## Church Calendar ~ Weekly Schedule

### Sunday Morning, February 11th

8:30am ~ Worship

9:30 - 9:50am ~ Lite Breakfast

9:45am ~ Bible Study for All Ages

10:30 -10:55am ~ Media Center

11:00am ~ Worship

Happy Valentine's! Senior Adult Luncheon Sunday Evening, February 11th

4:00 – 4:45pm ~ Youth Praise Team Practice 4:45 - 5:30pm ~ Children of Parents attending

Bible Study or Prayer Time at 5:00pm will go to the Large Children's Room and will be taken to Children's Choirs at 5:30pm

5:00-6:30pm ~ Adult Prayer Time (Conference Room 120)

Men's Bible Study (Classroom 203/204)

Women's Bible Study (Family Life Center)

Youth Bible Study (Basement)

5:30-6:30pm ~ Preschool Cherub Choir (Preschool Area)

1st - 6th Children's Choir (Choir Room)

6:30-7:30pm  $\sim$  Adult Handbells

Wednesday Morning, February 14th

9:30am - 12:00pm ~ Media Center

#### Wednesday Evening, February 14th

4:30-5:15pm ~ Children's Handbells (3rd-6th) 5:15 - 6:00pm ~ Churchwide Fellowship Meal 6:00 - 7:30pm ~ Nursery (birth - 3yr.olds)

 $6:15 - 7:15pm \sim$  Mission Groups for Children

- ~ Mission Friends (4 yr. K) Preschool Hall
- Girls in Action (1st 3rd) Children's Hall
- ~ Girls in Action (4th 6th) Children's Hall
- ~ Royal Ambassadors (1st 6th) Lg Rm 222

6:15 - 7:15pm ~ Youth Bible Study (7th –12th)

6:15-7:15pm ~ Adult Bible Study/Prayer Time 6:15 - 7:15pm ~ Praise Team Practice

7:15 - 8:30pm ~ Sanctuary Choir Practice

# Helping Hands

First Baptist Church Family DO YOU NEED

Do you need a light bulb,

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an air filter, toilet seat changed or maybe some other minor repair done?

We are dedicated to our church family to help our elderly,
widowed, single or disabled members. If you are in need of a
helping hand, please give me, Robert Belcher a call at 252946-3509 and we will see what we can do.

We are ready to serve, NO JOB to small, Just call the church
 office 252-946-8074.

## **Mission Support Opportunity:**

Ralph Matthew Cullom is the son of Scott and Daphne Cullom and attends NC State University. Matthew is part of the College Ministry at Providence Baptist Church in Raleigh and has the opportunity to go on a Mission Trip to Central Asia. If you would like to contribute to his mission trip, please go to this link: <a href="https://pray.managedmission.com/">https://pray.managedmission.com/</a> Donations/Donate/71272.



Planning ahead for WEE School 2024/2025 OPEN ENROLLMENT anytime after February 12th , 8am until Registration Fee \$150.00

Call Crystal Modlin, Lead Teacher 252-946-8074 @ Ext. 111 and she will return your call.



Buzzing by with a reminder Church Conference/Business Meeting Wednesday, February 14th - 6:15pm



## FRIDAY, MARCH 8

Dinner: 5:00PM, 5:30PM, or 6:00 PM (choose when registering for conference) 6:45 PM Session 1

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

8:45 AM Session 2
Conference concludes at noon.

## EAST COAST MEN'S BIBLE CONFERENCE

For hotels, speaker bios, and more information visit: ecmbc.org  $\sim$  get registered today, and sign-up to ride the bus outside the church office.

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# Spring ~ Sunday Nights Schedule Beginning Sunday, February 4th

4:00 - 4:45pm ~ Youth Praise Team Practice

4:45 - 5:30pm ~ Children of Parents attending Bible Study or Prayer Time at 5:00pm will go to the Large Children's Room and will be taken to Children's Choirs at 5:30pm

5:00 - 6:30pm ~ Adult Prayer Time (Conference Room 120) Men's Bible Study (Classroom 203/204) Women's Bible Study (Family Life Center) Youth Bible Study (Basement)

5:30 - 6:30pm ~ Preschool Cherub Choir (Preschool Area) 1st - 6th Children's Choir (Choir Room)

6:30 - 7:30pm ~ Adult Handbells

# Senior Adult ~ Valentine Banquet

# Sunday, February 11th,

immediately following the 11am worship service in the FLC.

All Senior adults 55 and older are welcomed! **PLEASE Sign-up** so we know how much food to prepare.

This event sponsored by FBCW, Deacons

Dear FBC Family,

I have often admired the Apostle Paul for "blazing the trail" of missions. Having traveled to the



ruins of several of the major cities where Paul ministered and realizing that the 10,000 to 15,000 miles were accomplished without Google, Maps, or GPS, he must have been a determined, driven person.

