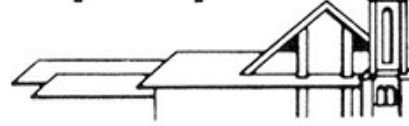


THE BULLETIN

of the First Baptist Church in Beverly



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Join Us On Sunday at First Baptist Church in Beverly

Holy Week Begins

Palm Sunday

April 14, 2019

8:30 a.m.: Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for Youth Ministries

9:45 a.m.: Children and Youth Meet in the Lounge for Palm Procession

10:00 a.m. Worship and Children's Class

**11:20 a.m.: Lenten Poetry and Spiritual Practices;
Adult Education Classes; Children's Choir**

12:30pm: Pilgrimage to Church in the Woods

2:30 p.m.: Baptism Class

Palm Sunday:

From Hosannas to Heartache

Rev. Julie Flowers, preaching

Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11



Annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast!

April 14th at 8:30am in the FBC Gym

This Sunday is FBC's super-fun **Annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast!** The breakfast is prepared by the Senior High Fellowship, and all money raised supports the Youth Ministry Programs of the church. Please come and enjoy a delicious breakfast (and the sounds of Jesus Christ Superstar blasting from the kitchen!) and support our amazing youth groups!



The youth should arrive in the kitchen and ready to work at 8:00 a.m. (advisors at 7:30 a.m., please!), and breakfast will be served starting at 8:30 a.m.

COST: \$8/adults, \$5/children and seniors, and a family maximum of \$24

There will be pancakes (of various types and flavors!), fruit and yogurt, and spiral cut ham all available!

Pilgrimage to Church in the Woods

April 14th, Departing FBC at 12:30pm

On Palm Sunday, April 14th, the church van will be traveling to Church in the Woods, in Canterbury, NH. Church in the Woods Sanctuary is a 100 acre woodland, with paths for meditation and for savoring the beauty of creation. This faith community is rooted in the Episcopal tradition. We will meet in a pasture, by a fire, for an opening liturgy and will then be set free to wander through pasture and forest.



The group will leave FBC at 12:30 p.m., stopping for refreshments at the Hooksett Tourist Information Center along the way, and then continue on to arrive in time for their 3 p.m. afternoon worship. Those who are interested should please RSVP to Kent Harrop kharrop@fbcbeverly.org. Dress for the weather (rain or shine). This is a wonderful event for people of all ages and for families. This event is limited to the first 12 folks who are able to sign up.

Fellowship Activities for April 14th

Middle School Fellowship: Easter Egg Drop Extravaganza! 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

This is a fabulous, hotly contested, deeply eggciting (see what we did there?!) chance to show off both your creativity AND your engineering prowess! The Middle School youth will gather at the church to first dye eggs AND THEN to construct for some of those eggs a container/protective mechanism to help them survive an egg drop! Youth are encouraged to bring an item or items that they think will help them make the best egg drop container possible; we will also have materials available here at the church!

Senior High Fellowship: Pancake Breakfast Making (8:00 a.m.) and Jesus Christ Superstar Watching (6:00 p.m.)

The Senior High Fellowship will gather in the kitchen bright and early on Sunday morning (advisors please arrive at 7:30 a.m., youth at 8 a.m.!) to cook a delicious pancake breakfast for the congregation. This is a fundraiser for the youth programs of the church, so we will need as many hands on deck as possible to make it a success (and lots of fun!). THEN come back at our usual 6 p.m. time and we will enjoy dinner and a laid-back movie night (Jesus Christ Superstar!) in the youth lounge after our morning of good and hard work!

Easter Lily and Tulip Sale Orders Must be Placed by April 14th

Easter Lilies and Tulips to be given in memory or in honor of a loved one and which will decorate our sanctuary on Easter Sunday morning are now available for ordering. Sign-up in the church office or contact Pat Haight at phaight@fbcbeverly.org to place your order. You can also call the church office at 978-922-3295

Cost: \$10/flower for either a lily or a tulip. Orders must be placed by Sunday, April 14th.

