursday at 6:00 pm
Family Life Center, Earle Street Baptist Church

Questions? Contact Stephen Clyborne.



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.



SUE CLEVELAND BACKPACK PROGRAM

We are in need of the following items: Chef Boyardee, macaroni and cheese, pop-tarts / breakfast bars, juice packs, fruit cups / apple sauce, and snack-size cookies / fruit gummies.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

2023 contribution statements have been mailed out. If you have moved and have not notified the church office with your new address, please contact Kim Spears at 864-845-7801 or email the church office at office@fbcpiedmontsc.org.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CHURCH

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 AND CONTRIBUTION REPORT

JANUARY 2024 Monthly Report Budget: \$9,451.54 Received: \$8,606

LOCAL MISSIONS SOUP-ER BOWL LUNCH

Sunday, February 11 at 12:15 PM in the Morgan Building

An offering will be collected to support local missions in Piedmont.

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

Celebrating What God Is Doing Around the World Wednesday, February 28, in the Morgan Building

Guest Pastor Soonthorn from House of Blessing in Bangkok, Thailand. Covered dish dinner at 5:45 pm. Meat provided by the church. Presentation by Pastor Soonthorn at 6:30 pm.

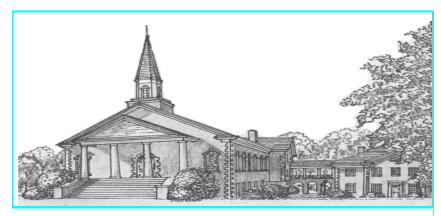
Sign-up sheets for both meals are posted outside the church office.



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FROM OUR PASTOR

I am so excited about our church's decision to participate in the ReShaping Church initiative, and believe the process will give our church a new sense of energy, mission, and direction. ReShaping Church is a guided process to help reshape and transform the church into a greater expression of the body of Christ. The ReShaping Church program at Central Seminary, in partnership with Pinnacle Leadership Associates, and generously funded by the Lilly Endowment, brings together congregations of all kinds to join in dialogue with other pastors and churches to discern and discover the unique ways God is leading our congregation toward transformation in this new season. Our particular church will be assigned a trained and experienced coach, David Brown, who will guide us through the process and help us determine next steps for our church's future. The process will officially begin late this month, and you will be hearing more about it as more details become available. We will need and value everyone's participation in this process, so please be praying that our entire congregation will be united in our determination to know and do God's will. If you have any questions about ReShaping Church at any point along the way, please let me know.

This month, we will be having two mission events that you will not want to miss. The first will be a Soup-er Bowl Lunch for Local Missions on Sunday, February 11, at 12:15 pm and the second will be a covered-dish dinner for International Missions on Wednesday, February 28, at 5:45 pm featuring Pastor Soonthorn from the House of Blessing in Bangkok, Thailand.

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FEBRUARY CALENDAR

- 1 Senior Adult Retreat Earle Street Baptist Church, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
- 4 Regular Sunday Morning Schedule
- 7 Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule Deacons Meeting - 5:30 pm
- 11 Regular Sunday Morning Schedule / Communion
- 14 Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule / Business Meeting
- 18 Regular Sunday Morning Schedule
- 21 Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule
- 25 Regular Sunday Morning Schedule
- 28 Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule

REGULAR SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

10:00 am - Sunday School for all ages

11:00 am - Worship Service

REGULAR WEDNESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE

6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting 7:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal

AA/NA MEETINGS IN THE MORGAN BUILDING

8:00 pm - Mondays and Thursdays

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

9:00 am - 1:00 pm - Monday through Friday

TO WATCH OUR WORSHIP SERVICES ONLINE

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

MARCH NEWSLETTER

The deadline for submissions for the March newsletter is February 20.

ANNIVERSARIES

Ken and Susan Allen - February 9 Jerry and Gloria Hooper - February 15

BIRTHDAYS

Dixie Caulder	2/02	Jo Ellen Wilkinson	2/09
Cierra Selfridge	2/07	Justin McCann	2/12
Grant Baggett	2/08	Kate Baggett	2/27