

# Pray.

Last Sunday, we ordained our new elders and deacons. Please pray for these men and their families as they begin to serve this new ministry year.

## NEW ELDERS

Michael Blakeley  
Joey Fadul  
Scott Gardner  
Thomas Grooms  
Doug Hunter  
Ron Kessinger  
David Preston  
Brian Ralph  
Bob Tennyson\*  
Derek Walden\*  
Josh Watson  
Mike Weeks\*  
Alan Wilson

## NEW DEACONS

Ken Betancourt  
Paul Buhler  
Eddie Hudson  
Michael Janaskie  
Mitch Jones  
John Kornegay  
Chris Kuzdale  
Derek Mathis  
Kent Patrick  
Jim Taylor  
Joe Weston

\*previously ordained

# 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:** Buster Brown, *Senior Pastor*

**Message:** Transformative Learning in the Life of Peter

**Text:** 1 Peter 1:1-2

*To those who are elect exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, 2 according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.*  
**1 Peter 1:1-2**

A disciple is a forgiven sinner who is **CONSTANTLY LEARNING** Jesus in **REPENTANCE** and **FAITH**.

Transformative learning is often humbling, painful, and disconcerting but always leads to human flourishing.

### Crisis Events in Peter's Life

#### 1. Luke 5:4-8

*"And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.' And Simon answered, 'Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.' And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. 8 But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.'"*

Is Christ the all knowing Lord or am I to determine my way/life?

*"O simple ones, learn prudence; O fools, learn sense. 6 Hear, for I will speak noble things, and from my lips will come what is right..."*  
**Proverbs 8:5-6**

*"Take my instruction instead of silver, and knowledge rather than choice gold, 11 for wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her."*  
**Proverbs 8:10-11**

#### 2. Matthew 14:25-32

Is my reference point the reality of Christ or is my focus on the "strong winds" of circumstances?

With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you. **1 Peter 4:4**

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"Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. 13 But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. 14 If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you."

#### 3. Luke 22:60-62

Am I going to walk in repentance or willful stubbornness? Is Christ able and willing to forgive and restore me?

#### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Why is learning from Christ painful (at times) and beneficial (all the time)?
2. If Christ is the good shepherd who loves eternally, and he is all wise... what should my response be?
3. Why is it good to sometimes "weep bitterly" in repenting? (Are you "groaning" Romans 8:23, 26)
4. Why did Peter spontaneously jump out of the boat? (John 21:7)
5. To what does "sprinkling by His blood" refer?

"What though the vile accuser roar, of ills that I have done! I know them well, and thousands more: Jehovah findeth none."

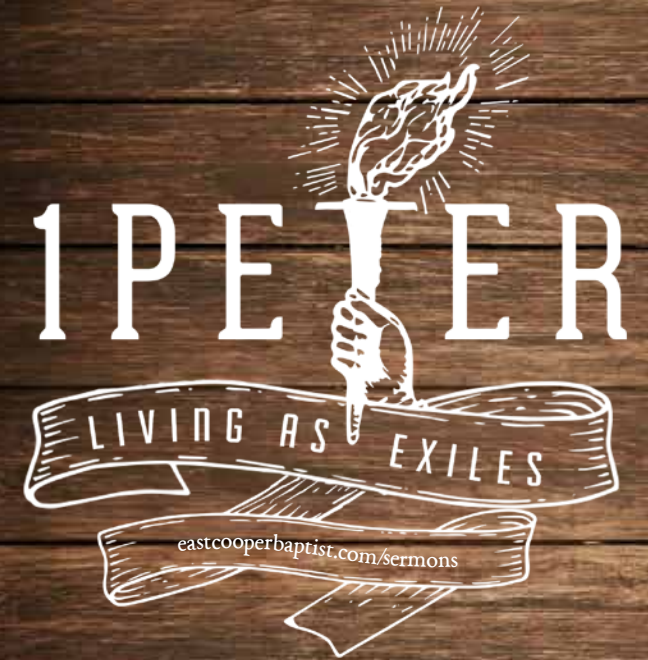
Hymn: What Though the Accuser Roar!



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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 Equip•u Classes**  
Sanctuary 9:00a & 10:45a  
**Contemporary Worship / Sunday Equip•u 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. For more information, please contact Carol at [carolw@eastcooperbaptist.com](mailto:carolw@eastcooperbaptist.com).

### 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](http://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](http://eastcooperbaptist.com/groups)

### 4. Become a Member

Register online for our upcoming New Members Class on Saturday, **August 17**. 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 believe at East Cooper Baptist.

### 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](http://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

AUG 11

Equip•u Classes  
9:00a & 10:45a  
CG Leader Training  
10:45a-12:15p Gym  
Guest Luncheon  
12:15p Gym

MON

AUG 12

Reengage Marriage Program  
6:30-8:30p D203 Choir Room

TUE

AUG 13

Womens Book Club  
6:30-8:30p Host Home  
Worship Band Rehearsal  
6:30-8:30p Worship Center

WED

AUG 14

Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal  
6:30-8:00p D203 Choir Room

SAT

AUG 17

New Members Class  
8:00a-1:00p D203 Choir Room  
Prime Time Adult Luncheon  
12:00-2:00p Welcome Center



If you are new to East Cooper Baptist or have been worshipping with us for a while, we would like to meet you and say hello today at our Guest Luncheon.

Come and get to know us better by meeting a few of our pastors and church members while enjoying a great meal. The lunch is free and held in the Gym after the second service at 12:15p.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



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## Upcoming.

For detailed event information please go online.

**AUG 17** In this class you will learn more about what we believe as a church, ways that you can be more involved, and how you can become a member. This is a great way to get to know other people at ECBC. Childcare is available. **REGISTER TODAY**



**TODAY** Are you looking for a place to serve? One area we need your help in is the Coffee Team! We need help setting up and serve coffee on Sunday mornings. This team serves on rotation. Please email if you are interested in serving. [info@eastcooperbaptist.com](mailto:info@eastcooperbaptist.com)



**AUG 18** GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Contact Carl at [carls@eastcooperbaptist.com](mailto:carls@eastcooperbaptist.com) for more information. **MORE INFO ONLINE**



**WEEK OF SEPT 8** An authentic biblical community provides the place where we can grow, learn, and serve as we seek to know Jesus. For us, these communities are built around small groups. You can find a list of open groups on our website. **REGISTER ONLINE**



## Ways to Serve the Next Generation

### Children's Ministry

Volunteers in our nursery, preschool, and children's ministries have the opportunity to shepherd and care for our littlest ones during worship services through singing, dancing, and teaching the truth of God's Word.



### Student Ministry

Volunteers in our Middle and High School ministries get the opportunity to build and foster relationships with students while ministering to them through the teaching of Scripture, worship, and intentional discipleship.



To learn how to serve go to [eastcooperbaptist.com/serve](http://eastcooperbaptist.com/serve)

# 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.

## Hello.

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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:

9:00a  10:45a

I am a first time guest

Name

Spouse

Birthdate

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State

Zip

Mobile

Spouse Mobile

Email

Spouse Email

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