


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

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The BULLETIN

of the First Baptist Church in Beverly



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Get Involved

Worship with
Us

We're looking forward to the weeks ahead with many opportunities to support and learn more about our big Summer Service Trip (scoring big with homemade soup or lift tickets in the process!). Speaking of tickets, nab yours to see the Cherry Hill Chamber Orchestra perform at FBC on March 2nd or see *Jesus Christ, Superstar!* on Friday, March 28th at the North Shore Music Theater. As March gets rolling, so, too, does the Season of Lent, which officially begins on March 5th, with Ash Wednesday, and will find us beginning our Lenten Worship Series on Sunday, March 9th!

Worship With Us!

Join us for our **Worship Service** this **Sunday, February 16, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.**, either in person or via our **FBC YouTube Channel**.

Notes for Sunday:

- The Infant/Toddler room will be open during worship this week.
- Littlest Learners will meet during worship this week.
- The Playground will be open as worship begins to allow our elementary-age and younger friends to enter into the quiet enjoyment of worship in a flexible child-friendly space.
- Our Elementary Class will meet following the Stepsitters children's message time during worship.
- The Youth Pew is available for youth in grades 5-12 to enjoy worship together with peers.

SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 16, 2025

SCRIPTURE:
ESTHER 4:1-17

"An Esther Story: When the Time is Now"

For such
a time as this.



PREACHING: REV. JULIE FLOWERS



Click [HERE](#) to join Worship
via Livestream on Sunday

FBC Beverly's Mission
Committee Presents for
the second Sunday...

SOUP-R- BOWL 2025, PART II!

Purchase homemade
(frozen) soup Sunday,
February 16th after
worship and support the
Mission Trip to Marion, VA
this summer.

\$6
a pint

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Go Team FBC!



**MY HEART BE BRAVE:
FEARLESS HOPE IN
UNCERTAIN TIMES**

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN
BEVERLY 2024-2025

Middle School Fellowship

Sunday, February 16th: Games, Games, and MORE GAMES!
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the Youth Lounge at First Baptist

Middle School Fellowship will have a game-playing extravaganza on Sunday afternoon! The advisors will have rotation stations ready for the group to get to rotate through playing board games, Uno, other card games, foosball, mini pool, and old school vintage Game Cube Super Monkey Ball! Middle Schoolers should come ready for an afternoon of fun and silliness, as they get to try their hand at all types of games and enjoy a Youth Lounge hangout afternoon together. Friends are welcome, of course!

Save the Date: Middle School Fellowship Retreat will be happening April 4th – 6th at Grotonwood Camp in Groton, MA. More details will come to you as the weekend gets closer!

Sr. High Fellowship

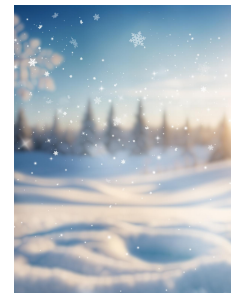
Sunday, February 16th: Going Bowling!
***6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – meet at First Baptist to head out
for an evening of bowling!***

The Sr. High Fellowship will meet at First Baptist at 6 p.m. to head out together for an evening of bowling (and dinner!). The group will head to Sunnyside lanes in Danvers for some friendly bowling competition. Those planning to participate should make sure to bring or wear socks (it's no fun to have bare feet in those rented shoes!), as well as \$15 for bowling. As always, we never want finances to be an obstacle to any young person being able to participate in youth events of the church – financial assistance is available for this program, and youth/families can simply speak to Julie or any Youth Advisor if it would be helpful! The group will grab food for dinner, as well, and youth are welcome to bring some extra money of their own for snacks/drinks they may want to purchase aside from dinner. Friends are welcome to come join in the bowling fun! The group will return to First Baptist by 9 p.m. for pick-up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Get Outdoors and Ski for Service now that the Snow has Arrived!

Now that winter is officially here, grab those skis or snowboard and head to *Wachusett Mountain* AND simultaneously support our 2025 summer service trip! Just purchase your lift tickets online and add our code, **DON-FBCBEV**, into the coupon box. After your cart is updated, a portion of each ticket will go to our service trippers! *The code is good for the entire season*, so use it again and again. Please feel free to also share the code with ski and snowboard friends as well!



This is one easy way to help us get to our final service trip destination this summer!

FBC'S NEXT SUMMER SERVICE TRIP MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP ON MARCH 23RD IS TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE THAT WOULD HELP PEOPLE MAKE YOUR FINAL DECISION ABOUT COMING ON THIS SUMMER'S TRIP TO MARION, VA!

PLEASE NOTE: WE ARE LOOKING FOR A FINAL GROUP COUNT BY TUESDAY, 3/25 — SO IF YOU KNOW BEFORE 3/23 THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND, JUST LET BRENDA OR JULIE KNOW "I'M DEFINITELY IN!"

FBC SUMMER SERVICE TRIP MEETING ON SUNDAY, 3.23.2025

Save The Date!

COMMUNITY PEACE & ART CIRCLE

Monday, February 17, 7-8:30pm

Temple B'nai Abraham



Join us as we come together for community members of all ages to create images about and reflect on the meaning of peace.

