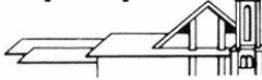


# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

*A progressive and welcoming Christian community*

# The BULLETIN

of the First Baptist Church in Beverly



*A progressive and welcoming Christian community!*

Get Involved

Worship with Us

Happy summering, FBC Family! Our summer theme logo stickers and magnets are all in, and folks are welcome to pick them up on a Sunday or any time during regular summer office hours (Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.). We also still have plenty of Summer Bucket List copies available AND the corresponding stickers for Bucket List events that have been completed! Don't forget, there will be a "Most Boring Summer Ever!" prize giveaway at Rally Day this September, so keep checking off those lists!

## Worship With Us!

Join us for our **Worship Service** this **Sunday, July 14, 2024 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 Prayground will be open for the enjoyment of our Elementary and younger friends & their families to use during worship.
- The Youth Pew is available for youth in grades 5-12 to enjoy worship together with peers.
- Tidepooling Adventure for All Ages at Lynch Park (meet at the Rose Garden) at noon.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
IN BEVERLY

## "SMOOTHING THINGS OUT"

7.14.2024

Rev. Julie Flowers, Preaching    Ecclesiastes 1:3-10 & Luke 3:1-11

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## Inaugural 20s and 30s Community and Connections Group event this Friday night!

Join us Friday, July 12 at 6:30 p.m. for a church potluck!

There is a *\*NEW\** community and connections group for those in their 20s and 30s that's officially kicking off on Friday, July 12th at 6:30 p.m. at FBC! This potluck palooza is open to everyone in that age range & feel free to bring your favorite allergy-friendly side dish (and some friends!) Food & fun are menu specials, so save room this Friday for FBC!



## Join us for our next Summer Bucket List Event this Weekend:

**FBC is Tidepooling & Lunching at Lynch Park!**



**Sunday, July 14th @ Noon**

Tidepooling Adventure and Lunch this Sunday, July 14th at Noon!

Join us for a Tidepooling Adventure at Lynch Park starting at Noon (wear your beach shoes and come ready for some low tide exploration and discovery)! Meet at the Rose Garden entrance so we can all walk over to the tide pools together. Reminder that lunch is provided! FYI, RSVPs are NOT required BUT if you plan on coming and can *let Julie know*, that will help out with lunch ordering!

Questions? *Email Julie or Email Daniel!*

## First Fun-Squad Sponsored Event in less than 2 weeks!



All are invited for a Fun and Fellowship event on Saturday, July 20th from 1 to 4 p.m. (A rain date is set for Sunday, July 28th, because we won't let anything rain on our parade!)

Bring your own chairs, blankets and food preferences. FBC will provide the outdoor games & a surplus of FUN!

Parking is free for Beverly residents with sticker & non-residents must pay (\$25 for weekends). Please Note: If you live in Beverly and need a Lynch Park sticker, just bring your registration and/or a piece of mail (ideally utility bill!) with your name/address on it, and you can get a sticker as you enter the park! To defer parking costs if you live outside of Beverly, we will offer non-Beverly residents to

park in the church parking lot and we'll drive you over in the van. Please RSVP via email to *Todd Ames* or *Amy Puff* if you'd like a free ride over to Lynch Park. *Thank you and let the fun begin!*

## It's Time to Plan and RSVP for Paddling the Ossipee on Saturday, July 27th!

Grab your paddles & let's venture outdoors together to the Ossipee, FBC!

We're looking forward to our all-day canoe (or kayak if you have one and prefer it) adventure for all ages on Saturday, July 27th! If you are interested in participating and checking this off of your FBC Summer Bucket List, please sign up with *Daniel* or *Julie* **no later than Sunday, July 21st.**

We will provide the canoes, paddles, and life jackets so you don't need to have a lot of equipment already (although you are welcome to bring your own, if you have it). We don't have many children's sizes in PFDs,

so if families don't already have a PFD for their child, please let us know that ASAP, as well. Additionally, if you have a kayak and prefer to paddle that way, please plan to caravan up with us so that you can transport your kayak as you choose! (The canoes will be pulled by the church van on the church canoe trailer.)



