

September 6, 2023



Reception for Randy Sunday, September 10 at 9:30am Payne Fellowship Hall

Join us in welcoming Randy back from sabbatical on September 10! He will worship with us at 8:30 and 11. The reception will be immediately following the 8:30 service. Sunday Bible Study classes for adults will meet starting at 10:15.



Registration has begun for the Fall Term of our Performing Arts Studio. We are excited to accept students in Middle through High School. For more information and to sign up please follow the link to the form, here.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Lesley Spitzer (lspitzer@fbcnn.org) or John Irving (jirving@fbcnn.org).

Upcoming Events

<u>September 6</u> - Children and Youth Wednesday night activities return!

<u>September 10</u> - Reception for Randy's return (see article for more information)

<u>September 14</u> - Peninsula Mobile Food Bank will be set up in our parking lot. Please let anyone in need of food assistance know about this opportunity.

Who is Taking Care of What Ethan Used to Do?

Many of us have heard this question from people in our congregation. Here are some of the things Ethan took care of and who is taking care of them now. Rebecca Hinson has taken on the responsibility of the young adult group that meets every Monday night off campus. She also handles posting events on our social media, and updates, events, and worship service information on our app. John Hertzler teaches young adults on Sunday mornings. Lesley Spitzer and Kolby Keller make sure our services are streaming and interactive on Facebook each Sunday. Lesley also has taken on responsibility for maintaining our digital ministry. Kris Keyes and Nikki Reid are handling building repairs, projects, and maintenance performed by contractors. As you can see, Ethan wore many different hats while he was on staff! Continue to keep all of the volunteers and staff members in your prayers as they ensure that these vital components of FBCNN are taken care of so we can continue to spread God's word and grace to our community.

Staff Birthdays and Work Anniversaries

Birthdays:

<u>September 9</u> - Beth Tomassetti September 21 - Walter Satchell

Anniversaries:

September 3 - Beth Tomassetti

New Books in the Church Library

Amish Market Place Series by Amy Clipston:

The Bake Shop
The Farm Stand
The Coffee Shop

Shipshewana Amish Mystery Series by Vannetta Chapman
Falling Pieces
Material Witness

The Ladies of Ivy Cottage by Julie Klaussen

Forged in Love by Mary Conneally

Tidewater Bride by Laura Frantz

<u>Jefferson and Hamilton: The Rivalry that</u> <u>Forged a Nation by John Ferling</u>

Calling All Senior Adults!

Swingin' Singers musical group starts rehearsals next Thursday, September 7th at 10am in the Choir Room.

All senior adults welcome...no experience necessary. Join a group of many who like "to make a joyful noise"!! Bring a

Guest Preacher Chuck Harrison Sunday, September 10

Chuck Harrison, Director of Missions for the Peninsula Baptist Association, will be preaching at the 8:30 and 11am services Sunday, September 3rd and September 10th.

Chuck was born and raised in Norfolk where he attended Norview High School and Old Dominion University graduating with a bachelor's degree in Philosophy. He then attended Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary where he received a Master of Divinity degree.

Chuck became a Christian at the age of 17. Early in his career he served churches in Virginia Beach, Wake County, N.C. and Richmond in the areas of youth and education ministry. He then served six years as pastor of First Colonial Baptist Church in Virginia Beach.

His next place of service was as Congregational Missionary with the Norfolk Baptist Association where he worked for six years in consulting, coaching and training church planters and pastors of turnaround churches. He also served as a part-time Regional Church Planting Strategist for the Baptist General Association of Virginia for two years.

Following that ministry he served at Crossroads Community Church in York County as Associate Pastor and later as Lead Pastor. In December of 2010 he became Director for the Peninsula Baptist Association.

Chuck is married to Peggy and they have six grown children. Chuck and Peggy love time spent with grandkids, day trips around Virginia, vacations in the Outer Banks and trips to big cities. He also loves photography, and saltwater fishing.

friend...open to all...no requirement that group members be FBC members!

We fellowship after rehearsal with refreshments too!

Questions? Contact John Irving at jirving@fbcnn.org.

Updates from Stewardship

Dear FBCNN Family:

We are moving forward and Stewardship Team wants to keep you up to date on our capital projects:

- Fire System Upgrade \$23,971 Project Partially Completed
- 2. Steeple Window Tinting \$5,000 (Estimated cost)
- 2/3rds Parking Lot Repair \$42,000 (Project Completed)
- 4. Building Security (Phase 3) \$15,000 (Estimated cost)

We **thank you** for your contributions toward these Special Projects. If you have any questions about these projects, you can contact our Stewardship Team Chairman, Chris Johnson at lordcove@gmail.com

Praying for Ukraine

Our faith is strong in God!!! Let us persist in our prayers for Ukraine. After our last contribution to BGAV - Project Ruth and to CBF - Gennady and Mina Podgaisky's ministry, we have continued to receive donations to *Ukraine Relief*. Click here to read an article by Gennady Podgaisky about a visit to Ukraine in April of this year.



Digital Ministry Team Needs You!

A large portion of our digital ministry team has headed off to college. Our tech team provides outreach to our community and to our homebound members through broadcasting each service. This team also enhances our in-person worship by running our sound and projection systems. For this worthy ministry to continue, we need your help. We will train you, no experience required! For more information, contact Lesley Spitzer, Ispitzer@fbcnn.org.

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"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

Matthew 25:35-36

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, September 3 at 8:30am & 11am! Chuck Harrison 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

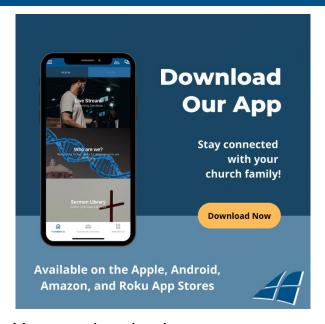
8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship 9:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study 9:45 a.m. Children's Bible Study 9:45 a.m. Infant-Preschool Bible Study 9:45 a.m. Youth Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship 11:00 a.m. Extended Session - infants through age 4 12:30 p.m. Hispanic Worship

Mondays

7:00 p.m. Young Single Adults

Wednesdays

5:30 p.m. Midweek Café*



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 a member of our Tech Team for help.

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 (will resume September 7)

*These Wednesday night activities will resume later in September.

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.)

August 27

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





We are thankful to God for this year's blessings, and we THANK YOU for your continuous support to FBCNN. Please consider taking time to pray as our stewardship team and our church enter in this budget season.

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21



- 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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