First News



March 8, 2023



Mission Madness Begins Next Week!

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.



Successful Paint Fundraiser!

We had a very successful Paint In Saturday, March 4th! A huge thank you to Donna Pultz who donated her time and skills for this event. Also a big thank you to everyone who came out and supported our Passport Kids Camp Fund. We had a blast, there were lots of laughs and great fellowship! If you would like to make a donation to help send a child to Passport Kids Camp, please contact Sharon Hertzler, shertzler@fbcnn.org.



Thank You for Your Support for One City Marathon!

As you can see from the pictures, we had a wonderful turnout and a great time at the Water Station across the street from the church this past Sunday. We had people from a variety of ages and the runners were very grateful! We were even able to cheer on Chris Johnson running in the half marathon and Matt Tilley running in the full marathon. This was a great opportunity to show the City of Newport News that we are a church of people willing to serve their community. God also blessed all of us with a beautiful, sunny morning for the race. Thanks to everyone who came out to help and cheer on the runners!

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.

Upcoming Events

<u>March 9</u> - Peninsula Mobile Food Bank will be handing out food staples and perishables in our parking lot at 1 pm. Please let anyone with food insecurity know about this wonderful opportunity.

March 15 - Hispanic Citizen Police Academy begins at 5:45pm. This is a free 8-week interactive course designed to familiarize citizens with the daily operations of the Newport News Police Department.

<u>March 16</u> - Red Cross Blood Drive at 1pm in Payne Hall (Sign up here to donate)

<u>March 17-19</u> - Mission Madness (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

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, March 12 at 8:30am and 11am! Ethan Brown will be preaching. 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

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

8:30 a.m. Traditional 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.

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



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 March 9)

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 11 this past Sunday. (Services are listed in chronological order with the most recent at the top.)

March 5



- 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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