First News



January 4, 2023



PORT (People Organizing Resources Together) Homeless Shelter Begins Tonight!

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 to help our neighbors in need:

- 1. Sign up to volunteer one evening from 6pm-9pm. The evening volunteers will help check in PORT guests and their bags. We still need volunteers for January 5, 7, 8, and 10!
- 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.

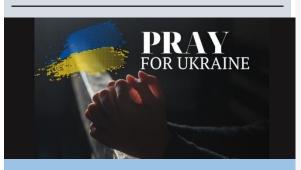
PORT organizers are providing overnight support staff. If you are interested in volunteering or would like to know more about PORT please contact Nikki, nikki@fbcnn.org or 757.930.0911. You can sign up online by clicking here. Thank you for your help!

All Wednesday Night Activities Will Resume January 11

Due to PORT being in Payne Fellowship Hall tonight, Midweek Cafe, Wednesday Night Bible Study, Kmotion, Youth, and Mom's Ministry will resume January 11th. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal will resume tonight, January 4th.

Staff Retreat

Ministers, ministerial directors, and full-time staff will leave for a staff retreat on the afternoon of Thursday, January 12 and return Saturday, January 14. This will be a time of prayer, preparing for the new year, and encouraging each other. Please keep us in your prayers as we continue to grow as a staff and become the leaders God would have us to be.



Ukraine Updates

Thank you for your continued support and prayers for the lives impacted by the war in Ukraine. Since February 28, 2022, we have received contributions for Ukraine Relief and below is a summary of donations received and sent:

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship-Ukraine Relief: \$12,708.18

Baptist General Association-Project

Ruth: \$11,443.91

Romania Camp Harghita-\$11,443.91

Total money sent as of December 1: **\$35,596.00**.

Work Anniversaries

January 1 - Lesley Spitzer

January 31 - Wendy Buck

Take a moment to thank them for the work they do at FBCNN!

Upcoming Events

<u>January 12</u> - Peninsula Mobile Food Bank will be in our parking lot

<u>January 19</u> - Red Cross Blood Drive in Payne Fellowship Hall, 1-6pm. Sign up <u>online</u> to donate.



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!



You can download our app on your phone, smart TV or Roku player. This will give you the opportunity to get push

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, January 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

Mondays

7:00 p.m. Young Single Adults

Wednesdays

5:30 p.m. Midweek Café 6:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal 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.

Need Offering Envelopes for 2023?

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.

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 (resumes January 5)

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.)

January 1 at 10am

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

DONATE



- 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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