*All participants are invited to pack their favorite snacks and outdoor lunch to bring (along with their willing spirits of adventure!)*



**RRSB**  
CONCERT RECAP

FROM FRIDAY,  
JUNE 28TH

**RAISED  
NEARLY \$1,500  
FOR AMIRAH!**





FBC'S

# BEACH MEETUP HIGHLIGHT PICS!

FROM SATURDAY, JUNE 29TH

40 PEOPLE GATHERED FOR OUR SUMMER BUCKET LIST BEACH MEETUP - AND STAYED, LAUGHED, TALKED, AND PLAYED - ALL WITHOUT OUR PHONES AND EVEN IN THE DRIZZLING RAIN!



## FBC Waterers Welcomed!

TWO GORGEOUS NEW PLANTERS OUT FRONT COULD USE YOUR HELP!

Contact Elly at [Ellyflow09@comcast.net](mailto:Ellyflow09@comcast.net) and she will add you to the summer watering schedule!



The FBC planters are refreshed and ready with summer time plantings. Elly Flowers and Karen Popadic completed that task on a hot day earlier this summer! The tricky part comes with keeping them watered through the summer. Typically, with average, light or no rainfall over the course of a week, three waterings keep them in good shape. Karen will take the Wednesdays on the water schedule. Elly disappears to the Cape, as many of you know, so they would like to ask a few of you to sign up for the other 2 days/week for a week or two over the summer.

Please look at your calendars and if you will be around and would be able to stop by and water at some point this summer, please contact Elly at [Ellyflow09@comcast.net](mailto:Ellyflow09@comcast.net) and she will happily and gratefully add you to the summer watering schedule as well as share some helpful hints! For example, if you can only water during hours when the church is not open, Elly has containers she can share so that you could just take the water with you! Many hands make light work, so if we have a good number of waterers, each person's commitment will be brief! Thank you!

Email Elly [HERE](#)

## Labor Day Weekend Family Camp is set for August 30th-September 2nd, 2024: *IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN US!*

### Don't Miss Out On A Fun Weekend!

What could be a better way to wrap up the summer than a weekend away at Geneva Point Center on Lake Winnepesaukee? The weekend is for all ages, singles, families, extended family, friends, and newcomers. It is a time of fun, exploration, community, and recreation in a beautiful setting. Sit a while in a rocking chair overlooking the lake and mountains. This time together is sure to become a highlight of your year. Hear about Amy Puff's experience at LDWFC below:



*"Upon arrival, I was welcomed by familiar faces from FBC and Geneva Point's natural beauty. As someone who loves being outdoors, I couldn't resist a refreshing swim at the lake with friends of all ages. I later paused to observe a family of loons along the shore...An unexpected highlight was the kid-organized soccer game comprised of multi-age players. While it wasn't World Cup Soccer, each small victory was celebrated by smiling team members and a crowd of enthusiastic spectators who cheered faithfully throughout the game!...A lovely time to connect with God and FBC friends in a unique way:) Thank you FBC, for the "first-timer" scholarship!" --Amy Puff*

You may find out more information on at [ldwfc.org](http://ldwfc.org). **First time attendees will receive a discount**, also funds are available to make the weekend affordable for all those who would like to attend.

*For registration and any further questions please contact Cindy Shupp at [cjshupp@verizon.net](mailto:cjshupp@verizon.net).*

### Together Again!

Zoom Coffee Hour  
Thursdays  
@ 10am



[Zoom Coffee Hour Link](#)

FBC is Tidepooling & Lunching at Lynch Park!



Sunday, July 14th @ Noon

LET'S POTLUCK!

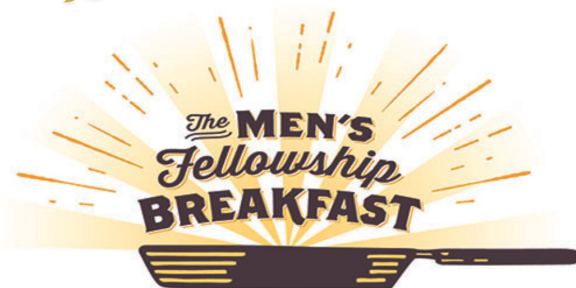


THIS IS A NEW COMMUNITY AND CONNECTIONS GROUP FOR THOSE IN THEIR 20S AND 30S THAT'S JUST GETTING STARTED WITH THIS FIRST POTLUCK EVENT- HOORAY! THIS INTRODUCTORY GATHERING IS OPEN TO EVERYONE IN THAT AGE RANGE, & FOLKS SHOULD FEEL FREE TO INVITE FRIENDS TO COME ALONG AND JOIN FOR FOOD & FUN!


