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## Earle Street Baptist Church



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## CHURCH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The mission of Earle Street Baptist Church is to worship God, praising Him for His wonderful grace, His mighty blessings and His tender mercies [**WORSHIP**]; to proclaim the message of salvation to our community and throughout the world, in word and deed [**MISSIONS**]; to be a home to all who would enter [**FELLOWSHIP**]; to minister to the needs of one another and those around us [**MINISTRY**]; and to assist in personal spiritual growth [**EDUCATION**].

**Spotlight Sundays:** During the worship services in May and June, we will be putting the spotlight on various ministries and special days in the life of our church:



**May 24**  
**Senior Adult Day / Ascension Sunday**  
(9:00 and 11:00 a.m.)

**Dedication of Stained Glass Window: The Ascension**

This Sunday, senior adults will be leading in all aspects of the worship services. There will be a senior adult choir, and Marshall Sargent will be preaching.

## ACTIVE AND INACTIVE DEACONS

You are invited to meet for prayer in the pastor's office every Sunday morning at 8:50 or 10:50.

**OPERATION INASMUCH**

**Thanks!**  
to all of you who participated

**this past Saturday, May 16!** It was a great success even though the rain put a stop to some of our projects. This was our second event and we continue to learn what works and what we need to improve.

I would like to meet with all project leaders and anyone else who has ideas for Operation Inasmuch in the future. I also invite anyone who was not able to participate (out-of-town, sickness, etc.). We will meet on Sunday, June 7 at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. If you cannot attend, please send someone from your team. Call me with any questions.

-Norma Green [Cell: 421-5388 Work VM: 455-9042]



**Xtra Years of Zest Monthly Meeting**  
for all Senior Adults

**Tuesday, May 26, 2009**  
in the Fellowship Hall

**11:00 am Program:** Lyndsay O'Rear, soloist and long-time minister of music at Taylors First Baptist, will be singing.

**12:00 noon Catered Lunch\*** (Cost: \$5) \*If you do not have permanent reservations, please call Gene Hammond (244-2748) no later than Sunday prior to the monthly event described above.

**Join us this Sunday, May 24 ~ 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.**



Anthem: *He Hideth My Soul* by the Senior Adult Choir  
Scripture: Psalm 71; I Peter 2:5, 9  
Sermon: "The Priesthood of the Senior Adult" by Marshall Sargent



## THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES

### Sunday, May 24, 2009 (Spotlight: Senior Adult Day)

- 8:00 am Early Bird Sunday School
- 8:30 am Library Open
- 8:40 am Sr. Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Worship - Emphasis: Senior Adults,  
Dedication of Stained Glass Window: The Ascension
- 9:50 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship - Emphasis: Senior Adults,  
Dedication of Stained Glass Window: The Ascension
- 2:00 pm Nominating Committee (Conference Room)
- 4:00 pm Singles Ministry Team (Conference Room)  
Women's Basketball Practice
- 4:30 pm VBS Leaders Meeting (Room 301)
- 5:00 pm Prayer Team Meeting (Conference Room)
- 5:30 pm Earle Street Ringers Rehearsal

### Monday, May 25, 2009 Memorial Day

- 10:00 am Ceramics (FLC)
- 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Weight Watchers (FLC)
- 6:30 pm Grief Support Group (Conference Room)
- 7:00 pm Band Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
- Men's Softball (Next game is June 1st)

### Tuesday, May 26, 2009

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
- 11:00 am XYZ Club (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 pm Gideons (Fellowship Hall)  
Volleyball (Gym)
- 6:45 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Bldg.)

### Wednesday, May 27, 2009

- 5:00 pm Library Open
- 5:45 pm Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:10 pm Young Musicians Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm Adults: DTC or Prayer Meeting  
Youth: Graduation Celebration (FLC)  
Children: RA's and GA's (2nd floor)  
Preschool: Mission Friends (1st floor)
- 7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
with Youth Choir and Young Musicians

### Thursday, May 28, 2009

- 11:30 am Lunch Bunch (Applebee's, Congaree Rd.)

