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Join Us for Sundays at First Baptist Church in Beverly

Communion Sunday November 1, 2020

REMINDER: Our Sunday worship services have been moved to an online format. Please join us via our First Baptist Church Facebook (<u>https://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistBeverly</u>) page on Sunday morning at 10 a.m. for a Facebook Premier Worship Service - this will be a FULL worship service experience, with participation from both ministers, as well as music from Esther Chang. This video will also then be published on our website at <u>www.fbcbeverly.org/sermons</u>, as well as on our <u>YouTube channel</u>, and can also be found on our Facebook page at any time after it is initially posted. Our thanks go to the Constantine family for helping to create this full worship experience in our on-going efforts to best reach our church family in a variety of ways.

For more information on this topic and to stay informed about all COVID-19 related changes and announcements, please go to <u>http://www.fbcbeverly.org/covid-19-and-temporary-closure-at-first-baptist-in-beverly/</u>

10:00am: Join us on our <u>Facebook page</u> for a Facebook Premier Worship Service!

(This video will ALSO then be available to watch at any time following on our Facebook page and website.)

For this Sunday: BYOC - Bring Your Own Communion! Bring whatever element you have for the Bread and the Cup, and we will have the opportunity to share in the Lord's Supper together

The Holy Packing List

Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Preacher: Rev. Jaimie D. Crumley



Sunday School Supply Crate Pick-Up #2 This Sunday!

Our Virtual Sunday School program has been rolling along, and we are having SO MUCH fun with all our Sunday School friends each week!

Time has flown, and we cannot believe that we are ALREADY to the first Sunday of a new month – which means it is time for our SECOND SUPPLY CRATE PICK-UP AND HANDS-ON ACTIVITY! This Sunday, November 1st, we will NOT gather for a class on zoom; instead, all families are invited to come to the church parking lot any time between 11:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. to get the supplies for our November lessons AND to participate in a fun, hands-on activity!

We are asking that IF you have your original box of supplies that you bring that back with you for a refill – this will help us be good stewards of our earth, using less boxes AND we hope it will help keep things more organized for families, too, having just one box that we will refill and recharge each month! HOWEVER, do NOT despair if you no longer have your original box (or if it's in rough shape)! We have more, and we can restock you, as needed!

As always, we ask that when you come to the church that you please make sure to wear a mask (the style that loops around the ears; no gaiters, please!) and maintain good physical distancing so we can show one another care and keep one another safe and healthy. We suggest parking in the lot behind First Parish (the yellow church next door to First Baptist) and then just walking over to our lot for supplies and activities.

For our friends who live a bit too far to join us, we will be emailing you needed supplies and the weekly family sheets, as we did in October!

We will then RESUME our zoom classes on Sunday, November 8 th, at 11:15 a.m., using our standard login information for the zoom classroom. If you are not yet registered/do not have this login information, please go to <u>www.fbcbeverlv.org/sunday-school</u> to register and receive all that information you need. If you CANNOT attend the supply pick-up, please email Julie at <u>jflowers@fbcbeverly.org</u> so we can make arrangements to get your family's supplies to you!

We are looking forward to seeing you all on Sunday!



Middle School and Senior High Fellowships

SPECIAL NOTE FOR BOTH GROUPS – We will be using an app called MyMedBot going forward to help check youth and advisors in for each week's program. This app is FREE for users, but you will need to set up an account after receiving an invitation email from the church/from Julie. PLEASE make sure that Julie has your best email contact for this week so she can get your set up! Email her at <u>jflowers@fbcbeverly.org</u> to make sure she has this information!

