

# First News



## Wednesday Night Dinner is Tonight! May 6, 2026, 5-6:30pm

Our youth will be providing dinner for us tonight in Payne Fellowship Hall! Donations will be collected to help offset the cost to send our youth to Passport Missions Youth Camp this summer. Come out to enjoy a delicious lasagna dinner and support a fantastic group of young people!

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## Food Collection for Thrive

The Agape I Sunday Bible Study Class will be collecting and delivering food to the Food Market at Thrive Peninsula on Nettles Drive. This market serves individuals and families in need by allowing them to choose their own groceries in a dignified, supermarket-style setting.

There are boxes by the Welcome Center in the sanctuary foyer, near the office entrance, and near the preschool entrance to place the food. There are also be printed copies of the most needed items at each of these locations.

The deadline to drop off donations is Sunday, May 17th.



## Shine The Light Giving Campaign

*"You are the light of the world...let your light shine before others."*  
Matthew 5:14-16

On Sunday we announced that our church is launching the **Shine The Light** Giving Campaign, a special effort to modernize and renew the lighting in our Sanctuary. Our current system is aging, inefficient, and increasingly difficult to maintain. By upgrading to a modern, energy-efficient LED lighting system, we will improve reliability, reduce energy use, and create a brighter, more flexible worship environment for years to come. Our goal is **\$250,000**, with **10% dedicated to mission projects beyond our walls**. Please continue praying about how you can participate. Every gift helps us shine Christ's light more brightly within our church and throughout our community.

Here are some of the most needed items:

- jelly
- pasta
- pasta sauce
- canned tomatoes
- rice
- instant potatoes
- can spinach or collards
- cereal
- pancake mix
- syrup
- grits
- baking items or mixes
- canned meat
- pop top meals (like Chef Boyardee)
- ramen
- condiments/sauces
- spices
- baked beans
- broth

Click on the button below to download the list of items.

[Items for Thrive](#)



## Attention Graduates and Families

On June 7, we will have Youth Sunday and Graduate Recognition at a special combined worship service at 10:30am. If you know of someone who will be graduating this school year from high school or college and would like to recognize them and their accomplishments, please submit a photo and graduation information to Nikki at [nikki@fbcnn.org](mailto:nikki@fbcnn.org) no later than May 20th.

Graduates will be recognized during the service in addition to the May 27th and June 3rd editions of First News. Contact the church office with any questions.

## Additional News from FBCNN

### Upcoming Events

May 6 - Wednesday Night Church Dinner - our Youth will be providing a very special dinner for us starting at 5pm in Payne Fellowship Hall

May 9 - Virginia Choral Society Concert "Harmony of the Spheres" (see article for more information)

May 14 - AP Spanish Testing in Payne Fellowship Hall, please do not enter the fellowship hall during the morning to permit these students to have a quiet place to take this important test.



### VBS Will Be Here Before You Know It!

We are already getting ready for this summer's Vacation Bible School! The theme is Rainforest Falls and it will be July 27-31, 2026, 9am-12:15pm. We would love if you could help us alleviate the cost by purchasing something off of

May 14 - Swingin' Singers will be singing at Warwick Forest

May 17 - Combined worship service at 11am followed by a deliciously prepared lunch and Quarterly Church Conference in Payne Fellowship Hall (In order to give us the opportunity to worship together as one congregation, there will not be services at 8:30am or 12:30pm.)

May 25 - Church Office closed for Memorial Day

May 27 - Red Cross Blood Drive in memory of Campbell Webb in Payne Fellowship Hall 1-6pm, [click here to sign up to donate](#)

May 31 - Retirement Celebration for Walter Satchell in Payne Fellowship Hall during Sunday Bible Study time; take a few moments to wish him well!

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### Harmony of the Spheres Concert by Virginia Choral Society

The Virginia Choral Society will be presenting this beautiful concert in the sanctuary on May 9th at 4pm. [Click here for more information and to purchase tickets.](#)

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our Amazon Wishlist by clicking on the button below. We plan to update it periodically as necessary. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Hertzler at [shertzler@fbcnn.org](mailto:shertzler@fbcnn.org). Thank you so much for your support!

Registration for VBS is now open for participants and volunteers! Click on the corresponding button below to get your chance to be "Exploring the Nature of God"!

[Amazon Wishlist](#)

[Register for VBS!](#)

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### 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.

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## Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, May 10 at 8:30 and 11am! Rev. Lesley Spitzer 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-@fbcnn youth.

### **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

Click on the button below to watch the 8:30 or 11am worship service from May 3rd.

**May 3**

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