Friday, July 12, 2024  
@ 6:30 p.m. at FBC!



FBC'S T3 MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST AT DEPOT DINER TUESDAY, 7/16 @ 7AM!



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY




FBC's Summer Book Discussion Group continues Tuesday, July 16th at 6:30 p.m. with Julie and Daniel. Save your Tuesdays in July for this engaging study!

7.16.2024

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

**RECLAIMING CONVERSATION**

THE POWER OF TALK IN A DIGITAL AGE



"A singular voice in the discourse about technology."  
—Jonathan Franzen, *The New York Times Book Review*

**SHERRY TURKLE**  
AUTHOR OF ALONE TOGETHER

Come, Let Us Worship

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

**FBC'S PODCAST**



**NEW EPISODE:**

"The Ultimate Summer PLA Ylist"

Scripture: Psalm 71:23&24 and Psalm 98

Preacher: Jenny Lane

Sunday, July 7, 2024



### FIRST BAPTIST STAFF SCHEDULE SUMMER NOTES

Summer Office Coverage schedule has begun: Pat Haight will be in the office Mondays – Thursdays from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., weekly; on Fridays she will not be in the office during the summer.

Daniel is on vacation July 2nd–14th. He will be back in the office on July 15th. Julie will be available during this time for any pastoral needs or emergencies.

Julie will be on vacation July 31st–August 25th. Daniel will be available during this time for any pastoral needs or emergencies.



<sup>4</sup> As it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,  
“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.

<sup>5</sup> Every valley shall be filled,  
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,  
and the crooked shall be made straight,  
and the rough ways made smooth.

— Luke 3:4-5



## PENCIL IN FBC

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July

12

Friday

### **\*NEW\* 20s and 30s Group Forming: Swing by Potluck and Hangout with Nice People!**

Swing by the church at 6:30 p.m. to take part in this newly forming Community Connections group aimed at folks in their 20s and 30s! Open to everyone in the community so invite a friend and you are welcome to bring an allergy-friendly side dish too!



July

14

Sunday

## Tidepooling Adventure (& Lunch!) at Lynch Park

Meet up with us at Lynch Park at Noon (wear your beach shoes and come ready for some low tide exploration and discovery!) We'll gather at the Rose Garden entrance so we can all walk over to the tide pools together. Lunch provided!

July

16

Tuesday

## FBC's T3 Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Our monthly men's group meets at Depot Diner this month at 7:00 a.m. for breakfast and fellowship that can't be beat!

July

16

Tuesday

## Summer Book Group Continues...

We'll continue our reading and discussion of *Reclaiming Conversation: The Power of Talk in a Digital Age* by Sherry Turkle.

July

20

Saturday

## Fun Squad Hosts Fun Fellowship at Lynch Park

All are invited for a Fun and Fellowship event on July 20th from 1-4 p.m. (rain date is Sunday, July 28th from 1-4 p.m. because we won't let anything rain on our parade!) Bring your own chairs, blankets and food preferences. FBC will provide the outdoor games & a surplus of FUN!

July

22

Monday

## Local Presentation on College Readiness

From 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Beverly Public Library there will be a free college readiness presentation presented by Richard Goldberg for all who might be interested!

July

23

Tuesday

## Summer Book Group Continues Onward...

We'll continue our reading and discussion of *Reclaiming Conversation: The Power of Talk in a Digital Age* by Sherry Turkle.

July

27

Saturday

## Paddling the Ossipee River!

This will be an all-day canoe (or kayak if you have one and prefer it) adventure for all ages! Stay tuned for more details! We provide the canoes, paddles, and even the life jackets – you provide the willing spirits of adventure!

July

30

Tuesday

## Summer Book Group Grand Finale

We'll wrap up our reading and discussion of *Reclaiming Conversation: The Power of Talk in a Digital Age* by Sherry Turkle.

## CONTACT US

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