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SENIOR ADULT SUNDAY

This Sunday, March 15th

10:30 am: Worship

12:00 pm: Luncheon

We are excited for Senior Adult Sunday. During worship, we will hear from some of our seniors (Blaun Bennett, Bert Kirby, and Joyce McCarrell) during the sermon! Following the worship service, all senior adults who previously registered are invited to join us for lunch.

AN UPDATE FROM THE PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

This week your Pastor Search Committee met with Bill Wilson and Frank Granger to detail plans for the kickoff of 40 Days of Prayer for our Pastor Search on Saturday, March 21 and for the Congregational Conversations on Sunday, March 22. We are excited and hope you can join us for both! Mark your calendars for the Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, March 21 at 9:00 am. There is no charge for breakfast but registration is requested so we know how much to prepare. In addition, note that on Sunday, March 22 we will have coffee and biscuits at 8:30 am and congregational conversations at 9:00 am during the Sunday School hour. **For this Sunday only, worship will begin at 11:00 am.**

PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 21

9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

We will kick-off our 40 Days of Prayer for our Pastor Search. There is no charge for the breakfast. Please register by clicking below so we can prepare enough for everyone!

[Prayer Breakfast Reservations](#)

BREAKFAST AND CONVERSATIONS

Sunday, March 22

There is no charge for the meal and no registration required! Everyone (6th grade and up) is welcome to attend. Childcare will be provided through 5th grade.

8:30 am: Coffee and Biscuits

9:00-10:30 am: Congregational Conversations

11:00 am: Worship in the Sanctuary



EASTER POTLUCK BREAKFAST AND EGG HUNT

Sunday, April 5th

9:00 am: Potluck Breakfast

9:45 am: Egg Hunt

10:30 am: Worship

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for a joyful Easter morning together! Bring your favorite breakfast casserole or dish to share as we gather for food, fellowship, and celebration. After breakfast, children are invited to enjoy a fun Easter Egg Hunt—and adults are welcome to follow along and cheer them on!

[Breakfast Reservations](#)

Spring
BREAK

NO WEDNESDAY
NIGHT ACTIVITIES

JOIN US IN WORSHIP

Sunday, March 15

9:15 am: Sunday School

10:30 am: Worship

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Senior Adult Sunday

Anthem: *My Jesus, I Love Thee* by the Senior Adult Choir

Testimonies: Blaun Bennett, Bert Kirby,
and Joyce McCarrell

DEACON OF THE WEEK



Keith Merck is our deacon of the week. He is a life time member of Earle Street Baptist Church starting on the cradle roll. He is married to Vicki Carlton Merck, another long-time member. He currently serves as Treasurer, Property & Grounds Committee, Usher, History Team and is a member of the Sojourners Sunday School Class.

RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED

Pat Riddle

MINISTER ON CALL

March 13-15

Lucy Wilkinson

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ATTENDANCE REPORT

Sunday School Attendance

Sunday School..... 113

Worship Attendance

Sanctuary120

Preschoolers and Children..... 13

Total..... 133

Online Views (as of 3/12/26)..... 108

BUDGET REPORT

Report for March 1, 2026

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

Budget Gifts (this week)\$7,220

Budget Offering Requirements.....\$141,414

Budget Gifts to Date.....\$113,961

Global Missions Offering.....\$6,840

Report for March 8, 2026

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

Budget Gifts (this week)\$6,432

Budget Offering Requirements.....\$157,126

Budget Gifts to Date.....\$120,393

Global Missions Offering.....\$6,975

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 29

10:30 am in the Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday Communion Service

Thursday, April 2

7:00 pm in the Sanctuary

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

Friday, April 3

7:00 pm in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday Celebration

Sunday, April 5

9:00 am: Potluck Breakfast

9:45 am: Easter Egg Hunt

10:30: Worship Service

*All are invited to bring flowers to place on
the flowering cross outside the sanctuary.*

From the Minister Of Music and Worship

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

Senior Adult Choir—This Sunday is Senior Adult Sunday. If you are a Senior Adult (which means you have received something in the mail from AARP), you may be a part of the choir on Sunday. Please plan to be in the choir room on Sunday morning at 10:00 am to rehearse.

Youth Ensemble & Youth Handbells—We will not rehearse this Sunday due to spring break, but I will see you on March 22!

Earle Street Ringers—We will rehearse at our normal 5:15 pm time this Sunday.

**XYZ MONTHLY MEETING AND MEAL
For All Senior Adults!
Thursday, March 26th
11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall**

XYZ will host Lynn McQueen, Director of Community Outreach of Martha Franks Baptist Retirement Community. Lynn will coach us on safety and technology tips. Please RSVP using the link below if you plan to join us for lunch. You may also call the church office to make your reservation.