While I understand that the Holy Spirit inspired Paul to write the Scriptures that we have, he is quite amazing with words. Ephesians 1:3 – 14 is a theologically loaded single sentence. I wonder if his Greek Composition teacher ever heard that part of the letter? Her response, in today's vernacular, might have been, "Paul, what were you thinking with that run – on sentence?"

In our study of Colossians, Paul is verbally building to a crescendo in chapter one that explodes with his description of Christ at its apex in verses 15 – 20. Here Paul describes Christ as the very *image* of God Himself, as the authority over everything physical and spiritual as the ...firstborn over all creation...the head...of the church...the firstborn from the dead..." Yet, as heavenly as it sounds it crashes to earth with the phrase at the end of the section in verse 20, ...having made peace through the blood of His cross."

Yes, the King entered His creation as one of His creatures. Without laying aside His deity, He laid aside the expression of His deity that He might do His Father's will. What King has ever left his throne to die for his rebellious servants? Yet, in His humility, He would be exalted (Phil. 2:5-11)! We are admonished to have that same mindset.

In all of this, God would inspire Paul to introduce a new word regarding our salvation that he will use several times in His epistles, including this section of Colossians.

Over the next Sundays in February, we will, Lord willing, dig deep into the results of that humility/exaltation in the verses following this verbal mountain peak. I pray for and look forward to our times together in the Word.

Pastor Joe



The Media Center is looking for **volunteers** who would like to help in the library on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 - 12:00 and also be included in the rotation of workers for Sun. mornings.

Media Center hours will be 10:30 to 10:55 on Sunday morning's. If interested, please see Ann Baker, Joyce Gardner, or Pat Wiley.

## Wednesday Night Fellowship Meals

Cost: \$6.00 Adult Plate & \$4.00 Child Plate (Sign-up required by Monday at 4pm)

February ~ 2024

1st Wednesday ~ Menu-February 7th

Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Tea and Dessert

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday ~ Menu~ February 14th

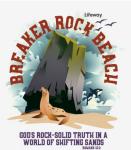
Chicken Pastry, Yams, Bread, Tea & Dessert

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday ~ Menu ~ February 21st

Taco Salad or Tacos, Tea and Dessert
4th Wednesday ~ Menu ~ February 28th

Pork Chops, Scalloped potatoes, Peas, Bread, Tea & Dessert

After the deadline call 943-8772 Pam Warren, she will have the list and knows how much food she has and how far it will go. Thank you!



Mark Your Calendars!

Vacation Bible School 2024

Save the Date: July 15th – 18th

More details to come. . .



## Serving the Week of February 11, 2024

\*Nursery Workers, please include Sunday night, let's make sure we have at least 2 people per service.

Nursery Workers ~ Penney Doughtie, John & Angie Lewis, Denise

Warren, Kimberly Warren, Kara Whitley Children's Church ~ 8:30 ~ Sebald's

11:00 ~ Debbie Harris

Deacon of the Week ~ Chase Stallings

**Deacon Team Members** ~ Angie Lewis, Shane Lewis

Breakfast Team Contact ~ Paul Bright ~ 2nd Sunday

**Benevolence Team Helper** ~ Tuesday, February 13th - Walt Ingalls

Audio/Visual Ministry Team ~ Fred Anderson, Emerson Asby, John Davis, Carol Evans, Don Fann, James Fitts, Brody Fox, Jimmy Harris, Wyatt Renfrow, and Levi Setzer

We are always looking for folks interested in serving in the Audio/Visual Ministry, call <u>Jesse Davis 946-8074 or Carol Evans 946-1724</u> and ask them about the specifics of the different areas available.~ *COME JOIN OUR TEAM!* 

## YOUTH NEWS

- Youth will be doing a fundraiser during February to raise funds for summer camp at Fort Caswell. Cost per student is around \$320
- Caswell registrations are open. The link to signup can be found on the youth webpage or Facebook group.
- February 9th Winter-Jam. \$15 cash to be paid at the door. Chaperones needed. Bus leaves 4pm, return around 12midnight, Event at PNC arena in Raleigh.
- Adults needed to sit in on Bible studies on Wednesday or Sunday nights.
   Contact Taylor if interested. Call FBC 252-946-8074 ext. 105 or email: taylor@thefirstbaptistchurch.com

## Financial Report for February 4, 2024

YTD Budget Requirement (WK 19) \$ 248,088.13

YTD Budget Receipts \$ 253,222.97

Budget Over / Under \$ 5,134.84

Weekly Budget Requirement \$ 13,057.27

Actual Budget Offering \$ 15,457.00

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