## **First News**

January 31, 2024

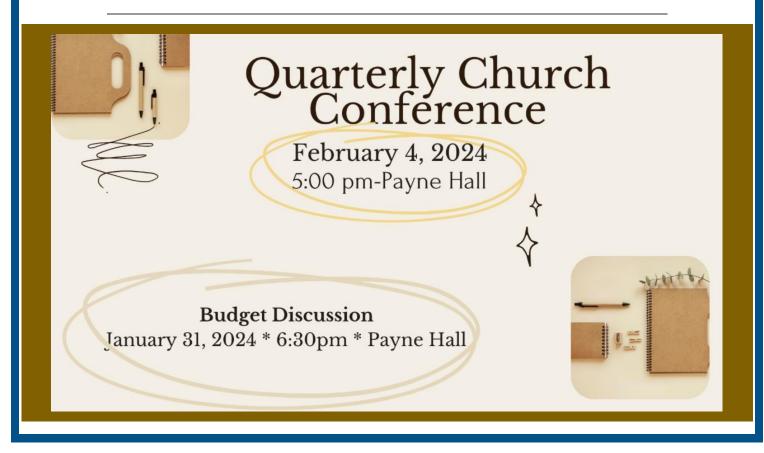


## **Deacon Nominations for 2024**

We have an exciting announcement! It is time to nominate a new slate of active deacons for January 2024. We are looking to nominate 3-5 additional active deacons to join our current 7 active deacons (3 deacons recently completed their term). The deacons help to support the pastor and staff in the mission of the church, ensure peace and harmony in the church, and work for cooperation in all efforts beginning January 2024.

Deacon nomination forms are available at the Welcome Center. These forms explain deacon qualifications as they appear in our by-laws and the Bible. Please review the form's instructions, prayerfully consider nominating members to be reviewed by staff, interviewed by a deacon nominating team, and elected by the church.

Please be sure to sign your form so your nominee(s) will be included. The deadline for turning in deacon nomination forms will be Sunday, February 11. Thank you participating in this process!



# **Budget and Church Conference Dates**

<u>January 31st</u> - A discussion of the proposed budget will be held in Payne Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm. The proposed budget for 2024 is <u>attached here</u> and printed copies are available at the meeting tonight, from the church office, or the Welcome Center.

<u>February 4th</u> - The regular quarterly church conference will be held at 5pm to discuss what God has been and will be doing through the various ministries at FBCNN, and to vote on the 2024 proposed budget. You can access a copy of the report by <u>clicking here</u>.

## **Important Upcoming Dates**

Be sure to mark your calendars with these important dates!

### February 14th - Ash Wednesday Service

The Ash Wednesday service is one where we prepare our hearts, minds, and souls for the season of Lent. Join us in the sanctuary for this reverent service and the imposition of ashes. There will not be regular youth and children's activities to provide them the opportunity to participate in this service. Childcare will be available for ages 5 and under.

<u>March 3rd</u> - One City Marathon Sunday/Combined Worship Service
Come out and cheer on the marathon runners as they pass by our church! We will
also be helping out with Water Station 8 across the street. You can sign up
to <u>volunteer</u> through the One City Marathon portal, then click on "Get Involved"
and "Volunteer". The code for our station is WTR8. Please contact Nikki Reid for
more information.

After you are finished cheering on the runners in our community, come and worship together as one community at 11am for our combined service! There will be aspects from the 8:30, 11, and 12:30 worship services; and we will celebrate communion as one church.



Children and their families are invited to Lego and Taco Night on February 18th 5-7pm. Bring your Legos or Duplos (extra will

be provided for those who don't have any) and your friends! Also, please bring a taco topping, side dish, or dessert to share. Meat,

drinks, hard and soft shells, and Dorito bags (for walking tacos) will be provided. Sign up if you are bringing food by scanning the QR code.



## **Collection of Pasta and Spaghetti Sauce for Thrive**

Thrive is in need of pasta and spaghetti sauce and our youth group is collecting these items. If you would like to help them with their donation, please drop off these items at the church office during the week or in the sanctuary foyer on Sunday.



### Passport Camp for Youth Converse College in Spartanburg, SC June 30-July 5, 2024

If you have a youth that would like to go to camp you can reserve a spot with a \$25 deposit by no later than March 1st! Participants must have completed 6th grade through 12th grade at the end of this school year to participate.

## **Upcoming Events**

<u>January 31</u> - Discussion of 2024 Budget

<u>February 4</u> - Regular Church Conference

<u>February 8</u> (date changed due Red Cross staffing shortage) - Red Cross Blood Drive, <u>click here to</u> sign up to donate.

<u>February 8</u> - Peninsula Mobile Food Bank will be distributing food to those in need in our parking lot.

<u>February 14</u> - Ash Wednesday Service (see article above)

<u>February 18</u> - Lego and Taco Night (see article above)



## 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, <a href="mailto:lspitzer@fbcnn.org">lspitzer@fbcnn.org</a>.



## Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, February 4 at 8:30am or 11am! We will be participating in communion together so if you are joining us in worship at home, be sure to have your elements ready. Randy Shepley will be leading us in worship.

## **Performing Arts Studio**

Registration has begun for the Spring Term of our Performing Arts Studio. We are excited to accept students in Middle through High School and adults. For more information and to sign up please follow the link to the form, <a href="here.">here.</a>

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Lesley Spitzer (<a href="mailto:lspitzer@fbcnn.org">lspitzer@fbcnn.org</a>) or John Irving (jirving@fbcnn.org).



## Haven't Downloaded Our App Yet?

Now is the perfect time to download our app. On the app, you can see what events are happening at FBCNN and watch the livestream of each service on Sunday mornings. If you miss a service, you can also go to the sermon library and watch the one you missed. The app is available to download in the app store on iPhones, Androids, as well as on Roku. If you need help accessing the app, let someone on staff know and we will be glad to help!

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

**DONATE** 

The Sunday worship services are streamed directly to our website and can be accessed by clicking on Upcoming Live Stream tab located on the home page. If you miss a service, you can click on Sermon Library in the Resources tab to select the service you missed. (Services are listed in chronological order with the most recent on top.)

The following is a list of weekly events. Learn more about children's events on Facebook and youth events on their Instagram page-@fbcnnyouth.

### **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 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!)

### **Thursdays**

10:00 a.m. Swingin' Singers

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Click on the link below to watch the service from 8:30 and 11am this past Sunday.

**January 28** 

## **Staff Contact Info**

Randy Shepley, Senior Pastor, <a href="mailto:rshepley@fbcnn.org">rshepley@fbcnn.org</a>

Juan Garcia, Associate Pastor Hispanics, jgarcia@fbcnn.org

Walter Satchell, Associate Pastor Pastoral Care, wsatchell@fbcnn.org

Lesley Spitzer, Associate Pastor Worship and Creative Arts, <a href="mailto:lspitzer@fbcnn.org">lspitzer@fbcnn.org</a>

Monica Garcia, Financial Coordinator, monica@fbcnn.org

Sharon Hertzler, Director of Children and Preschool Ministry, <a href="mailto:shertzler@fbcnn.org">shertzler@fbcnn.org</a>

Rebecca Hinson, Ministry Assistant, rhinson@fbcnn.org

John Irving, Director of Choral Ministry, jirving@fbcnn.org

Nikki Reid, Executive Assistant, nikki@fbcnn.org

Lindsay Rew, Preschool Director, <a href="mailto:preschool@fbcnn.org">preschool@fbcnn.org</a>

Church Office: 757-930-0911

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NEWPORT NEWS | fbcnn.org





