First News

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Join us for a fun afternoon of painting on March 4th, 2:00-5:00pm in Room 144. This will be a fundraiser for PassportKids Camp to help provide scholarships. Children ages 10 and up (with an adult) are invited to participate. Spots are limited but we invite you to bring a friend. Light refreshments will be served at the event. Pre-registration is required with a recommended donation of:

\$35 for adults

\$20 for children ages 10+

Click here to register now!

If there are any questions feel free to contact Sharon Hertzler at shertzler@fbcnn.org



Don't want to paint? You can still make a donation! Please put Passport Kids Camp in the memo.



One City Marathon is This Weekend! One English Service and Deacon Ordination at 11am

Join us as we support the runners in One City Marathon on Sunday, March 5! There will not be an 8:30am service, or Bible Study for children or youth, so we can cheer on the runners as they pass in front of our building. Individual adult Bible Study classes will decide whether or not to meet. Nursery will be available during this time and the 11am service will occur as usual. As part of the 11am service, there will be deacon ordination for each of the new deacons and installation for the returning deacons approved at the church conference. Mark your calendars to come to this special service.

Please be mindful that the traffic flow on Warwick will be down to the two lanes closest to our building. The whole marathon begins at Newport News Park and the half marathon begins at Menchville High School, and both start at 7am. The City of Newport News has asked us to provide water and encouragement to the runners again this year as we have over the past several years. FBCNN will be partnering with Peninsula Catholic High School to man Water Station 8 across the street from the church. We need at least 8 volunteers to help keep the runners hydrated and motivated. If you would like more information, please let Nikki know.

Immigration Forum

This coming Sunday after the 12:30pm Worship Service, our Hispanic Congregation is hosting an Immigration Forum. We have invited Elket Rodriguez (Immigration Lawyer and CBF Field Personnel) and Greg Smith (LUCHA Ministries Founder and CBF Field Personnel) to have a conversation about the immigration process, the expectations of the process, and the rights of immigrants. They will answer some of the pressing questions our Hispanic community has regarding the complex and constantly changing immigration law. This forum will be totally in Spanish and will last about an hour and a half. Please help us to pray for this to be a blessing to our Hispanic community as we look to reach and serve.



A couple of Sundays ago, I had the pleasure of sharing that Mission Madness, a CBF Virginia Youth initiative, has chosen First Baptist Church of Newport News as the host church this March. WE COULD NOT BE MORE EXCITED! March 17-19, around 200 youth and their chaperones will be coming to FBCNN to serve our community, worship, and spend a weekend in fellowship. To make this event possible, we need many volunteers; we would love for this to be a full church event. We will be serving the youth for five different meals in Payne Hall that weekend, starting Friday night, as well as utilizing our youth area and the sanctuary. Volunteers will help prepare, cook, and serve meals; serve our guests and act as greeters; and help be the clean-up crew in between meals during the weekend. On Sunday, as a culminating event, we will have a combined service at 8:30 led by Transformed and the Mission Madness team. All the youth and their chaperones will be present and worshipping with us as we praise God for this wonderful opportunity.

We would LOVE for you to help us make this a reality. <u>Please click on this link provided to sign up to be a volunteer!</u> If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at my church email <u>kkeller@fbcnn.org</u>, call me, or stop me in the hallways. I look forward to serving our community and Virginia's youth with y'all!



Join us for the second annual Children's Ministry Easter Gathering! We will hunt Easter eggs to help us tell the story of Jesus, do crafts, and make a special tasty treat! We will start off in Payne Hall on Sunday, March 26th from 3-5pm. RSVP here.

Upcoming Events

<u>March 4</u> - Painting for Passport (see article above)

<u>March 5</u> - One City Marathon (see article above)

<u>March 5</u> - Deacon Ordination at 11am Service (see Marathon article above)

<u>March 5</u> - Hispanic Immigration Forum with CBF Field Personnel (see article above)

Baptism

Are you interested in being baptized or learning more about baptism? We have upcoming dates available for baptism at the 8:30am, 11am, and 12:30pm Sunday worship services. Please contact the church office for more information.



March Staff Anniversaries

March 23 - Randy Shepley

March 26 - Nikki Reid

New in the Church Library

Our own Terry Gunnels has written a book and the church library has a copy. Come and check it out!

First Baptist Preschool Now Registering for 2023-24 School Year

Enrollment is open for children ages 2, 3 or 4 years old. For more information, please contact Lindsay Rew, FBP Director, at preschool@fbcnn.org or 757.930.0911 ext. 222.

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, March 5 at 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.



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.

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

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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
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 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.)

February 26

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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