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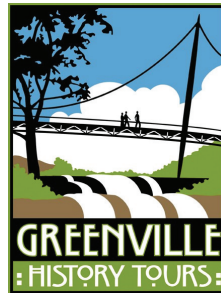
OPERATION INASMUCH
Saturday, April 27

On Saturday, April 27, we will spend the day in our community helping other organizations and people with missions projects. This is a great way to get involved and meet new people: both inside and outside our church! There will be projects for every age group and every skill group. Click the link below for more information about the projects and to sign-up!

- **Breakfast Crew:** setup, serve and clean-up breakfast
- **Preschool and Children's Group:** creating/delivering care packages to Earle St. neighbors
- **Triune Mercy Center:** spread mulch and other various yardwork
- **Notes of Encouragement:** write notes to armed forces overseas and local public schools
- **Habitat ReStore:** organize, process donations and assist with displays
- **Marie Younts Girls Home:** yardwork, window washing, planting flowers and lunch with residents
- **Greenville Middle Academy Accessible Courtyard:** help build accessible sensory courtyard
- **Northwest Crescent Child Development Center:** paint race track and sensory path on concrete play area
- **United Ministries:** light landscaping

[Click here to register for a group!](#)

**"Inasmuch as you serve the
least of these, you serve me."
-Jesus**



**XYZ MONTHLY
MEETING AND MEAL**
for all senior adults
Thursday, April 25
11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

Lunch Menu: Baked Chicken, Brown & Wild Rice, Broccoli Casserole, Beets, Banana Pudding, and Rolls

John Nolan, owner of Greenville History Tours, will be presenting his fascinating program of "Greenville: Then and Now." You will see side by side photos from all around the city showing what things looked like from earlier eras compared to the same location today. John will explain what Greenville was like in these old comparison photos along with current developments going on in these locations! Invite your friends and neighbors to join you! Sign up at the link below.

[Sign Up for XYZ](#)



VOICES OF APPALACHIA CHOIR
Tuesday, May 7
at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary

The Alice Lloyd College choir, the Voices of Appalachia, tours annually to various regions of the US performing the hymns and ballads of the Southern Appalachian highlands. Join us for their upstate performance here in our sanctuary.

JOIN US IN WORSHIP

Sunday, April 21
9:15 am: Sunday School
10:30 am: Worship
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Parent/Child Dedication

Tinsley Evelyn Felts, born December 18, 2023
Daughter of Jordan and Sally Kate Felts

Anthem: *Holy Is He* by the Sanctuary Choir

Scripture: Matthew 13:16-19

Sermon: "The Church...Built to Last" by Dale Lynch

DEACON OF THE WEEK



Libby Young is our deacon of the week. Libby and her husband, Kurt, have been worshipping at Earle Street since 1999. They have lived in South Carolina since 1995 but grew up in the Northeast and met at college in Rhode Island. Libby is a librarian at Furman and has two grown daughters, Monika and Cecily. In addition to serving as a deacon, Libby has been leading the No One's Perfect Sunday School Class for almost 20 years.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Ron and Norma Green and family upon the recent death of Norma's brother, Rick Chaney.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Wednesday, April 24

5:00 - 5:45 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Click the link below to make your reservation!

Main Entree: Baked Potato and Salad Bar

Salad Entree: Grilled Chicken Salad with Toppings

Pizza Entree: Two Slices of Pizza

[Sign Up for Dinner](#)

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Week of April 14, 2024

Sunday School Attendance

On-Campus.....	160
*Virtual/Zoom.....	1
Total.....	161

Worship Attendance

Sanctuary.....	190
Preschool/Children Department.....	37
Total.....	227
Virtual.....	179

* Virtual refers to the total number of times the livestream has been viewed by publication of this newsletter.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

Scholarship applications are available for members of the graduating class of 2024. In order to qualify, an applicant must be a church member or a child of a church member, who has been accepted to any accredited college or university. The deadline for submission of the application is May 31, 2024. Please contact Lucy Wilkinson to obtain an application or for more information.

BUDGET REPORT

Report for April 14, 2024

Weekly Budget Requirements.....	\$23,238
Budget Gifts (this week).....	\$20,257
Budget Requirements to Date.....	\$348,563
Budget Gifts to Date.....	\$274,686
Global Missions Offering.....	\$14,457

From the Minister of Music

Janice Hinnant (ext. 202) – janice@ESBCgreenville.org

Youth Choir—This Sunday is our final rehearsal before Youth Sunday on May 5. (We will not rehearse on April 28.) I hope to see you this Sunday!

Earle Street Ringers—Thank you for your wonderful ringing this past Sunday. I also want to thank Melanie Wells and Lamar McCarrell for joining us with their clarinets. We have such an abundance of talent at our church!

