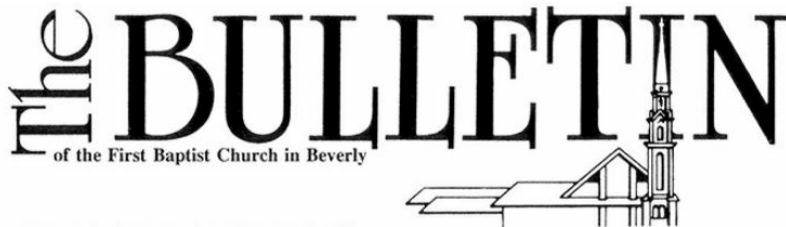


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

A progressive and welcoming Christian community



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Get Involved

Worship with
Us

We look forward to considering more of how we can exercise "Fearless Hope in Uncertain Times" this Sunday as we welcome Rev. Wayne Lavender to preach during worship and then to share more about his work with the Foundation 4 Orphans during a special luncheon forum to follow.

Worship With Us!

Join us for our **Worship Service** this **Sunday, October 13th, 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 Playground will be open as worship begins to allow our elementary-age and younger friends 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, October 13, 2024

“YOKED TO THE Cross”

Preaching: Rev. Wayne Lavender
Scripture: Mark 9:30-37

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
IN BEVERLY
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Click [HERE](#) to join Worship
via Livestream on Sunday



Rev. Wayne Lavender to Preach and Share about Foundation 4 Orphans (F4O), this Sunday, October 13!

Wayne will be preaching and sharing the work of F4O during the service on the 13th, as well as during a special luncheon and forum that will take place in the Chapel beginning at 11:30 a.m. that morning. The lunch will be free, but we ask that you *RSVP to Daniel* for it by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 11th, so that we can plan well for how much food to have on hand.

You can learn more about this organization's mission from Wayne [HERE](#). Or view a compelling 1-minute video from Rev. Wayne [HERE](#) ahead of Sunday.

Youth Fellowship Notes for Sunday:

Middle School Fellowship: Theme Day! 4:00 pm-6:00 pm in the Youth Lounge

Middle School Fellowship will be introducing and beginning to explore our Middle School theme for the year: “All Problems Big and Small” with a Theme Day program filled with fun, conversation, and games! This theme will allow us to explore problem solving skills together, help us sort out ways to size up and triage problems and difficult moments that come into our lives and help us learn and practice with problem solving strategies to add some tools to our toolboxes to carry with us!

Sr. High Fellowship: Escape Room! 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm in the Youth Lounge

Rachel and Jack will be creating an original Escape Room challenge, right in our church! The rest of the group - youth and advisors alike - will work together to combine our creativity, problem-solving skills, and our teamwork to solve the puzzles and escape! We will share dinner together during the program, as well. Hopefully our skills are equal to the escaping task... or we can just hope Daniel will let us out on Monday morning!

Do you want to sport the new FBC program year logo on your car, truck, refrigerator, or private jet?



Pick yours up at the church **today!**
The cost is **\$2** for the smaller version and **\$5** for the larger one.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fun Squad Hosting Intergenerational Game Night!

Join FBC's Fun Squad for an Intergenerational Game Night (think board games and puzzles!) from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Narthex and Lounge on Friday, October 18th. Popcorn and snacks WILL be provided to fuel the fun, and we encourage everyone to bring a favorite game of theirs **and** their own water bottle to fill up at our convenient, environmentally-friendly water station!

ALL ages are welcome to this fun event including children accompanied by their adult. We can't wait to bust out our popcorn machine and our favorite games for a fun night in at FBC!

Fun Squad Activate!

Intergenerational Game Night!
Friday, October 18th, 2024
6:30-8:30 p.m. & open to everyone!
Popcorn + Snacks Included
(just bring your own refillable water bottle, please!)
You are welcome to bring a favorite game to play with the group.

How To Support Hurricane Relief Efforts



If you would like to make a donation towards Hurricane Helene relief efforts, but are unsure about where to donate, the following organizations are on the ground making a difference in regions affected by the storm. Learn more about each organization and how to give by clicking on the links.

First Congregational United Church of Christ of Asheville: This is Terri and Ed McFadden's former church, located in Asheville, NC. UCC Asheville has created a secure online VANCO banking site, specifically for local hurricane relief.

Operation Air Drop: Initially, Operation Air Drop helped with search and rescue efforts and dropping goods in locations that are unreachable by vehicle. Current efforts are focused on ground operations as well.

World Central Kitchen: WCK delivers water and fresh food to areas affected by the storm, including Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and Tennessee, by partnering with local kitchens, food trucks and restaurants.

A Few Photos from the Twenties Hike on Saturday!

Twenties Hike & Lunch!

THE TWENTIES (A NEW FBC FELLOWSHIP GROUP FOR THOSE IN THEIR 20S AND 30S) ENJOYED BEAUTIFUL WEATHER AND EVEN BETTER COMPANY OUT FOR A HIKE IN BEVERLY COMMONS AND LUNCH AT ANDALIN THIS PAST SATURDAY!