[XYZ Reservations](#)

BELT DONATIONS NEEDED

Teenage students at the Sullivan Center in Greenville are in need of belts. Students are required to wear a belt to be in dress code while they attend classes. These students are ages 16-18 and need adult size belts. New or gently used belts can be placed in the Welcome Center. Alfred Johnson will collect the belts and distribute them to the students in need.



OPERATION INASMUCH
A Compassion Revolution

SATURDAY APRIL 25
8:00 - Breakfast
9:00 - Group photo with projects following.
2:00-5:00 Church Without Walls Community Picnic at Belle Meade Apartments 25 Fleetwood Drive Greenville SC 29605

WAYS YOU CAN SERVE

- Breakfast Crew
- Triune Mercy Center: mulch project
- Children's Project: beautifying the entrances of the church.
- Judson Community Partnership: bus cleanup
- Notes of Encouragement
- Laundry & Lemonade
- Rebuild Upstate: ramp project
- Packing travel bags for Marie Younts
- Church Without Walls: picnic set-up

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OPERATION INASMUCH
Saturday, April 25th

Inspired by Gospel of Matthew 25:40 — “Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me” — Operation InAsMuch is all about turning our faith into action. This is a church-wide opportunity to step outside our walls and serve others in practical, meaningful ways.

This year, we are offering seven different service projects, giving everyone a chance to participate in a way that matches their gifts, interests, and abilities. Whether you enjoy hands-on work, encouraging others, organizing, cleaning, or building there is a place for you!

We will be serving Chick-fil-A biscuits at 8:00am. Please sign up for breakfast so we will have a good count for breakfast.

In the afternoon, we will host a cookout from 2:00–5:00 pm at a local apartment complex in partnership with The Church Without Walls. We encourage you to sign up for a morning service project and then join us for this special time of fellowship and outreach in the afternoon.

Please click the link below to view all available service opportunities and sign up. We look forward to serving together!

[OIAM Breakfast Reservations](#)

[OIAM Projects](#)

**THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT:
How Walking In The Spirit Impacts The World In
Which We Live And Serve
Adult Winter Discipleship Group
Wednesdays at 6:00 pm**

March 18: No Activities (Spring Break)

March 25: "Walking in the Spirit of Kindness"
Led by Meredith Smith

April 1: No Activities (Holy Week)

April 8: "Walking in the Spirit of Goodness"
Led by Gary Strickland

April 15: "Walking in the Spirit of Faithfulness"
Led by Bob Walker

Food Drive to Support



We invite you to prayerfully consider donating the following items:

- Rice, pasta, dry beans, and lentils
- Canned vegetables and fruits
- Canned proteins (tuna, chicken, beans)
- All purpose flour
- Cooking oil and basic spices (sugar, salt, garlic powder, etc.)
- Baby formula and diapers
- Culturally diverse, shelf-stable foods

Collection will be in the Welcome Center.



FOOD DRIVE TO SUPPORT RISE CAROLINA

As part of our mission to love our neighbors and serve those in need, our church is hosting a food drive to benefit Rise Carolina, a local organization that supports refugees and immigrants as they begin new lives in our community. Refugees and Immigrants face many barriers such as limited transportation, language differences, and the high cost of resettlement. We will be collecting shelf stable and culturally appropriate food as well as baby supply items in the ESBC Welcome Center.

Let us be the hands and feet of Christ by extending hospitality, compassion, and practical support to our new neighbors. Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness in serving others.

THE JULIE VALENTINE CENTER PRESENTS...

INTERNET SAFETY & GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

SUNDAY
APRIL 26TH

5:00PM FREE MEAL (REGISTER IN ADVANCE)
5:30-7:00PM YOUTH TRAINING + ADULT TRAINING

INTERNET SAFETY TRAINING

Sunday, April 26th

5:00 pm: Free Dinner (Please register below.)

5:30 - 7:00 pm: Training

The Julie Valentine Center will be leading our youth and adults through Internet Safety Training and Generative Artificial Intelligence. This training is open to youth and adults of all ages. Childcare will be provided if there is interest. More details will be provided soon. If you plan to join for the free meal before training, please sign up below. You may also call the church office at 864-233-5332.

[Internet Safety Training](#)

THE GREATER WAY FUND

The Greater Way Fund was established in August 2024 to be used for additional funding for current mission partners, mission emergencies, spontaneous needs that arise or new mission opportunities. The Mission Vision Council has been tasked with evaluating opportunities presented by mission partners and other non-profits.

If you believe that your organization would benefit from The Greater Way Fund, please click the link below and fill out the request form. We will prayerfully consider your organization's mission and request. Thank you for the work that you are doing.

[The Greater Way Fund Request](#)