



★ SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4TH ★
@ 9:45 AM ★
PAYNE FELLOWSHIP HALL

BRING A FRIEND TO BETHLEHEM

Join us for our annual family Christmas breakfast! There will be pancakes, a baby Jesus ornament to make, a photo booth station, and more. We will also hear the wonderful story of the birth of Jesus. Please RSVP to Mrs. Sharon at shertzler@fbcnn.org.

We hope to see you, and remember to Bring a Friend to Bethlehem!

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.



Every week you and your child can expect fun songs, playful movement activities, colorful toys, exciting board books and creative art projects! Caregivers must stay with their child. Drop off is not an option.



First Friends Playgroup

FREE! Open to Everyone!

**AGES
0 - 2**

Why play with us?

We aim to help your child:

- develop phonological awareness
- increase hand eye coordination
- develop body awareness
- improve vocabulary development
- prepare for preschool

**MONDAYS
10:15 - 11:45**

**NOV 28
DEC 5
DEC 12
JAN 2**

Playgroup meets at First Baptist Preschool
12716 Warwick Blvd. Newport News, VA 23606
Contact us for more info! preschool@fbcnn.org

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!

Upcoming Events

December 4 - Bring a Friend to Bethlehem Breakfast for children and their families (See article above)

December 9 - USAF Heritage Band Christmas Concert at 6:30pm, concert is free to the public but reservations are required. [Click here to RSVP](#).

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

December Staff Birthday

December 7 - Randy Shepley

Take a moment to wish him a happy birthday!

Yates Elementary School Update

Our clothing drive was a big success and appreciated. Thank you all for your donations and giving spirit.

The holidays are upon us. We have 13 families 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.



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.

Contributions for their meals will begin December 1st. A list of what will be needed will be in an upcoming issue of the newsletter and will also be available in the church office. For questions about the food collection 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.

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!



Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, December 4 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.

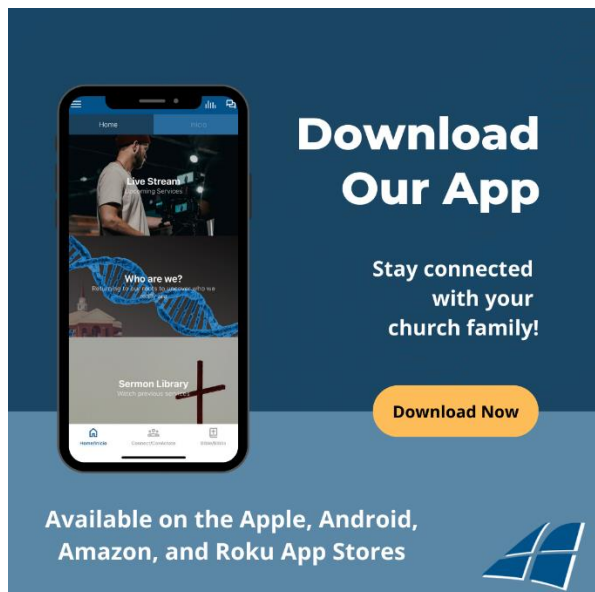
The following is a list of weekly events that can be accessed on the First Baptist Church of Newport News Facebook page. Learn more about children's events on Facebook and youth events on their Instagram page-@fbcnn youth. The 8:30 and 11 Sunday worship services are streamed directly to our [website](#), 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

Mondays

- 7:00 p.m. Young Single Adults



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Available on the Apple, Android, 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.

Wednesdays

- 5:30 p.m. Midweek Café
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
- 6:15 p.m. Library Open
- 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

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.)

[November 27](#)

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

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WAYS TO GIVE FINANCIALLY



IN PERSON



MOBILE APP



ONLINE



MAIL OR AUTOMATED BANK DRAFT

- **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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