*Presented in collaboration with
Heathmere Center for Cultural
Engagement and Artist and Educator
Luba Shapiro Grenader*

Temple B'Nai Abraham

200 E. Lothrop Street,
Beverly, MA
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www.heathmere.org
www.lubagrenader.com



Heathmere
Center
FOR CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT



The Heathmere Center for Cultural Engagement and Temple B'nai Abraham invite you to an art and dialogue reflection circle with local artist and educator, **Luba Shapiro Grenader**. This free event will begin with a short meditation, followed by a time to create our own images of peace, and a discussion to share our hopes and ideas. You do not need to be an artist—just someone willing to enjoy putting color, shapes and lines on paper! Come experience the healing power of art and connecting with others on **Monday**,

February 17th, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Temple B'nai Abraham, 200 East Lothrop St., Beverly, MA. This event is open to all ages and funding is provided through Mass Humanities and Creative County Initiative (ECCF).

Register [HERE](#) and send any questions to info@heathmere.org.



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T W E R T I E S
d a t e s !

- Friday, February 28th
we're **Clay Dreaming!**
- Friday, March 21st
Movie Night & Chat!
- Last week of April
(Date TBD) headed to
TasteBuds Kitchen.
- Friday, May 16 **Fun**
Night in at FBC with
games, show & tell,
etc.
- Saturday, June 21st
Mini Golf & Ice
cream!

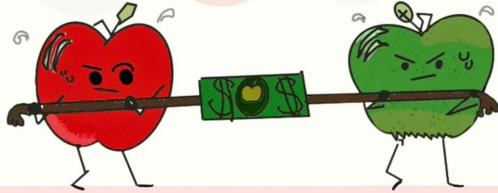
**All evening events,
with specific times TBA.*



**Save-the-Dates! Upcoming Community
Conversation & Performance both right around
the corner**

Green Beverly, The Cabot,
and the North Shore Farm and Food Coalition present:

FOOD FIGHT!



Explore Our Food System and Your Role In It
Through a Tale of Two Apples

REGISTER NOW



TheCabot.org/Event/Food-Fight

The Cabot
Wednesday, Feb 26
5:30 – 8PM
Program starts at 6:30PM

A playful stage production featuring local students,
talks from local experts, and Q+A panel

* Free, allergy-friendly meals * Free childcare (school aged) and limited
transportation vouchers: contact julia@greenbeverly.org to reserve



Illustration by Beverly artist Juliana Kwaa, grade 4



Discover the key elements of our local food system, meet local farmers and food advocates, learn why you should care, and understand how you can help...

A playful stage production featuring local students, talks from local experts, and Q+A panel. Register [HERE!](#)

Free, allergy-friendly meals provided by Root and Kim's Pure Pastry + free childcare for school aged children. Contact julia@greenbeverly.org to reserve.

Get Your Tickets to see *Jesus Christ, Superstar!* this Spring

Be sure to make the *Jesus Christ, Superstar* performance at the North Shore Music Theater on Friday, **March 28th**, for which FBC has a block of 20 tickets reserved.

If you'd like to buy tickets for the show through us, they are **\$48 each**. **Contact Daniel** directly to secure ticket(s).

The show is produced by the Voices of Hope theater company, "a not-for-profit community of artists who raise funds for cancer research thru theatrical performance, and has been bringing its powerful and moving performances to NSMT since 2013. Now in its 16th season, Voices of Hope has donated more than one million dollars, contributing to the ever-growing source of treatment options that continue to give hope to their vision of a cancer free world."



WHEN...

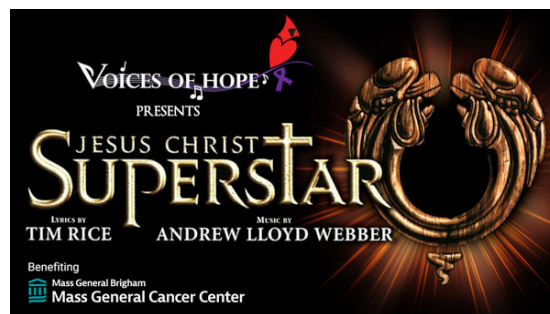
March 1st @ 3PM
Christ Church United, UCC
180 E. Merrimack Street, Lowell, MA

March 2nd @ 2PM
First Baptist Church
221 Cabot Street, Beverly, MA

Featuring Marshunda
and her Moody Cello!



Read more about these special performances [HERE](#) and get your tickets using the code FBCBeverly for 10% off adult tickets [HERE](#).



FBC WOMEN'S RETREAT



Save the date

Friday, May 30 – Sunday, June 1st, 2025

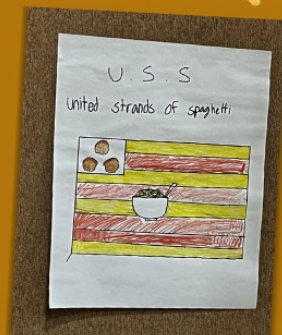
As with prior years' Women's Retreats, the formal retreat programming will run from Friday evening, May 30th, until early late afternoon on Saturday, May 31st. Those who would like to stay on through Saturday night for games, hanging out, and fun, followed by Grotonwood breakfast on Sunday, June 1st, are welcome to do so!

