






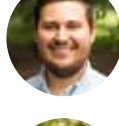








Prayer?

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

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-  **Rose Anderson**
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-  **Van Barnhill**
Men
-  **Danny Beech**
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-  **Dave Bruner**
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-  **Jordan Causey**
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-  **Mike Doll**
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High School
-  **Craig Harris**
Local Impact
-  **Dean Henderson**
Worship
-  **Dustin Raley**
Worship
-  **Matt Reagan**
Campus Outreach
-  **Steve Tuck**
Children & Family
-  **JD Zubia**
PCA Headmaster

Sermon.

Speaker: Buster Brown, Senior Pastor

Message: Joyful Seriousness

Text: Luke 19:11-15

"¹¹As they heard these things, he proceeded to tell a parable, because he was near to Jerusalem, and because they supposed that the kingdom of God was to appear immediately. ¹²He said therefore, "A nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and then return. ¹³Calling ten of his servants,[a] he gave them ten minas,[b] and said to them, 'Engage in business until I come.' ¹⁴But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this man to reign over us.' ¹⁵When he returned, having received the kingdom, he ordered these servants to whom he had given the money to be called to him, that he might know what they had gained by doing business.'" Luke 19:11-15

"It did not really matter what we expected from life, but rather what life expected from us. We needed to stop asking about the meaning of life, and instead to think of ourselves as those who were being questioned by life—daily and hourly. Our answer must consist, not in talk and meditation, but in right action and in right conduct." Viktor Frankl, Austrian Holocaust survivor and author of "Man's Search for Meaning"

"Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player that struts and frets his hour upon the stage and then is heard no more." William Shakespeare, Macbeth

"The load, or weight, or burden of my neighbor's glory should be laid daily on my back . . . There are no ordinary people. You have never talked to a mere mortal." C. S. Lewis

³When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, ⁴what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? ⁵Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings[a] and crowned him with glory and honor. ⁶You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, ⁷all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, ⁸the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. Psalm 8:3-8

LIVING WITH SIGNIFICANCE I.E. JOYFUL SERIOUSNESS

1. Continually live with an understanding of the centrality of the cross work of Jesus. *"Because He was near to Jerusalem . . ." Luke 18:31-34*

As we live with an understanding of the cross we will find our rest in Him. (John 8:31-32, Ephesians 4:17)

The cross of Christ is our reference point.

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Sermon.

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2. We embrace the kingdom of God AS THE RULE OF GOD IN HIS PEOPLE IN HIS CREATED ORDER.

Q. What does the second petition mean?

A. *"Your kingdom come"* means: 1. Rule us by your Word and Spirit in such a way that more and more we submit to you. 2. Preserve your church and make it grow. 3. Destroy the devil's work; destroy every force which revolts against you and every conspiracy against your holy Word. 4. Do this until your kingdom fully comes, when you will be all in all. **Heidelberg Catechism, Question 123**

3. Significance is found in embracing with joyful seriousness our calling, giftedness, and accountability to the Father. *"The task of the church is to make the invisible kingdom visible."* **John Calvin**

"But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing." **James 1:25**

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Why is the quote by Victor Frankl an example of nobility of purpose that lacks a foundation?
2. Why does C. S. Lewis say that man is significant? How was his statement in line with the concept expressed by the Psalmist in Psalm 8:3-8?
3. According to Luke 19:11 Jesus told this parable for two reasons. What were the two reasons?
4. Define the "kingdom of God." This week I will make the kingdom of God more visible in my _____ by _____. (Think of two to three areas that you can make application regarding the kingdom of God.)
5. Pray through Heidelberg Catechism Question 123 and ask the Lord to give you wisdom in extending His rule in your circle of influence.



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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 anyone with a blue name-tag and let us answer any questions you may have. Thanks for being our guest.

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Sanctuary 9:30a & 10:45a
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Worship Center 9:30a & 10:45a

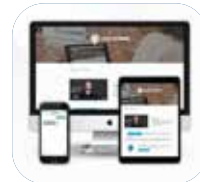
Ways to Give.

Giving is part of our worship to God. Through your faithful giving, God continues to change lives here in our area and around the world.



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Please wear a face mask while you are in the building. We can provide one if needed.



Please be mindful of others and practice social distancing throughout the building.



Sundays

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Children's Ministry

Classes for birth-K5 will be offered during both worship hours. We encourage older children to worship with their parents at 9:30a and then age specific classes will be held at 10:45a.

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Student Ministry

Middle school students meet in B217, 218, & 219 at 10:45a. High school students meet in the Annex at 10:45a.

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We have classes available at both 9:30a & 10:45a:

- Living Like A First Century Christian** walks us through the book of Acts to see how the first century Christians lived out the mission of God. Meets in B220, 221, & 222 at 9:30a.
- D6 Family Discipleship** is a class geared towards parents with children. It will cover the same Biblical content as our children and student classes. We hope that this will provide an opportunity to talk about what you both are learning! Meets in the gym at 10:45a.
- Philippians** class will take a section of the text each week and give you step-by-step tools on how to study and apply the scripture. This class is taught by Leland Brown in B220, 221, & 222 at 10:45a.

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PRAY FOR OUR NATION

Every Monday at 6:30pm from now until the election, we will be praying for our nation. On Monday, November 2 we will have a day of Prayer and Fasting right before Election Day.

PLAN TO PRAY.



NOVEMBER EQUIP•U CLASS

For the month of November, we will be offering a new equip•u class on Sundays at 10:45am in rooms B220, 221, & 222. Rick Mosteller will be teaching on the book of Psalms.

SEE YOU THERE.



LOWCOUNTRY WALK FOR LIFE

Join our team and help us raise funds to help sustain the ministry of the Lowcountry Pregnancy Center. November 7 from 10:00am-3:00pm at North Charleston Wannamaker County Park.

REGISTER ONLINE.



SERVE ON SUNDAYS

Are you interested in helping out in the Children's Ministry? If so, we would love to help you use your gifts to serve the church. Visit eastcooperbaptist.com/serve to sign up.

VOLUNTEER TODAY.



Financial Update.

Giving Year-to-date \$ 1,064,394 (fiscal year: August 1, 2020-July 31, 2021)
Ministry Expenses \$ 1,015,144

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10.18.20

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