

First News

Deacon Nomination Announcement

It is time to nominate a new slate of active Deacons for 2026. We are looking to add 3-5 additional active Deacons to join our current rotation. 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 aspects of church life.

Deacon Nomination Forms are available to the congregation in the church office during the week, at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings, or by clicking the link below. 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 the Deacon nominating team, and approved by the church. Please be sure to sign your form so your nominee(s) will be included.

The deadline for turning in Deacon Nomination Form is Sunday, February 8th. Thank you for participating in this process!

[Deacon Nomination
Form](#)



Wednesday Night Dinner in February - Date Change

Join us on Wednesday, **February 11** from 5-6:30pm for a wonderful meal provided by our Music Ministry groups including Sanctuary Choir, Handbell Choir, and Swingin' Singers. These talented musicians will be showing off their cooking skills by fixing dinner with a variety of chilis from mild to spicy, cornbread, and desserts. This will definitely help to take away some of the wintry chill we have been dealing with lately!

Youth BARF MOP Edition

The next Youth BARF (Bring A Real Friend) will be Friday, February 20 at 6:30pm. The theme is Make your Own Pizza (MOP). There will be food, games, a devotional time, and a lot of fun! Be sure to add this date to your calendar and invite your friends!

One City Marathon is Less Than a Month Away!

On Sunday, March 1st, the City of Newport News will host One City Marathon and Half Marathon. Registration for participants and volunteers has already begun. Once again, FBCNN will be manning the Water Station directly across the street from the church. If you would like to sign up to help, you can go online at [One City Marathon | Newport News, VA](#), click on "Click HERE to Sign Up Today!", then scroll down to select Water Station 8. The password to sign up for our Water Station is "WTR8". Feel free to contact Nikki Reid for more information.

Combined Worship Service & Church Conference

Our next combined worship service will be at 11am on Sunday, February 22. There will be a Regular Church Conference following worship to let you know what God has been and will be doing at FBCNN!

More details coming soon in future editions of First News.

Additional News from FBCNN

Upcoming Events/Holiday Office Closures

February 5 - Swingin' Singers will be singing at the Hidenwood, followed by lunch at Azzurri Italian Restaurant.

February 8 - Deacon Nomination Forms due (see article above)

February 11 - Our next Wednesday night dinner (see article above)

February 12 - Peninsula Mobile Foodbank will be in our parking lot to provide for those in need of food assistance.

February 15 - Big Heart Sunday; children will be bringing bags of candy to your Sunday Bible Study classes

February 15-18 - FBCNN Staff Retreat; Church Office will be closed February

Support the Mission Through Your RMD Contributions

As you plan your financial giving this year, we invite you to consider directing your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your retirement account to support the ministries of First Baptist Church.

If you are age 73 or older and have a traditional IRA, you are required to withdraw a minimum amount each year from your RMD. By making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) directly to the church, you can fulfill your RMD requirement while reducing your taxable income. It is a meaningful and tax-efficient way to support the church's mission.

16th and have limited hours on February 17th and 18th.

February 18 - Ash Wednesday Service at 6:30pm in the sanctuary; join us for this reverent service to prepare our hearts and minds for the season of Lent.

Inclement Weather Updates

Continue keeping an eye out for updates on how winter weather will impact our services and other events in your email inbox and on our Facebook page.

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

Donate

Help Needed for Night to Shine

Williamsburg Community Chapel is in need of volunteers to help with Night to Shine on February 13, 6-9pm. Night to Shine is a red carpet event for people with special needs. For more information about how to volunteer or to learn more about this program, [please click on the link.](#)

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, February 8 at 8:30am and 11am! Randy Shepley will be leading us in worship.

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

Wednesdays

- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. K-Motion & Youth
6:30 p.m. Hispanic Prayer and Bible Study
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays

10:00 a.m. Swingin' Singers

Due to inclement weather and hazardous driving conditions, there was not a worship service held at 8:30am on Sunday, February 1. Click on the button below to watch the 11 service from February 1st.

February 1

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