

First News



Dr. Randel Everett Will Be Here This Sunday, June 28

Dr. Randel Everett, former Senior Pastor at FBCNN and currently Senior Fellow of the Everett Center for Global Religious Freedom at Dallas Baptist University, will be leading all of the Adult Sunday Bible Study classes in Payne Fellowship Hall at 9:45am. Afterwards, he will be preaching at our 11am service.

There will not be a service at 8:30am.



Summer Youth Group and Parent Passport Meeting Tonight

Throughout the summer our Youth will be meeting for worship, games, and fun. See below for dates and times.

June 24 - 6:30-8:30pm; Passport Parent Meeting will occur immediately following at 8:30pm

June 29-July 3 - Passport Missions Youth Camp

July 22 - 6:30-8:30pm

July 29 - Youth Lunch and Beach Day after Vacation Bible School

August 5 - 6:30-8:30pm

August 26 - 6:30-8:30pm



Crafting Flowers for Rainforest Falls

Join us tomorrow, June 25th at 10am (or any time afterward) as we create flowers for Rainforest Falls VBS! We saved the flowers we made for last year's True North VBS, but we still need tropical orchids, anthuriums, and bird of paradise flowers to bring our rainforest to life. Enter through the Preschool entrance and head to Room 147. In addition to flower making, we'll be creating Rainforest Falls displays for the sanctuary and Preschool foyers. Mrs. Sharon has all the supplies, and lunch will be provided. More crafting and decorating dates will be coming soon. Thank you for your help!





Celebrating Sharon Hertzler!

On June 27, Sharon Hertzler, our Director of Children's Ministry, will mark 15 years of serving on our church staff. She began serving in 2011 as a Children's Ministry Assistant, where she worked alongside Susie Webb. In 2022, Sharon became our permanent Director of Children's Ministry and she has done an excellent job loving and leading our children. She and her team of staff and leaders work hard every week to make sure our children from

Youth Volunteering at Thrive

Some of our youth spent their Saturday morning last week helping out at the Market located at Thrive Peninsula. We are blessed to have young adults who are willing to take time out of their busy schedules to help others in need.

Passport Missions Youth Camp is Next Week

A group of 21 youth and 5 adult chaperones will be heading to Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg for Passport Missions June 29-July 3. Please keep them in your prayers for safe travels and for the blessings they and others will receive as they do mission work out in the surrounding community.



Soccer Training Camp

The Hispanic Congregation is once again putting together a Soccer Training Camp for boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 15 to learn some skills in the sport of soccer and life. The program is absolutely FREE and it will be held on July 20 to July 24 from 6pm to 8pm on the ball field. [Click here to register](#) your

birth to 5th grade are loved, taught, and cared for in the name of Jesus. Sharon is also our staff liaison to the First Baptist Preschool where she, along with Pastor Lesley Spitzer, leads weekly chapel services, and encourages our teachers and families. We are so grateful for all Sharon does!

Of course, if you have been around Sharon, you have been blessed by her radiant, kind, and joy-filled personality. She is known as "Sunshine Sharon" because she brings light. Her bubbly personality is a gift to our staff and church as a whole. You may not know this, but for our Gen X folks, Sharon is a huge Seinfeld fan. So, when you see her this week, feel free to tell her, "Top of the Muffin to you, Sharon!" Or, you could bring her a box of Junior Mints. Finally, if you are really brave, tell her "Happy Festivus!"

However you choose to celebrate Sharon, please tell her how much we appreciate her hard work and commitment to our church mission. We will recognize her in our 8:30 and 11:00 worship service on Sunday, July 5 so plan on joining us.

Thank you, Sharon, and Happy Anniversary TO YOU!!!

Pastor Randy



children and grandchildren, and let other people know, so they can participate. We are also asking for your help. We would like to provide drinks and snacks to the kids, for which we will need around 350 bottles of Gatorade for the whole week. Would you consider donating a case or two? I will appreciate you partnering with us in this capacity. Should you have any questions, please contact Pastor Juan at jgarcia@fbcnn.org. Thank you!



VBS Preparation is Underway!

VBS is July 27-31, 2026, 9am-12:15pm. Click on the Amazon Wishlist button below if you would like to purchase something from our Wishlist to help alleviate costs.

You can also register for VBS by clicking on the corresponding button to get your chance to be "Exploring the Nature of God!"

We also need donations of approximately **five 5-gallon buckets, and large appliance size cardboard boxes**. Thank you as always for your generosity!

Free Community Concert

The Peninsula Concert Band will be performing a free concert on July 7th at 7pm under the portico in front of the sanctuary. Invite your friends and family to come out and enjoy the wonderful music from a concert band that has been providing music to the area for over 75 years!

[Amazon Wishlist](#)

[Register for VBS!](#)

Additional News from FBCNN

Upcoming Events

June 24 - Casting calls for *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!* (See article for more information)

June 24 - Passport Missions Parent Meeting at 8:30pm in Youth Assembly Room

June 28 - Dr. Randell Everett will be leading us in worship at 11am and leading the adult Sunday Bible Study classes. (See article above for more information.)

June 29-July 3 - Passport Missions Youth Camp

July 6 - Church Office Closed for Independence Day

July 7 - Free Community Concert at 7pm (See article above)



Tutoring Sessions at FBCNN

"Spark Sessions" is tutoring for elementary school kids that was started by Natalia Garcia and one of her friends. This group currently meets periodically throughout the summer and will meet on Tuesdays at 6pm in Room 100 throughout the school year. If you know of someone who this might benefit, you can register by scanning the QR code above or [clicking here](#).



Shine The Light Update

Donations are still coming in to help us cover the costs of necessary upgrades for the lighting system in our sanctuary and shine the light of Jesus out in our community. Please keep prayerfully considering what you can give so that we can all "Shine The Light" of Jesus inside and outside.

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.



The Best Christmas Pageant Ever is Coming to FBCNN

In a joint effort with Denbigh United Presbyterian Church, we will be putting on the play, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!*, December 4th and 5th in our sanctuary. If you would like to try out for a part, there will be casting calls on Wednesday, June 24th from 6pm to 7:30pm, and Sunday, June 28th from 12:30pm to 1:30pm. People of all ages are needed! To learn more about this production and to reserve a casting time click [here](http://bit.ly/26bcpe).

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

Donate

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Join us for worship in person or online Sunday, June 28 at 11am! Dr. Randel Everett 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

Click on the button below to watch the 8:30am and 11am worship service from June 21th.

June 21

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