



Bring a Friend to Bethlehem Family Breakfast

December 10th
9:45am



Join us for our annual family Christmas breakfast! There will be pancakes, a craft, a photo booth station, and more. We will also hear the wonderful story of the birth of Jesus.

Please RSVP to Mrs. Sharon at shertzler@fbcnn.org. We hope to see you, and remember to Bring a Friend to Bethlehem!

U.S. FLEET FORCES BAND INVITES YOU TO



HOLIDAY IN HAMPTON ROADS

December 10TH, 2023 | 6pm

First Baptist Church
12716 Warwick Blvd, Newport News, VA 23606

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The US Fleet Forces Band will be performing a free Christmas concert here on December 10th. Be sure to invite your family and friends to this special event.

Embracing an Offering of Thanks



Throughout the month of November, a special offering called the "Thank Offering" will be collected. This offering is a gift to the house of the Lord that is beyond our regular tithes and offerings. It is a gift we give to God in gratitude for our church family, for God's provision, and for God's presence and love.

You can give your Thank Offering through all of our usual giving channels:

- [Give online here](#)
- [Give through our app here](#)
- Give by mail
- Place your Thank Offering in one of our offerings boxes in the sanctuary

However you choose to give, please note on your check or in the online/app note section that your gift is for the Thank Offering. If you are not able to give an extra financial offering during this Thanksgiving season, please give an extra offering of Thanksgiving prayer: thank God for our church family, thank God for God's unfailing love, thank God for God's power and greatness, thank God for the cross and Jesus' sacrifice of love, and thank God for provision and presence. "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever."

Thank you for participating in this significant act of worship during the month of November. Thank you for your sacrificial gifts and faithful prayers. They are essential to our community of faith.

Virginia Symphony Orchestra Performs Handel's Messiah December 15 at 7:30pm

FBCNN will be hosting the Virginia Symphony Orchestra for a performance of Handel's Messiah again this year. Due to a change in lease agreement, we will not be receiving any free tickets. If you would like to purchase tickets please visit their [website by clicking here](#).



<p><i>Day 1</i></p> <p>1 Jar of Jelly OR 1 Jar of Jelly</p>	<p><i>Day 2</i></p> <p>2 Boxes of Cereal OR 1 Box of Cereal</p>	<p><i>Day 3</i></p> <p>3 Jars of Spaghetti Sauce OR 1 Bag of Flour or Sugar</p>
<p><i>Day 4</i></p> <p>4 Cans of fruit OR 1 Can of fruit</p>	<p><i>Day 5</i></p> <p>5 Boxes of Macncheese OR 1 Box of Crackers</p>	<p><i>Day 6</i></p> <p>6 Packages of Jello or Pudding OR 1 Large Can of Chicken</p>
<p><i>Day 7</i></p> <p>7 Boxes of Pasta OR 1 Box of Pasta</p>	<p><i>Day 8</i></p> <p>8 Cans of Vegetables OR 1 Can of Carrots</p>	<p><i>Day 9</i></p> <p>9 Pouches of Mashed Potatoes OR 1 Pouch of Mashed Potatoes</p>
<p><i>Day 10</i></p> <p>10 Packages of Rice OR 1 Package of Rice</p>	<p><i>Day 11</i></p> <p>11 Cans of Beans (any kind!) OR 1 Can of Ravioli</p>	<p><i>Day 12</i></p> <p>12 Packages of Ramen OR 1 Baking Mix</p>

Red option approximately \$80 Green option less than \$30

Take the 12 Days of Christmas Challenge!

THRIVE continues to see a high demand in food assistance requests. So they created a fun way to collect items that their food pantry needs with two shopping price points to fit any budget. Red option, follow top line, is approximately \$80. Green option, follow bottom line, is less than \$30.

Please consider this worthy mission opportunity with the purchase of either the Red Option, the Green Option or whatever you are able to provide.

We will collect at entry doors on Sunday mornings through December 12th. During the week items can be dropped by the FBCNN church office.

Thank you in advance. Call Rhonda Wiatt with any questions 757-595-6784.

It's Time to Sign Up for PORT!

First Baptist will be hosting PORT (People Organizing Resources Together) Homeless Shelter January 3-10, 2024. 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 you can help:

1. Sign up to volunteer one evening from 6pm-9pm. The evening volunteers will help check in PORT guests and their bags.
2. Sign up to volunteer for a morning shift from 4:30am-6:30am. The morning volunteers will hand the breakfast in a bag to bus drivers and support staff as guests leave the building.
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!



Yates Elementary School Christmas Gifts

This year we received seven families to adopt for Christmas. I am happy to announce that all the families have been assigned. Thank you to all who volunteered to help these families at Christmas this year.

The recommendation for giving is three categories; book, toy, and clothes. Once you have finished your shopping, please wrap the gift and label it. An example would be, "TO: 8 y/o Girl", and leave the "FROM" line blank. Please place all the gifts in a large plastic bag with the family's name.

Upcoming Events

December 8 - Youth
Christmas Party 7pm

December 10 - Bring a
Friend to Bethlehem (see
article above for more
information)

December 10 - US Fleet
Forces Band Christmas
Concert (see article above)

December 13 - Cookies
and Carols Sing Along
6:30pm in Payne Fellowship
Hall

All gifts are due in church by December 14. The final day of school is December 15. Gifts can be brought to the sanctuary foyer on Sunday or to the church office Monday through Thursday.

As, this is always a busy time of year, thank you so much for your time and generosity. God Bless You!



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, lspitzer@fbcnn.org.



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 (jjirving@fbcnn.org).

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, November 26 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-@fbcnn youth.

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

Download Our App

Stay connected with your church family!

Download Now

Available on the Apple, Android, Amazon, and Roku App Stores

Thanks to our FBCNN app, we are able to stream our services directly to our website, as well as Facebook and our app! 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.)

[November 19](#)

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

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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
11:00 a.m. Hispanic Bible Study
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. Hispanic Prayer and Bible Study
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

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