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CALL WEEKEND *Schedule*

FROM THE PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

Friday, October 16th

5:30 pm: Pizza supper, followed by an outdoor movie, Hocus Pocus, hosted by the Pumpkin Patch crew. Movie starts at 7:00 pm.

Saturday, October 17th

9:00 am: Coffee and Donuts in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 am: Question-and-Answer Session. This time is for all of the congregation to gather and fellowship, to ask any specific questions you may have, and to answer any specific questions the candidate and his wife may have of us.

11:00 am: Senior Adults – again, all are welcome. We will meet in Room 300.

12:00 pm: Lunch with the deacons and their families in the Fellowship Hall.

2:00 pm: Special time with retired pastors, music ministers, and the seminarians in our church.

Sunday, October 18th

The candidate will join the Greeters team, greeting you as you arrive for Sunday School and, at 9:15, will join the youth in their Sunday School classes.

He will be leading the worship service at **10:30 am**, and there will be a church conference after the service for the purpose of extending the call.

PROCEDURE FOR PASTORAL CANDIDATE VOTE

- Church members may sign in at the Welcome Center and pick up a ballot before Sunday School and between Sunday School and worship.
- After the worship service, church members who have not already signed in and gotten a ballot may do so in the sanctuary.
- Voting will take place in the sanctuary following the worship service, and the ballots will be counted after they have been collected.

ESTATE AND FINANCIAL PLANNING

SEMINAR

 **SUNDAY**
October 25

 **TIME**
12:00 pm
Free lunch provided.
Please register.

 **WEDNESDAY**
October 28

 **TIME**
6:00 pm

GUEST SPEAKERS



Philip Decallejon
Financial Advisor



AnneElizabeth Price
Trust and Estate Attorney of
Gallivan, White, Boyd



Steven Rau
Accountant

ESTATE PLANNING AND PLANNED GIVING SEMINAR

Sunday, October 25th
Wednesday, October 28th

Join us for a special Estate Planning & Planned Giving Seminar designed to help you think thoughtfully and prayerfully about your family's future and the legacy you want to leave.

The seminar will be offered at two times for your convenience. **Sunday, October 25** after the morning worship service and again **Wednesday, October 28**, following the church conference.

A free catered lunch will be provided on Sunday, October 25th. Please register at the link below so we can prepare enough food for everyone.

We will discuss wills and trusts, powers of attorney, beneficiary designations, charitable giving, and ways to support the ministries of Earle Street Baptist Church through thoughtful estate planning while at the same time maximizing your tax savings through your charitable giving. This seminar is for informational purposes only, and no products or financial services will be offered for sale.

The seminar will provide a way to have a positive impact long after you're no longer here and honor your friends and neighbors. We look forward to seeing you there. Everyone is welcome. Come learn, ask questions, and begin planning for tomorrow with confidence and faith.

[Register for the Luncheon](#)

JOIN US IN WORSHIP

Sunday, October 18th

9:15 am: Sunday School

10:30 am: Worship

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Anthem: *A Resting Place* by the Sanctuary Choir

Scripture: Acts 9:10-19a

Sermon: "Three Streets Away" by Pastoral Candidate

DEACON OF THE WEEK



Linda Kirkland and her husband Don have been members of Earle Street since 1995. Linda retired in 2021 from Greenville County Schools after teaching high school English for 50 years, 10 years at Greenville High and 36 years at Riverside High. Linda is a member of the Sanctuary Choir, Loaves and Fishes Sunday School Class, and the Senior Adult Ministry

IN MEMORIAM

TERRY HOBUS

February 21, 1958 - October 12, 2026

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Steven, Julie, Josiah and Chloe Rau** upon the recent death of Steven's father and Josiah and Chloe's grandfather.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Report for October 11, 2026

Sunday School Attendance 108

Worship Attendance

Sanctuary 140

Preschoolers and Children..... 15

Total..... 155

Online Views (as of 10/14/26) 121

BUDGET REPORT

Report for October 11, 2026

Weekly Budget Requirements.....\$15,713

Budget Gifts (this week)\$5,016

Budget Offering Requirements.....\$644,217

Budget Gifts to Date\$500,719

Global Missions Offering\$20,887

THANK YOU

Dear Sweet Earle Street Friends,

I am so touched by your kindness after the break of both of my wrists and kneecap a month ago! Your cards, emails, gift cards and dinners have truly warmed my heart. Thank you for all of your prayers. I'm doing so much better and hope to be there in person soon.

Love,
Kim Johnson

MINISTER ON CALL

October 16-18

Janice Hinnant

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Wednesday, October 21st

5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Main Entree

Pork Tenderloin, Macaroni and Cheese, Green Beans

Grilled Chicken Salad

Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Entree

Please make your reservations by 12:00 pm on Monday, October 19th. This is to give the caterer an accurate headcount. Please be aware that we may not be able to add you to the count if you miss the deadline.

Register for Wednesday Dinner



THE GREAT EARLE PUMPKIN PATCH

We are already ahead of where we were this time last year, and we still have so many fun things ahead!