### Record for Sunday, May 17, 2009

#### Attendance

9:00 Worship .....	172
11:00 Worship .....	224
Sunday School .....	278
Sunday School Enrollment .....	630
(2008-09 Average Sunday School Attendance - 276)	
(Average Sunday School Attendance Goal - 295)	

#### Operating Budget 2009

Weekly Budget Requirements .....	\$13,433
Budget Gifts (this week) .....	\$10,167
Budget Requirements (to date) .....	\$268,660
Budget Gifts (to date) .....	\$296,457

#### Capital Improvement Fund Budget

Weekly CIF Budget Requirement .....	\$2,885
CIF Budget Gifts (this week) .....	\$585
CIF Budget Requirements (to date) .....	\$57,700
CIF Budget Gifts (to date) .....	\$33,657

\*Includes Memorials

#### Endowment Fund Capital Loan

Capital Loan from Endowment Fund .....	\$250,000
Loan Balance (to date) .....	\$231,377

## MEMORIALS

### In Memory of Bill Bailey

Bert and Elizabeth Buchanan Jimmy and Mary Wayne Slice

### In Memory of Martha Cline

Tommy and Carol Ann Burns

## Help name our church newsletter!

The Public Relations Committee is working on naming our church newsletter. If you haven't turned in a suggestion you can still do so using Stephen's office mailbox, or by calling the church office 233-5332, or sending an email to [stephen@ESBCgreenville.org](mailto:stephen@ESBCgreenville.org).

## Thank You...

Note of Appreciation:

May I say a big thank you to all who participated in the "Operation Inasmuch" project at Eastside Crisis Center? Each of the volunteers came into the Center and worked with speedy determination. Many boxes and bags were emptied, and items were placed on the shelves in the food room. You were a great team!  
-Carolyn Giles



### QUILTING PROJECT

Someone from the Quilting Team will be in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday morning before and after Sunday School, and each Wednesday evening during dinner to receive your contributions. It's not too late to submit contributions. You may also place your contributions into the mailbox labeled

"QUILTING PROJECT" in the main office / workroom.

## Welcome New Member



**Kaitlin "Kat" Holtzclaw**  
204 Quil Run Circle  
Fountain Inn, SC 29644  
Phone: 864-862-6733

Kat joined ESBC on Sunday, May 17, 2009 by promise of letter from First Baptist Church Simpsonville.

## A SPECIAL REQUEST



If you are able to walk longer distances, please park as far away from the church building as possible on Sunday morning, and reserve the closer parking spaces for guests, senior adults, and people with disabilities. Remember, the grassy parking lot on Stone Avenue beside the Scout Building is now available for parking. Thank you for your cooperation.

## From the Pastor

- Stephen Clyborne

This Sunday, May 24, we will have an opportunity to honor and recognize our senior adults as they lead us in worship. Many of our senior adults have been members of our church for a long time. They have seen the church through many “dangers, toils, and snares,” and have helped make this church what it is today. Some of our senior adults are newer members who have found a home at Earle Street later in life. They, too, have made significant contributions to the life and vitality of our church. If senior adulthood describes anyone fifty-five years of age or older, then that means I am just a few years away from being a senior adult myself (and by the way, I will be proud to be considered a senior adult). All of a sudden, fifty-five is looking younger all the time. By that definition, I encourage you sometime to go through our Nominating Committee report and see how many senior adults are involved in committees, teams, organizations, and as deacons. I have no way of knowing; but if I had to guess, I would guess that senior adults are among our most faithful and sacrificial givers. I do not even want to think about what our church would be like without the support of our senior adults. Our senior adults give us wisdom, experience, courage, and inspiration that prepare us for the future God has in store for us. This Sunday, we recognize their faithfulness to God and we give thanks for God’s faithfulness to them.

