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## FROM THE PASTOR Stephen Clyborne

Did you get my letter last week? In this year, as we prepare for our 100th anniversary as a church, we will be looking back and celebrating the vision that God planted in the hearts of the pastor and people of Central Baptist Church. It was a God-sized dream; and because faithful people were willing to leave the comfort and familiarity of our mother church and venture out in faith, Earle Street Baptist Church was born. Meeting under a tent during warm weather, and in houses during cold weather, our congregation proved that the church is not, and never has been, a building. From March of 1922 until November of 1923 when the sanctuary was completed, our spiritual ancestors worshiped and served together and laid a strong foundation upon which future generations would build.

Over the next year, we will be highlighting significant historical milestones leading up to the formation of our church on March 12, 1922. But at the same time that we are looking back, we will be looking forward to the future that God has in store for us, and will be involved in a church-wide venture of dreaming again.

The whole process will be saturated with prayer: prayers of thanksgiving for our past, prayers for wisdom in evaluating our present, and prayers for clarity as we prepare for the future. The first phase of prayer will be prayers of thanksgiving for our heritage. When you think about the recent or distant past of our church, what are the blessings for which you are most thankful? Consider putting your prayers in writing and be prepared to share them with us.

We have such a vibrant history to celebrate. Everything we are doing now and will be doing in the future will be built on what has been done in our past. The God who has been our help in ages past is our hope for years to come. I am so thankful to have been a part of this church's past, and am so excited to be a part of its future - - along with you.



**TICKETS ON SALE ONLINE**

@ESBCGREENVILLE.ORG  
APRIL 4-25

## ADULT BIBLE STUDY SERIES

*New Testament Lessons from  
Old Testament Prophets*

**Beginning Wednesday, April 14**

**6:00 pm in the Sanctuary/Live Stream via YouTube**

Sometimes we read the Old Testament as if it were disconnected from the New Testament, and we read the whole Bible as if it were disconnected from our everyday lives. In this series, we will be looking at some of the messages from the Old Testament prophets that not only connect with the New Testament, but directly apply to our lives today.

As a part of our in-person gatherings on Wednesday evenings this spring, we will have an adult Bible study series entitled "New Testament Lessons from Old Testament Prophets." This study, taught by Stephen and Chuck, will take place in the Sanctuary from 6:00 – 7:00 pm. We will also live stream this study for folks who are not able to be present for any reason. The archived live stream will also be available on our web site.

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## NEW IN-PERSON WORSHIP OPTIONS

We now have new options available for our in-person worship services. Please note the differences in the options below and choose the service that best suits your needs and desires.

### 9:00 am Sunday Worship

- Masks required
- Congregational singing
- Childcare provided for preschoolers

### 11:00 am Sunday Worship

- Masks optional
- No congregational singing for now
- No childcare provided for preschoolers for now

We have discontinued the use of the registration system for worship. Seating in our sanctuary will still be limited in order to allow for social distancing but worshippers will be able to choose their own seats from the seating available.

## ONLINE WORSHIP OPTIONS

We will continue to live stream both of our worship services via the church's YouTube channel. These services are also archived for viewing at a later date on the YouTube channel as well as our web site.

## JOIN US IN WORSHIP

**Sunday, April 18**  
**9:00 am and 11:00 am**

*Third Sunday of Easter*  
*Parent/Child Dedication (9:00 am)*

**Hadley Leone Clow**, born December 2, 2015  
**Callum Brian David Clow**, born May 13, 2020  
Daughter and son of Brian and Brittney Clow

**Prelude:** *Bound for the Promised Land*  
by Hannah Grace Kincaid, Terri Headley,  
Noellen Groff, and Lori Stenhouse

**Solo:** *Thy Word Is Like a Garden/Wonderful Words  
of Life* by Randy Blackburn, organ

**Scripture:** Luke 24:36b-48

**Sermon:** "How to Understand the Bible"  
by Stephen Clyborne

## RESUMPTION OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

We have begun gathering again on Wednesday evenings.  
There are opportunities for all ages from 6-7 pm.

### Preschoolers and Children

- Bible Study and Activities
- First and Second Floor of Main Building

### Youth

- Open Gym at 5:00 pm & Bible Study at 6:00 pm
- Gym and Family Life Center

### Adults

- Bible Study led by Stephen and Chuck:  
New Testament Lessons from Old Testament  
Prophets
- Sanctuary and Live-streamed on YouTube

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## From the Minister To Preschoolers and Children

Karli Selz (ext. 209) – [karli@ESBCgreenville.org](mailto:karli@ESBCgreenville.org)

### Pinwheel Garden

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. Pinwheels are the national symbol of the happy, healthy childhoods that we want for all children and pinwheels are the most visible way to show support for child abuse prevention. On Friday, April 16, we will be joining the many across South Carolina planting pinwheel gardens to represent the seeds of a better tomorrow for children and families.

### Earle Street Academy Summer Camp

At summer camp, each child's day will be filled with music, centers, art, creative Bible teaching, outdoor play time and gym time! There are 9 themed weeks of camp. This year, parents have the option to pick and choose which weeks they need or they can choose to register for monthly sessions at a discounted rate. Camp begins June 1, 2021 and goes through August 6, 2021. There is a one-time \$50 registration fee. Please visit [www.earlestreetacademy.org](http://www.earlestreetacademy.org) or contact Julie Branyon at 233-5332, ext. 207 for more information!

## RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED

Hugh Badger Tracy Cheatham  
Eric Livingston Rosemary Plumblee

## ATTENDANCE REPORT

### Week of April 11, 2021

#### Sunday School Attendance

On-campus .....	79
Virtual.....	62
Total.....	141

#### Worship Attendance

On-campus .....	187
Virtual.....	188
Total.....	375

## BUDGET REPORT

### Week of April 11, 2021

Weekly Budget Requirements.....	\$27,406
Budget Gifts (this week) .....	\$18,257
Budget Requirements to Date .....	\$411,090
Budget Gifts to Date .....	\$364,959

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## From the Minister Of Music and Worship

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

**Earle Street Ringers**—Group A will meet at 8:15 to rehearse for worship. See you Sunday!