

Prayer?

Please list your prayer requests with detailed information of people in need. Thank you!

Name
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Confidential for Pastors only

Deacon Nominations.

Please PRINT your name and contact info on the opposite side of this tear-off.

___ Yes, I am a member of ECBC in good standing and, after prayerful consideration, would like to nominate the following men for the office of Deacon. Unsigned or illegible nominations are not valid.

Deacon Nomination(s):

Member Signature:

Print Name:

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Staff.



Rose Anderson
Women



Van Barnhill
High School



Danny Beech
Equipping



Leland Brown
Young Adults



Dave Bruner
Global Impact



Mike Doll
Orchestra



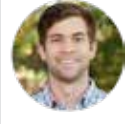
Craig Harris
Shepherding



Dean Henderson
Worship



Will Kramer
Middle School



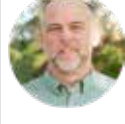
Dustin Raley
Worship



Matt Reagan
Campus Outreach



Carl Schooling
Pastoral Care



Steve Tuck
Children & Family



JD Zubia
PCA Headmaster

Sermon.

Speaker: Pastor Buster Brown
Today's Message: Gospel Root System
Today's Text: Colossians 3:9-11

"Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all." Colossians 3:9-11

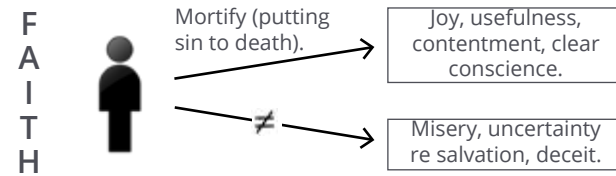
As the believer is continuously renewed by the gospel all distinctions of race, religion, culture, and economics fade into the background.

1. To maintain the wonder of the work of Christ I must be continuously renewed in my thinking (and emotions).

"We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin." Romans 6:6

"Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit." 2 Corinthians 3:17-18

"So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day." 2 Corinthians 4:16



2. My calling as a disciple of Christ is my primary identity (which obliterates all others).
3. The reality of the forgiveness of sin by the cross gives inherent/imputed DIGNITY to all believers.

"Our weak batteries can be recharged by a jump cable that reconnects believers to the divine current held in store for us by our supernatural Creator, Preserver, and Redeemer. We rely too much on our own finite power and world energy; we are dazzled by technology more than by theology and morality. To gain God's empowerment for mission we must first acknowledge our vulnerabilities and our spiritual immaturity. Beyond our lifetime, if Christ carries, others will run the relay and carry the torch. For us, in the rocky terrain of the present-day cultural conflict, the time is now, and the race is now." Gods of This Age or God of the Ages, Carl F.H. Henry, pg. 43

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Sermon.

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"The race (of faith and faithful scholarship) requires what the author of Hebrews calls throwing off hindrances and running with perseverance. But most of all it requires keeping the prize always in view: "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." For Christian life, including Christian academic life, to press on without growing weary and not losing heart, the scriptural injunction is simply to "consider him" (Heb. 12:2-3). And so for scholarship that is Christian, the essential ingredients are the same as for family life, politics, community service, economic activity, medical care, or any other activity that would be Christian. Those ingredients are prayer that returns to the source of forgiveness and hope, service that goes into the world in Christ's name, Bible reading or preaching or catechesis that rehearses the story of salvation, sacraments that instantiate the presence of Christ, fellowship that draws believers to each other and to their Lord, singing that inspires love of God and neighbor, sympathy that turns hearts toward the suffering, and meditation that draws the mind to God." Jesus Christ and the Life of the Mind, Mark A. Noll, pg. 148

Questions for discussion:

1. Why are we "leaky buckets"?
2. How are we continuously renewed in our faith? How does this renewal maintain the wonder of the gospel?
3. What are some distinctions which the gospel overcomes/obliterates?
4. How does the gospel give dignity to all believers?
5. What are some "outside the comfort zone" applications that should be explored?

Building a Christian world and life view:

Podcasts:

Al Mohler's "The Briefing,":
albertmohler.com/category/podcast/the-briefing

Ravi Zachariah's Ministries:
rzim.org/just-thinking-broadcasts

The Mortification of Spin: alliancenet.org/mos/podcast

Gospel Coalition: thegospelcoalition.org

Desiring God: desiringgod.org



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Welcome.

We're glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new to East Cooper Baptist, we would love to meet you. Please stop by the Welcome Center following the worship services to say hello and let us answer any questions you may have. Thanks for being our guest.

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Traditional Worship / Sunday Bible Classes
Sanctuary 9:00a & 10:45a
Contemporary Worship / Sunday Bible Classes
Worship Center 9:00a & 10:45a



Next Steps.

1. Attend a Guest Luncheon

Get to know us better at our next Guest Luncheon and see what God has in store for you. You'll meet our pastor and some of our staff, and enjoy fellowship with a great meal. Our next free luncheon is TODAY at 12:15p in the Gym. See you there!