STAY TUNED FOR DETAILS ON THEIR NEXT EVENT ON 11.9.2024!





What a joy it was this past Sunday to have all of our regular Christian Education offerings get a fresh restart for the new program year!

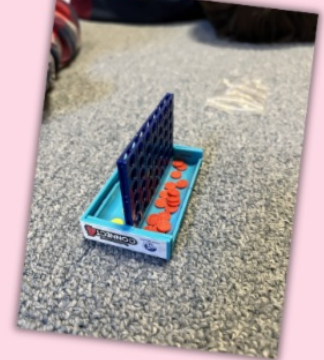


Here is a quick refresher on the Sunday morning programs that we currently make available:

- **Infants & Toddlers** - Our Infants & Toddlers room is located in the Office Wing hallway (straight across from the main sanctuary doors). The room is set up for children aged 2 years and under, and the room staff are prepared to receive children beginning at 9:45 each Sunday morning. Children will only be released to their parents or other designated caregivers at the door to the room.
 - **Littlest Learners** - Our Littlest Learners program is designed for children who are 3 years old through kindergarten age. The classroom is off of the hallway just beyond the double doors at the front of the sanctuary, on the pulpit side. Children may be dropped off at the door of the room beginning at 9:45 each Sunday morning, or they may join the group when they regroup in the sanctuary immediately following the Stepsitters moment of the morning worship service. Children will only be released to their parents or other designated caregivers at the door to the room.
 - **Elementary-age Sunday School** - Children in 1st through 4th grade are invited to join our Elementary-age Sunday School class each week. The class gathers in the sanctuary during the Stepsitters moment of the morning service, after which they are led by their teachers downstairs to their classroom spaces in the Lower Narthex and/or the Chapel. If for some reason a student needs to join the class at a later time in the service, we ask that a parent or designated caregiver accompany them downstairs for drop-off. After the service, students will be released to their parents or caregivers in the Fellowship Hall during Coffee Hour.
 - **Youth Sunday School** - Students in Middle School and High School convene for their Sunday School class once a month at 11:30 a.m. The class meets upstairs in the Youth Lounge, which is most directly accessed from the stairwell in the rear of the building, near the door to the parking lot off of Hale St. Students may be unaccompanied when making their way to the Youth Lounge; unless directed otherwise, the teacher(s) will release the students to themselves at the end of class.
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Tiny Games were a BIG Hit!

*FBC Fellowship
Recap from Sunday*



**Make Life Sweeter
for our Downtown Trick-Or-Treaters!**



**TIME TO DONATE SWEET TREATS
FOR BEVERLY'S DOWNTOWN
TRICK-OR-TREAT ON THURS., 10/24
FROM 4-6 PM! FBC CAN'T WAIT TO
PARTICIPATE AGAIN, (& YES,
ESTHER WILL BE BACK ON THE
ORGAN!) BE SURE TO JOIN THE FUN!**



First Baptist will be participating again along with our friends from Harborlight Nursery School and Family Promise in Downtown Trick-or-Treat! We hope trick or treating friends pop in to see us and get some treats BUT ALSO the church family is asked to donate a bag of candy or a food-free treat item to help support our participation in this effort (it takes A LOT of candy to meet the demands of this busy event!).

*We are a Teal Pumpkin site (part of an Allergy-safe movement) so please ensure that any candy donated is peanut free, nut-free, and free of the top 8 food allergens. The easiest way to do this is to avoid any chocolate-based candy and stick with sugar-based candy (examples being Skittles, Sour Patch Kids, Gummi Bears, Swedish Fish, etc.) OR opt for non-candy food treats that are individually packaged or non-food treats such as pencils, stickers, etc.

The 2024 Holiday Fair's Silent Auction Needs Your Help!

The Holiday Fair is Saturday, November 16th this year. We would love to have your support

for the Silent Auction and there are many ways in which you can donate; with your time, your talents, or financially. If you would like to volunteer your time and talents, please contact Doris-Ann at vosselerd@mersd.org.

At this time, we are asking for experience gifts. If you would like to make an experiential donation, here are some suggestions that would be of interest to bidders:

- Tickets or passes to cultural events, concerts, museums or theater.
- Tickets to professional sports games, such as the Patriots, Celtics, Bruins or Red Sox. Sports tickets are always the most popular items in the silent auction.
- A special skill that you would be willing to share and offer as a gift experience, like music or dance lessons
- A membership or subscription service, like Netflix, Blue Apron, Stitch Fix, or Audible.
- Gift certificates to local restaurants and stores. Support both our local businesses and the church by purchasing a gift certificate to donate!