Take a Peek at these Fun Photos from our FBC Fellowship Crew on Sunday!

THE SPAGHETTI SUPER BOWL WAS A BALL!



FBC'S MIDDLE SCHOOL & SR. HIGH FELLOWSHIP PARTNERED UP AND GOT PASTA-IVELY CREATIVE, AS YOU CAN SEE!



Looking at the week(s) ahead at
FBC Beverly...



[Link to Zoom Coffee Hour
Thursday @ 10 AM](#)

Cast Your Vote! ECCO Campaign

Which of the 4 below
will YOU vote for?!



- ☑ LIFT THE BAN ON RENT CONTROL
- ☑ PASS THE TENANT OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE ACT (TOPA)
- ☑ ALLOW REAL ESTATE TRANSFER FEES TO FUND AFFORDABLE HOUSING
- ☑ PROTECT ACCESS TO EMERGENCY SHELTER

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13
6:00-8:00 P.M.

FIRST CHURCH SWAMPSCOTT
40 MONUMENT STREET, SWAMPSCOTT



FBC Beverly's Mission Committee Presents for the second Sunday...

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Purchase homemade (frozen) soup Sunday, February 16th after worship and support the Mission Trip to Marion, VA this summer.

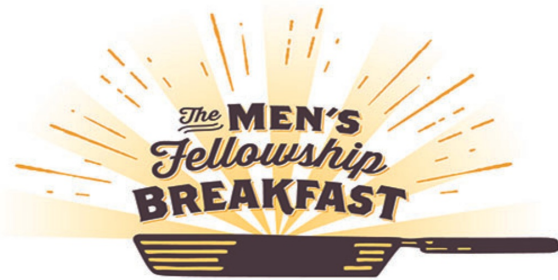
\$6 a pint

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Go Team FBC!



FBC'S T3 MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST AT STEPHY'S ON TUESDAY, 2/18 @ 7AM!



A FUN GROUP TO NAVIGATE AGING GRACEFULLY TOGETHER!

Senior Luncheon



NEXT GROUP LUNCH MEETING IS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH FROM 11:30-1:30 P.M.!

Holiday Hours

In honor of Presidents' Day, the FBC office will be closed on Monday, February 17th. Regular church office hours will resume on Tuesday, February 18th.

Thank You!

Come, Let Us Worship

FBC'S

The Weekly Worship Podcast of First Baptist Church in Beverly, Massachusetts



PODCAST

NEW EPISODE:

"A Nathan Story: Telling It Like It Ought to Be"

Scripture: 2 Samuel: 11:26-12:10

Preaching: Dr. Daniel Johnson Sunday, February 9th, 2025



Listen to our latest FBC Podcast [HERE!](#)

FBC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP TRIVIA NIGHT

FRIENDS | FELLOWSHIP | FOAM | FUN!

26 FEB.

Wednesday Night
Backbeat Brewing Company

See you there at 6:30 p.m.!

“¹⁴ For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this? — Esther 4:14”

PENCIL IN FBC

February

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Thursday

Join ECCO in Selecting their next Housing Campaign!

The Essex County Community Organization (ECCO) is meeting from 6:00-8:30 p.m. at First Church Swampscott at 40 Monument Street in Swampscott for a campaign selection gathering. Transportation and childcare offered upon request.

February

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Monday

Church Office is Closed for President's Day

The church office will be closed today but will reopen at the regular time on Tuesday, February 18th.

February

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Tuesday

FBC's T3 Men's Fellowship Breakfast

This FBC Men's Group will convene at Stephy's this month at 7:00 a.m.

February

23

Sunday

Esther's Children's Choir Rehearses

Our Elementary-aged friends are invited to stay immediately after worship for a brief, very fun rehearsal with Music Director Dr. Esther Chang.

February

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Monday

Senior Group Lunch

Hope to see you at our next Senior Group Lunch from 11:30-1:30 p.m. in the Church Lounge!

February

26

Wednesday

The Cabot's Community Conversation featuring Green Beverly

Discover the key elements of our local food system, meet local farmers and food advocates, learn why you should care, and understand how you can help. Come enjoy this playful stage production featuring local students, talks from local experts, and Q+A panel.

FBC Men's Fellowship Trivia Night

Join the men of FBC for a time of fellowship, fun, friends & foam at Backbeat Brewing Company at 6:30 p.m.!

February

28

Friday

Twerties Event at Clay Studio!

The Twerties will be all fired up for a fun time of pottery painting at Clay Dreaming Studios on Cabot Street!

March

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Sunday

Cherry Hill Chamber Orchestra Performs at FBC

Tickets are on sale now for the 2:00 p.m. show at FBC. Learn more about "LeBec and the Existential Dream Onion" performance [HERE](#) and get your tickets using the code FBCBeverly for 10% off adult tickets [HERE](#).

March

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Tuesday

Theology On Tap

Bring your thirst for fellowship and hunger for lively conversation about life and faith at 8:00 p.m. to the Kitchen Table in Beverly.

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