2. Find an equip•u Class

Our equip•u classes are groups that meet before or after the worship services to study the Bible in depth. Visit the Welcome Center to pick up an equip•u guide or go online to choose from a variety of classes. Register for track classes at eastcooperbaptist.com/classes.

3. Join a Community Group

An authentic biblical community provides a place where we can grow, learn, and serve as we seek to know Jesus. We have a variety of over 30 open groups from students to adults. Please go online today to locate a group near you. eastcooperbaptist.com/groups

4. Become a Member

Register online for our upcoming New Members Class on Saturday, March 24. This class is a basic introduction to our church family and is a requirement for joining the church. We designed this class to clearly explain what we at East Cooper Baptist believe.

5. Serve in equip•them

Equip•them is the serving arm for Sunday morning ministries. We have nearly 600 opportunities to serve. Some needs require 15 minutes before the service, others may require the whole equipping hour. eastcooperbaptist.com/serve

Childcare.



We have a safe and loving environment for your children where they can learn about God. Please take advantage of our nursery for children up to age three during the worship services. Our ushers are ready to assist you.



This Week.

For detailed information please go online.

SUN

MAR 11

Equip•u Classes
9:00a & 10:45a
Guest Luncheon
12:15p Gym
HSM D-Groups
5:00-7:00p Host homes

MON

MAR 12

Reengage Marriage Program
6:30-8:30p D-Wing Choir Room
EC Sports
6:30-8:30p Gym

TUE

MAR 13

Women's Bible Study
9:30-11:30a Worship Center
Worship Band Rehearsal
6:30p Worship Center

WED

MAR 14

Primetime Adults Lunch & Learn
12:00p D-Wing Choir Room
WAM
5:30-6:30p A-Wing Classrooms
Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal
6:30-8:00p Choir Room
MSM T4:12
6:30-8:00p Gym
Women's Bible Study
6:30-8:00pm B218/B219

THU

MAR 15

Women's Bible Study
9:30-11:30a D-Wing Choir Room
EC Sports
6:30-8:30p Gym
Young Adults Connect
7:00p Annex

FRI

MAR 16

Man2Man
6:20a Gym
Father/Son Campout
Fri-Sun Broxton Plantation

SAT

MAR 17

Primetime Adults Day Trip
9:30a ECBC to SC Aquarium

THIS MONTH: COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Throughout the month of March we are featuring all of our local ministries in the area of helping those in need in our community. This includes helping with the homeless and people or families in crisis situations. Stop by the kiosk in the Welcome Center to find information on ministries like:



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Upcoming.

For detailed event information please go online.

TODAY If you've been visiting, we want to invite you to our Guest Luncheon. At this lunch you'll meet some of our pastors, staff, and other church members! It's a great place to get to know other people or ask questions. **PLAN TO ATTEND**



TODAY This spring is a great time to get equipped. Equip•u is the place to advance in YOUR biblical understanding and doctrinal application. It is a series of classes that builds upon itself and can be completed in three years. **REGISTER ONLINE**



TODAY If you have an interest or talent in floral arranging the ECBC Floral Guild could use your help. For more information contact: Dean at deanh@eastcooperbaptist.com or Sharon Cass at scass1@comcast.net. **VOLUNTEER TODAY**



MAR 24 In this class you will learn more about what we believe as a church and how you can become a member of ECBC. Childcare is available so please register by March 22. Breakfast and lunch are provided. **REGISTER ONLINE**



MAR 26 Families Count needs mentors and volunteers for the upcoming classes. Through this class, volunteers will care for parents who are working to fulfill a court-ordered plan for reunification with their children. Contact Michelle at micheller@eastcooperbaptist.com.



MAR 30 Join us on Good Friday at 6:30p in the Sanctuary as we come together for a special service in honor of the work Christ did for us on the cross. Childcare is available for birth through 3 years old. All other children are invited to sit with parents in the Worship service.



APR 1 Make plans to join us Easter Sunday as we celebrate our risen Savior and Lord. Services in the Worship Center will be at 8:00a, 9:30a, & 11:00a and 9:30a & 11:00a in the Sanctuary. Invite a friend and come enjoy the morning!



APR 13-14 Each spring, we have our annual Father & Daughter Campout. This is a great way for fathers and daughters to connect with each other, form lasting memories, and get to know other dads and their daughters. **REGISTER ONLINE**



NEW TO ECBC?
After the service, stop by the Welcome Center

Please complete the perforated section and place in the offering plate or bring by the Welcome Center.

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Hello.

If you're here for the first time, please come by our Welcome Center and say hello. We'd love to answer any questions and say thanks for being our special guest today.

I/We attended worship at:

9:00am 10:45am

I am a first time guest

Name

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Address

City

State

Zip

Mobile

Spouse Mobile

Email

Spouse Email

Preferred method of contact:

Call Text Email

Interested in the following:

- Become a Christian
- Join the Church
- Request a personal visit
- Subscribe to newsletter
- Join a Community Group
- Other