Marshall Sargent, our interim associate pastor and a senior adult himself, will be preaching this Sunday. This will be his last Sunday with us in his official capacity, although we hope that his connection with our church will continue even after his ministry on our staff has ended. At the conclusion of the service, we will all have an opportunity to express our appreciation to Marshall. I hope you will make a special effort to be present to express your gratitude to Marshall and to support our senior adults as they lead in worship.

## From the Minister of Youth

- Lucy Wilkinson

**Youth Graduation Celebration** - Our youth group graduation celebration will be on Wednesday, May 27th at 6:30pm in the Family Life Center. We will celebrate our grads with refreshments and a slideshow of their lives. Please come to honor these youth!

**Ecuador** - Make sure to pay your balance for the trip by the end of May!



### Crocodile Dock Vacation Bible School 2009

June 15-18  
6 – 8 pm

(Dinner will be served at 5:15)  
for ages 3 – adult

*Tiny Tadpole VBS for Preschoolers ages 2 and under provided for children of VBS leaders and adults attending VBS*

**New this year: Preteen VBS  
a special VBS class just for outgoing 5<sup>th</sup> graders!**

Registration for Crocodile Dock Vacation Bible School begins this Sunday for preschoolers, children, preteens, and middle school youth.

## From the Minister of Music

- Janice Hinnant

**Youth Choir & Handbells**—I am so proud of you! You did an amazing job on Youth Sunday. I am proud of all our youth who participated and led us in worship. We are blessed to have such fine young people in our church. Thanks to Lucy Wilkinson for all her work to get the youth to lead us. Thanks also to Butch and Debbie Blume for leading the congregational music.

**Youth Choir—remember we will sing for both services on May 31st. We will not rehearse again until Wednesday, May 27th, at 7:15 p.m.**

**Sanctuary Choir**—We will not sing this Sunday, May 24th.

**Young Musicians**—Don’t forget you are singing an anthem with the Sanctuary and Youth Choirs on May 31st. We will rehearse on Wednesdays at 6:10 p.m., and you will finish in time to go to missions activities.

**Senior Adult Sunday** is Sunday, May 24th. We will have a special Senior Adult Choir that day. If you have an AARP card, we need you in the choir! Please meet with us in the choir room at 8:40 a.m. to sing through the hymn for worship. Even if you haven’t been able to attend the rehearsals, please come sing with us!

*Christian sympathy is prayerfully extended to...*

Polly Bridwell and family in the recent death of her son, Ronald Long “Ron” Bridwell (Quitman, Miss.) and her husband, Ansel Bridwell.

Mike and Paula Cook and family in the recent death of Paula’s grandmother, Cecile Smith.

## From the Minister to

Preschoolers and Children - Paula Hayes

**Preteen Worship Club this Sunday** – 5<sup>th</sup> graders will meet in Mrs. Paula’s office following the children’s sermon with our special guest, Lucy Wilkinson.

**Summer Wednesday Nights for Preschoolers and Children:** Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 beginning in June. Preschoolers will enjoy Summer Mission Friends, children (grades 1-4) will have some “Fun Around the World,” and outgoing 5<sup>th</sup> graders will have some “Fun Around Greenville.”

**Summer Dock** – Special Summer activities for children who have completed grades 1-5. We’ll have fun and help others, too, on these special days. **Summer Dock #1: Monday, June 8, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.** We will hand out VBS flyers in the neighborhood and then go swimming. **Summer Dock #2: Friday, June 12, 1 – 3 p.m.** The youth group will join us for a fun “youth and kids” day at Skateland USA. We are getting ready for our “Crocodile Dock” VBS, so come dressed up in a VBS-themed costume to enter our costume contest. (Our theme centers around a bayou setting, so think hunters, fishers, or any water animal or activity for your costume). Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes. To sign up for these activities, please contact Mrs. Paula (233-5332, ext. 209 or paula@ESBCgreenville.org).

