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## FROM THE PASTOR Stephen Clyborne

This Sunday, September 11, will be an important date for a several reasons.

It was twenty-one years ago on September 11 that our country was attacked in one of the most horrific acts of terrorism imaginable. Most of us remember where we were when we first heard the news. It was a day that we must always remember and never forget. The following Sunday twenty-one years ago, churches were packed as unprecedented numbers of people came together in worship and acknowledged our need for God. Not long ago, I read a study that showed that that date marked the last time at least 6 in 10 Americans had confidence in the church (68 percent). Since then, American's confidence and trust in the church has been steadily declining, reaching an all-time low of 31 percent in 2022. It is a shame that many people recognize the need for church only when they are in a crisis. But as I said in the sermon last Sunday about worship, what we do on the so-called "ordinary" Sundays shapes and forms us more than what we do on the so-called "extraordinary" Sundays.

So I hope you will be present this Sunday as Jay Roland, our new Connections Minister, continues our sermon series entitled "Reaffirming Our Mission and Renewing Our Covenant." He will be focusing on the second phrase in our church's mission statement: "to share the gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed." If there has ever been a time when we needed to reaffirm that part of our mission statement, it is now. And who better to lead us in that focus than the staff minister who will be responsible for coordinating our church's mission efforts? This will be Jay's first sermon in our church, and I hope you will be present to worship God and to support Jay.

Also, this Sunday, September 11, our newly organized clusters will be meeting to organize, plan, and pray for our new church year. If you are a part of these clusters, I hope you will make a special effort to be present at the appropriate time. And if you cannot be present, I hope you will ask someone to represent your entity at the cluster meeting. These meetings will be essential as we get our church year off to a strong start.

### Cluster Meetings

**This Sunday, September 11**

Missions – 4:30 pm (Room 202)

Ministry – 5:30 pm (Room 201)

Fellowship - 5:30 pm (Room 203)

Worship – 6:30 pm (Choir Room)

Administration – 6:30 pm (Room 203)

Spiritual Growth – 6:30 pm (Room 202)

## FLU SHOT CLINIC

**Sunday, September 11 (8:30 am - 12:00 pm)**

**Wednesday, September 14 (5:00 pm - 7:00 pm)**

Kim Hartley, an ESBC member and pharmacist with Ingles Pharmacies, will be on site during the dates listed above to administer flu shots. The flu shot is provided at no charge to anyone on Medicare. If you do not have Medicare or private insurance, the cost is \$25 dollars. Cash only. If you have any questions, you can contact Kim at 410-456-5647.



## YOUTH CHOIR SUPER SUNDAE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11  
4:15 PM IN THE CHOIR ROOM

## MUFFINS AND MOMS

**This Sunday, September 11**

Preschoolers and children are encouraged to invite one woman (mom, grandmother, aunt, mentor) to join them in Sunday School for the day. Our hope for this time is that kids see the most important people in their lives, learning and participating alongside them.

## JANIE CHAPMAN OFFERING FOR STATE MISSIONS

**Goal: \$5,000**

**Received to Date: \$2,670**

**Still Needed: \$2,330**

## JOIN US IN WORSHIP

**Sunday, September 11**  
**10:30 am in the Sanctuary**  
*Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

Anthem: *Be the Light of Christ* by the Sanctuary Choir

Scripture: Mark 12:28-34

Sermon Series: REAFFIRMING OUR MISSION AND  
 RENEWING OUR COVENANT

Sermon: "Fulfilling the Great Commission by Obeying  
 the Greatest Commandments" by Jay Roland

## DEACON OF THE WEEK



**Mary Arrowood is our deacon of the week.** Mary Arrowood and her husband, Glenn, have been married since February 1970 and members of Earle Street since November 2011. She is a member of the NOP Sunday School class, the prayer and usher teams, and works all year with Operation Christmas Child on the Upstate Team. She and Glenn have two sons, Stephen and Brian, and one daughter-in-law, Valerie. They have two sweet granddaughters, Aria and Aliya.

## RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED

Pat Dietz   Sarah Rebecca Hill   Martin Hursey

## IN MEMORIAM

**TISH ALFORD**  
 December 2, 1945 - September 3, 2022

## STAFF ANNIVERSARY

**GINA CONN**  
 September 1, 2020  
 2 years

## ATTENDANCE REPORT

### Week of September 4, 2022

#### Sunday School Attendance

On-Campus.....	203
Virtual .....	19
Total.....	212

#### Worship Attendance

On-Campus.....	222
Virtual .....	171
Total.....	393

## BUDGET REPORT

### Report for September 4, 2022

Weekly Budget Requirements.....	\$25,678
Budget Gifts (this week) .....	\$25,028
Budget Requirements to Date.....	\$924,391
Budget Gifts to Date .....	\$926,182

**XYZ MUSIC PROGRAM AND LUNCH**  
**CLYBORNE BROTHERS**  
**Thursday, September 22**  
**11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall**  
**Lunch: \$7.50**

Invite your friends and neighbors to this special event as we welcome the Clyborne Brothers for a musical program. If you would like to stay for the catered lunch, please contact Gee-gee Camarda or the church office to RSVP by 4:00 pm, Monday, September 21. All senior adults (ages 55+) are invited!



### CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP (Formerly Eldercare Support Group) Tuesday, September 27 at 6:30 pm

The Caregiver Support Group welcomes you to the first meeting on Tuesday, September 27 at 6:30 pm in Room 300. There is plenty of room for everyone on any type of caregiver journey . . . past, present or future. This group is for anyone, any age and at any level of being a caregiver. There will be an encouraging word, a business tip and time to share. On this first meeting there will a brief survey, "Route Guidance: For the Caregiver Journey." The information from this survey will help us design each session to be thoughtful, purposeful and encouraging for you.



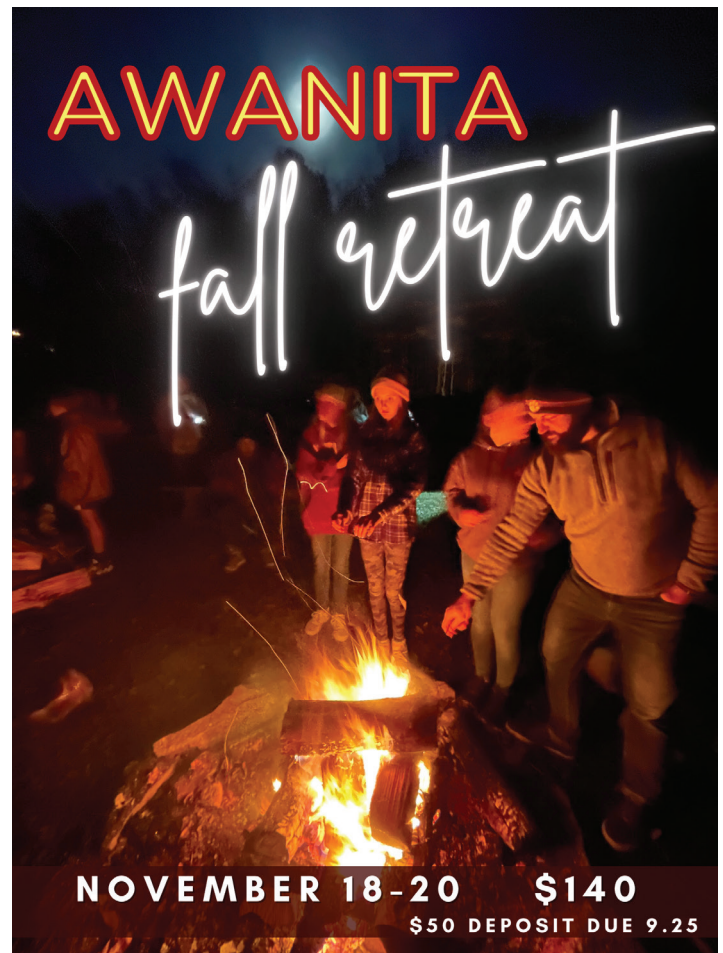


### FAMILY FUN DAY SEPTEMBER

Saturday, September 17

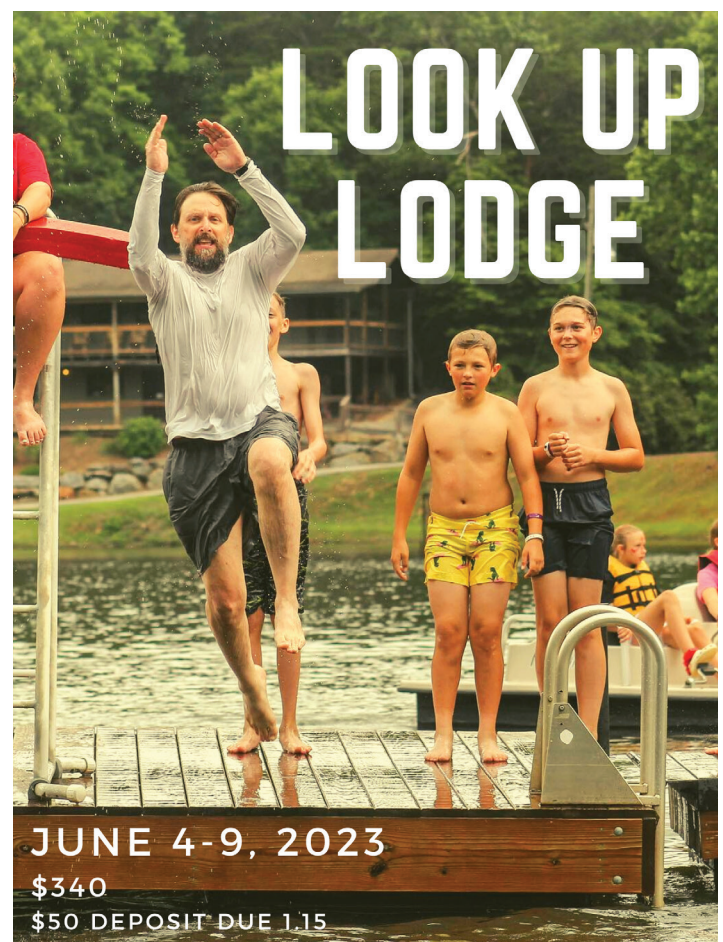
10:00 am at Parisview Baptist Church

Join us on the Parisview fields Saturday, September 17 at 10:00 am for a morning of fun outdoor games, 3D Kickball, and fellowship. Optional lunch to follow at White Duck Taco. Please email [karli@esbcgreenville.org](mailto:karli@esbcgreenville.org) or to RSVP to the event. This event is for anyone who would like to join!



### PRESCHOOL AND CHILDREN VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

Our preschool and children's ministries need to fill a few volunteer gaps for the church year. If you are willing to volunteer on Sunday mornings or helping with babies and toddlers on Wednesdays, please email [karli@esbcgreenville.org](mailto:karli@esbcgreenville.org).



## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN SEPTEMBER

### United Ministries

United Ministries needs volunteers to help prepare their Emergency Shelter units for the arrival of three families. The volunteer opportunities include cleaning units, setting up furniture, and setting up household goods. Each opportunity will take place at the Campus Pointe Apartments located at 1433 Cleveland Street, Greenville, 29607. Specific information and instructions will be sent out to all volunteers who have signed up to help prior to the opportunity. Click [here](#) to sign-up to volunteer on these dates.

#### The volunteer shifts are:

Saturday, September 10 from 9:00 to 12:00 pm

### Pendleton Place

Pendleton Place needs volunteers to help serve two of their clients who have recently been injured in a car accident. Volunteers are asked to help provide these clients with meals as they recover, now through September 16. A Sign-up Genius link is available for scheduling meals as well as providing more information on this outreach opportunity. Click [here](#) to access the Sign-up Genius Link.

### Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity needs volunteers to participate in the Abraham Interfaith Build. Located in Greenville's Nicholtown Community (425 Webster Road), the build will be the second of 29 homes to be built in the community. The build starts with a wall raising on September 7 and construction begins September 9.

The build dates for September are:

#### Saturday, September 10

Framing and Trusses/Sheathing,  
Blueboard, Caulking, Blocking

#### Thursday, September 15

Framing and Roofing/Sheathing,  
Blueboard, Caulking, Blocking

#### Saturday, September 17

Insulation, Exterior, Siding

Both morning (8:00 am - 12:00 pm) and afternoon (11:30 am - 3:30 pm) shifts are available. Lunch is provided for both shifts. If you are willing to volunteer or just want more information, please reach out to Ed Hogan, ESBC Habitat for Humanity liaison, at [ehoganbnc@gmail.com](mailto:ehoganbnc@gmail.com) or 864-423-9915.

### CENTENNIAL BANQUET PHOTOS

Click [here](#) to view the photos from our Centennial Celebration Banquet and Worship Service. Photography provided by Doug Smith of Greenville Production Services.



### UNITED MINISTRIES HOUSING FAMILIES IN NEED COLLECTING HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

United Ministries recently doubled the number of housing units, allowing them to provide shelter for more families. But they need our help in collecting household goods to furnish these new apartments. Their immediate need is for new twin and full-size sheet sets, mattress protectors, comforters, towels, bathmats, kid-friendly plates, bowls, cups, and cutlery. There will be a container in the Welcome Center on the 2nd floor for donations to help with this effort. Thank you for helping to meet the needs of our neighbors in need of shelter!

## From the Minister Of Music and Worship

Janice Hinnant (ext. 202) – [janice@ESBCgreenville.org](mailto:janice@ESBCgreenville.org)

#### Calling all 3rd – 5th graders!

If your child will be a 3rd – 5th grader this coming year, I hope he or she will consider serving as an acolyte in worship. Please contact me at [janice@esbcgreenville.org](mailto:janice@esbcgreenville.org) to sign your child up to acolyte, or if you have any questions. The opportunity to serve God can never start too early!

#### Sunday, September 11

4:15 pm—Youth Choir Super Sundae  
We will meet in the choir room (Room 306)  
and finish in the courtyard with ice cream!

5:30 pm—Earle Street Ringers rehearsal  
(Might be some ice cream in it for you, too!)



HELP US BRING BACK  
**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS!**

Can you help serve?  
Join us at this upcoming meeting!

WEDNESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 14TH  
5:15PM  
ROOM 203

**FALL CAMPING WEEKEND**

**TABLE ROCK STATE PARK**

October 7-9th



Contact Lucy to join!