This Friday, it's **Movie Night** in the Patch! We'll be watching Hocus Pocus, have pizza slices for purchase and free popcorn! On Sunday, we

will have **Pets and Pumpkins** from 2:00-4:00 pm. Bring your pets and use our costumes for fun fall pics!

We do have a few volunteer shifts that still need to be filled. If you need a different time for your shift, just let Lucy know! **A reminder if you are planning on going to Thailand or The Bronx this summer and are working in the patch to earn money towards your trip, you will need to work at least 3 shifts!** Thank you again for all the ways you are helping make this fundraiser such a success—and for helping us meet and connect with our neighbors! We are so grateful for all of you!

Volunteer in the Pumpkin Patch



TRUNK-OR-TREAT
October 24th
5:00 - 7:00 pm

Let's Make This Year's Trunk or Treat a Sweet Success!

Who's ready to decorate, dress up, and help make one of our biggest outreach events of the year a night to remember? We already have **25 trunks signed up and 8,300 pieces of candy collected**, and we're just getting started! We need your help to make this a fun, exciting night for the children in our community.

Whether you donate candy, decorate a trunk and hand out treats, operate the popcorn or cotton candy machines, or welcome guests and direct families to the restroom, there's a place for everyone to join the fun! Want to host a trunk but aren't sure where to start? Don't worry—our Boo Crew is here to help! We can provide a decorating kit or help you brainstorm a fun theme.

Our goal this year is **20,000 pieces of candy**—the same sweet number we handed out last year! We still have plenty of candy to collect, so every bag makes a difference. Let's see how quickly we can fill that gap!

Trunk or Treat is about so much more than costumes and candy. It's one of the ways Earle Street Baptist Church gets to love and serve our community. By opening our parking lot for a night of safe, family-friendly fun, we have the opportunity to become part of children's core memories while showing them that Earle Street is a place where they are welcomed, loved, and cared for. It's one sweet way we can remind our neighbors that **Earle Street is home to all who enter.**

Ready to join the fun? Sign up to host a trunk, donate candy, or volunteer to help make this night special for the children and families in our community!

Donate Candy - Amazon Wishlist

Decorate a Trunk

MADISON HAYES

SENIOR OF THE MONTH!

Age: 17 years old
Grade: 12th
School: Wade Hampton
Birthday: April 29th

My Siblings

- Serenity, 17

If I could eat one food for the rest of my life it would be...

Steak

ESBC notes

I have been attending ESBC since I was 3.

My favorite part of ESBC is the youth group and my favorite trip is the **Fall Retreat at Awanita Valley**. I love the hayrides and the hummer ride!

AWANITA 25

Favorite Bible Verse

Psalms 23:4
Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Plans For Next Year:

- Move to Florida and attend Daytona State College
- Major in Early Education
- I hope to teach 3rd grade or below

Please be in prayer for Madison this month and this year! If you would like to encourage her, please leave her a card in Lucy's box in the church office!



EARLEKIDS FALL BAKE SALE

Wednesday, October 21st // 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Our EarleKids are getting ready to put their baking skills to work for a wonderful cause! This fall, the children will be preparing a delicious assortment of homemade treats and seasonal favorites, all to benefit Habitat for Humanity. And this year, we're bringing the bake sale to The Great Earle Pumpkin Patch! Come grab a pumpkin, enjoy some fall fun, and take home something delicious while helping support the important work of Habitat for Humanity. We can't think of a sweeter way to give back this fall! Use the link below to sign up to supply items for the bake sale!

[Fall Bake Sale Items](#)

XYZ MONTHLY MEETING AND MEAL

For All Senior Adults!

Thursday, October 22nd

11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

Menu: Italian Baked Chicken, Mac & Cheese,
Green Bean Almondine, Pear Salad, Japanese Fruit Pie

Our very own Butch and Debbie Blume will be entertaining us with their musical talents! You don't want to miss this one! If you plan to join us for the luncheon, please click the link below to register or you may call the church office.

[Register for XYZ Lunch](#)



HALLOWEEN ON EARLE Saturday, October 31st

Every year, Earle Street becomes a destination for thousands of trick-or-treaters. Families drive from all over the Upstate to visit our little street. Our Earle Street neighbors are welcoming, embracing the festive chaos that is halloween. The past few years we have had a team pass out candy, open our building for restrooms, hand out information about the church and just be a smiling face to all. This year, instead of passing out candy we will be handing out slices of pizza!

If you are available to help, please sign up at the link below. In addition to setup and handing out pizza, we need delivery drivers to pick up the pizza! We've secured a great deal but need help getting it here. We know this month brings a lot of fun fall events and we thank you for supporting this one!

[Register for Halloween on Earle](#)

GOAL JUSTICE

Community Problems Assembly

Thursday, November 5th

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Earle Street Baptist is a member of Goal Justice (Greenville Organized for Accountable Leadership), an organization of over 34 faith organizations who strive to "do justice" in our community. In order to do this, each faith organization holds "house" meetings where members identify issues that concern them. When the issues are identified, the organizations meet in a Community Problems Assembly to vote on issues that the Goal Justice group will focus on and present to governmental organizations to encourage them to address them. This year's Community Problems Assembly will be held at Earle Street Baptist on Thursday, November 5, from 6:30 to 8:00.