Middle School Fellowship, Sunday, November 1st Nature Scavenger Hunt *Note Earlier Time 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.*

The Middle School Fellowship meet be meeting at a slightly earlier time this Sunday, November 1 st, to try to grab more daylight, now that it will be getting darker earlier. The group is invited to meet at the field next to the Hannah School (turn off of Brimbal Ave onto Wayland Rd and drive to the end to find the field), and then will be walking over to the Hannah Trails behind the school for a fun-filled Nature Scavenger Hunt! Participants are asked to dress for the weather, to wear warm/sturdy footwear for walking in the woods, and to wear a mask (the style that loops around the ears; no gaiters, please!). Although we typically ask participants to NOT be on their cell phones during Fellowship time (so as to better pay attention to one another in the group and build community), it will be helpful for anyone who does have access to a phone or digital camera to bring those along, so as to gather pictures of their scavenger hunt items! Youth can be picked up from the field near the school at 4 p.m.



A little socially distant ultimate COVID-times soccer for our Middle School Fellowshippers this Sunday!

Senior High Fellowship, Sunday, November 1st Outdoor Movie Night *Note Later Time 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.*

The Senior High Fellowship will be gathering outside in the church parking lot for an outdoor movie night! We know it may be a little chilly, but we are making that part of the fun! Youth are asked to bring a chair (we will be sitting with distanced seating in the parking lot!), as well as a sleeping bag in which to sit (or several warm blankets to bundle up) and are ENCOURAGED STRONGLY to wear layers, hats, mittens/gloves, etc. We know youth asked about warm winter pajamas, and that is fine – but we do encourage extra layers and a hat, for sure! As always, participants are asked to bring a small hand sanitizer and to wear a mask (the style that loops around the ears; no gaiters, please) for the program. Youth MAY BRING a drink or movie-watching snack for themselves, once they are seated. We will NOT be sharing snacks at this program, so please bring along a little something, should you want it! We will end the evening sharing Concerns and Celebrations before heading home!



The chilly fall weather on Sunday was no match for our dedicated and hardy Senior High Fellowship youth and advisors, who bundled up, masked up, and were out on the water! Special thanks to the Blanchard family for hosting us at their home on Chebacco Lake!

Spiritual Practice for November: A Month of Gratitude

In the month of November, our Children's Sunday School will be trying out a spiritual practice of keeping a Gratitude Journal each day from November 1st through Thanksgiving. We are inviting our children to pause for a few moments each day and then to write or draw or share creatively in ways that work for them about a different prompt for each day – and then to close their time with a short prayer we have included, as well. We wanted to invite others to join our children in this spiritual practice, if you would like – you don't need a fancy or special journal; just some paper to write, sketch, or draw, and some time to reflect a little each day!

You are invited to use this daily list to join our children in a month of gratitude, if you would like!

Follow this link to view a printable PDF of the list of Gratitude Journal Prompts.

November Spiritual Practice: *A Month of Gratitude*



Special Opportunity for Middle School and High School Youth and Families to Meet with Rev. Jaimie Crumley

Middle School and High School aged learners and families – here is a special opportunity for you! Rev. Jaimie Crumley, our new Virtual Ministry Associate, has an amazing background in creating learning opportunities for youth in your age groups AND she is excellent and creative in terms of creating programs in the virtual space. She would LOVE to help create a specific learning opportunity/Christian Education class for YOU that works for your needs and hopes and at a time that would be good for you. TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN, SHE NEEDS YOUR HELP! We would like to set up a virtual meeting for youth and families with Jaimie to talk about what you would love to see – and for her to get to know you and you to get to know her.

Please email Julie and Jaimie together (<u>iflowers@fbcbeverly.org</u> and <u>icrumlev@fbcbeverly.org</u>) if you would be interested in this initial conversation and in sharing with Jaimie about what you would most love in creating a Christian Education class and space that's perfect for you!

Opportunities to Connect Virtually Via Zoom

We may not be able to have a coffee time or a fellowship gathering all together in person, but we can still dropin and see one another in this way! You can join in a Zoom gathering EVEN WITHOUT a Zoom account. You will do so by clicking the link for the given event you wish to join, and then allowing it to run on your computer or smartphone/device. You will then need to click to allow use of your audio and again to allow use of your video. You may be prompted to enter a Password, which is included with the posted event information, as needed. You can also use the phone numbers include below to CALL IN, even without access to internet or a computer/smartphone. We hope that you will join us!