Holy Week Schedule

Monday, April 15th: Patriot's Day: Church Office Closed

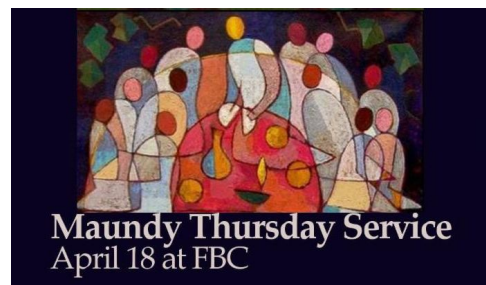
Tuesday, April 16th at 6:00pm: Delightful Dinner at FBC

Enjoy a catered dinner from Henry's Catering from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m., with a fun and relaxed "get to know each other" conversation from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m. This is a wonderful way for newer and longtime participants at FBC to get acquainted. There is no fee for dinner, and childcare will be provided following the dinner. You'll be on your way home by 7:30 p.m. Sign up by emailing Kent Harrop at kharrop@fbcbeverly.org, or by adding your name to the list in the lobby, before or after worship. We look forward to seeing you around the table!



Thursday, April 18th at 7:00pm: Maundy Thursday Service at FBC

We invite you to join us for our traditional Tenebrae Service on Thursday, April 18th at 7:00pm. Julie Flowers will be coordinating this beautiful and reflective candlelit service, which will be held in the Sanctuary. During this time of worship we will remember the last week of Jesus' earthly life, including the Last Supper, the betrayal, and his crucifixion. Communion will be shared during the service. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this service and take several moments out of our busy, hectic lives to welcome a moment of quiet, reflective peace as we move toward Easter Sunday.



Friday, April, 19th at 8:00pm: Mozart's Requiem at First Parish

Easter Sunday, April 21st: A Morning Filled with Fun and Celebration!

5:45 am:
Beverly Community Easter Sunrise Service at Lynch Park

Gather with your neighbors to welcome the Risen Lord!

8:30 am:
Easter Sunday Potluck Breakfast at FBC

Bring a breakfast dish and join in our annual potluck breakfast.

9:15 am:
Egg Hunt at FBC

Following breakfast FBC hosts games for kids of all ages, and our famous egg hunt! This is a festive event to celebrate the joy of the risen Christ. We encourage you to invite friends and family, and stay for worship.

10:00 am:
Easter Worship Service! The Ordinance of Baptism will be observed.

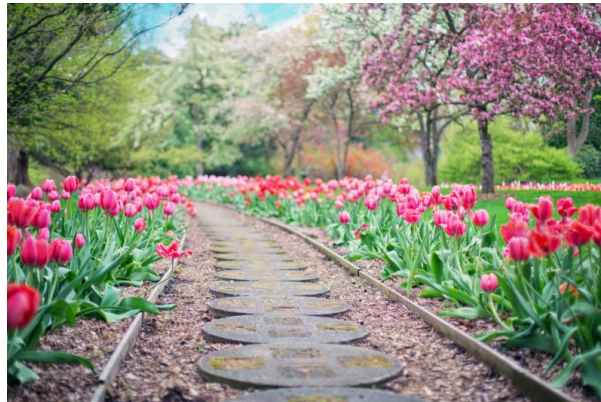


Our Lenten Theme: *In the Garden*

This year's Lenten theme, *In the Garden*, has explored Biblical stories where the garden serves as a meeting place with the Holy.

We conclude our journey on Easter (April 21st), with Mary Magdalene meeting the risen Christ in a cemetery garden (John 20: 1-18).

The Holy Week schedule is highlighted above in this Bulletin newsletter, and we hope you can join us for all or some of those experiences and opportunities. Following are a few other final Lenten notes and experiences:



Art Project – Flourishing Pots

Palm Sunday (April 14th) is the final Sunday to decorate your own flower pot and participate in a ritual, to signify an intention for growth in your personal and faith life.

