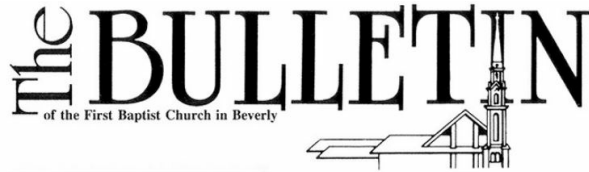


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

A progressive and welcoming Christian community

You're invited to "spring-on-in" to FBC this week between our *Labor Day Weekend Family Camp meeting tonight at 7:00 pm* followed by *Parents' Night Out* this Friday from 6:00-8:30 pm! We can't forget *World Labyrinth Day* on Saturday as we gather to walk as one at 1:00 pm (or really anytime from 12:45-1:45 pm in the Narthex!) There's a full calendar this May so all-aboard! Next stop: Summer!



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Get Involved

Worship with Us

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Join us this Communion Sunday, May 7th at 10:00 am for Worship either in person or via our [FBC YouTube Channel](#). *Remember to please bring your own elements of Communion if joining us via YouTube this week.

We warmly welcome new members at our Worship Service as well this Sunday!

Notes for Sunday:

- The Infant and Toddler Room will be open during worship, ready to receive our friends age 2 and younger.
- Littlest Learners will be open during worship for our Preschool friends ages 3-6
- Our Elementary groups will meet following the Stepsitters children's message time
- The Youth Pew is ready for our Middle School and Senior High youth (grades 5-12) who would like to worship together with peers
- Children's Choir will rehearse with Esther following worship to prepare to sing in worship on May 14th
- The Worship Ensemble will rehearse following worship
- Middle School Fellowship will meet at 4 PM
- Senior High Fellowship will meet at 6 PM

SUNDAY,
MAY 7, 2023

"FAITHFULNESS TOMORROW"

Preached by Rev. Julie Flowers
First Baptist Church in Beverly

Joel 3:1-2 and James 2:14-17

Click [HERE](#) to view Worship via FBC's YouTube Channel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Click [HERE](#) to view our Calendar!



CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY

**A CHILD-LED FBC
WORSHIP SERVICE SURE
TO MOVE YOU!** 😊

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
IN BEVERLY

**Sunday,
May 14th!**

Save-the-Date!

Children and Youth Sunday is fast-approaching on Sunday, May 14th! Please *contact Daniel* if your youth would like to have a speaking opportunity or play a certain role in the service.

GET THE SCOOP!



Join us for dessert & details regarding Labor Day Weekend Family Camp & how YOU can get in on the fun!

WEDS., MAY 3RD (TONIGHT!) **7:00 pm in FBC's Lounge**

Click [HERE](#) to read up on Labor Day Weekend Family Camp!

Learn more about Geneva Point [HERE](#)

Let's Talk Summer Plans & Get Away!

The warm weather is here and many of us are thinking about summer plans. You are invited to an informational get together at **7:00 pm on Wednesday, May 3rd in the Lounge** to learn more about a weekend away, at Geneva Point Center on Lake Winnepesaukee. **Labor Day Weekend Family Camp** is for all ages, singles, families, extended family, friends, and newcomers. It is a wonderful place for families with children. It is a time of fun, exploration, community and recreation in a beautiful setting. Soak in the scenery and sit awhile in a rocking chair overlooking the lake and mountains. This time together is sure to become a highlight of your year! Come and join FBC folks along with people from other communities.

During this brief meeting you will learn more about the activities for both adults and children, the housing accommodations, meals, and cost (there is a **discount for first time FBC individuals and families**).

Come and enjoy some dessert, hear about the weekend, and have your questions answered. You may also contact Cindy Shupp with any questions at cjshupp@verizon.net.

PNO is this Friday from 6:00-8:30 pm!

Start making plans because the whole family is in store for a special treat!

That's right... this Friday, May 5th is our next Parents' Night Out and YOU are invited to drop your children off for dinner and a fun night of activities while you grocery shop, catch up with a friend, celebrate Cinco de Mayo, the sky is the limit!

Any questions about this program or have a new friend who might like to come? *Shoot Julie an email*. We are still looking for volunteers for the evening so please contact Julie at jflowers@fbcbeverly.org if interested in helping out!

PNO is open to the greater community, just a reminder if you have friends who are interested!

FBC Beverly's

Parents' Night Out ~A fun night for all!

(Typically the 1st Friday of each month from 6:00-8:30 pm.)

Join us for the next FBC PNO on **Friday, May 5th** from 6:00-8:30 pm!

SATURDAY, MAY 6TH 12:45-1:45 PM @ FBC



Spiritual Life invites you to "World Labyrinth Day" at FBC!

Join us on **Saturday, May 6th** as we throw open our doors and invite the whole church community and greater Beverly to stop by the Narthex between **12:45-1:45 pm** as we band together and walk & pray for World Labyrinth Day! We'll have handouts available for handy reference, which will also include a finger labyrinth for children to color and practice with!

On World Labyrinth Day at 1:00 pm across the globe people everywhere (albeit in different time zones) will gather and walk their labyrinth in prayerful, peaceful contemplation. We'd like to join the bandwagon of hope and positivity, and we hope you'll take a few minutes out of your busy weekend to focus on walking and praying your way thru our *NEW* labyrinth set up for this exciting occasion. *All are welcome and encouraged to experience this spiritual practice -especially if you/they haven't already!*

Saturday Lunch Program Volunteers Needed!

We are still in immediate need of one more person to join the team for the second Saturday of every month, 10:00 am-1:30 pm. Duties may include food preparation and cooking; setting up tables and chairs, a coffee/tea station, a meal serving station, a dessert station, and a plate clearing station; serving the meal; interacting with guests; resetting the gym; kitchen clean-up.

