



December 7, 2022



Sing We Noel: The Music of Christmas Sunday, December 11 at 5 PM

Join us on Sunday, December 11 at 5 PM in the sanctuary as we ring in the Christmas season with Sing We Noel: The Music of Christmas. This Christmas concert will include various music groups from our church family presenting the music of Christmas. You will hear selections performed by First Baptist Preschoolers, K-Motion Kids, Youth Praise Team, Joan Monroe Handbell Choir, Sanctuary Choir, Swingin' Singers, Beth Tomassetti, Wendy Buck, Hispanic Praise Team, and Transformed. It will be an evening of holiday music that will surely get you in the spirit of Christmas!



Cookies and Carols Wednesday, December 14 at 6:30 PM

Looking for a good old-fashion Christmas carol sing? Join us on Wednesday, December 14 at 6:30 in Payne Hall for *Cookies and Carols*. Bring your Christmas spirit, wear your favorite Christmas attire, and be ready to spread Christmas cheer through song. Adults, children, and youth will be participating in this event together.



Active Sunday for Children at FBCNN!

Last Sunday our children and their families enjoyed Bring a Friend to Bethlehem Christmas Breakfast. They ate pancakes and sausage prepared by Joyanne Manning and served by our youth. Each family participated in making a baby Jesus craft and could take their picture at a nativity photo booth. Thank you to Sharon and her wonderful team that made this event a success!

After breakfast, the children were invited to participate in the Advent candle lighting part of the 11:00 service. Children read and lit the peace candle. What a blessing it is to be able to have our children be a part of the Advent season here at FBCNN.



PORT (People Organizing Resources Together) Homeless Shelter Coming in January!

First Baptist will be hosting PORT January 4-11, 2023. We have partnered with other churches and organizations to provide dinner and breakfast in a bag each day but we still need your help! Here are some ways you can help:

- 1. Sign up to volunteer one evening from 6pm-9pm. The evening volunteers will help check in PORT guests and their bags.
- 2. Sign up to volunteer for a morning shift from 4:30am-6:30am. The morning volunteers will hand out the breakfast in a bag to each guest as they are leaving.
- 3. Pray for the guests, volunteers, and support staff each night.

PORT organizers are providing overnight support staff. If you are interested in volunteering or would like to know more about PORT please contact Nikki, nikki@fbcnn.org or 757.930.0911. You can sign up online by clicking here. Thank you for your help!

December Staff Birthday

December 7 - Randy Shepley

Take a moment to wish him a happy birthday!

Yates Elementary School Christmas Bags

The holidays are upon us. We have 13 families at Yates this year that need assistance with Christmas meals as well as help with gifts for their young family members. If you would like to help with this mission of love as an individual, a family, Sunday Bible Study Class, or other church group, please contact Diana Buckingham (912)704-3837 or dsbuckingham@comcast.net. A list of what food items are needed was sent via email yesterday but can also be accessed by clicking here. For questions about the food collection

Upcoming Events

<u>December 8</u> - The Virginia Peninsula Mobile Food Bank will be handing out food in our parking lot at 1pm. If you know someone who is in need of food assistance, please let them know about this opportunity.

<u>December 9</u> - USAF Heritage Band Christmas Concert at 6:30pm, concert is free to the public but reservations are required. <u>Click here to RSVP</u>.

<u>December 11</u> - Sing We Noel: The Music of Christmas at 5pm (See article above)

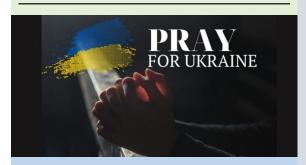
<u>December 14</u> - Cookies and Carols at 6:30pm (See article above)

please contact Karon Garcia, (757)593-1904.

At a time when everyone is finding life challenging, your loving generosity is appreciated. Thank you for all you do for the Yates ministry.

Catch Up Sunday Update

Thank you for donating on Catch Up Sunday! We received \$8,311.29 in donations. If you would still like to make a contribution above your usual offering, please designate "Catch Up" in the memo section of your check or online donation. Together we are helping spread God's word and ministering to the world outside of our building.



Ukraine Updates

Thank you for your continued support and prayers for the lives impacted by the war in Ukraine. Half of the money collected is going to Camp Harghita in Romania and the other half to Project Ruth. Both of these organizations have been taking in refugees and providing assistance to those affected by the war.

To continue supporting Ukraine, 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.



Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, December 11 at 8:30 or 11:00 am! 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

FBP Amazon Wish List

If you would like to help First Baptist Preschool enhance their classrooms for this school year, a wish list of items has been created on Amazon. You can view and purchase items from the First Baptist Preschool Amazon Wish List, and items will be shipped directly to the preschool. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to FBCNN with "First Baptist Preschool" in the memo. The teachers and students thank you for helping to make this school year great!



Amazon, and Roku App Stores

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. Midweek Café

6:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. Adult Spiritual Formation

Group

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 (no rehearsal December 15)

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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Need Offering Envelopes for 2023?

It is hard to believe that 2023 will be here soon! If you need offering envelopes for next year contact Monica, monica@fbcnn.org or 757-930-0911. Thank you for your generosity in the past and we look forward to seeing what God has planned for the future.

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

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Charitable Contributions

Thank you for your contributions and continuous support to FBCNN!

The end of the year is upon us and we are hoping to end this year and begin a new one strong. Donors must deliver checks to the church by Thursday, December 29th in order to claim a charitable contribution deduction for 2022. Checks that are placed in the church offering during the first worship service in 2023 will not qualify for a charitable contribution deduction in 2022, even if the check is predated to 2022 or was actually written in 2022. However, checks that are *written, mailed, and postmarked in 2022 will* be deductible in 2022, though these may not be received by a church until 2023. You can also go online to www.fbcnn.org or use Bill Pay through your own bank's website. Happy New Year! May God bless you greatly this coming 2023!



- Stock contributions: If you wish to give stocks to First Baptist Church, please give the church's name to your broker to process the transaction. If you need more information, please contact Monica Garcia at monica@fbcnn.org or at the church office number.
- Required Minimum Distributions (RMD): If you are 70½ or older and have an IRA (Individual Retirement
 Account), you can make your Charitable Contribution to the Church via your Broker/Banker. The RMD must come
 directly to the Church from your Broker/Banker. Please contact your Broker/Banker for this option.

"Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart." Psalm 37:4

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