

First News

November 28, 2018

Embracing God, Equipping Christ-Followers, Engaging Our World



Christmas In The Aire

Saturday, December 8 • 7:00pm • Outdoors

Sunday, December 9 • 5:00pm • Indoors

Invite your neighbors and friends to this annual event. Our outdoor concert will include a full live nativity with animals. Our indoor concert will also have a live nativity, as well as many of our music groups. Each performance will include familiar Christmas songs for audience participation, with refreshments provided on Saturday evening. In case of inclement weather on Saturday, the concert will be held indoors.



Randy Shepley will begin Simply Christmas a sermon series on Advent this Sunday, December 2 at 8:30am & 11:00am.

Mark Your Calendar



11.30

10:00am Swingin' Singers followed by lunch at County Grill

12.1

5:00pm Deacon Christmas Party

12.2

8:30am Worship - Communion

9:45am Sunday Bible Study

10:15am Babies First Christmas

11:00am Worship - Communion

12:30pm Hispanic Worship - Communion

12.3

2:00pm Prayer in Prayer Room

6:30pm Biblical Proportions

6:30pm The Bridge Young Adults Annual Christmas Dinner

12.4

6:00pm Girl Scout Meeting

12.5

5:00pm Family Night Supper

5:45pm Joan Monroe Handbells

6:00pm Children & Youth Activities

6:15pm Prayer & Bible Study

6:30pm Homework Helpers

6:45pm Marcia Adkins Handbells

7:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Sunday Services: 8:30am Traditional, 11:00am Contemporary, 12:30pm Hispanic; Bible Study: 9:45am

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Upcoming Events & Notices

Men's Breakfast Fellowship · Saturday, December 8 · 8:00am · Payne Hall

Rev. Lynn Litchfield from GracelInside Prison Ministry will be speaking. Sign up at the Welcome Center or in the Church Office. Contact Contact Clark Lamp (757.375.2414) or Larry Nester (757.786.8771) for more information.

Calling All Instrumentalists

We are currently putting together an instrumental ensemble of all ages to accompany the carols at our 5:00pm Christmas Eve Family Service. If you would like to participate in this ministry, please contact Lesley Spitzer at lsplitzer@fbcnn.org for more details.

Note From Dennis

I am writing to make you aware that our Sanctuary Sound & Technology Team is currently evaluating the functionality and best use of all our sanctuary sound and technology equipment. The Team is aware of the need to update, upgrade, and in some cases replace outdated, out of compliance or broken equipment. Our Sanctuary Sound Team currently consists of two gentlemen who are doing their very best to provide outstanding sound support in each worship service. While this is by no means an easy task, it is all the more challenging when the sound person is working with faulty and/or ill-placed equipment.

How can you help? First, please understand that the sound quality is usually poorest underneath the balcony. The low ceiling and small ceiling speakers under the balcony make it nearly impossible to have consistently good sound. The simple, cost-free solution is to avoid sitting in the pews underneath the balcony. Second, if you are experiencing difficulty hearing or understanding speech, please wait until the worship service is over, and let one of the pastors know. Approaching the sound operator during worship is a huge distraction which could make an already challenging situation even worse. Third, you might consider joining the Sanctuary Sound, Light, Media or Video Team. There are always openings on these teams. Finally, please pray for these folks as they do their best to help us have outstanding, Spirit-filled worship experiences each and every Sunday. Thank you for your patience and understanding! God bless us all, Dennis Adams

Tithes and Offerings Received as of November 25, 2018

<u>Budget Need*</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Hope 127 Year to Date**</u>	<u>Debt on Educational Building</u>
\$1,178,010.16	\$1,071,613.38	\$42,422.00	\$1,512,134.87

*\$25,064.02 per week is required to meet the needs of the ministries of our church.

**Hope 127 gifts are given to directly pay down debt.

Note: Thank you so much for your support throughout this year and during Stewardship Emphasis. We were able to meet this month's budget. However, we are still around \$106,000 behind in our year to date budget. Please continue to catch up with your donations so we can meet and exceed this year's offerings. THANK YOU!

Wednesday Night Menu

November 28, 2018

Pork Loin, Macaroni & Cheese, Stewed Apples, Rolls,
Salad
Dessert: Ice Cream Sandwiches
Kids: Chicken Nuggets, Mac & Cheese, Applesauce

December 5, 2018

Spaghetti, Baked Peaches, Garlic Bread, Salad
Dessert: Chocolate Delight
Kids: Chicken Sandwiches, Potato Chips, Applesauce
Cost: Grade 5 & below \$3 Grade 6 & up