There is flexibility in that there are alternate volunteers who can fill in if a team member is unable to work their given Saturday. This is a great opportunity for students who are looking for volunteer hours or for anyone who would like to be more involved in the life of FBC. If you are unable to commit your time each month, you are welcome to sign up to be on the alternate list to occasionally fill in for a regular team member.



Email Brenda with your Interest or Questions



American Baptist Home Mission Societies

Missions in May Campaign: Giving back thru ABC/USA Annual Offerings

For the last three years (2020, 2021 and 2022), the Mission Committee has decided to use a portion of our annual giving funds to contribute to *ABC/USA Annual Offerings* (American Baptist Churches USA), on behalf of our congregation. During the month of May, we will once again be asking for FBC community contributions. Each Sunday, we will highlight one of the four offerings: America for Christ, One Great Hour of Sharing, World Mission Offering, Retired Missionary and Ministers.

America For Christ is an offering collected by the *American Baptist Home Mission Societies* (ABHMS) to support regions, churches, and community organizations across the US and Puerto Rico with grants for a variety of purposes. This year, the 2023 Grace Upon Grace campaign will provide grants for chaplaincy and spiritual caregivers support; aid for children living in poverty; new, innovative ministries; developing church leaders; promoting discipleship. AFC gifts also benefit Alaska Ministries, Asian Ministries, Latino Ministries, and Native American Ministries. You are welcome to learn about the transformative power of AFC contributions for *leadership empowerment, healing and transforming communities, and intercultural ministries.*

If you would like to make an online financial gift to support America for Christ, head [here](#). If you would prefer to make an FBC Beverly combined community contribution, there are envelopes in the back of the church sanctuary that can be placed in the collection baskets during worship or placed in the church office any time this month.

Thank you for your consideration!

A Picture of the Week Ahead...



Coffee Hour Zoom Link

Word Searchers

This week the Word Searchers Bible study group will dig into John chapters 12 and 13, as well as chapter 8 from Jaime Clark-Soles's *Reading John for Dear Life*. Join us at 11:30 in the Office Wing Conference Room to consider the implications of not one, but two episodes of foot-washing that are recorded in John's gospel.



Look at the Sunday school Sing -A-Long crew above having a ball with their instruments! **Bring your children & youth to practice after Worship this Sunday w/Esther** before their performance on May 14th for Children & Youth Sunday!

Come, Let Us Worship

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Join a Human Chain of Hope
*Building Community With Uprooted People
to Serve the Common Good*



**Refugee
Immigration Ministry**

Annual International Concert

Date: May 11, 2023
Time: 7 P.M.
Place: Trinity Episcopal Church
124 River Road, Topsfield, MA 01983

Participating Choirs

Sikh Chorus, Westborough
Palestinian Music
Ugandan Choir, St. Peter's Church, Waltham
Islamic Call to Prayer
First Congregational Church Choir, Topsfield
Temple Emanu-EJ Chorus, Haverhill

Admission: \$25 buy on line or at the door

Refugee Immigration Ministry, 6 Pleasant St., Suite 227, Malden, MA
Phone: 781-322-1011 website: www.r-i-m.net

FBC Beverly
Rummage
Sale!



May 12,
9am-4pm
& May 13,
9am-12pm

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¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? ¹⁵ Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. ¹⁶ If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? ¹⁷ In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. -James 2:14-17

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PENCIL IN FBC!

May

5

Friday

Parents' Night Out

Time to make your Cinco de Mayo plans because May 5th is right around the corner and coincidentally is also FBC's PNO! All children and youth of FBC and the greater Beverly community are welcome from 6:00-8:30 pm for an evening of dinner, activities and engagement. Parents' and caregivers get a night out or a moment to catch their breath while the children have a ball- everyone wins!

May

6

Saturday

"World Labyrinth Day" Peace Walk @ FBC

Help create a rolling wave of peaceful energy passing from one time zone to the next around the globe on World Labyrinth Day! FBC is hosting an open community labyrinth walk in the Narthex from 12:45-1:45 pm for anyone interested in joining this time-honored spiritual practice.

May

12-13

Friday/Saturday

FBC Rummage Sale

Swing by FBC for the annual Rummage Sale on Friday, 9:00-4:00 pm and on Saturday from 9:00-Noon. Who knows what vintage treasures the sale will behold!

May

14

Sunday

Children & Youth Sunday

Save-the-Date for an extra special Sunday led by our children and youth of FBC! Esther's children's choir will be featured with many other contributions throughout the service. You won't want to miss this joy-filled, and no doubt entertaining, Sunday!

May

19

Friday

Robert Littlefield's Farewell Concert

FBC Music Director Emeritus Robert Littlefield will be performing his farewell concert next door at First Parish at 8:00 pm. Come out for what is sure to be a memorable performance as Robert prepares for his retirement.

May

21

Sunday

Music Sunday

Join us for this FBC fan-favorite that we enjoy twice a year filled with music from start to finish! Hear every single one of our FBC choirs and ensembles + special soloists/instrumentalists that we don't typically get to hear on a weekly basis.

May

24

Wednesday

FBC Beverly's Annual Meeting

Pencil in the FBC Annual Meeting from 7:00-9:00 pm. More details on the horizon~stay tuned!

June

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Saturday

Service Saturday Event! *Save-the-Date*

Join us on **Saturday, June 3rd from 8:45 AM – 12:30 PM for our FBC Service Saturday!** What is Service Saturday?! Formerly called *Super Mission Saturday*, it is an all-ages church tradition in which we spend the morning volunteering together. Folks choose from a variety of service projects from either within our church building or out in the Beverly community. There will be special activities for children as well! Additional details to follow~stay tuned & save the date!

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