## **First News**



April 12, 2023



## **Resurrection Sunday at FBCNN**

What a day of celebration we had on Easter! During Bible Study, our children listened to Pastor Randy as he told the Easter story. Afterwards, they went outside and placed fresh cut flowers on the living cross. During the 11am worship service Guin Adams was baptized by Rev. Lesley Spitzer, and Rev. Juan Garcia baptized a couple of people during the 12:30pm service.

## Virginia Community Music Festival April 22-23 at Christopher Newport University

Our Sanctuary Choir has the opportunity to perform along with other community music ensembles throughout Virginia at the Virginia Community Music Festival. Their performance will be on Saturday, April 22 at 6:00pm in Pope Chapel under the leadership of our Director of Choral Ministry, Dr. John Irving. This festival gives music ensembles the opportunity to perform in a professional setting with wonderful acoustics. It also celebrates and promotes lifelong music making. Admission is free and open to the public. Click here for more information about the festival, for directions and admission information please click here. Join us as our choir shares their talents with our community!

### Regular Church Conference Sunday, May 7 at 5pm, Payne Fellowship Hall

Come out and listen to what God has been doing in our church over the past few months and will be doing over the months to come!

### **Upcoming Events**

April 13 - Peninsula Mobile Food Bank will be in our parking lot at 1pm. If you or someone you know is in need of food assistance, please let them know about this opportunity.

<u>April 21</u> - Youth BARF (Bring A Real Friend) Decades Edition at 6:30pm

**April 22** - Virginia Community Music Festival at CNU (see article above)

**April 23** - Vision and Lead Team Meeting after 11am worship service



## Staff Birthdays and Work Anniversaries

Birthdays

4/6 - Rebecca Hinson 4/21 - Monica Garcia

Anniversary 4/19 - Lindsay Rew

# Beta & Delta Circles Event

On Sunday, April 16 at 5pm, members of the Beta and Delta Mission Circles will be sponsoring and serving dinner to William and Mary BCM.

# Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, April 16 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



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.

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streamed directly to our <u>website</u>, 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 and 11 this past Sunday. (Services are listed in chronological order with the most recent at the top.)

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## A Letter from Monica Garcia and Stewardship Team

Dear FBCNN Family:

We are grateful for the many resources available to our church family that enable us to embrace God through worship; equip Christ-followers through Sunday School, Bible study, and other avenues for discipleship and spiritual development; and engage our local community and larger world through compassionate mission partnerships, authentic community, and Good News invitations. The church

property—including the building and grounds; furnishings and décor; musical instruments; Bibles, hymnals, books, brochures, and other literature; and technological equipment and software help us fulfill our mission, connect with people near and far, and point the world to Jesus Christ.

To remain steadfast in and expand our ministry, leaving a legacy to future generations of the FBCNN family, we must care for these resources properly and consistently. To that end, the following projects are slated for completion during 2023:

- 1. Sanctuary Roof Replacement \$83,000
- 2. Fire System Upgrade \$23,971
- 3. Steeple Illumination \$7,765
- 4. Steeple Window Tinting \$5,000 (Estimated cost)
- 5. 2/3rds Parking Lot Repair \$42,000 (Estimated cost)
- 6. Building Security (Phase 3) \$15,000 (Estimated cost)

During April, if you are led to contribute to these initiatives generously and sacrificially, please write on your check memo line and/or envelope "Special Project", and we will apply the contribution to the projects listed above.

As you consider this, we pray that you will, with thanksgiving, reflect on God's goodness to our church family since 1881; rejoice that His goodness sustains us now; and anticipate with joy the miraculous and ceaseless goodness He will bring in the future. **Thank you in advance** for your consideration!

If you have any questions about these projects, you can contact our Stewardship Team Chairman, Chris Johnson at lordcove@gmail.com or 757.298.6898.



- 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 <a href="monica@fbcnn.org">monica@fbcnn.org</a> 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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