Donations should be received **no later than Monday, November 11th**. Every cent raised from the silent auction supports the many ministries of this church and the larger community it serves. There are no expenses taken out of whatever money is raised so you are not only supporting a very worthy cause; you are also supporting a fundraiser with no administrative costs. If you have a donation, please contact Doris-Ann at vosselerd@mersd.org, or contact Pat at the church office at 978-922-3295 to let them know what you plan to donate. *Your donation will be very much appreciated.*



Looking at this week and beyond at FBC...

Together Again!

Zoom Coffee Hour
Thursdays
@ 10am



[Link to Zoom on In!](#)

Get your tickets or become a sponsor today!

OCTOBER 10th | True North Ales | 6:00 - 9:00 PM

Thanks to our Sponsors:

Featuring:

Get your Tickets to the Harborlight Homes Annual Fundraiser at True North [HERE!](#)

Lectio Divina
continues Friday
with Daniel and
Friends at 5:00 pm.

Join us in the
Lounge or via
Zoom!



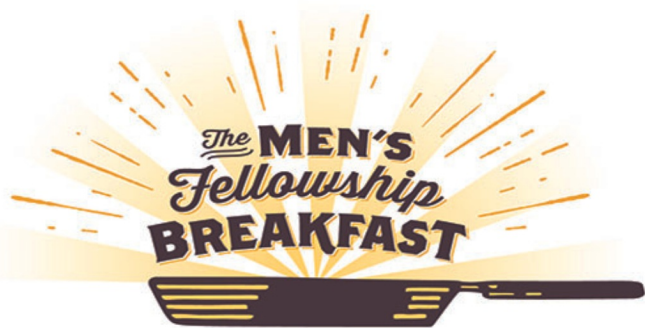
**NOT MEETING
SUNDAY ~ STAY
INSTEAD FOR FORUM
LUNCHEON W/REV.
WAYNE LAVENDER
TO TALK ABOUT F40!**

Let's have more time! Join the Word Searchers in the Conference Room at 11:00am on Friday morning. The class that we have now meets twice. The primary text is Hebrews 12:1-5 (which surely everyone has memorized). The final text is Revelation by Will Willimon in *Heaven and Earth* will focus our attention on the theme of "strong" and "consider this text." We hope to see you there!

[Link for Friday's Lectio](#)



**FBC'S T3 MEN'S
FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST
AT STEPHY'S ON TUESDAY,
10/15 @ 7AM!**



**FBC'S HOLIDAY
FAIR**
SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 16TH
2024

ENTERTAINMENT ♦ SHOPPING ♦ FOOD

SAVE-THE-DATE!

The Weekly
Worship
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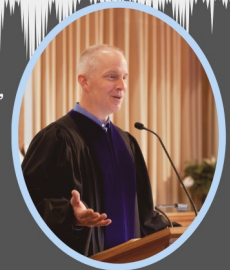
NEW EPISODE:

*"A Noah Story: Not Quite
Everything That Has Breath"*

Scripture: Genesis 6:11-22

Preacher: Dr. Daniel Johnson

Sunday, October 6, 2024



FBC'S THEOLOGY ON TAP

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• HANDCRAFTED WHEAT BEER •

PLEASE NOTE
THAT TOT IS
THE SECOND
TUESDAY FOR
NOVEMBER
DUE TO THE
ELECTION!



LOCALLY
BREWED IN
BEVERLY, MA

BEST SERVED
CHILLED: TONIGHT!
11/12/2024



“

Jesus said, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.' — Mark 9:37

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PENCIL IN FBC

October

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Wednesday

ECCO Housing Justice Group

Care about housing inequality in Beverly? Join us at 5:15 p.m. in the Chapel to consider how we can build the kind of people power that can bring about effective and lasting change.

October

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Thursday

Harborlight Homes Annual *Journey Home* Event at True North

Harborlight Homes hosts their annual event tomorrow from 6-9p.m. Get the full scoop and buy your tickets *HERE* to support this amazing organization born from FBC Beverly!

October

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Sunday

Foundation 4 Orphans Forum, Luncheon & Special Guest Preacher

Rev. Wayne Lavender will preach this Sunday then stay for a Forum and Luncheon immediately after Worship. The lunch will be free, but we ask that you *RSVP to Daniel* for it by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 11th, so that we can plan well for how much food to have on hand.

October

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Monday

Church Office is Closed

Our office will be closed in honor of Indigenous Peoples' Day and will reopen at regular time tomorrow.

October

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Tuesday

FBC's T3 Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Our men's group gathers this month for breakfast at Stephy's.

October

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Thursday

Living Room Conversations hosted at the Beverly Public Library (Part II)

This is the second gathering in a three-part local series running from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Sohler Room focused on the topic of "Our Political Autobiographies." Registration is recommended and folks will gather in small groups meant to help facilitate productive conversation. Learn more and register *HERE*.

October

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Friday

Fun Squad Hosts Intergenerational Game Night

It's time to break out the old popcorn maker and our favorite board games for a good ol' fashioned game night! Join the FBC Fun Squad from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for an event designed with everyone in mind!

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