DEACON NOMINATIONS TO BE RECEIVED APRIL 21-MAY 5

At our April Church Conference, our church adopted a new procedure for electing deacons beginning with this year's election. The first step in the new process will occur during the two-week period from Sunday, April 21 to Sunday, May 5 when members of our church are invited and encouraged to nominate those whom they believe would be good candidates to serve in that capacity for the coming term of service.

A sample nomination form is printed below. Please review it carefully to note the eligibility requirements and the qualifications of those elected to serve.

There are two ways to submit the forms: online or in-person at the church. To nominate online, a link will be provided on our website. To nominate in-person, written forms will be available in the major entry areas to the church and can be submitted in one of two secure lock boxes: one placed in the Welcome Center, the other in the Sanctuary foyer. You may nominate as many candidates as you choose, but please use one form for each individual nominee.

Nominations will close on Sunday, May 5. After confirming the eligibility of each person nominated, the Committee on Deacon Nominations (CDN) will invite all those who have been nominated to an informational meeting. At this meeting, responsibilities and qualifications of deacons will be outlined, questions will be answered and candidates will have the opportunity to indicate if they are willing to serve if recommended by the CDN and elected by the church.

DEACON NOMINATION FORM

Those eligible for election must be at least 21 years of age, have been a church member for no less than one year, and must be on the active church roll. Deacons who are rotating off will not be eligible for election for one year. Deacons serving unexpired terms will be eligible for re-election. Staff members and their immediate family (parents, children, spouses, and siblings) will be ineligible for election.

While we recognize we are all flawed, imperfect people, in constant need of God's grace, we ask that as a spiritual leader, a deacon of Earle Street Baptist church should strive to be:

- A committed follower of Christ, growing toward a mature faith
- Actively involved and participating in the life of the church, using one's gifts through appropriate service in the church
- Committed to seeking God's vision for the church, have the interest of the whole church at heart, and working to help the church carry out its vision and mission
- A peacemaker within the congregation, seeking unity in Christ
- Demonstrating a life of positive personal witness to all they meet
- Demonstrating a consistent witness in their home life
- Practicing stewardship of time, talents, testimony, and treasure
- Temperate in all areas of one's life

(Scriptural basis for deacon ministry: Acts 6:1-4; Romans 12:1-8; Romans 16:1-2; 1 Timothy 3:8-13)

The following people are ineligible for nomination because they are currently serving either as a Deacon or on the Committee for Deacon Nominations: Glenn Arrowood, Mary Arrowood, Randy Ellenburg, Helen Hewitt, Joe Jones, John Love, Margo Love, Joyce McCarrell, Lamar McCarrell, Nancy McCarrell, Monte McKinney, Keith Merck, Vicki Merck, Stuart Moore, Meredith Smith, Calder Standridge, Wayne Turner, Donna Walker, Jim Wooten, Libby Young, and Mary Beth Young.

Nomination for Deacon:

Why I believe this person would serve well as a deacon (optional, but encouraged):

BLUE JEAN BALL

FOOD TRUCKS + LIVE MUSIC!!
 EARLE STREET BAPTIST
 225 W EARLE ST GVILLE

**FRIDAY
MAY 10TH**
**ESBC
GYM**

**6-7PM
FOOD TRUCKS**
**7-9PM
CONTRA
DANCING**

TICKETS:
 PRE-SALE @ ESBCGREENVILLE.ORG
 \$8 ADULTS, \$6 YOUTH/KIDS (18 YRS AND UNDER)
 \$10 AT THE DOOR

BLUE JEAN BALL

Join us for a fun night of food trucks and contra dancing! What is contra dancing? Read all about it by [clicking here!](#) Get your tickets now and invite your friends, family and neighbors for an evening of fun!

[Blue Jean Ball Tickets](#)

HAPPY GRADUATION
— 24 —

SUNDAY 5-5 @ 10:30AM
Youth and College Graduate Sunday
in Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY 5-8 @ 6pm
Youth Grad Celebration in FLC

GRADUATE SUNDAY
 Sunday, May 5th

We are looking forward to celebrating our graduates in worship on Sunday, May 5th. If you would like to be recognized, please contact Lucy Wilkinson at lucy@esbcgreenville.org.



**SWAN LAKE IRIS GARDEN
 SENIOR ADULT DAY TRIP**

Would you be interested in a day trip to Swan Lake Iris Gardens in Sumter, SC? We would take a tour bus and stop for meals along the way. If you would be interested, please click the link below.

If we have enough interested, we will plan the trip for mid-May!

[Swan Lake Interest List](#)



“The gardens encompass 150 acres, with more than 120 varieties of iris that explode into bursts of color.”