## LIVING WITH LOSS

Grief Seminar Continues **This Monday, May 25**

**6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room**

*for anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one*



**Facilitator: Brenda Atkinson, Continuing Care Coordinator at Thomas McAfee Funeral Home and Member of ESBC**

## RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED

Wayne Davenport

Marcelle Davis



Earle Street will once again be sponsoring lunches for a World Changers crew this June! World Changers crews are groups of youth who travel to various cities working on housing projects (mostly roofing). We will be providing lunch for a crew of 15 every day the week of June 8th. *If your group (Sunday School class, prayer group, etc.) would like to financially sponsor or deliver a lunch, please contact Kathryn Brooks at 268-7972.*

## EARLE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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**Sunday, May 24...**

**HOMEBOUND "CARE" MINISTRY**

**"E" TEAM**

Bert & Elizabeth Buchanan	Kathy Gerwig
Celeste Clyborne	Kathleen Barton
Dana Collier	Karen & Bud Sunday
Jensie Malphrus	

<i>All games are played on Monday Nights at East Riverside Park, Field #1</i>		
May 18	8:30 pm	vs. ERBC
— NO GAME ON MEMORIAL DAY —		
June 1	7:30 pm	vs. Brookwood Gray
June 8	7:30 pm	vs. Aldersgate UMC
June 15	9:30 pm	vs. Covenant UMC

## PASTORAL CARE EMERGENCIES

Nights and Weekends

May 22 - May 28

Stephen Clyborne - Phone: 627-0238

**This Sunday, May 24, 2009**

**9:00 a.m.**

**USHERS:** Paul Bateman, Bill Poe, Chris Barras, Kevin Hinnant

**ACOLYTES:** Jordan Stanley, Charlie Cook

**WORSHIP CARE:**

Coordinator: Leah Tankersley

Preschool A: Libby and Cecily Young

Preschool B and C: Candy and Brian Poole

Preschool D, E, and K: Sylvia Clyborne, Holly Traywick

**11:00 a.m.**

**USHERS:** Josh Shugart, Bert Buchanan, Jim DeYoung, A. D. Harris, Joe Jones, Jimmy Major, Bryson Blackwell

**ACOLYTES:** Michael Walker, Hunter Ballard

**WORSHIP CARE:**

Coordinator: Ryder Martin

Preschool A: Noellen Groff, Carly Poore

Preschool B and C: Jill Pearce, TBA

Preschool D, E, and K: Pam and David/DJ Dunlap

**9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**

**SOUND TECHNICIAN:** Ronnie Poore

**DEACON OF THE WEEK:** Brian Poole

**GREETERS:** Jackie Peace, Jan Hubble, Sally Clark, Sharon Murphy

**Wednesday, May 27**

**Preparation Crew**

Glenna Hipps  
Mark Dorsett  
Kathryn Brooks

**Clean-Up Crew**

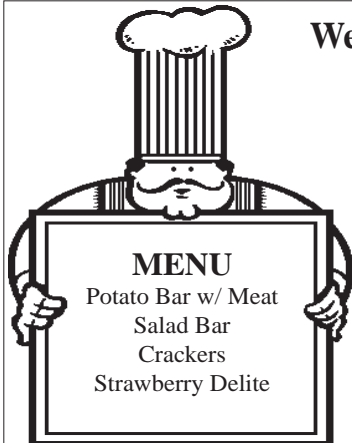
Jim & Jerry DeYoung

Robin Dorsett

**Cashier**

Betty Kay Gibson

Children's Menu Available



If you do not have permanent reservations, please call the church office **NO LATER THAN MONDAY 10:00 am** to reserve a meal.



The *Prayer Vine* is for anyone in need of prayer at any time. To access contact information for members of this ministry who are serving on-call 24-hours-a-day, just dial 233-5332, **ext. 700.**