The final meeting for Lenten Poetry and Spiritual Practices Takes place on April 14th

Throughout Lent, Bryan Vossler has been hosting a lively and creative discussion on how poetry can expand the heart and mind. Bryan has selected poems that complement our theme *In the Garden* along with spiritual practices that connect with the poems wisdom and the movement of the Spirit. This class will have its final gathering at 11:20 a.m. on April 14, in the Lounge on the Main Floor.

Beautiful Banners

Many thanks to Liz Crean for creating the beautiful banners that are currently gracing the front of our Sanctuary! They were designed to expand our hearts, minds and imaginations, as moved through our Lenten journey and explored our Lenten theme.

Planning Team: Thank you to the Spiritual Life Team who began planning for this Lent in November: Bryan Vossler, Karen Wood, Barbara Brann Weir, Marty Lincoln, Lisa LaPlante, and Kent Harrop

Parents' Night Out is this Friday, April 12th, 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Our Parents' Night Out events are FREE, open to all, and take place the SECOND FRIDAY of each month, at the church. Drop the kids with us and take the evening off!

We have outstanding volunteers and teachers on hand to welcome your children and run an evening program filled with music, singing, Bible stories, art activities, and games – all taught from a progressive Christian perspective.

We provide dinner during the evening and close with a movie so that children are able to wind down and relax.

WE ARE IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM - PLEASE CONTACT JULIE FLOWERS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING OUT!



Contact Julie Flowers for more information or to sign up! (978) 922-3295
jflowers@fbcbeverly.org

Women's Fellowship Paint Night

Date: Saturday, April 13th 7:00-9:00pm

We're looking forward to a FUN night of Painting and Ice Cream sharing this coming Saturday night. The bulletin said the deadline to sign up was today, but we wanted to extend it just a bit to include as many people as possible who may be considering it and interested. In order for sufficient supplies to be made available for each participant, **PLEASE** let myself or Julie know by the end of the day on **Thursday this week 4/11** if you plan to attend

Artist Erin Grocki will be bringing all of the painting supplies to **US** and we'll all meet in the gym. Ice Cream will be served as a treat during a break.

Erin was my high school best friend and she's gone on to do some amazing work as an artist - one of those things is to bring Paint Nights to local venues and groups. The painting we will do will be some sort of combination of the two paintings attached that she's used for paint nights before.

If you have any questions about the event, or to reserve a place please contact me at lisaventola@gmail.com or [Julie Flowers](#).

I'm looking forward to seeing you all who can make it this Saturday night!

Warmly,
~Lisa LaPlante



Save the Date: Super Mission Saturday is April 27th!

Super Mission Saturday is on April 27th from 9:00 am to noon. Lunch will be take place at the church following the work time, for those who would like to stay and join our regular lunch guests for a meal! There will be projects for volunteers of ALL ages - so please mark your calendars and plan to come and be a part of some wonderful local work!

"Ask a Muslim" Open Mosque Day

Sunday, April 28, 2019 1:00pm - 3:30pm
Islamic Society of the North Shore "Masjid Us-Salam"
35 Lynnfield Street, Lynn, MA

The Islamic Society of the North Shore cordially invites you, your family and friends to meet your Muslim neighbors with doors open to the community. Come join in conversation and ask about the Mosque's role in our community and learn about the Islamic Faith.

Islamic Society of the North Shore is a growing Muslim community whose focus is to serve the Greater Lynn community and other towns and cities on the North Shore.

All faiths and backgrounds are welcome. Coffee, tea and snacks will be served.

Taste the Promise Fundraiser Dinner May 1st

First Baptist is blessed to be a partner congregation to Family Promise. Family Promise provides safe housing and wrap around social services for families that are homeless .