For all Zoom sessions, participants will now need to enter the meeting id and/or password provided. This information is included with the meeting invitation link and info. ALSO Waiting Rooms are being used on Zoom sessions in many cases now - please make sure your device name EITHER clearly shows who you are OR watch for us to send a message in the Chat feature to the Waiting Room just asking for your name - you can just send us your answer back in the same chat box! This helps keep Zoom gatherings safe and welcoming for all!

Thursday Coffee Time, 10 a.m.

Topic: Zoom Coffee Time Time: Oct 29, 2020 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81836572547

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Meeting ID: 818 3657 2547 Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/k3voS3mSv

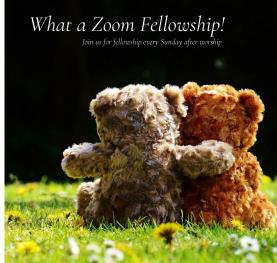
What a Zoom Fellowship!

Each Sunday, many of you join us LIVE on Facebook for our virtual worship service. We love spending that sacred time together, but we are also missing the joy of fellowshipping together after the worship service. <u>After the worship service each</u> <u>Sunday</u>, join your FBC Beverly friends for a time of fellowship. We will put the link in the Facebook comments, but it is below for your convenience.

Our fellowship time might be virtual, but it will be so wonderful to spend some time together.

Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://ucla.zoom.us/j/97973068006?</u> pwd=ajdFcy9pYmdBZmd1SUlJaUxSYlcvUT09

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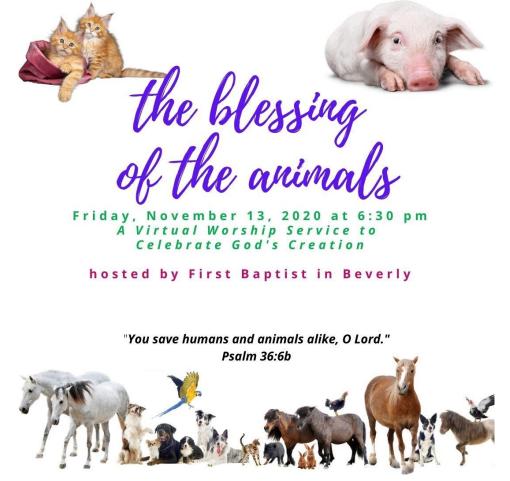
Contemplative Practice with Kent: Restoring your Soul, Friday at 1:00pm on Facebook

What do you do and where do you go, to restore your soul? An inspiring program of stories and practical steps to grow your spiritual tool box. Kent will reflect on how to find calm in the midst of the turbulence of life. At 1:00pm on our Facebook Page www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistBeverly

Theology on Tap for November Will Be Held on November 10th.

Due to Election Day on November 3 rd, Theology on Tap will meet on the SECOND Tuesday of November, the 10th, from 8:00 pm.– 10:00pm. A zoom link will be sent closer to the event. Please save the date and plan to join us for fellowship, good conversation, and connection!

The Blessing of the Animals Friday, November 13, 2020, at 6:30 pm



Join the First Baptist Church in Beverly on Friday, November 13, from 6:30-7:00 pm for the Blessing of the Animals (a virtual worship service)! We always enjoy our pets' companionship, and this year, our time with our beloved pets has been especially sacred. Join us as we thank our animal friends for all they do for us and as we celebrate our loving God, who has created all living things. If you do not have a pet, please bring a photograph of an animal you have loved. You may also bring a beloved stuffed animal (or two).

Please look for a Zoom link online and in The Bulletin during the week of November 2. For more information about our virtual Blessing of the Animals service, please contact Rev. Jaimie Crumley at jcrumley@fbcbeverly.org. Jaimie will also love to receive a photograph of your animal friends. If you have a story to tell about your pet and your relationship with them, she will enjoy reading it.

See you and your friends on Friday, November 13, on Zoom!

