

First News

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Very Successful Blood Drive at FBCNN!

The pictures above show approximately 25% of those who donated blood in Payne Fellowship Hall on June 15. The Red Cross set a goal of 40 units to be collected and a total of 43 units were collected! Members of our staff, congregation, and community came out to support this blood drive and made it the most successful drive we have hosted since 2008! A nationwide blood shortage was announced just prior to our drive and we were able to play an important role in helping patients in need. A special thank you to Misty Prussia and Terry Adkins for volunteering and checking in the donors. If you missed the chance to donate or volunteer, don't worry our next drive will be July 20 and you can sign up [here](#). Thanks again for your support and prayers!



Summer Church Picnic! June 27th 5-7pm

Officially kick off summer with a COOKOUT! Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, water and ICE CREAM SANDWICHES will be provided, or bring your own meal. Please remember to bring your lawn chairs. As a special treat, we will have a hymn singalong in addition to other activities. Let's celebrate the lazy days of summer together!

SAVE THE DATE

June 23: Youth BARF (Bring A Real Friend) 6-7:30pm

Youth in grades 6-12 come and bring a friend to enjoy fun, food, fellowship, and getting soaked!

June 30: Youth Trip to Fort Monroe Beach

We will be leaving church at 2:30 and returning at 6:30. Parent Permission slip is required.

July 5: Church Office Closed

The office will be closed Monday in observance of Independence Day.

July 24: Summer Fun Beach Day

Bring your children and a lunch to Fort Monroe Beach from 10am-2pm.

First Baptist Preschool Now Enrolling

We're registering 2 1/2 year olds, 3 year olds, and 4 year olds for the 2021-2022 school year. There is a \$225 one-time, nonrefundable registration fee. We also have a \$225 monthly tuition: September-May.

Don't have a child this age but would still like to help? Spread the word of our fantastic preschool program. Tell your relatives, your friends, and your neighbors. Word of mouth is often the best way to get our name out into the community. Would you like to help financially? First Baptist Preschool relies on donations to support our amazing staff, to provide classroom supplies, as well as make scholarships possible so more children can benefit from a jump start on their education. If you would like to make a donation, make checks payable to First Baptist Church Newport News with a note of FBP on the memo line. First Baptist Preschool provides wonderful community outreach for the church, so please consider supporting this ministry. For more information on the preschool, visit our webpage at fbcnnpreschool.org.

Handbells Are in the Near Future!

It has been a very long year and a half filled with many challenges associated with the pandemic; however, with God's Grace brighter days are unfolding. We are praying that things will continue to normalize throughout the summer and September will bring the resumption of church activities to include the beautiful ministry of handbells.

We have openings for ringers in both the beginner/intermediate and intermediate/advanced bell choirs. For more information, please contact Beth Tomassetti, 757-952-5351 (cell), btomassetti@cox.net, or Jeanette Lystlund, 757-872-7320 (home), 757-329-8998 (cell), jettlystlund@verizon.net.



Over the last year we have all seen the benefit of technology allowing us to worship together, remain connected, and interact with people who may never enter our doors. Even as we hope for more in-person interactions in the coming months, we want to continue to invest in our digital ministry and its unique opportunities to love and

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday June 27 at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.! Chuck Harrison from the Peninsula Baptist Association will be preaching.

If you have any technical difficulties watching the service on Facebook Live, please send us a direct message on Facebook so we can help troubleshoot the issue.

The following is a list of weekly events that can be accessed on the First Baptist Church of Newport News Facebook page. Learn more about children's events on

Facebook and youth events on their Instagram page-@fbcnnyouth.

The 8:30 and 10:30 Sunday worship services are uploaded to our [website](#) each Monday, and can be accessed by clicking on the Resources tab.

Sundays

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Children's Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Infant-Preschool Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship
- 10:30 a.m. Extended Session (up through age 4)
- 12:30 p.m. Hispanic Worship

Mondays

- 7:00 p.m. Young Single Adults

[FBCNN Facebook Live Videos](#)

If you missed Sunday's service and do not have a Facebook account, you can click [here for 8:30](#) or [here for 10:30](#) to watch it on our Vimeo page.

serve our communities in Hampton Roads and around the world.

If you have experience in graphic design, video production, audio mixing, or if you just like technology and are willing to learn or interact with people online we need your help. We want you to be part of our digital ministry team. Contact Ethan at ebrown@fbcnn.org to learn more.

Make a financial contribution to FBCNN today by clicking on the link below.

DONATE

Donation Opportunity for Those with IRA Required Minimum Distributions (RMD)

Congress has approved a permanent charitable giving tax break, known as the "IRA charitable rollover". The rollover is available for those who are 70 1/2, though if your 70th birthday is July 1, 2019 or later, you do not have to take withdrawals until you reach age 72. You can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA of up to \$100,000 to a charity, such as First Baptist Church. The donation will count toward your IRA required minimum distribution.

The distribution is not recognized as income on your tax return. As such, you do not take a donation deduction either. With the change in the recent Tax Legislation, the Standard Deduction has doubled thus itemized charitable deductions will no longer be needed to be kept track of. By donating all or part of your IRA RMD to the church, you receive the benefit of a reduced Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) in that the RMD to charity is not taxed, which helps the opportunity of obtaining lower cost for your Medicare Part B and Prescription Drug premiums.

The distribution must come directly from the IRA account to the church not through the owner of the account. Let our Financial Services Coordinator, Monica Garcia, know how you want the contribution designated, such as the General Fund.

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