

First News

May 4, 2022



It's Teacher Appreciation Week!

We are blessed to have wonderful teachers and assistants that make our award winning preschool even better! Take a moment to let these and other teachers know how much they are appreciated.



New Sermon Series Starts Sunday, May 8

Thanks for Joining Us Last Wednesday!

Thank you to all who came out for a pasta dinner and fellowship last Wednesday. There was great food and a great turnout. A special thank you to Joyanne for preparing the delicious food, and to Gwen and Sharon for helping out in the kitchen!

Upcoming Events

May 12 Red Cross Blood Drive at 1pm in Payne Fellowship Hall

May 12 Peninsula Mobile Food Bank at 1pm will be in our parking lot. If you or someone you know needs food assistance, please let them know about this opportunity.

May 15 One Combined Service at 11am (more information coming soon)

May 15 Quarterly Church Conference at 5pm in Payne Fellowship Hall

May 20 Youth BARaF (See article below)

May Staff Anniversaries

Walter Satchell - May 8

Kolby Keller - May 25

Attention Class of 2022!

Congratulations to our high school and college graduates! If you would like to be recognized in our Graduate Recognition service on June 5 at 11am, please send where they are graduating, what their future plans are, and a few (3-4) photos to either Kolby, kkeller@fbcnn.org, or Nikki, nikki@fbcnn.org. If you are graduating from high school and are interested in filling out a scholarship application, please contact Kolby for more information.



BARaF

(Bring A Real adult Friend)

May 20 6-8pm

Youth Rooms

Our youth are inviting the adults and children of the church to an evening full of games and fun!

Bon Secours Diabetes and You Classes

Bon Secours is offering outpatient diabetes classes starting in June at Mary Immaculate Hospital Health Resource Center, Ruth Bell Room. These classes are free and open to the public. Please call 757-886-6704 to RSVP or for more information.



Ways to Help Ukraine

Please continue to pray for the lives impacted by the war in Ukraine. Until now, we have collected funds for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Ukraine Relief Fund. Now we will be sending all funds designated for Ukraine relief to our partners, Camp Harghita and Project Ruth. Both of these organizations have been taking in refugees and providing assistance to those affected by the war. To help with this cause, send your donation to First Baptist and designate "Ukraine Relief Fund" in the memo. We will be sending these funds out on a regular basis so they can be used quickly.



First Baptist Preschool Now Registering!

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year has started. The preschool has classes for ages 2-4 years old. If you would like more information, please contact Lindsay Rew at 757-930-0911 (ext. 222) or preschool@fbcnn.org.

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, May 8 at 8:30am and 11am! Randy Shepley will be leading us in worship.

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 11 Sunday worship services are streamed directly to our [website](#), and can be accessed by clicking on Sermon Library in the Resources tab.

Sundays

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:45 a.m. Children's Bible Study
- 9:45 a.m. Infant-Preschool Bible Study
- 9:45 a.m. Youth Bible Study
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Extended Session - infants through age 4
- 12:30 p.m. Hispanic Worship



You can download our app on your phone, smart TV or Roku player. This will give you the opportunity to get push notifications (notifications that pop up on your phone) that will allow you to stay informed. In the event of bad weather, we will be able to notify everyone if we need to make changes to our Sunday morning services and Bible Study or Wednesday night activities. You can also watch past and present services, see upcoming events, and more. If you need assistance in downloading the app contact Ethan or a member of our Tech Team for help.

Mondays

7:00 p.m. Young Single Adults

Wednesdays

5:30 p.m. Mid-Week Café

6:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

6:15 p.m. Library Open

6:30 p.m. Adult Spiritual Formation Groups

6:30 p.m. Youth Group Gathering and Worship

6:30 p.m. Children's KMotion (Music, Missions, and Fun!)

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays

10:00 a.m. Swingin' Singers

Thanks to our new FBCNN app, we are able to stream our services directly to our website! Click on the link below to watch the service from 8:30 & 11 this past Sunday. (Services are listed in chronological order with the most recent at the top.)

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

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.

Rick Eloffson, Treasurer FBCNN

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