Mission Call to Action: Support Southern Mutual Help Association

Our Mission Committee met this week, and Liz Crean shared with the group a letter she had received from our friends at Southern Mutual Help Association, Inc. (SMHA), in rural Louisiana – a group with whom First Baptist Church in Beverly has partnered for multiple mission trips, followings Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Many members of our church family will recall traveling to Louisiana for these trips, and the work of rebuilding after these massive storms.

Louisiana was, of course, hit once again by devastating storms this year, and so our Mission Committee is sharing their appeal with the church family, for those who may wish to give a donation, to help the support the work of SMHA in their efforts to help folks there rebuild and recover from these storms and setbacks in the midst of a global pandemic.

Dear Friend,

In the midst of "noise" in the world there are splendid moments of quiet kindness. Those tender moments of reaching out beyond ourselves are the treasures in our lives.

Such is the recent image of an older woman in a tiny rural settlement not far from the coastline suffering the impact of Hurricane Laura. Breaking into tears as her life is challenged beyond her capacity to make things right again, she is embraced by Annette, who is the first person who has come to see how they all are. Annette and Monica and Andrea and Lucy have been on the backroads for days as SMHA's in-the-field hurricane damage assessment team.

SMHA is impacted, also. We need your strength and support now more than ever so we can be strong enough to make a difference.

I know it's a difficult time to ask you to make a gift in support of SMHA, but your kindness will multiply the kindness we all need in times of darkness.

Our Mission Committee will be making a donation on behalf of our church family in support of SMHA from our Project and Program Development budget line item, but should you, personally, also wish to make a gift to help support their efforts to support the people of rural Louisiana, you can do so by mailing a check to Southern Mutual Help Association, Inc., 3602 Old Jeanerette Rd., New Iberia, LA 70563 or online at https://southernmutualhelp.org/supportsmha/

Videos of Work on FBC Beverly's Steeple

Watch work being done on FBC Beverly's steeple in the videos below.

The finial at the top of the Steeple needed to come down due to weathering. The old finial, featured here in the second video, will be used to make a mold for a replacement to be fabricated using fiberglass.

Pictured (left) is Bob Levesque, owner of American Steeple, who has been working through the summer on painting and repair of the steeple.







Calling all Butterflies and Bees

Stephanie Dillon, a member of FBC and owner of North Shore Natives, has been contracted by the church to create an ecologically diverse habitat along the Cabot and Hale Street frontage. Stephanie carefully chooses native plants that attract pollinators such as bees and butterflies. This is one of the largest garden spaces along the downtown section of Cabot Street and is for the enjoyment of the community. This project reflects our congregations commitment to being good stewards of the earth. Our garden will only become more beautiful as the plants take root and grow. Thanks Stephanie!

Photo: Stephanie tending the garden.





Coming Up at FBC



<u>Thursday, October 29</u> 10:00-11:00am: Drop-in Zoom Coffee Time with Julie

<u>Friday, October 30</u> 1:00pm: Facebook Live: Contemplative Practice with Kent 5:00pm: Festival of Treats

<u>Saturday, October 31</u> 12:30pm: Lunch Program (Boxed meals to-go will be provided from the gym)

Sunday, November 1 10:00am: Virtual Worship via Facebook Premiere (Worship video may be viewed on Facebook, YouTube, and our website at any time following the initial Facebook post) Coffee Fellowship via Zoom Immediately following Virtual Worship 11:15am: Children's Classes Sunday School Supply Pick-Up/Crafts 3:00pm: Middle School Fellowship 5:00pm: Senior High Fellowship

<u>Monday, November 2</u> 6:00pm: Monday Night Supper (Boxed meals to-go meals will be provided from the gym)

> Tuesday, November 3 9:30am: Staff Meeting

Check out all of FBC Beverly's sermons at <u>fbcbeverly.org/sermons</u>

Transformed by the Journey: Moses and Me

Scripture: Exodus 34: 29-35

Preacher: Rev. Kent Harrop



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