On May 1st a Fundraiser is being held for Family Promise. FBC has purchased a 10 person table for the event to be held at Danversport Yacht Club for Family Promise. Individual tickets are \$60. A fundraising auction is also part of the event. Please to RSVP Pat Haight at FBC office at phaight@fbcbeverly.org to reserve your spot.

For more information: <https://www.familypromisensb.org/events/taste-the-promise/>

Family Promise Sign Up

May 5 – 12th, First Baptist will again partner with First Parish to host up to four families for Family Promise. Family Promise (FP) provides safe and caring housing for families with no permanent place to call home. FP in addition to housing in partner churches provides wrap around social services to help homeless families find employment and a permanent place to call home. We need volunteers to provide set up and take down, overnight stays (requires training), meals etc.

We welcome new volunteers and hope you feel comfortable jumping in to sign up using our on-line sign up link below. If you haven't been trained yet, sign up for cooking and/or set up and break down. Your help is always needed and welcomed.

May 5-12 <http://signup.com/go/egorXQH>

See Bobbie Grant, roberta.grant614@gmail.com , our FBC Family Promise Coordinator, if you have any questions about how to get involved. Thank you to the generous FBC volunteers who make this possible.

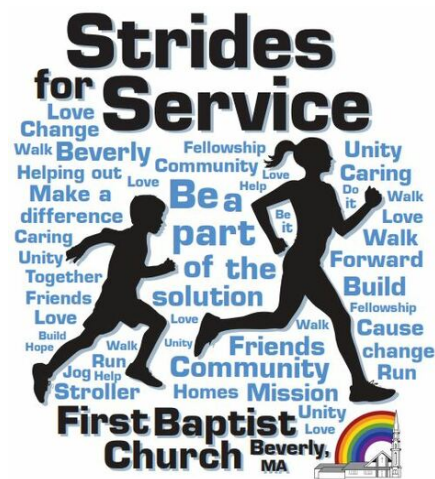
Strides for Service is Looking for Volunteers!

Join us for a one hour family-friendly raffle run in downtown Beverly on Saturday, May 18, 2019. Collect a ticket for each completed loop, then use your tickets to enter a raffle for a chance to win fun prizes!

www.stridesforservice.com/register

This event is a fundraiser to support the continuous local, national and worldwide service outreach of First Baptist Church in Beverly. You can sign up/purchase tickets in the narthex of the church beginning this Sunday, April 14th!

We are seeking volunteers to help make the event a huge success and asking people who are interested in volunteering to please contact Liz Crean as soon as possible at lizcrean@yahoo.com or 978-927-7022



Coming Up at FBC



Thursday, April 11

6:00 pm: Celebration Ringers
7:30 pm: Sanctuary Choir

Friday, April 12

6:00 pm: Parents' Night Out

Saturday, April 13

11:30 am Chapel Choir
12:30pm: Lunch Program
7:00pm: Women's Fellowship Paint Night

Palm Sunday, April 14

8:00 a.m.: Senior High Youth Arrive for Breakfast Prep
8:30am: Pancake Breakfast
9:45 a.m.: Children/Youth Meet in the Lounge for Procession with Palms
10:00 am: Worship and Children's Class
11:20 am: Adult Education and Children's Choir
12:30pm Pilgrimage to Church in the Woods
2:30 pm: Baptism Class
4:0 pm: Middle School Fellowship
6:00 pm: Senior High Fellowship

Monday, April 15

Patriot's Day: Church Office Closed
6:00pm: Monday Night Supper

Tuesday, April 16

9:30 am: Staff Meeting
6:00 pm: Delightful Dinner

Wednesday, April 17

4:30 pm: Lectio Divina
7:15 pm: Harborlight Ringers
7:30pm: Trustees of Endowment

Thursday, April 18

6:00 pm: Celebration Ringers
7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service
8:00 pm: Sanctuary Choir

Check out All FBC's Sermons at fbcbeverly.org/sermons

In the Garden: Sower and Seed

Rev. Kent Harrop, preaching

Scripture: Mark 4: 1 – 9

